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Preston Man Fined £20 for Adulterated Milk

ONE DAIRYMAN FINED £20

SEVERAL OTHER CASES.

Commenting on the evidence in a case in which H. Grant, a dairyman of Broadway, Preston, was charged with having sold adulterated milk, Mr. Orlando Walker, J.P., said that it had been shown that the sample contained powdered milk, and the offence was a serious one. Such milk might be given to babies, with serious results.

Grant was charged with having sold adulterated milk on February 11, and he pleaded not guilty.

Inspector J. O. Iles, who prosecuted, on behalf of the City of Preston, said that he purchased a sample of milk from one of Grant's carts. An analysis showed that it was deficient 7.7 per cent. in milk fats, and that it contained a percentage of powdered milk.

In his defence Grant said that he had purchased the milk from another dairyman, and had sold it as he had received it. The sample taken was the last milk in the can.

Inspector Iles said that there had been a previous conviction against Grant in 1928.

A fine of £20 (the maximum) was imposed, together with 10/6 costs.

OTHER CASES.

H. Sanders, of Hotham St., Preston, was presented on a similar charge.

Inspector Iles said on February 11 he purchased a milk sample from Sanders' dairy, which upon analysis was found to be deficient 14.8 per cent. in solids not fat, and 10.2 per cent. in total solids. The analyst's certificate also indicated that the sample contained 14 per cent. added water.

Sanders did not appear, but was represented by counsel, who pleaded guilty on his behalf. It was stated that Sanders was short of milk and

purchased "accommodation milk," which was, unfortunately for him, not up to the standard, and Sanders had been "taken down."

Mr. McMahon, J.P.—He should have been careful not to purchase "washed milk."

Mr. Walker, J.P. (Chairman)—There must be a good profit in it when a man can sell water costing 1/- per 1000 gallons at 5½d a quart. It was to be hoped that Sanders would be more careful when buying milk in future.

A fine of £5, with 10/6 costs, was imposed.

A charge against C. R. Bates, the driver who sold the milk, was withdrawn.

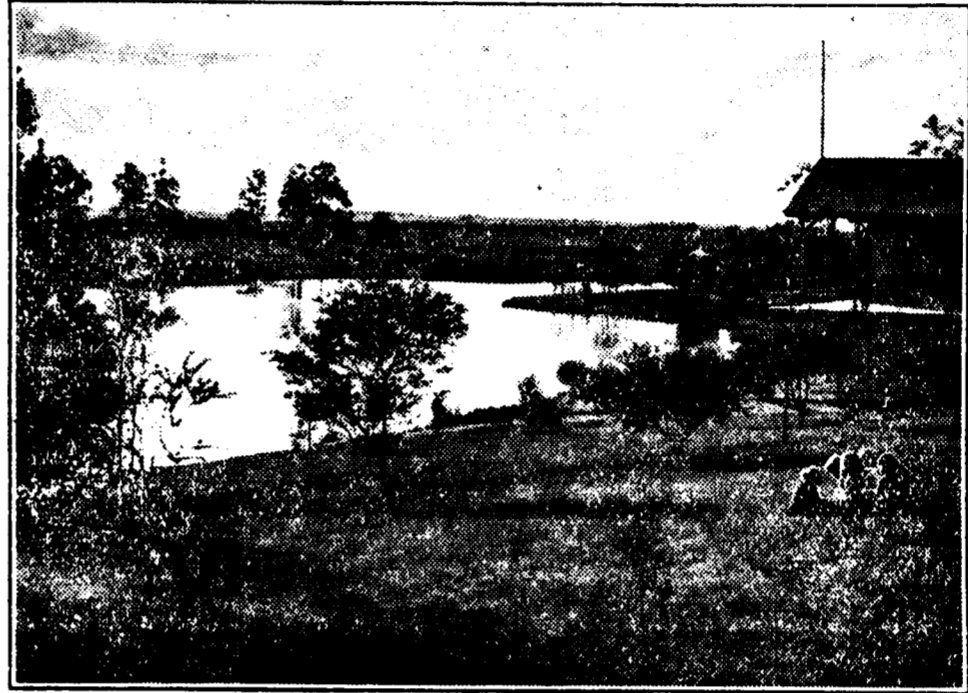
Mrs. C. Stabb, Plenty road, Preston, was similarly charged. In this case the evidence indicated a deficiency of 12.3 per cent. in fatty solids, and 5.2 per cent. in total solids.

In giving his evidence Inspector Iles said he knew that Mrs. Stabb purchased the milk for re-sale from another dairy, and also said that though he had taken samples from Mrs. Stabb before, this was the only time he had found anything to complain about.

Mr. Walker, J.P., commended Inspector Iles on the fair way in which he had given his evidence, and said that a light fine would meet the case.

A fine of £2, with 10/6 costs, was inflicted.

Children at Play.—A refreshing view of Edwardes Park Lake, Preston, showing the scenic beauty of this beautiful picnic ground.



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Preston can be justly proud of its band rotunda, which is the favored spot of the Citizens' and Soldiers' Band for giving entertainments.

A FATAL FALL

LINESMAN SUSTAINS HEAD INJURIES.

ACCIDENT AT PRESTON

Fatal head injuries were sustained by Ernest Derbyshire, a linesman, when he fell from an electric light pole in Stott street, Preston, on Tuesday morning. The unfortunate man, who resided in Bloomfield street, Althlington, was only 20 years of age.

Derbyshire was an improver in the service of the Preston City Council's electric supply department, and was assisting a linesman in connecting a main on to a new pole. The linesman was absent for a few minutes, and it is thought that Derbyshire climbed the ladder which was leaning against the pole. His fall was not seen, but residents of the street found him lying unconscious at the foot of the pole. He was taken to the Melbourne Hospital, but died shortly after arrival.

The funeral took place on Wednesday, the interment being made privately at the Heidelberg Cemetery.

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Reduction of Salaries Proposed in New South Wales.

TO AVOID WHOLESAL DISMISSALS.

In the Legislative Assembly, Sydney, on Tuesday, Sir T. Henley asked the Premier if the Government would arrange for a reduction in the salaries of all public servants, so as to save wholesale dismissals. He suggested that 10 per cent. should be deducted from salaries up to £300 per annum, 15 per cent. between £300 and £500, 20 per cent. between £500 and £750, and 25 per cent. over that sum. He also suggested that members of Parliament should be included and that there should be no exemptions.

Mr. Bavin asked that the question should be placed on the notice paper.

Mr. A. Reid asked if the Premier was aware that Victoria had given Communists 24 hours to leave the State, and that they were flocking to Sydney. The Premier was asked whether he would adopt the same policy with them as Victoria had done.

Mr. Bavin said he would consider the matter.

In reply to Mr. S. Robertson the Chief Secretary (Mr. Chaffey) said the question whether Australian youths were being Americanised by imported films was one for the Federal authorities. He would consider the matter of an alteration in the Public Halls Act, so that theatres could only be licensed which exhibited a certain percentage of Australian films.

PRESTON COUNCIL OFFICES

The additions to the building occupied by the Preston City Council electric light department will be completed in a fortnight's time, and should be occupied by the staff within three weeks. The city surveyor and his staff will go into their new offices next week.

DEATH OF MR. JOHN BROWN.

Mr. John Brown, the millionaire coal owner, of N.S.W., died on Wednesday, aged 79 years. He was the best known man in the coal industry, and one of the wealthiest men in Australia. His health had not been good for some time, and in Monday he became critically ill. His relatives were called to his bedside on Wednesday morning, and in the afternoon he died. He was a former president of the Northern Colliery Proprietors' Association; he was almost equally well known for his interest in racing, and for the large number of thoroughbreds which he owned.

MORE VANDALISM.

SOUTH PRESTON METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL VISITED.

Last Tuesday evening the South Preston Methodist Sunday school was visited by vandals, who, being unable to secure anything of value to them, set out to play havoc with the property. The kitchen at the rear of the school building was entered, the crockery was removed from a cupboard and smashed to pieces and scattered over the floor.

LONDON'S AMAZING POVERTY.

Generally through a tragedy Londoners occasionally learn of the amazing poverty to which the fortnightly spectacle of the dole queues forms a screen. Evidence was given at the inquest into the death of Frederick Grimes, aged 25 years, an unemployed laborer, that he had not been out of doors since his mother pawned his only suit three years ago. Grimes on Sunday borrowed his brother's suit and went to his uncle's house. He complained that the air in the room was stuffy, and when opening a window he overbalanced and fell into the street, receiving fatal injuries.

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OUR SERIAL STORY

CUPID AND THE MISANTHROPE.
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By **M. C. RAMSAY**

"Mr. Clyde is wanted at the telephone," Arthur Clyde, who was spending a happy evening with his fiancée, rose reluctantly when the Carstairs' butler made this announcement.

"I won't be many minutes, sweetheart," he said, and hurried out.

"Is that you, Mr. Arthur?" came in a bright tone over the wire and he would scarcely recognise the voice, that of the old housekeeper at home. "You must come at once," she went on. "There is something seriously wrong with the master."

Arthur Clyde's heart almost ceased beating. The uncle who had brought him up, and whose heir he was supposed to be, was very dear to him. He had thought, once or twice, of the fact that his uncle was carrying some heavy burden, but when the young man had ventured to ask if anything was wrong, Mr. Clyde had angrily answered, "No," though the truth of the matter was that he had been speculating with the hope of leading a greater fortune to the nephew who was dear to him as a son.

"Tell him I'll come at once," Anne, said Arthur, little dreaming that his uncle's ears would never hear mortal voice again.

For the young man hurried home to gaze, with wild eyes, upon self-sought death, and to grasp, at the same moment, the terrible thought of ruin, if not, as he at first feared, disgrace!

That was his one consolation, that sufficient was saved from the wrecked estate to pay every just and lawful debt, if he was himself left with scarcely a penny to call his own, and no more training for earning the bread and butter, to say nothing of the honey, of life than falls to the lot of most young men about town? He had dabbled in literature, certainly, but had never looked upon it as a staff, far less a crutch.

But he had youth, and health, and courage upon his side, and fancied he had also love, until, merely as a form, he owned he was a married man, a wife, and offered her the freedom she instantly accepted. Love in a cottage, in the dim and distant past, had no attraction for Miss Marjorie, especially when a stockbroker's mansion and carriages and motors were hers to command. To be by her side could scarcely bear the sight of the stockbroker himself, but that was beside the question. One cannot have the rose without the thorn!

If she had even had the decency to wait a few months, Arthur Clyde might have taken it less to heart, but when the new engagement was announced little more than a week after the breaking of the old one, the iron entered into his very soul!

With his faith in womanhood thus rudely shattered, he betook himself to a distant land, a soiled, embittered misanthrope, though his years but numbered five-and-twenty. And yet time was when he had been the happiest, cheeriest young fellow in the whole social circle of which he was, in very truth, the life!

Dame Fortune thereafter deigned to smile upon him once more, so that, strange as it may seem, whatever he touched turned to gold, and "Clyde's Luck" became a byword wherever he went. Yet nothing could make up for the cruel blow, and when he came home again, some ten years later, and repurchased the old country house where his happy childhood had been spent, the county opened its arms in vain. His books and his pen were all sufficient for him. For men and women, as friends, he had no use!

Had he come home poor it was his firm belief they would not have given him a second thought. As he had come home rich, instead, he would give no thought to them. His needs were simple and his wants were few, and all he asked of the world was to be left alone. In time, even his wife rested public tacitly agreed so to leave him.

But well-meaning, if at times blundering, muddling boy cupid, eager to make amends for his great mistake in

the past, patiently and hopefully bided his time!

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Once in a while, however, the Misanthrope found his quiet retreat unbearable. Then it was his custom to set off upon a long walking tour, going wherever his fancy led him, following no beaten track, carrying but little money, dressed in the shabbiest of garments, with a choice book or two in his old knapsack, relying upon a wretched cottage for each night's lodgings and his simple evening and morning meal.

On the whole, the old housekeeper—who had been his nurse—was glad to see him go, even though weeks and sometimes months of silence and consequent anxiety, would elapse before he came back to her. As a rule, he was the stronger and the better in every way for having experienced much simple and kindly hospitality from the common people to whom he was but a poor scholar spending a well-earned holiday on the tramp, that being his usual role on such occasions.

One day, as he was about to start, he found for the well of charity in the country, he had never met a stranger, but the puzzled, grateful recipients never for one moment dreamt that the unknown donor was their sometime lover, who had given their gift, trouble, paid his small bill without question, uttered his heartfelt thanks, and gone his way.

If old Anne had known of those secret acts of kindness she would have been more hopeful of the outcome of all that she had done for him. He had bewail the sad change in her one-time nursing. Of old, he had a kind word for everybody, but now would barely acknowledge the most courteous greeting in the passing from the oldest friend when he did show himself in public.

The younger of the two maids who shared with her the work of the big unused house did not greatly exasperate when she saw that he scarcely knew the sound of her master's voice. No one but old Anne was allowed to wait upon him, and even she had long ago ceased to look at him with the eyes of his ever-strengthening barrier of reserve.

So it came, while he was still on the sunny side of forty, that everyone had given him up in despair, as the most self-absorbed and morose misanthrope, for whom his kind had little use, he evidently had for them. No one would have been surprised to learn that, even old Anne and her assistants had got their dismissal, and that he would henceforth become a hermit in very truth.

But boy cupid, who is so persistent when he likes, still patiently bided his time, and it was not long before he had set himself seemed to be.

"The only hope is for him to fall in love," Anne once observed, "and what chance is there of that, when he won't let his eyes light upon any suitable lady, and even if he did could never see the point of any such thing as marriage, he could at least have had a chance of finding some disinterested friend?"

She was a bit of a philosopher in her humble way, and she did not know of that little bit of sweetness in his life, the experience of the only interested kindness of the very poor to a weary, worn traveller along life's highway.

It may be that he had been specially fortunate therein, but he might count on the fingers of his right hand the occasions when, in all his wanderings, he had not been treated as a welcome, honored guest. When he did not know what time he was to start, he was in his eyes, a sadness on the fine, worn face, a touching humility in his whole manner, as he made his stereotyped request, which appealed to the "motherly" instinct latent in all true womanhood, and made most of those simple housewives feel that they must at any inconvenience, give the "poor gentleman" one happy evening in their humble family circle, one pleasant night's rest under their humble roof!

As he had scarcely known a day's illness in all the nine-and-thirty years of his life, Anne had little fear of convincing him in that respect when he was wandering, she knew not how nor where. She had, however, one faint present anxiety, that absent-minded as he was, he would one day meet with some accident or other, walk blindly under a horse's hoofs, or in front of a motor-car.

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At the conclusion of the business of the Northcote Council on Monday evening Mayor Hayes entertained in the Mayor's room a large number of North Ward and other representative citizens, who had attended to see Mr. C. Jones take his seat. The health of Mr. Jones was proposed by Cr. O'Malley, and Cr. Jones fittingly responded. Other toasts were the King, the Mayor, and the Mayor.

CYCLING NEWS
PRESTON PROFESSIONALS

The club's five mile road race on March 1 was won by J. Keane, with F. Humphreys second and H. Bird third. Tom Grogan secured fastest time (12min. 45sec.) Winner's time, 12 min. 55sec.

A cricket match has been arranged with the Hawthorn-Camberwell club for the 30th inst.

There was one more race for the aggregate trophy. At present H. Bird is leading with 232 points, followed by Fraser (218) and T. Gascoyne (191).

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FOOTBALL NOTES

ASSOCIATION ADOPTS NEW ROSTER.

NORTHCOTE'S DELEGATE OPPOSES

FIXTURES FOR THE SEASON have been agreed upon after lengthy discussion delegates at Monday night's meeting of the Victorian Football Association decided to adopt a new method of deciding the 1930 premiership. The season commences on April 26. In the first round eighteen matches will be played, instead of twenty-two, as in former years. The last of the home-and-home matches will be contested on August 23. The following week the first and second, the third and fourth, the fifth and sixth, and the seventh and eighth teams meet each other. The ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth teams play no further part in the competition. On September 1st the winners meet the losers and the losers meet the losers of the previous week's matches. From September 15 to 20 the semi-finals and final matches will be decided. The voting in connection with the new scheme was 15 for and 5 against.

Mr. L. Walsh (Northcote) said his club was opposed to the new roster. It was his opinion that the only fair method of deciding the premiership was for the clubs to play each other twice. Looking through the proposed list of fixtures, it would be seen that one club did not meet Prahran, Northcote, Coburg and Port Melbourne on their ground. Another club, and a strong one, would not meet Coburg, Yarraville and Prahran away from home. There were other fixtures favored by the arrangement of fixtures. The only fair thing to do was to play the 22 matches. In the list of matches drawn up, no provision had been made for a tie in the second round. Referring to the matter of members' tickets, Mr. Walsh pointed out that football was a poor man's sport. Instead of taking away concessions from the people who supported Association football, they would be well advised to encourage patrons to attend the various matches. The latest proposal was only a money-making matter.

Mr. J. Griffin (Port Melbourne), also opposed the proposal, as he considered his team would be victimized if the scheme were adopted.

A discussion took place regarding the proposal to increase the price of season tickets. It was generally desired to have the clause relating to same deleted from the proposal. This action was refused by the chairman (Mr. A. Turner), who stated that he intended to submit the new roster to its entirety.

Delegates were then asked to cast their votes with reference to the new arrangement of fixtures. The voting result was as follows: For the new roster, the numbers being 18 to 5.

DRAW FOR THE SEASON
The list of fixtures for the 1930 season is as follows. The games will be played on the grounds of the first named clubs:

April 26.
Brunswick v Northcote.
Camberwell v Oakleigh.
Port Melbourne v Prahran.
Williamstown v Yarraville.

May 3.
Northcote v Brighton.
Prahran v Camberwell.
Yarraville v Port Melbourne.
Sandringham v Brunswick.
Oakleigh v Williamstown.
Coburg v Preston.

May 10.
Sandringham v Northcote.
Prahran v Prahran.
Port Melbourne v Camberwell.
Oakleigh v Brighton.
Williamstown v Brunswick.

May 17.
Oakleigh v Port Melbourne.
Prahran v Coburg.
Brighton v Williamstown.
Northcote v Yarraville.
Camberwell v Sandringham.
Brunswick v Preston.

May 24.
Northcote v Coburg.
Port Melbourne v Preston.
Brunswick v Oakleigh.
Sandringham v Prahran.
Brighton v Yarraville.
Williamstown v Camberwell.

May 31.
Coburg v Port Melbourne.
Brunswick v Brighton.
Preston v Williamstown.

NORTHCOTE AND DISTRICT ICE WORKS

ARTHURTON ROAD, NORTHCOTE.

At this time of the year, when it is so hot, it is pleasant to know that right at your door is the Northcote Ice Works, where ICE may be had in any quantity, whether it be the small housekeeper or the butcher's shop, it is there. All you have to do is to ring up JW 1185, state your requirements, and we do the rest. That is simple yet what a convenience—that a boon. During this very warm weather your butter is nice and firm instead of that oily substance; the meat is kept sweet; the salmon is nice and cold; the same with salads, jellies, and all the other delicacies which make life so pleasant on a hot day. All this is made possible by ice from the above works.

There is no shortage of supplies. At the works are three large Ice Tanks, where ice is being made on a continuous process. There are large storage chambers filled with ice, which is an insurance of a constant supply.

While in the past cool storage for fruit has been largely catered for, extra accommodations have been provided for by the recent erection of large cool stores, whereby it is now possible to provide cool storage for 25,000 cases of fruit.

But that is not all. Here meat is kept cool and sweet in most chilling chambers provided for the purpose. Eggs and butter are stored in special cool chambers. Milk is also treated on the premises.

By the foregoing our patrons, the people of the district, and the public in general, can see that in this progressive and rising City of Northcote is an industry employing much labor capable of supplying their needs.

In spite of the hot weather and the sudden rises of temperature, the time to use our customers **NEED HAVE NO FARE OF ANY SHORTAGE.**

Sticks are always well maintained in order that, whatever the demand, a PLENTIFUL SUPPLY OF ICE is available to our customers.

We wish to thank our customers for the support given us, and hope for a continuance of same.

A hearty invitation is extended to any who may wish to inspect the works, and see first-hand an industry in your midst which is a vital necessity.

IS AUSTRALIA ALERT?

Count Keyserling says America is at the animal stage of its existence. Has Australia reached over that? On the whole, we may say she has. Australia is awake, but she is not alert. Hence the call of the new patriotic song "Alert Australians All. Your country needs you." If Australia is in the animal stage—and that is not a derogatory statement—then every Australian should take account in his activity. America is concentrating on a higher standard of physical living, and satisfying its spiritual needs with primitive forms of religion—fundamentalism and Billy Sundayism. These are more or less animal forms of religion and the crowd naturally gravitate towards that which is agreeable to themselves. Mass production is the animal spirit in business, in education, and in all the world would be well to sublimate this animal spirit, but people do not sublimate it. The advantage of the animal stage is that it makes for physical health, it is making for robust and vigorous physical health of the Australian people, and as the transference to a higher level tends to create a state of tension in the individual, so also does it in the nation, and those tension thrills are troubling the national life and foreshadowing a new state of tension where the cultural and humane soul dominates the animal instincts. Kretschmer, Gull-Curet and many another genius in art has observed the crudeness of our Australian civilization, but each one has happily made some definite contribution to its refinement. Let the individual citizen make his definite contribution, away from vulgarly into culture, and Australia will thrill to a new life, she will emerge from the animal into the human, from the life of instinct into the life of spiritual joy and power.

NEWS OF AUSTRALIA.

The authorities should take up with the distributors of news by telegraph wireles when William Irvine's complaint as to the almost entire absence of news of Australia during his two months' visit to Colombo. Australia needs advertising—by patriotic news services—and the present conflict pointed out by the commander of the "Castles" between the times of the British and Australian receptions on overseas vessels, which prevents full use being made of the Australian service should be easily remedied.

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We specialise in Corsets also, and offer
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MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS

MANY CONTRAVENTIONS
REPORTED.

ST. GEORGE'S ROAD CASES

As the result of a raid conducted by
officers of the Northcote City Council

William J. Jones, council inspector,
said that he saw Peter's car unattended

George Toohy, of Nelson
road, Box Hill, was charged with a
similar offence.

William Morgan Tomkinson, Bar-
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NORTHCOTE COURT

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

Before Mr. T. O'Callaghan, P.M.,
and Messrs. W. Hayes, A. H. Oldis
and E. J. Jones, J.P's.

Frank Thomson, of the farmwork street,
Collingwood, charged with having on

Robert John Tomlinson was sued
by his wife, Violet Lily Tomlinson, for

Platonee Gallagher sued her hus-
band for the maintenance of one child

Mrs. Gallagher said she married,
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"WORKING MEN
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CRIMINALS' ENDOWMENT.

SATIRE ON PROHIBITION.

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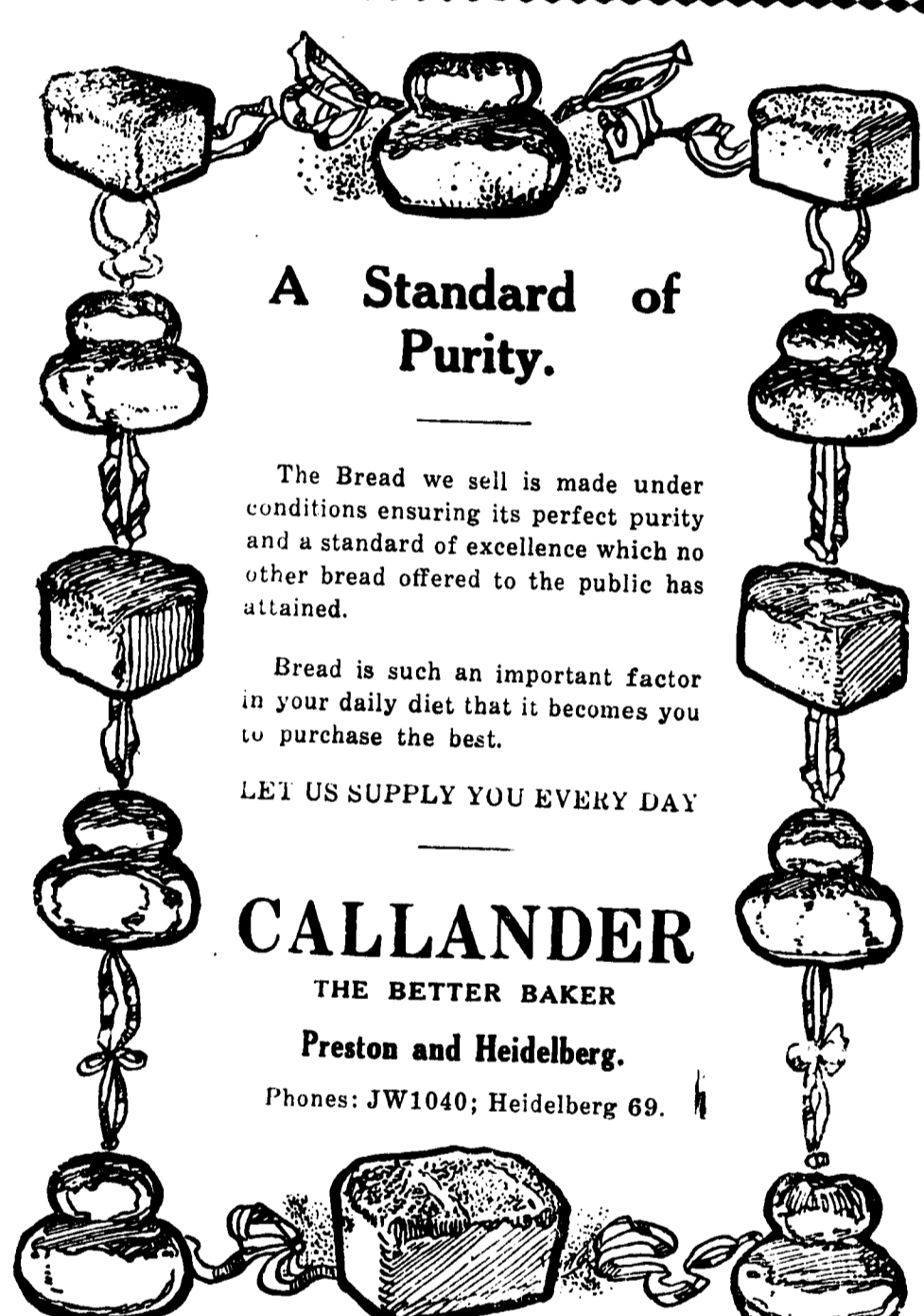
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BOOTMAKERS—Double Fronts, Eyelets, Linen Tapes, 2/11, 3/6; extra long 3/6, 3/9.
CHEFS & BAKERS—Duck, Eyelets, Linen Tapes, 2/11.
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In all sizes. Our make.
OVERALLS—Short sleeves 4/6; long 4/11.
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The Women's Page
(Conducted by "PENELOPE")

WEDDINGS

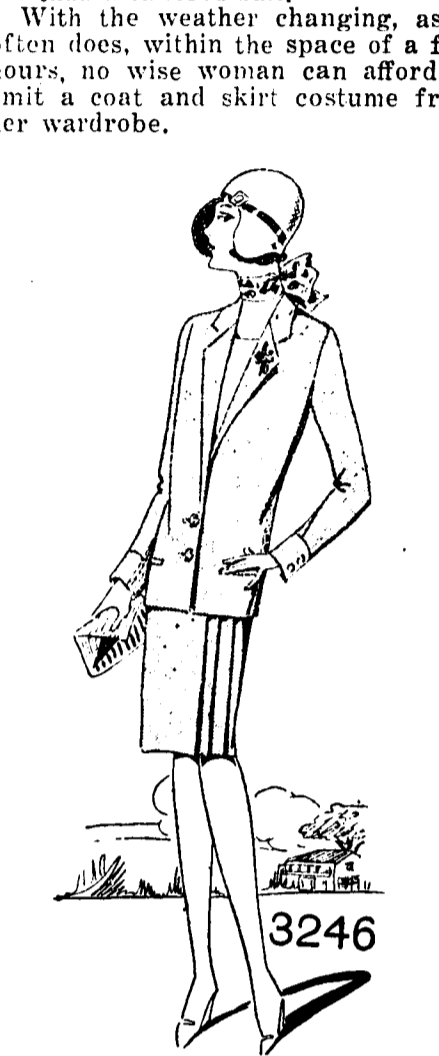
McSPERRIN—OLNEY

On February 22, at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, High Street, Thornbury, Miss Chrystal Rita Olney, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Olney, of 34 Coma-grove, Thornbury, was married to Mr. Arthur William McSperrin, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. McSperrin, of Shaftesbury parade, Croxton, by the Rev. M. A. Vaughan officiating. The bride, who attended the church in a gown of white tulle, wore a tiara and a large and gorgeous, the bodice was of tulle, the line of her figure and skirt flared gracefully to her feet. Her train was well mounted on a car, and was caught to her head with a tiara of orange blossoms, and she carried a bouquet of white flowers. The bridesmaids, Miss Nancy McSperrin, sister of the bridegroom, and Miss Dorothy Olney, sister of the bride, wore graceful frocks of delicate pink and delphinium blue georgette. Gowns of unadorned tulle were worn by the bridesmaids and their bouquets consisted of tiger lilies, anemones and carnations. The bridegroom wore a tuxedo with a white shirt and a white tie. The ceremony was held at Normanby Hall, under the capable supervision of Mrs. W. J. McSperrin, looking petite in a model of navy satin and geometric, embroidered with canary trimmings, and her smart navy haku straw and faille ribbon hat carried 1930. The bridegroom wore a smart frock of black lace and geometric, the bodice made in fichu style, with a black band and white buttons. The bridegroom's mother, Mrs. W. J. McSperrin, looked petite in a model of navy satin and geometric, embroidered with canary trimmings, and her smart navy haku straw and faille ribbon hat carried 1930. The bridegroom wore a smart frock of black lace and geometric, the bodice made in fichu style, with a black band and white buttons.

FANCY'S FASHION

SMART TAILORED SUIT

Among the kaleidoscopic changes of fashion the tailored suit, or, as it is often called, a coat and skirt costume, shows only slight variation of line from time to time, and is always in popular favor. Dressedly so, for there is nothing smarter or more useful than a tailored suit.



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COMING OF AGE

21ST BIRTHDAY OF MISS NELLIE CRONIN.

To mark the coming of age of their eldest daughter, Mrs. and Mrs. T. W. Cronin, of "Ballantrae," Harold St., Thornbury, entertained 200 guests at a social evening in Normanby Hall on March 1, the hall was richly decorated. The hostess was dressed in a black sequin tunic with lace, and a silver shawl, while Miss Cronin wore a silver dress with a blue and gold and sprig of hollyhock. The toast of the evening was proposed by Mr. C. McPherson (Mayor of Preston) who spoke of her fine qualities, and hoped her future would be bright. Mr. Geo. Cronin replied on behalf of his sister. Mr. Lockhart proposed the toast of the parents, to which Mr. Cronin replied.

RECIPES

Chelsea Salad

Dissolve a packet of lemon jelly in a pint of boiling water, seasoned with salt, and minced parsley. When cold pour a sherry wine and jelly into a mould, and when partly set, put in a layer of peeled and sliced tomatoes. Drain and add one cup of tomato sauce, half a cup of grated cheese, and two tablespoons of wine. Re-heat and serve hot.

Macaroni a la Napoletaine

Cook one-third of a packet of macaroni in salted water with a dessertspoon of butter and half a small onion stuck with all present salt. Drain and add one cup of tomato sauce, half a cup of grated cheese, and two tablespoons of wine. Re-heat and serve hot.

REMEMBER

That a little salt added will prevent the iron sticking.

That a pinch of carbon, or a few shavings of camphor, make the oil in a lamp burn more brightly.

That the side of a wooden box rubbed smooth with coarse glass-paper looks in either sex; but especially in women.

That it is surprising to see so many young girls, ugly, drooping mouths and gutters on either side where upper and lower lips join. This is simply because certain people have been allowed to become raw and disused through slovenly and incorrect pronunciation. There are scores of people who go for days on end without fully stretching or opening their mouth excepting to yawn. There is a good reason for this. The mouth is a better exercise than to practice the five vowels, "a, e, i, o, u," frequently and deliberately. The mouth in doing this assumes varying shapes which exercise muscles that control the shape and contour. This will also improve circulation and impart better color to the lips than any other.

ALL IN KEEPING.
A BEAUTIFUL NECK.

A poet or an extravagant lover once likened a woman's neck to the stem of a flower. The stem of a flower is often beautiful, a fitting complement indeed to the flower itself. Unfortunately with women, however, the neck is not often a face may be fair and flower-like even, and the neck below it fallow and unattractive.

With the shedding of furs and warm collars and the bright setting of summer clothes and summer wear, the neck must necessarily come more into the limelight, and how very few can bear that limelight! A really beautiful neck is quite a rare thing. It may so easily be a little too long, or, worse, too short; a little too thick or thin. Besides which it is all so irrevocably to the subtle lines of a well-set throat.

You can do little to alter the shape and line of your neck, though there are now obtainable little rollers which are supposed to massage the too thick neck into shape, and the procedure is patting in of creams or olive oil is supposed to round the neck out, but certainly the color of your neck can be altered.

For the average neck an ordinary cold cream to which some lemon-juice is added will be sufficient to keep it a good color. This may be patted in on the neck about three times a week, and the lemon-juice added to keep it so. For the neck that is round but hollow, the half of a lemon may be rubbed over the skin as it is. A skin bleach for a very fallow neck may be made with equal parts of peroxide of hydrogen (10 vols.) and rosewater. Some glycerine may be added if softening properties are desired also. Peroxide (10 vols.) may also be dabbed on the dark shadows that appear in the angle of most necks after shingling.

BANISH THE LINES!

A lined or thin neck may be improved by massage with the following: Six ounces of oil of almonds, one ounce of spermaceti, three-quarters of an ounce of white wax, two ounces of lanoline, half an ounce of pure glycerine, sixty drops of tincture of benzoin and a quarter of an ounce of balsam of Peru. This should be rubbed thoroughly into the neck two or three nights a week, rubbing across any lines there may be.

The ordinary creases, by the way, which appear in even very young girls from time to time are often caused by the manner of sleeping. A habit of sleeping with the head high creates a tendency to lines in the neck. Use a pillow, from this point of view, is much better than two or more.

Lastly, if your neck is not of the most beautiful, if indeed it is one of your bad points, or if you are not as young as you were and your neck shows it, as necks have a habit of doing, the best thing is to have a striped silk scarf well to smart for young and old alike, with the most simple outfit. A knot of flowered silk, from this point of view, is a smart frock, and even in the evening do not forsake the scarf's graciousness.

One charming friend knows the value of tulle on an evening gown, and in her latest wears a scarf of folded tulle which boasts a little knot of flowers at the side. She wears it sometimes loose about her neck so that the little knot of flowers comes just below one shoulder, or she wears it more smartly thrown round her neck and over her shoulder, so that the knot of flowers comes just under her chin.

BIG HANDS.

"I have been gifted with very big hands, and I should like to know if there is any exercise or any way in which I could get them a more natural size. It is very embarrassing and I am hoping against hope that you can find it in your power to help me."

Very little can be done to alter either size or shape of the hands, I'm afraid, but much can be done to improve their appearance.

Hands which are much too red are much more conspicuous; so every night wash them well and rub them with a mixture of glycerine, lemon juice, and rosewater, and sleep in a pair of oil leather gloves, from which the fingers have been cut. Proper care of the nails is also important.

Simple exercises might also help you to use your hands in such a way that they are not ungainly. But try not to be self-conscious about them.

A PRETTY MOUTH

Months are now reckoned to be as important as the eyes when summing up a person's features and looks in either sex; but especially in women. It is surprising to see so many young girls, ugly, drooping mouths and gutters on either side where upper and lower lips join. This is simply because certain people have been allowed to become raw and disused through slovenly and incorrect pronunciation. There are scores of people who go for days on end without fully stretching or opening their mouth excepting to yawn. There is a good reason for this. The mouth is a better exercise than to practice the five vowels, "a, e, i, o, u," frequently and deliberately. The mouth in doing this assumes varying shapes which exercise muscles that control the shape and contour. This will also improve circulation and impart better color to the lips than any other.

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MASSED BANDS' DISPLAY.

FIVE BANDS COMPETE

A massed bands' display organised by the Reservoir District Band was held in the Preston Park last Sunday, and many excellent hymns and "celebrations" were rendered. Owing to the warm weather the attendance was only fair.

In presenting the cup donated by Mr. A. P. Sykes, the mayor (Dr. McPherson) said that it was splendid to see the way the bands kept going, despite the keen competition from "tin snare music," which was stifling all good music.

In awarding the cup to the Hawthorn Band, the judge remarked that there was a remarkable absence of expression and sustaining; the tune, however, considering the weather, was remarkably good. The points were awarded as follows, the possible number being 50:—Hawthorn 49, Williamstown 42, Preston 41, Oakleigh 41, Northcote Boys 40.

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MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 11, 12.
SEE AND HEAR GLEN TRYON in
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And GRETA GARBO in
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ETERNAL LOVE ETERNAL LOVE
MATINEE SATURDAY AT 2.30.

TALKIES AND MOVIES

"A WOMAN OF AFFAIRS"
Greta Garbo Fascinates

Appearing as Diana Merrick, a pleasure-loving English girl who exercises a special fascination over all men of her acquaintance, Miss Garbo makes one wish to see anew all the flattering and warm-tongued adjectives that almost exhausted themselves in her praise in "Anna Karenina" and "Flesh and the Devil." Here again she is glamorous, seductive and magnetic, and with the advantage of a fast-paced story that brings a succession of emotional changes.

Gilbert has a part that combines extreme romantic interest with a character portrayal far ahead of anything in any other recent vehicle. Warned by his father, a member of the British nobility, that his infatuation for Diana may spell ruin to all his ambitions and also cast disgrace on the family, he brings himself to the point of renouncing the girl and leaving for Russia.

"SKINNER STEPS OUT"
Hilariously amusing from start to finish is "Skinner Steps Out," sparkling Universal farce-comedy co-starring Glen Tryon and Merna Kennedy. It is a dialogue picture. Tryon has never done better work than in this picture. He has a role ideally suited to his exceptional fun-making talents. Opposite him is beautiful titian-haired Merna Kennedy, who also is exceedingly happily cast. In the role of "Honey," the young wife, Miss Kennedy is a most winsome and appealing heroine.

"SIDE STREET"—A POPULAR TRIO
For the first time in nearly a quarter of a century of screen work three brothers, each of whom has achieved success as an individual, are brought together in one picture. "Radio Pictures" all-talking hit, "Side Street." It is a story of New York police and racketeers, behind a tender theme of family love. Co-featured are the three Moore brothers, Tom, Owen and Mark. Along with the Moore brothers the cast includes Kathryn Perry, Emma Dunn, Frank Sheridan, Walter McNamara, Art Hill, Dan Wolcott, and other notables. Interwoven with a fast-moving story of Manhattan, politics, policemen and racketeers is a funny and Irish humor of a much background that affords a fine setting.

NORTHCOTE THEATRE.

The 100 per cent. Paramount talking pictures which are now an exclusive feature at this popular theatre each week are proving most attractive. This week-end another splendid programme is being presented. William Huston and Charles Ruggles, policemen and racketeers is a funny and Irish humor of a much background that affords a fine setting.

Westgarth Theatre

THIS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, MARCH 7 & 8.

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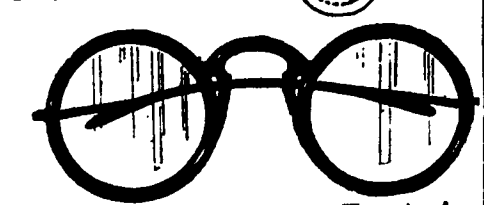
MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 11, 12.

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SKINNER STEPS OUT
ALL TALKIE ALL TALKIE ALL TALKIE

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Disgraceful Sacrilege and Vandalism in Churches

CAMPAIGN OF WILFUL DESTRUCTION

RECURRENCE OF EPIDEMIC REPORTED.

GOVERNOR OPENS VETERINARY CLINIC.

A campaign of vandalism and sacrilege in churches and Sunday schools is proceeding in Northcote and Preston.

Ill-balanced individuals are breaking into the sacred edifices, destroying books, papers and music, which on occasions have been set on fire. Walls are disfigured and electric fittings destroyed and other damage done.

It is not thought that robbery is the motive, as nothing of any value has been taken away; but that it is merely a campaign of devilish mischief by some persons suffering from the microbe of destruction—probably boys or youths. The thing has gone too far and the public, as it has a right to, looks for proper protection of its property.

Some time back houses were disfigured with paint and tar in Northcote and the perpetrators were never apprehended.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, NORTHCOTE, VISITED.

In a previous issue we referred to a case of vandalism in Northcote. Unfortunately there has been a recurrence, church properties being singled out for victimisation.

On Thursday the vandals visited the Presbyterian Church, Rossmore Street, to which they gained entrance by forcing a lead-light window. On the value of 4/- was stolen from a collection box, prayer books and books valued at £2 were pilloped on the floor and burnt, all the crockery was smashed, and electric light globes were broken. The drain pipes and the sink were stopped with cement. This police have been informed that a motor car containing two men, two women and three boys was seen near the church.

On one side of the car was a big placard on which was printed "Vote



Illustration of the Destruction at Thornbury and Preston Churches. Left—Methodist Church, showing cupboard, the lock of which was forced, and the hymn books and satisfactory torn up and littered over the floor.

DAVIS CUP TEAM LEAVES.



The team to represent Australia in the Davis Cup tennis matches in Europe called from Melbourne by the Naldera on March 11. J. Crawford (captain), on the left, shook hands with the president of the Australian and Victorian Lawn Tennis Associations (Mr. Norman Brookes), J. Willard (manager) is standing between them. Inset are E. F. Moon and H. Hopman.

PLANTS AND SHRUBS DESTROYED.

Within recent months Regent Park has been the scene of entrancing beauty. It has been hailed as an ideal children's playground, and has become the popular resort of Sunday afternoon strollers. Under this pleasant environment it seems strange to have to record the fact that on Sunday evening last the park was subjected to severe damage at the hands of some irresponsible person or persons.

Plants and shrubs to the value of £10 were broken and destroyed. The council's reward for information leading to the detection of any person responsible is prominently displayed at the entrance to the park, and it is to be hoped that the necessary information will be forthcoming.

Such destructive individuals should be severely punished, irrespective of person, or if found to be mad, should be confined in an asylum.

METHODIST CHURCH, PRESTON, DEFILED.

The Sunday school at the rear of the Methodist Church, Yann St., Preston, was entered during the week-end through a broken window. Money to

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, at 3 p.m. on the premises, 56 COLLINS ST., THORNBURY, close High St., tram and Thornbury railway station. Under instructions from THE EQUITY TRUSTEES CO. LTD., and Mr. F. W. LOCKYER, COMFORTABLE D.F. W.B. VILLA, containing 6 rooms, pantry, cupboards, 1 fire stove, gas, E.L.L., sewer, every conv., side entrance, in perfect order. Same tenant 8 years. Splendid investment. Street and foot-path made. Land 38 x 112. Three years terms. Solicitors—Messrs. Coy and Llewellyn Jones, Auctioneers, 174 HIGH ST., PRESTON.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 8, at 3.30 p.m. on the property, 1 HAMMOND ST., NORTHCOTE (Off Wales Street). Executors Realising Sale of **Splendid D.F. W.B. VILLA,** Five rooms and all convs., in tip-top order. Land 66 x 148; laid out in fruit trees, fowl pens. Title, Certificate. High position. Solicitors—Messrs. Madden and Gandy, 475 Collins St., Melbourne.

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RESERVOIR PICNIC

RESERVOIR CITIZENS' AND SCHOOL PICNIC COMMITTEE

FIFTH ANNUAL EXCURSION TO WILLIAMSTOWN

On Saturday last a special train conveyed about 1200 children and parents from Reservoir to Williamstown for the annual picnic. Many visitors arrived during the afternoon. The mayor and mayoress of Preston (Cr. and Mrs. McPherson) were present, and were entertained at afternoon tea by the committee.

The beach was patrolled by about 20 members of the Abnora Life Saving Club, and although hundreds of children and adults were in the water no accident occurred. The Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society provided an emergency hospital ambulance in charge of Mr. Woodland and Sister Martin, and during the day a dozen minor injuries received skilled attention.

About 800 children were provided with dinner and tea, and the parents with hot water and milk free by the committee. The committee was strongly reinforced by members of the Reservoir Mothers' Club in the gigantic task of preparing the meals for the children, and everything went off smoothly and speedily.

During the morning a programme of sports was carried out, the results of which are given below.

This committee has now completed its task, and at the annual meeting to be held in the Reservoir school at 2 p.m. on Monday, 21st inst. it will render an account of itself and go out of office. A musical programme has been arranged, the annual report and balance sheet will be presented, and the prizes distributed. The citizens of Reservoir, all of whom are requested to attend, will then be asked to elect their representatives to the new executive committee. The mayor and mayoress have notified their intention of being present, and the mayoress has kindly consented to distribute the prizes. The present committee consists of the following:—Representing School Committee: Mr. F. J. Wilson (president), Messrs. J. H. Smith and R. Stewart (vice-presidents), Mr. W. H. Clowes (hon. secretary), Mesdames D. McLeod and F. Hannaford and Messrs. E. Hardie and W. Mason, representing citizens: Mrs. Upton (treasurer), Mr. Austin (assistant secretary), Mesdames Lawrie, Frazer, Howie and Austin and Mr. Downie.

RESULTS OF SPORTS

Girls' Events
Under 6 years.—M. Pryon 1, T. Eynon 2, R. Bouchier 3.
6 to 8 Years.—L. Slater 1, P. Eynon 2, K. Francis 3.
8 to 10 Years.—L. Mitchell 1, I. Whiteoak 2, M. Stanborough 3.
10 to 12 Years.—M. Martin 1, Peggy Richardson 2, E. Baker 3.
Over 12 years.—G. Tindale 1, E. Porra 2, D. Kent 3.

Boys' Events
Under 6 years.—E. Lasky 1, F. Hannaford 2, R. Pryon 3.
6 to 8 years.—J. Nickells 1, M. Coffee 2, J. Mason 3.
8 to 10 years.—T. Grundlay 1, R. Baker 2, J. Birchall 3.
10 to 12 years.—J. Shacklock 1, R. Lush 2, G. Hastings 3.
Over 12 years.—H. Ward 1, D. Irwin 2, D. Brown 3.

School Champion—H. Ward 1, D. Irwin 2.
Potato Race—V. Shacklock 1, D. Irwin 2, R. Kent 3.
Siamese Race, under 12 years.—V. Hardie and A. Dennison.
Siamese Race, over 12 years.—D. Storen and V. Shacklock.

Adults' Events
Picnic Handicap—E. Walker 1, Francis 2, Shacklock 3.
Stepping Chain—Lady, Mrs. Francis; gent, R. Stewart.
Whirling Barrow—Lady, Miss S. Frank; gent, J. Knuckey.

EGGS GO UP.
Wholesale quotations for eggs have advanced from 1d to 2d a dozen for all grades, owing to a general shortage of supplies, particularly of first quality. Last week's price was a slight improvement in the quality of eggs, which had been indifferent for some weeks, but their condition is less satisfactory again this week, and eggs of reliable quality are rather scarce. Weak albumen, revealed especially in the process of poaching, is the chief defect. Bakers and pastrycooks have been complaining also that they sometimes find it impossible to separate the white of the egg from the yolk on sale price of new-laid eggs has advanced from 1/2 to 1/4 a dozen, and graded and packed eggs are selling at up to 1/6 a dozen.

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 1915."

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

City of Preston.

PUBLIC MEETING POSTPONED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the PUBLIC MEETING of Citizens, Employees and all interested persons to be held on 12th instant HAS BEEN POSTPONED and will be held at Town Hall, Preston, on MONDAY, 17TH MARCH, 1930, at 8 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of taking action in regard to Voluntary Enlistment and Enrolment in the Australian Military Forces and Cadets.

G. C. McPHERSON, J.P., Mayor of Preston.
Town Hall, Preston.

MURRAY TENNIS CLUB.

NIGHT TOURNAMENT.

Singles Championship of Preston.

Under the auspices of the Preston Lawn Tennis Association, the above club invites entries from residents of Preston, or members of Preston clubs, for above.

ENTRIES CLOSE 24/3/30. Fee 2/6 TROPHY 25/6.
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Messrs. Campbell Bros., Edwards street.
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Albionington.
Mrs. J. Siddon, 348 Heidelberg road.
Mrs. W. Woodnorth, 644 Heidelberg road, Heidelberg.
Mr. G. Sheffeld, Burdandy road.

HOYTS MERRI THEATRE.

For the week-end "Side Street," with the three Moore brothers leading, a strong cast, and Vilma Banky in "This is Heaven," are the attractions.

The Monday change brings "Skinner Steps Out," one of the brightest of Tryon's comedies. Both Tryon and Miss Kennedy have ideal roles.

Tryon plays the part of a young husband who is a hero to his wife and a "dub" to his business associates. Miss Kennedy is the young wife who inspires him to become a social and business success. Tryon in the role of an orchestra conductor and auctioneer at a charity bazaar does some of the funniest acting of his career.

The support is "A Woman of Affairs," with Greta Garbo and John Gilbert co-starred. One exciting episode follows another, with a smashing climax that catches the audience unexpectedly, and adds to the impression previously received that this picture is the most absorbing of many seasons.

This picture is beautifully produced, and artistically set pictorially. There is one scene of an Oxford and Cambridge boat race, for instance, which is as amazingly well done. And, of course, there are those emotional episodes between Miss Garbo and Gilbert.

Thursday ushers in two great features, "Alibi" and "Eternal Love." "Alibi" is a sensational film thriller.

Roland West produced and directed this United Artists picture, and in it he achieves the ambition of a lifetime—"the perfect melodrama." Spectacular, crammed with tense drama, laugh, action and invested with modernistic settings and rich accurate "sets," "Alibi" represents the last word in movie mystery dramas. In "Eternal Love," a romance of the Swiss Alps, in which he has the role of a daredevil mountaineer, John Barrymore is supported by Camilla Horn, Victor Varconi, Mona Rico, Hobart Bosworth, Bodil Rosing, Evelyn Selbie and a host of other well-known players.

The feature is an Ernest Lubitsch production, personally directed by the great German megaphone wizard. Rich in romance, stank drama, humor and spectacle, "Eternal Love" easily ranks among the finest pictures ever made. Barrymore gives a flawless performance in his character of the untamed mountaineer whose amorous adventures leave tragedy in their wake.

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25 COUNCILS DISAPPROVE.

The State Government's suggestion that metropolitan municipalities strike an extra rate to provide work for the unemployed was almost unanimously rejected by the conference held by the Minister for Public Works (Mr. Jones) yesterday.

Of the 25 representatives of suburban councils who attended, only the Fitzroy delegate opposed the support of his council.

The reasons given by delegates for opposing the scheme were that it was unfair to property owners to ask them to pay for unemployment relief, that because of the general depression many could not afford to pay any rates, let alone an extra one, and that unemployment relief was a Government and not a municipal responsibility.

Various suggestions, including a stamp tax on wages and the suspension of industrial awards, to enable men without work to accept lower wages, were made by delegates.

MINISTER'S EXPLANATION.
 Opening the conference, the Minister explained that it was intended that any money raised by the means suggested would be spent by the municipality concerned. There was no intention to make a general fund administered by the Government.

The Government has decided to offer the municipalities 10/ for every

THE BOY SCOUTS

1ST PRESTON TROOP

Last Saturday we commenced a cricket match against the Returned Soldiers and spent a very enjoyable afternoon. The match will be concluded this Saturday afternoon. Arrangements have been made for the commencement of the popular first evening and social was held on Wednesday evening details to put to a full meeting of parents and friends to be called at an early date. Misses Kilner, Burr and Willis are the young ladies nominated. At the last meeting of the C. of H. the patrol were filled in for the coming year. There are a few vacancies. Apart from the Regent Park courts on Saturday next, commencing at 2 p.m. The umpires will be Messrs. R. Carroll and T. Bromley. All tennis enthusiasts who visit the park on Saturday will enjoy a good afternoon's entertainment. The standard of tennis is high and with enthusiasm on both sides some very exciting games are anticipated. The beautiful surroundings of the gardens and lawns in the park will also tend to make the day enjoyable.

The association intends to organise a tournament to commence at 2 o'clock on the final, open to A and B grade players of Preston, as a wind-up for the season.

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More developments are taking place in transport industries today than for many days past.

A Scottish inventor is producing a Mingavie, near Glasgow, a full-size overhead rail-plane railway track which will carry passenger cars, worked by aeroplane propellers which will shoot along at speeds over 100 miles an hour.

These rail-plane cars have guiding wheels above and below them and as they gather speed the pressure of the air will lift them and so lessen the friction on the rails. Access to the cars is to be by means of overhead stations. The inventor has already built a model of the steel standards on which the rails are hung, long, straight stretches are said to be possible over undulating or rough ground.

In Germany another aeroplane propeller engine has been tested with good results, and further tests are to be made.

One of the most daring of many wonderful schemes of transport by rail was one for lifting sea-going ships out of the ocean, placing them on specially constructed girders, and carrying them across an isthmus. This scheme was once seriously suggested to connect the Bay of Fundy with the Bay of St. Lawrence.

The inventor's plans included giant cranes 20 ft. by 60 ft. on the floors of which were to be hydraulic lifts capable of lifting ships up to a gross weight of 2,000 tons. The vessels were to be moved by 400 ft. when they were to be hauled on to the rail tracks for a journey of seven miles.

Four sets of rail tracks side by side would take the ships, and two locomotive engines abreast would haul the whole mass along to the lowering dock, where it could be gently lowered into the sea again. Financial support was not, however, forthcoming to permit the inventor to proceed with this idea.

Before the War some interesting experiments were made with monorail cars, which after the style of a specially constructed monorail and one or two running wheels and a single rail upon which to travel. These monorail trains were kept upright by gyroscopes spinning at the high speed.

In theory they seemed bright, and plans were worked out to make a complete monorail, full size, but the expense of keeping the gyroscopes running the whole time, whether the vehicles were standing or moving along, proved unworkable.

Another ingenious inventor produced a monorail of a different type in Ireland. Balanced over a central railway track, special engines and carriages were made like two trains stuck together. Small wheels running along the rail between the sections of the engine, which had two rollers and two wheels, carried the whole weight of the train.

This Ballinunion Railway ran successfully until two or three years ago, but the idea has not been adopted anywhere else.

One of the newest ideas for speeding up trains comes from a German source. This is a rocket engine by successive discharges of explosive fireworks. The engine is to be placed at the rear end of a train, and as it discharges it will propel the train forward.

Another suggestion in Germany is to help trains up inclines by means of an elevator rail track. The theory is that, if trains were to travel at fifty miles an hour on a stationary



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LAWN TENNIS

PRESTON ASSOCIATION

Following are the results to date—
 A Grade Semi-Finals—
 Murray, 72, d Regent Park I, 68, Rothery, 68, d Cranross, 54.
 B Grade
 Murray, 72, d Oakover II, 37, Regent Park d Cranross.
 Oakover I, d Regent Methodists II, East Preston, 72, d East Preston II, 22.
 Points scored in B Grade:—Murray 40, East Preston I, 40, Oakover I, 36, Oakover II, 26, Regent Park 26, Cranross 18.
 The semi-finals will commence on March 15.
 The 1929-30 season is drawing to a close. The A Grade final will be played between Murray and Rothery on the Regent Park courts on Saturday next, commencing at 2 p.m. The umpires will be Messrs. R. Carroll and T. Bromley. All tennis enthusiasts who visit the park on Saturday will enjoy a good afternoon's entertainment. The standard of tennis is high and with enthusiasm on both sides some very exciting games are anticipated. The beautiful surroundings of the gardens and lawns in the park will also tend to make the day enjoyable.

Gardening Notes

VEGETABLE CULTURE

WINTER AND SPRING CROPS

It is essential that those who desire to grow their own vegetables for winter use, and have not already done so, should make their sowings without delay.

The main winter vegetables, such as cabbage, cauliflower, carrots, beet, parsley, celery, turnips and swedes, are all fairly easy to grow, and so long as the ground has been well dug and manured with stable manure, and enriched with the autumn manure and sowings are made immediately, good crops should be available during the winter and early spring months.

The vegetables which are kept up during the warm weather. This is in part, as it is advantageous to have the vegetables make as much growth as possible during the autumn months, preparing the ground for carrots and parsnips, however, see that the manure is dug down well into the ground and not kept near the surface.

Cabbage can easily be cultivated, and on most soils. Ample feeding is, however, necessary, and this can be supplied by well-rotted manure or bonedist. If the latter is used, it should be dug in. Sow the seed in a seed bed, and when the plants are in the second leaf stage, transplant them apart. Recommended varieties for present sowing are East Ham and Golden Wonder.

Savoy cabbage is cultivated in a similar way. It needs a rich, deep soil to produce fine heads, but it will grow better on poor soils than most other kinds of cabbage.

Cauliflowers require well-worked soil, which must be enriched with plenty of manure. Sow the seed in beds and transplant in rows two feet apart, with 18 inches between plants. Copious water applications during dry weather, and light dressings of nitrate of soda and potash, are of much help. Broccoli are harder and less liable to light than cauliflowers, to which seeds are closely allied, although longer in maturing. The seeds should be sown in beds in rich soil. Cover the seeds to the depth of quarter of an inch, and keep the soil moist. It is a good plan to make the seed bed a little lower than the surrounding ground, so that whatever water is used will sink in. The young plants, now well topped, may be planted out where they are to remain.

Brussels sprouts come into use in winter in their true character. Deeply worked, strong, rich soil is most suitable for this vegetable. Seeds should be sown on a well-sheltered bed, and when the plants are vigorous fit to handle, transplant in rows two feet apart and two and a half feet between plants. One of the secrets in growing sprouts is to let them have plenty of space for air and light. Borecole (or kale) is essentially a winter vegetable, for the simple reason that low temperatures effect a decided improvement in the quality of the vegetable. Deeply worked, strong, rich soil is most suitable for this species. Sow the seeds in rows, and when the plants are vigorous fit to handle, transplant into rows at least three feet apart.

Seedlings of the above-mentioned vegetables can also now be obtained, and where only good garden soil is required it would be better to plant these, giving quicker results, although a few seeds sown at the same time will enable supplies to be had for the table for many months.

During this month white onions should be sown, chiefly Silver Skin and Early White Queen, whilst sowings can also be made of the odorless variety. All onions require plenty of manure.

Plant sets of shallots, garlic, potato and tree onions now. They do best in light, rich soil, not recently manured. By treading well the soil will be in a great measure excluded, thus preventing the heat from rising too high; cover lightly with soil and leave for a few days. Then break the sown into pieces the size of a walnut, and place them one foot apart. Just as the plants begin to show, give a light watering, and a day or two afterwards put three inches of fine soil

over the bed. This is practically all there is necessary to do.

Another easy method is to grow them in grass plots. Just a piece of turf sods, and a yard or so apart, dig out the soil to the depth of twelve inches, put in ten inches of fresh manure, beat it into firm, then insert the pieces of mushroom spawn, just level with the surface. Add half an inch each of ash and replace the turf, beating it down.

CABBAGE AND CAULIFLOWER APHIS
 These greenish colored insects are one of the commonest pest on cabbage plants, but if the plants are thoroughly sprayed with nicotine sulphate of black-leaf 40, this destructive pest can be kept in check. Nicotine sulphate and black-leaf 40 are about as follows:—1oz. to five gallons of water. As the spray holds better with soap, it would be advisable to make the water soapy.

WORK IN THE BUSH HOUSE.
 (By "Hortus.")
 Copious waterings are very necessary in the bush-house at this season of the year. First of all, in many parts of the Commonwealth it is the wet, dry season; secondly, in many places there is little subsoil water; and thirdly, the warm or hot summer winds are very strong in character, drying out both plants and soil, and particularly if the plants are in pots.

Daily watering, and ample water, is quite necessary, and on very hot, drying days, it will be an advantage to give a second watering or an overhead sprinkling. For practically all plants that are grown in bush-houses are now growing.

In addition, all growing plants, ferns, including stag-horn, are sending out new foliage; so are begonias, bamboos, asparagus, tuberous begonias, aspidistras, palms, and others.

Basket plants and soil dry out very quickly at this season. The best way to encourage the growth of basket plants is to dip the basket in a tub or bucket of water twice each week.

In addition, all growing plants should be stimulated by frequent watering with liquid manure. It is this stimulus that just gives the extra vigour and growth that the plants need, and it is surprising to note how well the plants respond to such treatment.

When watering, do not throw water over the plants, but spray or syringe with weak nicotine sulphate.

If plants are growing in the ground and not in pots or baskets, they should now be well top-dressed with old leaf mould and powdered wood charcoal. Fuchsias give a bright decorative effect to the bush-house, if they are not too dark, and they look very well if trained to uprights or to the side walls. The new flowering plants, such as autumn bloom, and should be watered well to ensure ample bloom.

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The Women's Page (Conducted by "PENELOPE")

WEDDINGS COLEMAN-SMITH.

The Methodist Church, Yarr St., Preston, was decorated prettily with pink and white flowers and asparagus fern and palms on March 13 for the wedding of Miss Marion E. Smith, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith, of Flett, St. Preston.

The bridegroom was Mr. Horace Coleman, fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Coleman, of Bell St., Preston. Rev. Williams performed the ceremony, and the bride was given away by her father.

The bride wore a gown of white georgette and silk lace, very charmingly arranged from the bodice down, and a billow veil was held by orange blossoms. The bride carried a bouquet with white flowers and touches of pink.

MISS Mavis Smith and Nellie Coleman attended the bride, both dressed in white. The bridesmaids were in powder blue georgette and silk lace, and each carried pale pink carnations and delphiniums.

The breakfast was held at Normanby Hall, the catering being in the capable hands of Mrs. Overman. A possible service was attended to. The tea was in the hands of Rev. Williams and Mrs. Williams, Miss Blagden, Miss G. and Mrs. G. The evening music was rendered by Miss Bowley, pianoforte solo by Mr. Godwin Smith, and solos by Miss Bowley and Mrs. Hiddington. The bride's mother was frocked in navy blue georgette and floral crepe de chene was the choice of the bridegroom's mother for her gown.

A beige georgette frock with ensemble coat of beige crepe omlip; hat and shoes to match. The honeymoon was spent at Lorne, and the couple will settle at Rosanna.

RECIPIES. A Cool Drink. On a hot day when city workers come home fagged, there is nothing like a cool drink with wholesome ingredients for ridding the body and putting them in the right mood to enjoy the evening meal that you have had the trouble to prepare.

Stand when cold in an ice-chest for several hours. Stir well before pouring into glasses. Lemon Crumb Pudding. Take one half pint of hot water, add 1 oz. sugar, 1 tablespoon sugar, 2 tablespoons castor sugar, and 2 eggs. Beat the crumbs in a bowl and pour over them the boiling milk.

FANCY'S FASHION SMART YET USEFUL HOUSE DRESS.

Our illustrated pattern for this week is one that will appeal to all women requiring a smart yet useful frock for utility wear, one that can be made up at home in a short space of time and without difficulty.

The frock is in one piece from neck to hem. The double-breasted effect, the rather deep V neck, and neat collar are style features of this garment, which is cut on the latest lines, designed especially for house wear or as a nurse's uniform.

The frock is buttoned at the left side, and is confined at the waist with a belt buttoned at the back, as shown in the illustration.

Almost any material is suitable for making this dress, excepting of course, those of flimsy texture. For nursing linen would be the best, but other goods, such as cambrics and prints, would make up very successfully.

The pattern is No. 3276 (price 10d), cut in sizes to suit small women, medium, and medium-larges. The patterns can be purchased from district agents, as listed in another column in this issue. Ask your agent for a free copy of Demare's fashion monthly.

AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY. RESERVOIR BRANCH. The monthly meeting was held in Day's Hall on March 13. The president, Mr. P. J. B. G. occupied the chair, and there was a good attendance.

Should pay special attention to little finishing jobs, for they are always the hallmark of really well-turned-out garments. Should not have anything on the pattern that is not required for the making-up of the garment.

Should not finish off the inside as neatly as the outside. Housewives who have no jelly moulds, or who are not very successful in turning out jellies and creams when they do possess moulds, should not despair of making pretty party jellies.

FOOT COMFORT. FLAT SHOES AND FLAT FEET.

Flat shoes are no longer considered the most comfortable or the most healthy. A low heel is best for the enthusiastic walker, a medium heel best for ordinary wear.

Girls who will be playing a great deal of tennis this summer, and others who have worn beach shoes or zone barefooted for any considerable time must look to their arches.

When wearing flat shoes, try not to stand with the whole weight of the body thrown on to your feet. And try to raise the arches yourself by drawing the toes in a little.

Tip-toe exercises are, of course, excellent for your feet, anyway. But there are other foot exercises which are good and which may be practised almost any time and anywhere.

When you are sitting at a table or a desk sit with your heels apart, but your feet turned in to each other; in turning them towards each other also draw them up a little, so that the inside underneath of the foot is raised a fraction.

Another excellent exercise is to cross one leg over the other knee, draw the toes downwards, and move the foot in a circular movement, first upwards and then downwards.

Foot troubles, for some strange reason, meet with very little sympathy, but this is no reason why they should receive very little attention, and that is very often their fate.

Should not unpin the pattern pieces from the material until they are actually needed. Should remember that if a piece won't set well on the table, it won't set well on the wearer.

Do not forget the value of ground nuts as a decoration for birthday sweets. All nuts may be purchased ready shelled and ground at quite reasonable prices.

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MRS. C. BELL (LATE OF NORMANBY HALL, THORNBURY) Has taken over the Guest House "Bellmont" late "Craigrossie," Furnham road, Healesville.

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CHOICE OR COMPLICATION? MOMENTOUS DECISION. PROHIBITION NOT TEMPERANCE.

All adult citizens of Victoria must vote on March 29. It has been decreed that they go to State-wide polls and answer Yes or No to a proposal which the "Argus" describes as "utterly devoid of commonsense."

It is well to realize that prohibition, while for long stretches the only break to the sequence of sand, scrub and stony desert is to be found in the roadways.

Science and Experience. To claim that the prohibitionists do—that the temperate use of alcoholic beverages is wrong, is to contradict the experience of mankind.

Drinking habits are as old as the world. They are inherent in the time of Christ. Who commenced His public ministry by converting water to wine at the marriage feast of Cana.

When testimony to the food value of liquor is borne by the King's Physician (Lord Dawson) and the Prince of Wales's Physician (Sir Thomas Horder), Sir William Arbuthnot Lane, consulting surgeon to Guy's and the French Hospital.

Stand Against Conscription. That small section of Victorians which is striving to close hotels by the popular vote—sanitists and unattainable ambition—might find both a spiritual fare and cause for introspection in these words of Thomas Burke.

Thoughtful electors at the polls in March will not reject this warning. The vote for freedom is the "No" vote.

AN ENJOYABLE MOTOR TRIP BY CAR TO WESTERN AUSTRALIA AND BACK.

MR. GRIBBLE RETURNS TO NORTHCOTE. This will be found a most interesting account of the adventures of a Northcote resident who motored over 2,700 miles and back to West Australia, which is now becoming the leading wheat producing State in the Commonwealth.

Few Northcote residents have had the opportunity of driving to Western Australia, and Mr. Gribble, of High St., Northcote, has had experiences in so doing which few tourists can equal.

The journey from Melbourne to Perth is over 2,700 miles, along roads which are rarely more than winding tracks, and which were so rough that after those 2,700 miles a new set of tyres is essential for the return journey.

There is also a large element of danger to the adventurer who braves the overland route. Not only is there the constant danger of a failure in the water supply, due to dry wells, but the track is most difficult to follow, as each successive sandstorm entirely hinders all sight of it.

One of the great engineering wonders of Western Australia is the water supply of Kalgoorlie. The Mundaring Weir, 25 miles from Perth, is the source, and it is conveyed through 37 pipes 351 miles to Kalgoorlie.

From Southern Cross into Perth the road passes through great areas of wheat, and the farmers occupying these lands are particularly prosperous. Many of them are the sons of Victorian farmers, who have selected and cleared the land and are now reaping their reward.

Many old Northcote residents were met by Mr. Gribble in Western Australia. Mr. Prouse, who is from Thornbury, had 15,000 acres of the best land along that of the Premier of Western Australia (Mr. Collier), who once worked for the Northcote City Council.

On the return journey, accompanied by Mr. Barge, Mr. Gribble returned by a more southerly route through the great Jarrah forest, and then back over the coastal route to Port Augusta. He arrived in Melbourne on Saturday, March 8, having spent a most enjoyable four months in the "Golden West," renewing acquaintances of 39 years ago.

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PRESTON BANDS

CRITICISM RESENTED.

The Preston Council has received letters from Mr. Booth, of the Preston Citizens' Band, and from Mr. H. H. Jones, bandmaster, in reference to proposals from recent meeting of Preston Bands.

BANDS' CONFERENCE.

The mayor of Preston (Cr. McPherson, J.P.) convened a meeting of representatives of the Preston, Reservoir and East Preston bands for a conference on Monday night.

MILITIA NEWS

THE "MERRI" REGIMENT

Recruiting: The total recruited in 1928. Exercises: A tactical exercise for Officers and N.C.O.s was held at Dandenong on Saturday and Sunday.

STREET CONSTRUCTION AT PRESTON

GILBERT ROAD.

A special meeting of the Preston Council was held on Monday to deal with objections to the proposed construction of Gilbert road, from Miller St. to Bell St.

SUSSEX ST. AND BAILEY AV.

A question of drainage. The council also heard objections to the proposed construction of Sussex St. and Bailey Av. and right-of-way connecting Sussex and Bailey Sts.

POINTED PROVERBS.

"FARES, PLEASE" I was seated recently in the barber's chair and a conversation of conversation, the barber quoted a proverb which evidently was a well-known proverb.

AUCTION BRIDGE

A SERIES OF LESSONS.

In the lessons on rubber partner's suit bid, the importance of having normal support in the suit called for was stressed.

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Cr. Robinson moved that accounts amounting to £470/17/2 be paid. Carried.

PRESTON COUNCIL

MONDAY, MARCH 10

The usual meeting of the Preston Council was held on Monday evening at 7.30 p.m. in the Municipal Council Chamber.

RESERVOR A.L.P.

Reservoir branch, A.L.P., asking (1) that a light be placed on east side of railway crossing, High street, Reservoir.

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NORTHCOE COURT.

TUESDAY, MARCH 11

Before Mr. T. D. O'Callaghan, P.M., and Messrs. P. J. Keane, B. E. Johnson, W. Hayes, A. H. O'Leary, H. Evans and E. J. Jones, J.S.P.

Maintenance Arrests.

George Traville, of Brunswick, was sued by the wife, Jennie, Traville, for £10 arrears of maintenance.

REGENT THEATRE BUILDINGS

(Entrance through Paris Cafe) Principal: J. J. DOHERTY (Melb. Univ.) Private Residence: 32 DUNDAS ST. THORNHURRY.

COUNCILLORS

FRATERNISE

Northcoe councillors paid a visit to Preston during the council meeting on Monday evening.

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Church Notices.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH NORTHGATE USUAL SERVICES.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY. MARCH 16—SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT.

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY (Railway Parade). 8 a.m.—Holy Communion. 11 a.m.—Matins and Sermon.

NORTHGATE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, JAMES STREET. HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICES. Morning 11—Rev. J. B. Rentoul, of Geelong.

NORTHGATE METHODIST CHURCHES. NORTHGATE. SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY. 11 a.m.—Rev. Semmens.

BAPTIST CHURCH, HIGH ST., NORTHGATE. 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. REV. S. E. DORMAN.

CHURCH OF CHRIST High Street, Northgate. 11 a.m.—Mr. A. J. Fisher. 7 p.m.—Mr. A. E. Hingworth.

SOUTH PRESTON METHODIST CHURCHES. SOUTH PRESTON SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY. 11 a.m.—Rev. Boyle.

PRESTON CHURCHES OF CHRIST 175 High St., near Bell St. and Progress Hall, Gilbert Road. REGULAR SUNDAY SERVICES.

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Activities at Preston

False Fire Alarm. AT 5.16 p.m. on March 7 Preston firemen were called out to the corner of High and Crawley streets, Preston.

A Busy Inspector. INSPECTOR J. Lies manages to keep busy nowadays. He has in hand a nice little batch of summonses, six of which are issued against the same milk vendor on a charge of having sold 1 milk which was watered.

THE new buildings connected with the above are now in thorough and full working order under the energetic and capable management of Sister Holland.

Shake-paree evening. Mrs. Webster, of the Preston Baby Health Centre, has arranged for a shake-paree evening on March 14 at the Preston Baby Health Centre.

Housebreaking and Stealing. THE mayor (Dr. McPherson) has been appointed by the Preston Council to attend a conference on March 14 at the premises of the Trustee Board's property and undertakings.

Life Saving Medallions. SCHOOL life-saving medallions have been won by a number of boys and girls connected with Preston scholastic establishments.

Drinking Fountain. THE Preston Council has decided to erect a drinking fountain in Mason street.

Widening Frank Street. THE Board of Works has advised the Preston Council that before it can widen Frank street from Oakover road to Bay street, it is necessary for the council to complete an agreement for the leasing of a strip of land on the pipe track between Regent and Crawley streets, and which agreement the council refused to sign in 1911.

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BOWLING NOTES

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The silver cup, which was donated by Mr. Morrison, was exhibited, and the conditions of the competition were explained by the president. The committee decided prior to the meeting that it was to be presented to the best and fairest player and captain.

The representative of the senior club was welcomed by the president. The club received nine applications for the position of playing coach for the season, and a special meeting will make the appointment.

During the evening the members were entertained by the committee, and several vocal items were rendered by members and friends. If enthusiasm counts for anything, the club should have the pennant flying at Northcote for the season 1930.

Next Sunday at the Northcote Presbyterian Church, James street, harvest festival services will be held, in the morning the Rev. John Bates will conduct the service, and in the evening Mr. J. Jennings will preside.

On Monday evening, after the usual meeting of the Order of the Burning Bush, Colonel Metcalf gave an interesting lecture on "Secret Service." The lecturer told of the secrecy observed in the military forces of nations and exemplified it by referring to the fact that in Australia during the Great War the date of the sailing of troops was kept so secret that not even the captain knew whether he was bound to go or not, when his sealed orders were opened.

The Sacred Cantata, "Faith Triumphant." In the James street Presbyterian Church on Tuesday night the choir will tell the Biblical story of the cure from leprosy of that great man of the East, Naaman. This has occurred nearly 900 years before Christ. It will be recounted in the form of a cantata, written by the Rev. Canon, under the title of "Faith Triumphant." The choir has been assiduously practising. They have as their leader a musical enthusiast in Mr. George Reid, whose ambition is always to attain a high standard in anything he undertakes.

At the anniversary services of the Preston Church of Christ were conducted last Sunday by the Rev. A. J. Fisher, delivered a special address to the church upon the Bible school course. A. J. Fisher, vice-president of the Y.M.C.A., addressed the scholars, and at night Mr. Fisher again preached on "How God Speaks to the Youth." At both the afternoon and evening services the scholars, who crowded the special gallery, rendered several beautiful chorals, under the baton of the superintendent, Mr. E. J. Lang. Mr. Orlando Walker, secretary of the foundation superintendent of the school, presided in the afternoon.

Mr. G. Hendrie, the V.F.A. Sub-District Secretary, presided at the V.F.A. Umpires' Association by Mr. E. Todd (secretary), Mr. E. Judd (treasurer), and Mr. Pat Dwyer (coach).

Charles J. F. Fearon, vice-president, was elected as president in Mr. McDonnell's absence at the previous meeting, when six months' leave of absence was granted to the president. Capt. Fearon, in proposing the toast and wishing the president and his wife "bon voyage," also presented a gold fountain pen to the president, and to his wife a hand-made work box suitably inscribed. In making the presentations the acting president, on behalf of the officers and members of the V.F.A., spoke of his long service, his personality, and his service of justice and equity, whilst occupying the position of president.

The hon. secretary, Mr. W. Fawcett, in supporting, stated that he would convey to his wife this association's wishes. The following toasts were also honored:—The Victorian Football Association, proposed by Mr. W. Fawcett and responded to by Mr. E. Todd; the V.F.A. Umpires' Association, proposed by Mr. E. Todd and responded to by Mr. E. Judd; the V.F.A., proposed by Mr. E. Todd and responded to by Mr. E. Judd; the V.F.A., proposed by Mr. E. Todd and responded to by Mr. E. Judd.

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With the exception of the Otago district, the whole of the fruit export trade is under the organization of the Control Board, whose aim it is to distribute the fruit to the best possible advantage, by distributing market preferences are at all times considered, and this year for the first time the fruit cases have been specially marked to ensure that the sizes and varieties will be despatched to the proper markets. It is found that the green apples sell better in the Continental markets than they do in the United Kingdom; that the larger-sized green apples do better in Germany, while the small green apples do best in the United Kingdom.

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REGISTRATION OF DOGS.

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

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PUBLIC MEETING POSTPONED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the PUBLIC MEETING of Citizens, Employees and all interested persons to be held on 12th Instant HAS BEEN POSTPONED and will be held at Town Hall, Preston, on MONDAY, 17th MARCH, 1930, at 8 o'clock p.m.

G. C. McPHERSON, J.P., Mayor of Preston. Town Hall, Preston.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE.

TENDERS.

ALTERNATIVE tenders are invited for the construction of: (a) Cement reinforced concrete (b) Concrete channels and bitumen penetrated roadways.

Closing 12 noon on SATURDAY, 22ND MARCH, for the works set out hereunder:

CHRISTMAS STREET, from Victoria Road to Station Street.

KELLETT STREET, from Victoria Road to Rathmines Street.

WILMOTH STREET, from Darenbin Road to a point 50 feet south of Kellett Street.

SWIFT STREET, from Christmas Street to Kellett Street; and RATHMINES STREET, from Darenbin Road southerly to the municipal boundary.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the City Surveyor. A preliminary deposit of 25 per cent. must be lodged with each tender. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

By Order. J. A. THOMSON, Town Clerk. Municipal Offices, Northcote, N 16 15/3 1930.

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LOCAL AGENTS: Clifton Hill, 25 Stanley street.

Mr. B. Graham, 45 High street.

Mr. A. Watt, 260 High street.

Mr. E. Morris, 236 High street.

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Mr. A. Wain, 509 High street.

Mr. M. Bain, 229 St. George's road, Thornbury.

Mr. E. Dixon, 679 High street.

Mr. H. Anthony, 811 High street.

Mr. McCulloch, 441 Eaton, 963 High street.

Mr. M. Davis, 397 St. George's road.

Mr. M. Spence, 147 Miller street, Crofton.

Mr. H. Hird, 120 Dundas street, Preston.

Mr. Headfield, 128 Plenty road.

Mr. Boardley, 509 Plenty road.

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Mr. E. G. Green, car, High and Hill streets.

Mr. L. Emery, 276 High street.

Mr. L. Clements, 414 Murray road.

Mr. Strickland, 344 Murray road.

Mr. K. Anderson, 16 Gilbert road.

Mr. T. M. Kelly, car, High and Mason streets.

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Mr. E. Pola, High street.

Mr. Campbell Hill, Edwards street.

Mr. Skate, draper, Edwards street.

Mr. J. Siddon, 418 Heidelberg road.

Mr. W. Wood, 64 Heidelberg road.

Mr. G. Sheffeld, Burgundy street.

Auctioneers' Advertisements.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 1930. At 3 o'clock on the premises, MILLAR STREET, PRESTON.

SHOP AND DWELLING. Up-to-date Shop, attached to mod. Garage, on land 42 x 112. Situated on tram line and in busy shopping centre of West Preston. Certificate of Title. Terms at Sale.

J. & H. BURGESS, Estate Agents, 899 High St., THORNBURY N.17; Phone JW 1947. In conjunction with

JAMES & HOBSON, Auctioneers and Estate Agents, HIGH ST., NORTHCOTE N.16; Phone JW 2165.

THURSDAY, MARCH 20. At 2.30 p.m. on the premises, KANE STREET (OFF GILBERT ROAD), PRESTON.

On behalf of Mrs. Humphreys, who is leaving for England.

FURNITURE AND EFFECTS, including Bedroom Suites, Beds, Bedding, B.W. Dining Suite, Dining Table, Bookcases, Chairs, Tables, Kitchen Utensils, Lawnmower, Hose, etc. Everything for absolute sale.

LLEWELLYN JONES, Auctioneer, 174 HIGH STREET, PRESTON. JW 1004.

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By order of the Mortgagees.

ANGUS McDONALD PTY. LTD. (Incl. Henderson, Auctioneer), of 652 HIGH STREET, THORNBURY (JW 1225) have received instructions to submit at Public Auction:

W.B. HOUSE. Of 5 rooms and convs., garage, car entrance, streets made, sewerage, close to shops, railway, tram, and in good order.

LAND 42ft. Tin by 100ft. Title. Certificate, for particulars of which apply to Mr. H. Stuart Hutchison, 139-153 Elizabeth St., Melbourne.

Terms—Cash, or if desired Vendors will permit three-fourths to be repaid over a long period; interest at 6 1/2% quarterly instalments.

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THE CANTATA, "FAITH TRIUMPHANT, DR. GEORGE THORNTON. The above beautiful work will be rendered by the Northcote Presbyterian Church Choir on TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 18. Tickets 1/-.

Whittlesea Shire Council. EXTRAORDINARY ELECTION.

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JUSTICES ACT USE.

INFORMATION OR COMPLAINT FOR AN OFFENCE PUNISHABLE SUMMARILY AND SUMMONS THEREON.

In the Court of Petty Sessions at Northcote, in the Central Ballwick, By William John Jones, Justice of the Peace, and John Jones, Justice of the Peace, and Citizens of the City of Northcote, Informant.

Unknown Owner, Defendant. The information of William John Jones, of Northcote, in the State of Victoria, who saith that on the 8th day of March, 1930, at Northcote, in the said Ballwick and State, the said unknown owner being the owner of certain cattle, to wit one Bay Gelding, about 15 1/2 hands, light delivery sort, no visible brands found on certain land off Victoria road, such land there is no fence dividing such land from the said street without anyone having charge of the said cattle.

W. J. Jones, Informant. To unknown owner aforesaid.

WHEREAS the above information has this day been laid by the before me one William John Jones of the Peace in and for the Central Ballwick of the said State. These are therefore to command you in His Majesty's name to be and appear on the 18th day of March, 1930, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon at the said Court of Petty Sessions at Northcote to answer to the said information and to be further dealt with according to law.

Dated at Northcote the 13th day of March, 1930.

T. J. McMAHON, J.P.

[Stamp Fee 2/6 Cancelled.] Note.—If not claimed the court will be asked for an order to sell at noon the same day, March 18, 1930.

APPROACHING AUCTIONS.

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The "Red Terror" and the "Black Hand"

NORTHCOTE FIREMEN THREATENED

YOUTH CHARGED AT NORTHCOTE COURT.

Threats by the "Red Terror" and the "Black Hand" to "get" and to "fix" certain Northcote firemen, and to blow up the Northcote Fire Station, came to light in a case before the Northcote police court on Tuesday, when a youth was charged with having used offensive language in a telephone message.

For some time there has been a miniature "reign of terror" in the portion of Mitchell St., near High St., and it is hoped that with these proceedings that "reign" will cease.

The case was one in which Claude Herbert Deane, of Mitchell St., Northcote, was charged that on March 1, he used offensive language in a telephone message.

Mr. H. H. Gray appeared for the defendant, who pleaded not guilty. Det. Webster prosecuted for the P.M.G.'s Department.

The charge was laid under regulations made under the Post and Telegraph Act.

George Glen, special service fireman at Northcote fire station, told how at 8.10 p.m. on March 1, whilst on duty at the station he answered the telephone and a male voice said: "The Terror speaking here." Amazed he asked: "What did you say?"

The voice replied: "The Terror here. I'm going to get you and Stewart."

The fireman answered: "Oh, yes!"

Again the voice came back: "Have you ever heard of the Black Hand?"

"I'll fix you. I'll blow you and the fire station up."

Having somewhat recovered his wits, the fireman inquired: "Where'll you get the stuff?"

The voice replied: "I'll get it and you too."

A Youth's Admissions. Plainclothes Const. Veness stated how on March 3 he interviewed Deane, who admitted having rung up the fire station on the telephone and having called Fireman Stewart an offensive name.

Did It For a Joke. In reply to a query as to why he had done it Deane said "I did it for a joke." Witness said: "Do you know that these firemen's wives have no sleep for several weeks on account of your conduct?" He said: "I've slept myself."

In the presence of Fireman Glen and Plainclothes Const. Batt, Deane admitted having told Fireman Glen that he was "The Red Terror" and the "Black Hand" over the telephone.

Fireman Stewart an Ex-Pugilist. To Mr. Gray—When told that Fireman Stewart was an ex-pugilist and could just about "eat him," defendant said: "I know that." (Laughter).

Deane Denies Police Allegations. Claude H. Deane denied that he rang up the Northcote fire station on March 1, stating he was the "Terror."

On the afternoon in question he went to see a swimming race in the Yarra at 2 p.m., and did not leave to return home till about 6 p.m. He denied that he told Plainclothes Const. Ven-in respect to March 2 was withdrawn.

Remarkable Escape From Death. On Wednesday night, March 19, Mr. Kellett and Mrs. Smith had a narrow escape from being killed at the station. The 8.10 train from Thornbury was coming into the Reservoir station. Traffic was suspended, when a motor bicycle, ridden by Mr. Kellett, with Mrs. Smith on the dickey, was passing the station. The motor bicycle, ridden by Mr. Kellett, was passing the station. The motor bicycle, ridden by Mr. Kellett, was passing the station.

DEPARTURE OF CRICKETERS.

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PRESTON PROFESSIONALS
 The above club held a five-mile race on Saturday, which was won by H. Fielding, with H. Weste second and H. Ruddock third. Fastest time, Tom Gascoyne, 11 min. 15 sec. Winner's time 2 min. 45 sec. The Motor-drome both Weste and Gascoyne won their heats. Weste putting up fastest time for the night. Frank Thomas has been elected captain for the coming season. It has been decided that a quarter-mile, half-mile, one mile and five-mile races be held at an early date to decide the all-round champion.

BOY SCOUTS.
SECOND THORBURY TROOP.
 Owing to the success of Christmas Camp 1929-30 at Al-sandra, the boys of the Second Thorbury Troop are anxiously awaiting the Easter camp. It has not definitely been decided upon, although Seville is under consideration. Last Saturday the 2nd Thorbury Troop represented the district well in the annual sports meeting at the amateur sports ground. On March 29 the troop probably will meet the 2nd Fairfield Scouts at a cricket match on Thornbury's ground. On March 22 a district parade will be made to Williamstown for the district's swimming sports, the troop hoping to take part. Last Friday P. I. Willis, of 1st Preston Troop, spoke on his trip and the world lamboe.

FIRST PRESTON TROOP SCOUTS.
 Last Saturday we finished our cricket match against the Diggers and were victorious by 55 runs. This Saturday afternoon several members will journey to Williamstown to compete in the district swimming sports. Those desirous of attending will catch the 1.28 train. The seniors are holding a week-end camp at Jandral on Monday next a number of parents and friends will have a basket picnic at the camp. Scouts and cubs of the troop who desire to make the trip on Monday will meet at the scout hall at 8 o'clock and will journey out in motor vans, the cost of which will be 1/- each. Parents and friends will leave the scout hall at 9 o'clock, the return fare being 2/-. Hot water will be provided. Games and other attractions will be arranged. Next Wednesday evening a special meeting will be held at the scout hall to arrange for the coming year. The cricket club social will be held on March 31. The cricket team will play a one day match against the Bell Stars this Saturday on the latter's ground.

FIRST THORBURY TROOP SCOUTS.
 Under S.M. Sheldrick, 1st Regent Scouts held a practice on Wednesday evening. On Saturday they will attend the district outing at Williamstown for swimming sports.

NORTHCOE SPIRITUAL CHURCH FOR ALL.
FOURTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED.
 The fourth anniversary of the Northcote Spiritual Church for All was held in the Town Hall on Sunday at 3 and 7 p.m. The hall at both services was crowded.

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CHURCH NEWS
High Street Methodist Sunday School
 The anniversary celebration was continued on Saturday evening with an old-time tea, which was exceptionally well attended. Mr. Gray was in the chair. Prizes were distributed to the successful scholars. Sunday services were conducted by the following:—Morning, Rev. Simmonds, of South Melbourne; afternoon, Rev. S. Donnan, of the Baptist Church, Northcote; evening, Rev. W. Tippet, North Melbourne. Each service was well attended, and special music was rendered by the children, who sang choruses and solos. They were assisted by the orchestra. The choir, under the direction of the conductor, will complete the celebration.

Epiphany Church Ladies' Guild
 The annual meeting (for the year) of the Ladies' Guild in connection with the Church of the Epiphany, was held on the afternoon of 12th inst. The Rev. T. Cole being in the chair. Over forty ladies were present. The chairman complimented the ladies on the good work done during the twelve months, and mentioned that the Guild had provided funds for the church to the extent of £81. The Rev. J. O. Hughes commended the ladies on their successful efforts. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mrs. T. Cole; vice-presidents, Mesdames Cornwell and Peacock; treasurer, Mrs. Taylor; secretary, Mrs. Gamble. Musical items were contributed by Mesdames Court, Whitehead and Scott, and a recitation by Miss C. Lee. Afternoon tea was served, and the meeting concluded a most enjoyable one.

St. Aidan's Church, Victoria Road
 Each Sunday, at evensong there was a fine attendance of members of the Thornbury Masonic Lodge, their wives and friends, and a large number of parishioners, the church being filled. The service was taken by the Rev. J. O. Hughes, foundation secretary of the lodge, and who had served for a number of years in that position. Wor. Bro. Neelands read the first lesson, and Wor. Bro. Down, the second. The musical portion of the ceremony was given by the members of the ladies' choir, Bro. W. Morgan (organist) conducting. An anthem "Incline Thine Ear" was rendered, and Bro. Mitchell sang the solo, "The Better Land." Hymns were commended and sung by all. Wor. Bro. Hughes welcomed the visitors referred to his happy fellowship in the lodge and in a fuller sense appreciated the sympathy and cordial relationship which he fostered and built up amongst the congregation of St. Aidan's. He then gave an address on the vision of Amos: "The man with a plumbline," and drew therefrom lessons of guidance for our conduct, to walk uprightly and to keep the plumbline swinging truly in our relationships in private and public life and in our spiritual conscience. The visit will be treasured as a happy memory and an inspiration to fair and upright dealing.

Church of the Epiphany
 At the Church of the Epiphany on Sunday night a dismissal service was held for the purpose of saying farewell to Mr. Arthur Gray, who is leaving to take up duty as stipendiary registrar in charge of the Woorleind district near Swan Hill. The vicar conducted the service. In his sermon he referred to the many difficulties which were inseparable from the work which was to be undertaken by men taking up like positions, but which were only to be surmounted by perseverance. The remarks must have been very inspiring to Mr. Gray. After the service, a move was made to the school hall, where highly complimentary speeches were made regarding Mr. Gray's past work in connection with the organization of the church, and his hopes were expressed for his success in his new sphere. Several gifts were tendered to Mr. Gray, which showed in a tangible form that his services had been appreciated by the contributing members of the various organizations. The gifts were:—From the choir, a travelling case; from the Sunday school, a nicely bound bible; from the cricket club, a dictionary of the bible and a photograph of the members; from the tennis club, a fountain pen; from the members of the Entertainment Society, a handsome volume. The gifts were handed over on behalf of the donors by the following gentlemen: Choir, Mr. A. E. Emery; Sunday School, Mr. Barson; cricket club, Mr. A. Rogerson; tennis club, Mr. A. Gow; and Entertainment Society, Mr. K. Riches, each of whom made complimentary remarks concerning Mr. Gray. The recipient briefly thanked the donors for their gifts and for the good things said concerning him, which he felt were not wholly undeserved. As a parting word he would ask the young people to stand by the church and its teachings.

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Helpful Hints by Thos. W. Pockett, Healesville.
 Chrysanthemum culture is a fascinating hobby. What flower is there which gives greater response to expert cultivation than the chrysanthemum? Reasonable hints on the growing of chrysanthemums are kindly supplied by Mr. Thos. W. Pockett, of Healesville, whose fame is world-wide in the growing of these choice flowers.

As regards exhibition varieties, Mr. Pockett states that practically all the buds, which are to form exhibition blooms, should have been selected during February, disabbling the others, but the first week of March is not too late to secure buds of vigorous full-petalled varieties, such as Louise Pockett, Edith Cavell, Thos. W. Pockett, Bessie Cook, Wm. Turner, Lillian J. Zeman, Pink Tansy, E. H. Cahill, J. S. Lloyd, the Melba, etc.

When selecting buds so late in the season it is necessary to keep all superfluous growths removed as they appear. These comparatively late buds will produce flowers with broader petals and better colors than it is possible to obtain from early buds.

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Gardening Notes
CHRYSANTHEMUM CULTURE
HELPFUL HINTS BY THOS. W. POCKETT, HEALESVILLE.

will explain why I do not spray with the intention of killing some of our best friends.
 New Varieties.
 It was fortunate to be able to send a few new varieties to America and England, including "Sir Wm. McPherson." There is still a desire to have some very large kinds from various countries, including Australia, and there is also a demand for large varieties that will come in between the early flowering kinds and the extra large ones. A variety I mentioned last year, "Edith Alston," should be a success. To prove this, I have sent plants to Woolman, England, who will thoroughly test it, and if a success, I shall endeavor to raise other varieties also that should be at their best in Australia from the middle of March until the middle of April.

Some Cultural Hints
 By the end of March buds of most of the varieties will be showing color, and referring to notes taken on March 26, 1928, I will give the results of a few prominent kinds.—Turners show, pink petals; Sir W. Brunton, petals 3 in. long; Pockett's crimson, 1 1/2 in. long; Louise Pockett, buds 1 1/2 in. diameter; E. N. Ward, 1 in.; Thos. W. Pockett, 1 1/2 in., etc.
 When plants arrive at the stages just described they develop rapidly.

Liquid Manuring
 During March liquid manure can be given once a week at increasing strength. Give regular and deep watering. Benham, Pink Tansy, etc.
 I have followed with success the liquid manuring system as practised in England by some of the leading growers. The buds are partly developed, and the plants are in the stage of potash 4 oz. of phosphate of potash 8 oz. (commercial grade), add to 10 gallons of water.
 However, as I could not get the commercial grade of phosphate of potash, I used crushed charred bones, as this is reported to contain at least 50 per cent. of phosphate of potash. By using double the quantity above-mentioned, the desired result is achieved. Urates of potash is obtainable at chemists.

Singles and Decoratives
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A Peculiar Season
 It is very necessary to keep all lateral growths removed. Some of the varieties needing this attention include Golden Champion, Majestic, Pockett's Crimson, Doreen, Autumn Tints, Sir W. Brunton, Rose Day, etc. The varieties first mentioned including Wm. Turner, Louise Pockett, Edith Cavell, Thos. W. Pockett, should not have all superfluous growth removed until later in March, as he being a concentrated force of the sap causes a kind of cancer, especially if there is a rise in temperature; the bud ceases to form petals and turns black. This trouble, however, is not so noticeable when the chrysanthemums are grown in pots, or in conditions which keep the roots, for the reason that the wood is more matured and the plants are not affected to the same extent with the changes of the weather.

Experience has shown that a mass of roots under cramped conditions is better than long spreading roots with correspondingly large leaves.
 As regards the season up till now, it has not been a favorable one. The late spring and so much showy weather did not favor a strong healthy growth, consequently aphids became very troublesome; then, later, we had hot weather, and probably owing to excess of weeds and other herbage caterpillars were more numerous than usual, and unfortunately they attacked the chrysanthemums much later last season; the shoots and buds of some kinds were completely spoilt, while others were almost immune to the attack of caterpillars. (This may be a hint to raise new varieties as fast as practicable from those that are free from pests.)

Asenate of lead may be recommended as a preventive, but it would require to be sprayed often to be effective for caterpillars this season.
 Aphids seldom troubles me here, continues Mr. Pockett, but this season has been the exception; under ordinary conditions the ladybirds can cope successfully with aphids, but on this occasion they are not so numerous as usual. I have used a most promising bed of a new variety, so I sprayed the plants for about two-thirds of their height with "Destructol." After two or three days the plants were perfectly clean.

I might mention that the ladybirds and their larvae were completely cleaned up all aphids on the upper portion that was not sprayed. In watching the process of devouring them through a powerful glass I found that each aphid was drawn in backwards with two horn-like appendages, and no sooner had the struggling legs disappeared than another would be secured and drawn in the same way; but what I could not understand was that the aphid made no attempt to escape away, but simply waited their turn. This

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The Women's Page
(Conducted by "PENELOPE")

FANCY'S FASHION ROMANTIC CIRCLE

The vogue for flares has apparently come to stay for a lengthy period, and is certainly the most popular of the present-day modes. No garment for outdoor wear is really up to the mark unless flared effects are introduced in some form or other.

In the stylish yet simple little frock which is our offering for this week flared tiers are featured. These are draped and arranged on each side of the front, and continue right round at the back. A flared jabot, cut in one with the neck, makes a pretty finish at the throat. Fitted sleeves with flared cuffs are also style features of this charming frock. Almost any of the new season's frockings would make up satisfactorily, including velvets, either of the plain or fancy variety.



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The small sketch shows the dress made up sleeveless for evening wear. The V neck is cut deeper, and a small vest inserted. Lace is used for the flared tiers, though the self material could be used if desired.

The pattern is 3297 (price 191d), cut in sizes to suit medium and small women, and is obtainable from the district agents as listed in another column of this issue. Ask your agent for a free copy of Demare's fashions monthly, or write direct to Demare, Ltd., Cullinstown, enclosing a stamp for postage.

RECIPES

Coffee Charlotte Russe.
Sift coffee (one scant measure) of gelatine in half a cup of clear black coffee. Scald three-fourths a cup of milk over hot water with a half-cup of sugar. Beat the yolks of two eggs, gradually add one-fourth a cup of sugar and one-fourth a teaspoonful of salt. Cook the egg and sugar in a spoon, stirring constantly meanwhile, then add the gelatine, softened in the coffee. Stir until the mixture is dissolved, then set the dish in a vessel of water to cool and stir constantly until the mixture begins to thicken. Then "cut and fold" into it two or three cups of cream, beaten thick. When the mixture is stiff enough to hold its shape, turn it into moulds and lined with lady-fingers.

Lemon and Apple Marmalade.
If lemons are considered too tart, slice and boil the lemons until soft and the juice clear. (The fruit should be just covered with water.) Then mix thoroughly with an equal weight of apple pulp. Make a syrup by boiling together one pint of water for every two pounds of sugar, and allow 2 lbs of sugar for every pound of fruit. Boil the sugar and water together for ten minutes; put in the fruit and boil again till all is clear (about 20 minutes' time). Allow to drip through a three-cornered bag of cheesecloth, and then bottle.

Potatoes For Breakfast.
Slice cold boiled potatoes about one quarter inch thick, put into a saucepan with two tablespoons of a succulent fat, and fry in a shallow pan until all are buttered, but not browned. Add a tablespoon of milk, salt, pepper, and a tablespoon of chopped parsley. Let the milk boil up once, then take off the fire; add the juice from one lemon, stir up well and serve very hot.

Nougat.
Half pound pure white sugar, 2 ozs. sweet Jordan almonds, apricot or peach jam, soft French icing, 1000 of the stiff meringue, 1000 of the stiff meringue with apricot or peach jam, 1000 of the stiff meringue with apricot or peach jam, 1000 of the stiff meringue with apricot or peach jam.

He: "And can you cook like mother used to?"
She: "Yes, if you can stand indigestion like father used to."

BEAUTY CULTURE

RATHER MONOTONOUS

"Beauty culture is all very well," said a very nice girl, "but I find it so boring. I can't keep up a glorified and systematic interest in my appearance for any definite length of time. And, anyhow, I think that these women who make such a cult of it must get themselves on the brain. I find I can have a craze for looking after my hands, a sudden passion for my complexion, but as for spending definite times on definite treatments and going conscientiously on well, I'm afraid I should die of monotony."

And there, I think, we have it in a nutshell. Every girl wants to be beautiful, and most girls like to take reasonable care of themselves, but the girls or women who go in for extensive beauty campaigns are generally very complete egotists, rather uninteresting egotists at that!

It would be nice, perhaps, if we could take care without caring, or at least not take the taking care too seriously. But that is the trouble. Watch any girl rub cream into her face, or even powder her nose, and generally her expression is one of dead seriousness. As for the winking of the eye, the tramping of the foot, the people look positively vicious over it. Certainly the fashioning of the much-desired cupid's bow is a matter which requires care and attention. Do you feel that if only a spirit of fun could be introduced into beauty culture, people would be much nicer and feel much better over it?

—how? As it is, a really nice woman feels a little guilty if she spends what she considers a lot of time on her personal appearance. But how introduce a lighter side into beauty culture? And what would the beauty specialists say if we did?

Don't Be Determined.

But at least we can smile when we powder our noses. Watch any child being got ready for a amateur theatricals and you will see that the child's attitude towards make-up is the right one. They think it is fun. A child loves to have black smudges on its face because it's such a joke.

I do not suggest black smudges, but I do feel there is something more likeable about the girl who powders her face and chatters merrily than the girl who makes up as if her life depended on it. Remember once seeing a girl with one pink cheek and one white one. I have often seen girls who speak for smoking a cigarette and I must say that I rather enjoyed that one-sided blush. I could just see how something must have interrupted her during her makeup activities, and she was evidently nice enough to be interrupted. She at least could not have been too engrossed with herself, and her mind was probably as original as her complexion.

THAT BOY.

So many girls spoil the whole of their appearance by not being particular about the finishing touches. "So this is college," they say, and they wear a smart hat, but let untidy hair peep under it, or put on good shoes which have not been carefully cleaned, and a new cutie came along. They quarrelled—and what a dance she led both of them! Elliott Nugent, Robert Montgomery, Sally Starr, Giff (Buckle like) Edwards and Phyllis Crane have the leading roles.

POINTED PROVERBS.

A TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

By way of variety we pass on to you a selection of proverbs taken from many countries of the world. This little collection will illustrate the French saying, "Les proverbes sont les échos de l'expérience." As we read them we shall find that, from whatever country they come, proverbs are ever the echo of experience.

Iste of Man.—Learning is the clothes to a rich man, and riches to a poor man.

Greece.—One butcher can face many sheep.

Scotland.—Better a tumb chieftain than an ill tenant.

West Indies.—Fallings weren't fixed for climbing over a mountain.

Spain.—The road of By-and-by leads to the town of Never.

Italy.—Revenge is the morsel of God.

Germany.—The king shall have his dumplings.

Turkey.—God makes a nest for the blind bird.

American Negro.—Tin plate don't mind dropping in the mud.

Ireland.—Live in my heart and pay no rent.

Japan.—The Lotus springs from the mud.

Africa.—By going and coming the bird builds its nest.

Malacca.—A shoe alone know if stocking have hole.

Norway.—You can't climb a mountain by a level road.

Hansa.—Better repair than rebuild.

Circus Hand: "I hear the lion's hair is falling out."
Trainer: "Yes; that's his mane trouble."

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A nerve tingling story by Conan Doyle.

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THE FIRST KISS
With FAY WRAY and GARY COOPER.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 25, 26.
HOLIDAY MATINEE MONDAY (EIGHT HOURS' DAY).
AN ALL TALKING PICTURE.

HAROLD LLOYD in
Welcome Danger
FOR THE FIRST TIME—HEAR HIM TALK.

Coming Thursday, March 27—
BETTY COMPSON in THE STREET GIRL

BOOK YOUR SEATS. BOOK YOUR SEATS.

gung of hoodlums who bring Monte's fireman to the brink of the scaffold, thus giving the engineer a chance to prove his heroism. Monte Blue leads with Edna Murphy, Grant Withers, Lucy Beaumont, Ernie Shields and Lew Harvey. In support comes "The Street Girl," a Radio production, Miss Compton is seen as a girl of the Defiance. Monte Collins, foreman of a bridge construction gang, falls in love with the contractor's daughter whom he sparks for smoking a cigarette near the explosives. Their romance is entirely shattered when the bridge collapses during the dedicatory exercises, due to faulty steel which her brother had ordered that he might save the difference in cost to supply the wants of his extravagant father. Monte takes the blame upon his own shoulders that her stricken father might be spared the knowledge of his son's criminal action, and arranges to go to Europe to start a fresh career. Ruth learns the true state of affairs, confesses her love and goes with him. Monte Blue as the foreman and May McAvoy as the society girl give splendid performances. "So This is College" is a snappy story of college chums. They shared their college room, girls, razors and silex, and a new cutie came along. They quarrelled—and what a dance she led both of them! Elliott Nugent, Robert Montgomery, Sally Starr, Giff (Buckle like) Edwards and Phyllis Crane have the leading roles.

Thursday brings "Greyhound Limited," a melodrama of the road which contains hair-raising adventures with a flustering lady, the police, and a

HOYTS MERRI THEATRE.

On Friday and Saturday a strong programme includes "Acquitted," a 100 per cent. talkie featuring Lloyd Hughes, and "Flying Marine," a new air picture, with Ben Lyon in the lead. On Monday to Wednesday, in "No Defence," Monte Collins, foreman of a bridge construction gang, falls in love with the contractor's daughter whom he sparks for smoking a cigarette near the explosives. Their romance is entirely shattered when the bridge collapses during the dedicatory exercises, due to faulty steel which her brother had ordered that he might save the difference in cost to supply the wants of his extravagant father. Monte takes the blame upon his own shoulders that her stricken father might be spared the knowledge of his son's criminal action, and arranges to go to Europe to start a fresh career. Ruth learns the true state of affairs, confesses her love and goes with him. Monte Blue as the foreman and May McAvoy as the society girl give splendid performances. "So This is College" is a snappy story of college chums. They shared their college room, girls, razors and silex, and a new cutie came along. They quarrelled—and what a dance she led both of them! Elliott Nugent, Robert Montgomery, Sally Starr, Giff (Buckle like) Edwards and Phyllis Crane have the leading roles.

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Another Full Talkie Programme.
ANTONIO MORENO in
THE MIDNIGHT TAXI
MONTY BLUE in
THE GREYHOUND LIMITED
For Reservations ring JW 2033.

Westgarth Theatre
THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY, MARCH 21 & 22.

An All Talking Programme.
LLOYD HUGHES and MARGARET LIVINGSTON in
ACQUITTED

Children under 16 not admitted.
HEN LYON and SHIRLEY MASON in
THE FLYING MARINE

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 25, 26.
MATINEE MONDAY (EIGHT HOURS' DAY).

A Strong All Talking Holiday Programme.
SO THIS IS COLLEGE
With ELLIOTT NUGENT, ROBT. MONTGOMERY & SALLY STARR
ALL TALKING, DANCING, SINGING.
MAY McAVOY in

NO DEFENCE **NO DEFENCE**

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MONTY BLUE in
THE GREYHOUND LIMITED
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TALKIE TALKS

SPANKING A GIRL PLUNGED HIM INTO A GREAT ROMANCE.

"For two pins I'd spank you." So spoke the construction foreman, having no idea that the girl he addressed was the boss' daughter. And when she contemptuously tossed him two pins he made good his threat—and spanked her! Eventually his passion discovered that the foreman himself was the offending culprit, and thus began a romance that acquired a swift momentum, only to lose it, and which was intended to bring important changes in the lives of both the man and the girl. This is one of the scenes from "No Defence," featuring Monte Blue and May McAvoy.

"THE SHANNONS OF BROADWAY"

The new features in "The Shannons of Broadway" are primarily three new song hits, one of which is played and sung by James Gleason. The songs, written especially for the picture, are "The Shannons of Broadway," "Number Gleason sings, "Someone To Love Me," the love song, and "Living at the Life of Riley," which the picture stars in their stage numbers. There are comedy scenes in which Slim Sumner and Walter Brennan reach for the picture. John Breeden, the juvenile lead opposite Miss Philbin. In character roles are Robert T. Harlan, Charles Charles Grapevin and Tom Kennedy.

Clive Brook has rapidly risen in popularity, and with the advent of talking pictures his popularity has been increased. He is appearing in "The First Kiss," in which he plays a young man who falls in love with a girl who is a member of a famous family. He is also appearing in "The Street Girl," in which he plays a young man who falls in love with a girl who is a member of a famous family.

On Monday next the programme change promises something out of the ordinary. Commencing at the special Eight Hours Day holiday matinee, Harold Lloyd will be shown in "Welcome Danger." This is a fine story of a young man who falls in love with a girl who is a member of a famous family. He is also appearing in "The Street Girl," in which he plays a young man who falls in love with a girl who is a member of a famous family.

On Thursday next another great special attraction is announced—"The Street Girl," in which Gus Arnheim's Band and a chorus of 200 others. Betty Compton shows her ability in this as a violinist. She is accompanied by Mike and his pals, Sophie, a homeless girl violinist, reed player, and a popular Hungarian restaurant. There she plays for Prince Nicholas, who is on a visit. A tensely dramatic scene ensues, and follows. It is a very fine picture.

REGENT TALKIES.

The week-end programme has two 100 per cent. talkie attractions, "Kid Gloves," with Conrad Nagel, and "Hollywood Year," in which Laura La Plante has a vivacious part.

On Monday (Eight Hours Day) a special matinee in the afternoon of two most suitable features will be given.

Monday brings Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "So This is College," an all-talking, singing and dancing picture. College fun and wit, campus capers, five catchy original songs, a strong touch of drama, and, last but not least, the most exciting game of football ever seen on the screen to draw the picture to a stirring conclusion, are the ingredients of this delightful entertainment. Add three new faces, those of Elliott Nugent, Robert Montgomery and Sally Nugent, and the picture is complete. A scream from start to finish is "The Shannons of Broadway," in which Mary Philbin, John Breeden and the Gleasons have the main roles. The "Shannons" is the story of two vaudeville players who purchase an hotel in a small New England village and immediately become involved in the town's most intimate affairs.

Thursday hails a spirited and taut, full drama that clearly shows the possibilities of the new form musical film entertainment in the Radio Picture, "Street Girl." The picture is distinctive in that the movement of the story and the musical sequences are naturally dependent and correlated. Betty Compton, who has reached new heights through the medium of talking pictures, heads the cast of well-known players. This talented star possesses a rich, sweet voice and a wealth of dramatic power. Her role in "Street Girl" is regarded as the greatest characterization of her career.

Preston council has been authorised by the Executive Council to raise a loan for £37,000, the bulk of which will be utilised in street and road construction.

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Featuring LLOYD HUGHES.
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FLYING MARINE **FLYING MARINE**
AMALGAMATED TALKIE.
With BEN LYON

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 25, 26.
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MONTY BLUE in
NO DEFENCE **NO DEFENCE**
TALKIE. TALKIE. TALKIE.

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TALKING, SINGING AND DANCING.
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THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 28, 29.

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BETTY COMPSON

Singers, dancers, bands, girls, and the world's fastest cracking comedy combination in this delightful romance of a girl who chose success before love, and almost lost both.

PRESTON SECOND EIGHTEENS

On Wednesday night the weekly committee meeting of the above club was held, there being almost a full attendance. Several important questions were finalised. Mr. Harry Smith, president, Preston (next Bradford Hall), and Messrs. Weeks and Bott, barbers, High Street, Preston (next Preston Arms Hotel). The Seconds play at home when the Seniors are away, and vice versa. Buy a membership ticket and when unable to follow the Seniors, then away see the Seconds. A high grade of good, clean football is assured.

In the article, "An Enjoyable Motor Trip," in last issue the writer unfortunately omitted to state that on the whole of the arduous journey to Perth Mrs. Griddle accompanied her husband. The writer apologises for this omission.

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SPECIAL HOLIDAY ATTRACTION.
MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 25, 26.
SEE AND HEAR SALLY STARR and POLLY MORAN in

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100 PER CENT. ALL TALKING AND SINGING.
They shared their college room, girls, razors and shirts—until a new cutie came along. Then they quarrelled—and what a dance she led both of them. Training will commence on Wednesday night, when many new faces were seen. The club has retained all its old year's players and from these and the new recruits it is hoped to pick a membership of sixteen. Training will commence on Wednesday night.

THE SHANNONS OF BROADWAY
100 PER CENT. ALL TALKING.
Get the laugh of your life at the story of two small-time Vaudeville stars who buy an hotel. IT'S THE CATS' COME and see. Two 100 per cents, on one programme.
SPECIAL MATINEE MONDAY, MARCH 24 (EIGHT HOURS' DAY).

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 28, 29.
SEE AND HEAR BETTY COMPSON in
STREET GIRL **STREET GIRL**
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Hear Gus Arnheim's Band of 50 Instrumentalists, a Bar of 100 Girls. The greatest all talking, all music, dramatic sensation of the year.
SEE AND HEAR DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS IN
THE IRON MASK **THE IRON MASK**
SPECIAL MATINEE MONDAY, MARCH 24.

Church Notices.
ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
 NORTHCOTE
 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
 USUAL SERVICES.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.
 March 23—Third Sunday in Lent
 8 a.m.—H.C.
 11 a.m.—Matins.
 Preacher: The Vicar.
 7 p.m.—Evening.
 "The Story of the Cross."
 Preacher: Rev. Mitchell, Bush Aid Society.

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY
 (Railway Parade).
 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT.
 11 a.m.—Holy Communion and Sermon.
 Preacher—The Rev. Gilder. Subject: The Case For No License.
 7 p.m.—Evening and Sermon.
 Next Sunday, Mothers' Sunday, Special Service 7 p.m.

NORTHCOTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, JAMES STREET
 Morning, 11 a.m.; Evening, 7 p.m.
 Anthem: "Let Us Thank the Lord Our God." "The Name of Jesus Sounds." Tenor solo: "Consider and Hear Me." Words from Psalm 113.

NORTHCOTE METHODIST CHURCHES.
 NORTHCOTE.
 11 a.m.—Mr. Blackney
 7 p.m.—Mr. Polkinghorne
PRINCE OF WALES' PARK.
 11 a.m.—Rev. W. H. Gray
 7 p.m.—Rev. J. T. Duggleby, M.M.
 ST. GEORGE'S ROAD
CHURCH ANNIVERSARY.
 11 a.m.—Rev. Freeman
 7 p.m.—Rev. Boyle
 3 p.m.—Hon. S. Mauger

CROXTON
 11 a.m.—Rev. J. T. Duggleby, M.M.
 7 p.m.—Pastor E. C. Perkins

BAPTIST CHURCH, HIGH ST. NORTHCOTE.
 11 a.m.—Rev. S. E. Dorman
 7 p.m.—Rev. Gordon Kenwell.
 All Welcome

CHURCH OF CHRIST
 High Street, Northcoote.
 11 a.m.—A. E. Illingworth.
 7 p.m.—A. E. Illingworth.
 Subject: "The Parable of the Workers."

SOUTH PRESTON METHODIST CHURCHES.
SOUTH PRESTON
 11 a.m.—Rev. H. Williams
 7 p.m.—Rev. W. J. Gray, J.P.
PENDERS GROVE
 11 a.m.—Mr. H. G. Gifford
 7 p.m.—Mr. A. H. Lawson, B.A.
OKAVERO ROAD
 11 a.m.—Mr. W. J. Heaver
 7 p.m.—Rev. H. Williams

PRESTON CHURCH OF CHRIST.
 17 High St., near Bell St.
SPECIAL LENTEN SERVICES.
 SUNDAYS, 7 p.m.
 March 23—"Three Knocks at the Door."
 Preacher—Mr. A. J. FISHER.
 Everyone Welcome.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.
 MARTIN STREET.
 11 a.m.—Mr. R. Rickerby
 7 p.m.—Mr. Eric Gifford.
 Visitors Gladly Welcomed.

PRESTON METHODIST SABBATH SCHOOL.
74TH ANNIVERSARY.
 PREACHERS, MARCH 23:
 11 a.m.—REV. A. HAY
 3 p.m.—REV. T. H. INDIAN.
 7 p.m.—REV. A. G. DAY

SPECIAL SINGING.
 OFFERINGS FOR SCHOOL, FUNDIS.

MERENDA
 At the annual meeting of the Mechanics' Institute Messrs. W. Thomas, J. Whitten and A. Johnston were elected secretary, hon. treasurer and president respectively. Committee members were Messrs. J. G. O'Connell, A. Keeble and J. Thomas. The balance sheet showed a debit of £100. The cider factory which, owing to poor seasons, has been closed for two years has been re-opened, and a good supply of fruit indicated about two months' work at full pressure. Large quantities of apples are being sent from Mernda railway station for export.

Activities at Preston

By The Rouseabout.

Statist's Figures.
 SOME interesting figures have been forwarded to Mr. L. W. Williams, town clerk of Preston, by the Government statist, recording some outstanding features in connection with the vital statistics of Victoria for the year 1929. According to the figures presented the birth rate (18.39) has never been lower, and the same remark applies to the death rate (9.45). The infantile death rate (47.23) is also low, and a record low death rate from tuberculosis and diarrhoeal diseases are noted. The marriages celebrated numbered 12,933—equalling a rate of 7.31 per 1000 of the population. The rate has shown a constant decline year since the abnormal post-war rates of 1920. The number of births registered in 1929 was 33,041, and the deaths numbered 16,717. In a separate return the statist gives the population of Preston as 28,580, the number of births as 770, being 26.54 per 1000 of the population, deaths being 8.29 do., and number of infantile deaths 34, being 44.26 do. These figures apply to last year.

Preston Life Saving Club.
 MR. V. H. HARRIS, secretary of Preston City Life Saving Club, has invited the Mayor and councillors of Preston to the club's second excursion to the Royal Life Saving Society's awards on Wednesday, March 26, at Preston city baths.

Assistant Rate Collector.
 THE number of applicants for the position of assistant rate collector at Preston now amounts to something like 500. A special meeting of the council will be held on March 27 to deal with the applications.

Church of Christ.
 AT the annual business meeting of Preston Church of Christ, the roll showed an increase of 39 members, despite the transfer of 40 to the new cause at West Preston. The following were elected officers: Messrs. Rodgers, Garth and Morgan; deacons, Messrs. Morfrew, Lang, Morrall, Quate, Perris, Scaffe, and Paterson; secretary, Mr. A. Morfrew; treasurer, Mr. Sallsbury.

Municipal Employees' Picnic.
 (R. G. C. McPHERSON, Mayor of Preston, accompanied by the Mayoress, joined the annual outing of the Federated Municipal and Shire Councils' Employees at a picnic at Port Phillip on Wednesday. A very large party was conveyed to the favorite watering place named in the program, Weeroona and Hygeia. It was the 21st yearly picnic of the organization referred to, and a thoroughly enjoyable day was spent by the happy band of excursionists.

Beautiful Municipal Buildings.
 ANOTHER step is being taken in the beautification of the grounds surrounding Preston municipal buildings. The Council has arranged between the tennis courts and Baby Health Centre, is to be improved by the laying out of flower beds. The large pine trees, which have braved all sorts of weather for many years, have fallen victims to axe and saw, and within a few weeks it is expected that improvements will be effected pleasing to the eye, and proof that the local municipal authorities are doing their best to keep up the reputation of Preston as a suburban centre of things bright and beautiful.

Sudden Deaths.
 TWO sudden deaths were recorded in Preston within the past week. A single woman named Mary Elizabeth Sitt, who rented a room in Australi Av., had not been seen moving round as usual for a few days, and the police were communicated with. Plainclothes Const. Seager and Const. Higgins visited the house and found Miss Sitt in a very low condition. No time was lost in rushing for an ambulance, and in this the sick woman, who was a pensioner, was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital. Upon arrival Dr. Hendry made an examination and pronounced life extinct, when the body was sent to the morgue. Death was said to be due to natural causes. Miss Sitt was a native of Victoria, having been born at Myrtle Creek, now known as the town of Myrtleford.

Another single woman, aged 65 years, a native of Carlton, named Maria Nicholas, died suddenly at Princess St., Preston, at an early hour on Tuesday morning. Medical examination went to show that Miss Nicholas died from cerebral hemorrhage.

No Fire News.
 THERE was a similar state of affairs in existence at Preston fire station on Wednesday. A clean sheet there was presented for inspection, there not being even a false alarm to place on record.

City Engineer's New Quarters.

MR. W. H. SCOTT, Preston's city engineer, is now comfortably housed in his new quarters in the premises purchased by the municipal council. He is in possession of a really nice up-to-date suite of offices, with all necessary conveniences, in order that he may carry out works pertaining to the important position occupied by him. There is an inquiry office, general office, private secretary's office, also an apartment for the building inspector, Mr. W. L. McDonald. Well ventilated, cool airy and light, all the offices are so constructed as to satisfy the wants of the engineer and those associated with him.

Preston Methodist Sabbath School.
 QUITE a large number of people, young and old, but more particularly the former, are looking forward to a pleasant and profitable time on the occasion of the 74th anniversary of Preston Methodist Sabbath school, which is to be celebrated on Sunday next. The list of preachers for the week, from last year's advertisements columns of the "Leader." Further celebrations announced in connection with the anniversary are special preachers for Sunday, March 3, and Joseph Gilding, Richard Ian Hamilton, William Hedren, Hector Arthur Hendry, Frank Henry Johnston, Henry Albert Lavery, Reginald Francis Lavery, Cecil Raymond Macle, Percy Crowell Main, Albert Charles Marshall, John Stanley Marshall, Bruce McNabb, Hone John Merrick, Richard George Oke, Maxwell Charles Press, Messrs. Archibald Rhodes, Albert Stanley Robertson, Leonard James Rose, Henry Joseph Struss, Lawrence Ian Tulk, David Nash Watson, Russell Horace Watson, Alan McKay Angus, Emilio John Vavariagos, Percy John Thomas Donohue, Vincent Francis Gardiner, Bruce Alexander Geddes, Colin George Williamson, James William MacRostie Carthew.

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Obtained Free Place at the University—Robert Hannah, John Gibson—Gilbert Loughman. Obtained Honors.—Ridley Edward Bryan, Eng. 2nd, French 2nd, Draw. 2nd; Matthew John Dixon, Alg. 3rd, 2nd; Leslie Thomas William Geom. Eng. 3rd, Draw. 2nd; Robert Hannah, Alg. 3rd, Trig. 3rd, Draw. 2nd; Keith Brown Kennell, Alg. 2nd, Draw. 3rd; Jack Sidney Ferguson, Kison, Draw. 2nd; Alan Kidd, French 3rd.

Leaving Certificate.—Henry William Cumming, Samuel John Dixon, Jack Sidney Ferguson, Kison, John William Blaney, Matthew William Johnstone, Edward James Pollard, Leonard James Watts, Alfred Moffat Whyte.

Intermediate Certificate.—Andrew Peaker Blackie, George Ernest Body, John Victor Bowles, Leonard William Brown, Richard Hugh Campbell, Donald Cooper, Bernard Thomas Cullen, John Arden Dougherty, Clay Joseph Gilding, Richard Ian Hamilton, William Hedren, Hector Arthur Hendry, Frank Henry Johnston, Henry Albert Lavery, Reginald Francis Lavery, Cecil Raymond Macle, Percy Crowell Main, Albert Charles Marshall, John Stanley Marshall, Bruce McNabb, Hone John Merrick, Richard George Oke, Maxwell Charles Press, Messrs. Archibald Rhodes, Albert Stanley Robertson, Leonard James Rose, Henry Joseph Struss, Lawrence Ian Tulk, David Nash Watson, Russell Horace Watson, Alan McKay Angus, Emilio John Vavariagos, Percy John Thomas Donohue, Vincent Francis Gardiner, Bruce Alexander Geddes, Colin George Williamson, James William MacRostie Carthew.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.
 The annual meeting of the Northcoote High School Old Boys' Association was held on Tuesday March 4. The chair was occupied by the president, Mr. F. J. Kison.

Mr. E. W. Johnston, E.S. headmaster of the school, was elected president for the ensuing year, and Messrs. Kison and J. G. Forster vice-presidents. Mr. Thorn was elected general secretary, and Mr. M. Page treasurer. Mr. A. Angus sports secretary and Mr. A. Kidd social secretary. General sports and social committees were also elected.

The membership is increasing, and this year a special effort will be made to bring in all old pupils. Regular social will be held in the Northcoote Town Hall, the first being on April 2, and as the arrangements are in the hands of Mr. Kidd, a good evening is assured. The association is also forming a football team, which is seeking entrance in a progressive northern competition. A ground in Merril Park has been secured and the City Council is to be thanked for the assistance given. Old pupils who are interested in the team should communicate with Mr. A. Angus, 30 McCook Av., Northcoote. Practice will shortly commence.

DISRESS AND UNEMPLOYMENT.
 MAYOR HAYES CALLS PUBLIC MEETING IN NORTHCOTE.
 C. W. Hayes, J.P., mayor of Northcoote, is convening a public meeting to be held in Northcoote town hall on Wednesday, April 2, for the purpose of considering the taking of steps to provide a fund to relieve distress caused by unemployment, sickness, etc.

An appeal is made to all citizens who are able to assist in this need. The women and children are the chief sufferers and are always deserving of whatever can be done for the amelioration of their lot.

The mayor requests that all societies and associations will send representatives to the meeting, and also invite all members of the general public.

TYLER STREET MOTHERS' CLUB.
 ANNUAL MEETING.
 The annual meeting was held at the school on Wednesday. The following were elected—President, Mrs. May; vice-presidents, Mrs. Madeline Dodge and Kohy; treasurer, Mrs. Higgins; V.F.M.C. delegates, Messrs. Edmond and Jackson.

A successful equestrian party was held on Monday evening. It was decided to hold an old-time dance and equestrian party in a flourishing condition, having already established permanent scholarships known as the Dawson School scholarships, tenable at the Dawson high schools for three years. Two students, Laurence Hatfield and Jack Hubble, are attending the Colberg High School, and this year's winner is attending Northcoote High School.

AUSTRALIAN FINANCE.

ADVERSE FACTORS ABROAD.
 "PERIOD OF GREAT DIFFICULTY."
 COMMONWEALTH BANK REVIEW.

Disturbing factors in the financial world, together with local circumstances, such as the fall in wool values and lower wheat production, made themselves felt on the Australian money market in a progressively adverse manner during the six months ended December 31, state the directors of the Commonwealth Bank in their report for the period just issued.

The overseas conditions, the board states, adversely affected Australia in the direction of the availability of money to meet Australia's external obligations. Balance of payments in London had not been sufficient to meet commitments. For many years Australia had relied on the overseas market to provide loans to augment such surplus as might be available for general purposes of development. Funds so obtained had been utilized in meeting overseas obligations, thus relieving local accumulations for national development purposes. Loans owing to the general financial disturbance overseas, the usual loan channels had not been available to Australia on acceptable terms. In the six months ended December 31, the bank had therefore been raised, and pressing needs had been met by the issue of £10,000,000 short-dated Treasury bills. The diminution of balances in London brought about a call on the gold holdings of Australia, and in the six months approximately £11,000,000 of gold had been shipped, of which more than £8,500,000 had come through the Commonwealth Bank.

The continued large volume of imports, the directors go on to say, acted adversely, and the immediate future would seem to indicate that the position in this connection must continue to be one of great difficulty, the funds later available from wheat and wool will not provide the easier conditions which are usually brought about by these factors. Early in 1929 the board appreciated the possibilities which had recently developed, and it advised the Government to bring in legislation to deal with the position. The election delayed action, but the new Government accepted the recommendations of the board, "with certain amplifications," which the Government thought necessary. Referring to the portion of the report which gives no notice to place an embargo on the export of gold, the board points out that such power already existed under the Customs Act respecting exports generally.

Gold Standard.
 "So far as the bank board is concerned, the directors state, 'it could not possibly desire to advise any action which would savour of Australia departing from the gold standard, or behind the Marston gold standard, in the opinion of the board of the bank, that the position must be controlled and the available gold used in such manner as will provide more serious embargoes, and that it should be used in the best interests of Australia by one authority which is in possession of the knowledge necessary to direct and control the use of the gold.'"

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Position Must Be Faced.
 "Arising out of what has already been said in this report," states the board, "there emerges a position which must be faced at once and which without any evasion; this refers to overseas importations into Australia. As it stands today, as indicated, the position is already one of embarrassment in regard to meeting external payments, and there are no justifiable expedients which can be adopted to meet the situation, excepting the drastic termination of reducing drastically the importation of things non-essential, until such time as we are again in a position to pay for these from overseas surpluses the result of production. If, therefore, the adoption of this course be followed, which it must have, it drastically reducing our custom to people overseas, it must not be interpreted as any policy against international trading, but should be accepted as a necessary measure as an indication of our determination to meet a position in the only way that can be approved by those who believe in sound financial and commercial principles. While the import and export figures for the current financial year cannot be ascertained until after June 30, those so far available indicate a serious position of deficit in the direction of adverse balance."

BOWLING NOTES.

PRESTON C1 v ESSENDON

Played at Victoria green. Preston C1—Wells, Wood, Tatchell, Bilyield, 19; Allardice, Hughes, Straede, Salfinger, 27; G. White, Zwar, Dahl, Lang, 26; total, 72. Essendon—Dibb, Steel, Muter, W. Morgan, 20; Chamberlain, Robinson, G. Morgan, Wood, 13; Mills, James, Richard, Bowtell, 29; total, 62.

The final match against Elsternwick will be played on Saturday at the Middle Park green. On Monday next (Eight Hours Day), Messrs. Fox and Salfinger will entertain the members at the green, commencing at 11 o'clock.

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Heralding the New Mode.

Long skirts are in to stay, according to Dame Fashion, and therefore, Fay Wray is in the vanguard with her new evening frock of gold lame, which sweeps the floor in a small train at every coo.

Over the frock Miss Wray throws a beautiful wrap of ermine and white fox, which also shows the new length for evening coats.

Miss Wray wears this ensemble in her new all-talking picture for Paramount, "Behind the Mask of a Stranger." Fay Wray is in the vanguard with her new evening frock of gold lame, which sweeps the floor in a small train at every coo.

Guest: "Does your husband object to cats?" Hostess: "I should say he does. He says I feed all the cats in the neighborhood. Won't you stay and have tea."

"Lend me ten shillings to buy some Christmas presents, and I'll always be behind you." "Yes, that's just what I'm afraid of."

Results of Gents' Doubles.

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More and Moore claimed walk-over from Pearce and Foster. Colley and Clayton d. Parker and Pearce, 2-8.

Draw for Ladies' Doubles. Misses Cunliffe and Chirgwin (owe 3) v Mesdames Bromley and Knight (owe 15.3). Tuesday, 25th, 8 p.m. Mesdames Strachan and Ashby (owe 30) v Misses McCarty and Brown (owe 49). Tue. day, 25th, 8.45 p.m.

Mrs. James Parker and Ellis (owe 20) v Mrs. Baker and Miss E. Byrne (owe 3). Wednesday, 26th, 8 p.m. Misses Miles and Mrs. Priddy (owe 20.5) v Mrs. Eddy and Mrs. Tetterton (owe 10). Wednesday, 26th, 9.30 p.m.

Mesdames Reid and Bradbury (owe 1) v Mesdames Carroll and MacKerlie (owe 15). Wednesday, 26th, 8 p.m. Misses Grey and Mrs. Priddy (owe 15) v Mesdames Strachan and Ashby (owe 15). Monday, 31st, 8 p.m. Misses Hunt and Chisell (owe 15) v Misses Hollywood and Jennings (owe 20). Monday, 31st, 8.45 p.m.

CURRENT SPORTING NEWS.

(By "Aequus.")

Final Cricket Match.

Northcoote plays its last cricket match for the season on Saturday, when it engages Fitzroy at the Northcoote Park. Fitzroy will be anxious to win to retain their place in the four, while Northcoote will endeavor to open their winning account, as up to date this season they have not tasted success. Northcoote is far from being a weak side, and a splendid last match should be witnessed.

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Training Begins at Preston.

There was a very large attendance at Preston Park on Tuesday when training commenced. Several League players were present, including Ludlow and Warr, both of whom were on-lookers.

Unauthorized Canvassers.

Already unauthorised canvassers have been around Preston soliciting donations or contributions for the Northcoote Football Club. The club desires to advise shopkeepers to keep a look-out for such unauthorised persons, as the club has not given authority to collect subscriptions without its written consent.—Tradesmen and others, beware!

LAWN TENNIS.

REGENT CLUB.
 Fair attendances have been attracted by the electric light tennis tournament now in progress. The games will be continued on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week, when the mixed doubles will be played. The results of the games played to date and also the draw for the ladies' doubles are as follows—

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IMPORTANT HEALTH LECTURE

Under the auspices of THE AUSTRALIAN BETTER HEALTH ASSOCIATION. President—The HON. W. J. BUCKETT, M.L.C., Minister for Public Health.

WHAT IS LIFE? VITAMINS.

Will be the subjects of Lectures by DR. GEO. E. PAYNE PHILPOTS in the WHITTLESEA HALL, ADMISION FREE.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE. PUBLIC MEETING.

HEREWITZ convene a PUBLIC MEETING to be held on WEDNESDAY, 2ND APRIL, in the Town Hall, for the purpose of considering the matter of taking steps to provide a fund to RELIEVE THE DISTRESS amongst our fellow citizens caused by unemployment, sickness, etc.

All Societies and Associations are requested to send representatives and members of the public are cordially invited to be present.

W. HAYES, Mayor.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE. TENDERS.

TENDERS are invited and will be received up till 12 noon on SATURDAY, 29TH INST., for RECONSTRUCTION OF CHARLES STREET in Reinforced Concrete.

J. A. THOMSON, Town Clerk.

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CRICKET.

Jilka Semi-Finals. Prestonville v Gowerville (Umpires Pratt and Ludlow), on Gowerville wicket. To be played on Saturday (1.45 to 6 p.m.) and Monday (Eight Hours Day) (10.45 a.m. to 1 p.m., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.). The wickets are off Bell St., east of Plenty road. Final to be played on Scotts' wicket on March 29, April 5 and 12, from 1.45 to 6 p.m. until finished.

PRESTON COURT.

THURSDAY, MARCH 20. Before Messrs. G. C. McPherson, O. A. Walker and W. Hooper, J.S.P.

Assault Charge. Bell street, Preston, was charged with having on March 18 assaulted Arthur James Dalgleish.

At 10 a.m. on March 18 he was at his business premises when defendant came in, and after saying "I'll put the thing in gear" he became very excited and hit with a severe blow on the head with a stick.

Mr. P. J. Horgan said he treated Dalgleish for a wound in the head, inserting four stitches.

Plain-clothes Constable Sanger said he saw defendant, who said "Dalgleish was looking for trouble and he got it." Asked why he struck Dalgleish, defendant said, "He was sneezing at me, and as I didn't hit him with my fists I struck him with my walking stick."

Mr. R. T. Cahir (for defendant) said that there had been some dispute over payment for some furniture. The amount Dalgleish asked had been paid, but he also demanded interest, which the defendant refused to pay.

In talking the matter over the complainant began to sneer at Mr. Cahir, who is an invalid pensioner, and it was only after great provocation that the blow was struck.

Mr. McPherson, J.P., said the bench took a serious view of the assault. Defendant was sentenced to imprisonment for one month, which was suspended on a bond of £25 to be of good behavior for 12 months. He was also ordered to pay costs of £10.

Police Withdrew Assault Charge. Frederick Victor Matthews was charged with having on March 4 assaulted Florence Sharp.

Sergt. Lang said the police were forced to withdraw the charge as the woman had "cleared out."

Insulting Words. Reuben Morris, Maynard street, Preston, was charged with having used insulting words on March 19.

Valentine Percy Morris, laborer, Maynard street, Preston, said the defendant was his brother. On March 19 his brother used most insulting language towards him. Defendant lived with him.

Constable Rosewarne said before he arrested defendant he admitted having said to his brother, "You're a liar. I'll give you a flip under the ear."

Defendant—"I was a bit 'boozed.'" Mr. Walker, J.P.—"What's that?" Defendant—"Shicker" (Laughter).

Mr. Walker—"What's that?" Defendant—"Drunk" (Laughter).

In answer to the chairman defendant said he was boarding with his brother.

Mr. McPherson, J.P., said that such incidents were very repugnant, and a fine of £1 would be imposed.

Unkenned Drivers. Arthur Coppin, Lynch street, Carlton, charged with having hawked fruit without being the holder of a license, on March 5, was fined £1.

J. Corbett, Mollison street, Abbotsford, who on February 14 sold a phenol while not being the holder of a license, contrary to the Poisons Act, was fined £2, with £1/4 costs.

Action was taken by the Pharmacy Board.

Inspector W. O'Doherty said that he saw defendant hawking phenol in beer bottles.

Phenol Sold in Beer Bottle. Action was also taken by the City of Preston against Corbett for having used a beer bottle for the purpose of the sale of phenol, a poisonous drug.

Corbett pleaded guilty, and a fine of £10, with £1/11/6 costs, was imposed in each case.

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Financial Position of Preston Council Discussed

WILL RATES BE INCREASED? BIBLICAL AND BED TIME STORIES

The meeting of the Preston City Council on Tuesday night was remarkable for the long discussion which took place regarding the city's financial position.

At times the debate became heated and there were brushes between the councillors. The cost of running the municipal motor car—usually known as the Preston State Coach—at times proved a storm centre, but finally after all the discussion was over and the matter had been well ventilated, the question of the finances was referred by the council to the Finance Committee.

Auditor's Report. Amongst the correspondence was a letter from Mr. W. Birch, Government municipal auditor, who submitted a report on the keeping of the books.

The report showed that with one or two slight errors—which had been rectified—everything was in order. The method of paying wages on vouchers was criticised, however, and it was recommended that a wages book be kept instead.

Cr. Robinson said the report showed there were only slight clerical errors, which might occur in any business. He understood the alterations suggested by the auditor would be made.

The Mayor (Cr. McPherson) said the auditor was now conferring with the town clerk and the auditor as to the system to be used. The report was received.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT. The report of the treasurer (Mr. L. W. Williams) was that during the financial year ending 31/3/29 the total amount of £31,000 was shown, which should be added £40,000 sent back to the loan. £3000 was passed to the loan and £4,000 taken from it.

The Mayor (Cr. McPherson) said the statement showed the comparative overdraft was £31,422/16/2 to March 19. There were also existing liabilities for land purchase of £4,938.

Cr. Jones—I didn't count that. The Mayor—The statement certainly requires investigating, as I'm anxious to find out just where we are.

The town clerk said that £4,070 was debited in error to the municipal fund, instead of to the loan.

Cr. Robinson said the overdraft is £2600 more than is accounted for. Cr. Crisp—The council must live within its income, and it cannot carry on at its present 2/6 rate if the matter goes to the committee. It will probably be found that the position is not so bad as it is shown.

Cr. Robinson said he had studied the report carefully and did not think the municipality was in such a bad way after all. It was no time to cry "sinking fish." The council had budgeted to spend £31,000 during the year. The council estimates of receipts were so far well up to the mark for the five months, and he did not think the position would be so bad at the end of the year.

Cr. Robinson, in moving that the report be referred to the Finance Committee, said that the overdraft of £31,422 had been collected, and the total amount of rates the city would receive in the current year, and even when all the rates collected there would be a deficit of from £10,000 to £12,000 at the end of the financial year.

Concerning the various loans Cr. Robinson said he had a better idea of what was asked for a statement, which would show the total amount of the loans and the amount of the interest thereon.

The figures of March had been shown the overdraft to be £29,172, and an additional £2,250 had been spent since, which would bring the overdraft up to £31,422.

Cr. Robinson said that the council had received more in rates, current, arrears and sanitary, than in previous years, and he felt that by May 19, when the rates were due, the council would be in a sound position.

Cr. Jones—You're an optimist! Cr. Robinson—Maybe I am. I object to certain councillors going round saying that next year there would be a 2/6 rate. Cr. Robinson—Name them. Cr. Robinson—Name them. Cr. Robinson—Name them. Cr. Robinson—Name them.

Cr. Robinson—This reminds me of a Biblical story of the Lord's Supper. Cr. Jones—I rise to a point of order. It is no use making a farce of the council business by telling bedtime stories. The Mayor—Cr. Robinson can tell a story to illustrate his point if he likes. Cr. Robinson—I asked Cr. Robinson to name the councillors who were making a farce of the council business. Cr. Robinson—Name them. Cr. Robinson—Name them. Cr. Robinson—Name them.



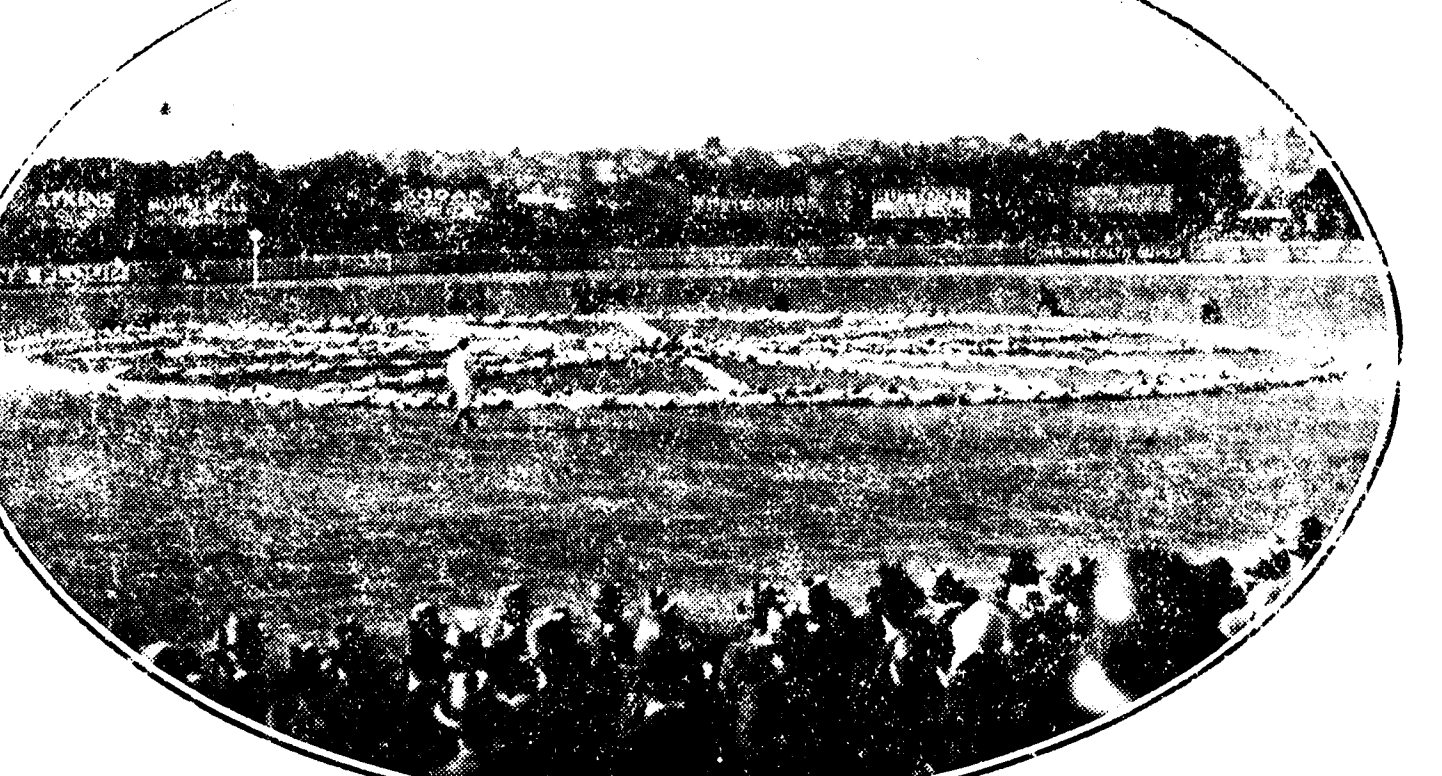
Winners of the Fitzroy Cup Relay Race, with their instructor, Mr. N. Volk (centre). The lads are (from left)—Sydney Jennings, Kenneth Calwell, Leslie Taylor, and Stanley Devers.

FIRE AT BAC'N FACTORY.



Extensive damage was done by a fire which broke out at Messrs. Watson and Paterson's bacon factory at the corner of Plenty road and Dundas St. last Friday afternoon. Firemen are shown fighting the outbreak across the burning roof in the centre of the factory building.

EIGHT HOURS' DAY DEMONSTRATION.



A giant wheel was formed by girls, under the direction of Mrs. Gillies, at the Eight Hours' Day sports at the showgrounds, Flemington, on Monday afternoon. This formation was the most spectacular feature of the demonstration.

WEST PRESTON ASSOCIATION.

The president (Mr. J. Christie) occupied the chair, and the attendance was very large at the meeting on March 19.

The town clerk asked that the desired attention to Craner street ward be referred to the next loan schedule. The retiring secretary received a letter from the town clerk wishing Mr. and Mrs. Phillips all the best on removing to Heidelberg, and was elected a life member of the association.

It was decided to form a cricket club in the association for next year. A meeting is arranged for April 14 to discuss the matter. The opening of the Preston baths on Sundays was dealt with, and a letter was received from the council stating that the present arrangements were to be adhered to.

The State member (Mr. G. Walker, M.L.A.) wrote in reply to a letter from the association that the Education Department purchase a suitable block of land in Regent, west of Spring street, for the purpose of erecting a school. Mr. Webster said he would give the matter prompt attention. Mr. Hutchinson of Gilbert road, was elected a life member of the association.

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DAY LABOR OR CONTRACT
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 DAY LABOR FIGURES UNDER THE ESTIMATE
 The engineer (Mr. Scott) told the Preston Council on Tuesday that the cost of constructing Footing street to the east of the garage was estimated at £1971 and £50 was earmarked to finish it, making a total cost of £2021, which was £189 below the estimate. The work had been done by day labor. Patterson street would cost £2784, or £216 below the estimate, and Newcastle street would have been changed to make the employment go as far as possible, and the works including private work which were chargeable to the owners. The mayor (Cr. McPherson) said that the report spoke well for the supervision of the works. The results spoke volumes for day labor, and instead of insisting in future on a percentage of local employment, the council should give day labor and give all the employment in street construction to local people. Cr. Jones said that the streets were started to relieve unemployment last winter, and he was glad to hear they were finished to-day—nearly twelve months later. Cr. Robinson said that the introduction of day labor would open a very big question. Contract work was done quickly, and he could instance rights-of-way which were authorised to be constructed by day labor and which had not yet been started, whereas by contract they would have been completed. He believed in getting the best results for the money spent. He did not know who had been charged for supervision in these streets. It was decided to refer the report to the council for their consideration, and the motion of Crs. Robinson and Robinson.

PRESTON STATE COACH
 QUESTIONS ASKED IN COUNCIL.
 REPORT TO BE OBTAINED
 Whilst ordinary business was being discussed by the Preston Council on Tuesday, Cr. Newton asked if it was a fact that a garage was being built at the house of the driver of the "Preston state coach" to house that car, and if so, at whose expense. He (Cr. Newton) understood that the building inspector had spent a lot of time supervising the erection of the building. There was a good deal to say in objecting to the housing of a council car in a private garage. The mayor (Cr. McPherson) said that the report spoke well for the supervision of the works. The results spoke volumes for day labor, and instead of insisting in future on a percentage of local employment, the council should give day labor and give all the employment in street construction to local people. Cr. Jones said that the streets were started to relieve unemployment last winter, and he was glad to hear they were finished to-day—nearly twelve months later. Cr. Robinson said that the introduction of day labor would open a very big question. Contract work was done quickly, and he could instance rights-of-way which were authorised to be constructed by day labor and which had not yet been started, whereas by contract they would have been completed. He believed in getting the best results for the money spent. He did not know who had been charged for supervision in these streets. It was decided to refer the report to the council for their consideration, and the motion of Crs. Robinson and Robinson.

A.L.P. PRESTON BRANCH.
 The usual fortnightly meeting was held at 8 p.m. on March 21 in the Bradford Hall. The president (Mr. Andrews) presided. Correspondence from the women's organising committee re Federal Congress agenda paper was received, and on the motion of Messrs. Stafford and Horwood. From Industrial Co-operative Society that request for a meeting to allow speakers to address the branch be accorded to and April 4 be the night. General Business.—Mr. Baker moved "That in the opinion of the branch it is unwise for prominent members of the movement to take sides on the public platform in the present campaign for the No License referendum. Carried. Mr. Horwood moved: "That a committee consisting of delegates from each branch, Preston and Reservoir, be appointed to consider ways and means of raising funds." Seconded by Mr. Roberts and carried. PUBLIC SPEAKERS' CLASS. The weekly meeting under the auspices of the Preston branch A.L.P. was held on March 23 at 10 a.m. in the Bradford Hall. The president (Mr. Andrews) presided. The lecture on "Industrial Relations" was fully discussed. This lecture was delivered by Mr. M. Blackburn, M.L.A., at the last meeting of the Trades Hall class. Under the State's constitution the States may make industrial laws, but they may not conflict with Federal laws. The only machinery set up by the Victorian Parliament is the State Wage Board, consisting of representatives of both employers and employees, with a Government nominee as chairman. All employers and employees are covered by the State Wage Board awards, where they are not applicants or respondents to a Federal Arbitration Court award. The State may pass any industrial laws for its own people, but it may not pass laws which are in conflict with Federal laws. The Federal Arbitration Court may not direct the Federal Government to pass laws, but it may make certain suggestions. The award of a Federal Arbitration Court only apply to the members of the union and the cited employees before the court. All other members of the union and the cited employees are covered by the State Wage Board awards, where they are not applicants or respondents to a Federal Arbitration Court award. The State may pass any industrial laws for its own people, but it may not pass laws which are in conflict with Federal laws. The Federal Arbitration Court may not direct the Federal Government to pass laws, but it may make certain suggestions. The award of a Federal Arbitration Court only apply to the members of the union and the cited employees before the court. All other members of the union and the cited employees are covered by the State Wage Board awards, where they are not applicants or respondents to a Federal Arbitration Court award. The State may pass any industrial laws for its own people, but it may not pass laws which are in conflict with Federal laws. The Federal Arbitration Court may not direct the Federal Government to pass laws, but it may make certain suggestions. The award of a Federal Arbitration Court only apply to the members of the union and the cited employees before the court. All other members of the union and the cited employees are covered by the State Wage Board awards, where they are not applicants or respondents to a Federal Arbitration Court award.

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"YES" OR "NO?"

On Saturday the adult community will be called upon to record a vote either favoring the abolition of liquor bars or continuance as at present.

It has been stated and sufficed with bulky budgets of literature which, but for the humor interspersed here and there, has been exceedingly "dry."

Now, what has all this to do with the real issue? It must be merely regarded as a "herring dragged across the trail" to entrap or ensnare the unwary yet dragooned voter.

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Latest Fashions

PROPOS OF THE PERMANENT WAVE

Miss 1930! Do you ever stop and wonder, amidst rush and worry of your completely occupied day, whether your occupation is in pursuit of pleasure or whether you are earning your living? Have you ever stopped and asked at, shall we say, Mother's photograph of 20 years ago? And you, Madam, who are just as much a product



modern times with your short skirts and your short hair, have you ever stopped and stared aghast at what was considered smart in the decades gone by? That monumental coiffure, built up with painstaking care, a multiplicity of combs and hairpins, the long and trailing skirt, vessel for the collection of germs and dust!

Well, let us look at your photograph, and let Miss 1930, whether she be or be not your daughter, look over her shoulder. However in the world could you have possibly worn such monstrosities? Your answer, no doubt, to this question is: "Yes, my dear sir, you are perfectly right, and our fashions of those days, no doubt, now look the juvenile and youthful eyes of the young girl friend present to be screamingly funny; but we were considered smart in those days, and fashion's decrees were just as absolute and tyrannical as they are to-day. Now we have come educated and modernised, and we have gone with the times. What will you? Other times bring newer customs."

True, Madam, but what is the cause of this progression? My answer to you is that it is the natural progression of the human race, due to education, hygiene and science. Let us take, for instance, the question of short hair. Contrary to the opinion shared by many people until quite recently, modes and fashions in the world of hairdressing are not idle fancies, or questions of snobbishness. This may have been true during the vogue of the coiffure, "Eton crop," that most effeminate style imaginable, but good taste very soon re-asserted itself, and the short hair styles which we see around us to-day have by no means any reason for being envious of the long hair coiffures of the past.

To think that long hair can ever come into its own again would be to deny that there is such a thing as progress, to forget that there are such things as electricity, motor cars, aeroplanes; to discover, in fact, everything that characterised our era. And whereas our coiffures have been able to develop their styles and adapt themselves to modern requirements, they might be blamed by some of their clients who refused to follow their advice. No! To take such a view would be totally to misunderstand our feelings, our ambition and our wishes.

It may appear original to wear one's hair long when short hair is the prevailing fashion, but popular styles will in no way allow themselves to be influenced thereby. We are living in an age of short hair, so let us be up to date. We have here an admirable example of a modern style by the master coiffeur, Rene Rambaud, of Paris. Madame! The permanent waving machine has been a boon for you, for it is by this aid you have not retrogressed to the bun, which we all sincerely hope has been relegated into the limbo of the past. You ask me why, and I will attempt to explain. The Eton crop, or the coiffure "a la Garconne," was a monstrosity, and women quickly tired of it and desired to re-assume an appearance of femininity, so the pendulum began to swing and was swinging back to the old hygienic coiffure of the times of cabs and elastic sided boots, when it was caught and arrested by the permanent waving machine. It was clearly demonstrated that with the aid of this instrument, a "long bob" as our American cousins call it, would be much more attractive, and much more feminine than the flowing tresses of our grandmothers' times. Side curls, back curls, fringes, kiss curls, a wave here, a curl there, just the very suggestion of an undulation here, and the deft fingers of the artist in hairdressing can make your hair a masterpiece. What is there to wonder at, then, that modern woman has adopted the permanent wave? The prejudice which used to exist against it has been practically dispelled, while the hairdressing profession eagerly laid itself out to supply the demand which modern woman has made for permanent waving.

I have oftentimes in these pages put forward the view that it is one of woman's first duties to make herself as attractive as possible and as beautiful as she can possibly be. And whether she is clad in a simple washing frock or a superb gown costing many guineas, a permanently waved head of hair can still be called "woman's crowning glory."

Every new idea, every new fashion, and every new beauty product is first received with disbelief. They are

belittled by the ignorant and discounted by the shortsighted. But the invention par excellence of this age of utility and common sense is the permanent waving machine. When one thinks of the hours of excruciating torture, the cumbersome and heavy utensils which were used at the start of permanent waving, one is all the more struck by the ingenuity of the human brain and the tremendous advance of modern science.

Miss 1930 will remember how, when she was a child, Mother used to put her hair in curling papers at night, while Mother herself used to have to undergo the ministrations of her lady's maid or her hairdresser, or dress her hair by her own efforts with marcel iron or curling pins. The picture of the typical lady of 20 years gone by, when seen at any time before 3 o'clock in the afternoon, will give a very good idea of what most women had to look like in those days to attain a coiffure. The continual application of the marcel iron did not do much good to the hair when permanent waving was first invented, nor did the permanent waving hester.

But now there is a different story. Fine hair, thick hair, coarse, or light, grey and white, dyed and bleached—to the permanent waving machine they are all acceptable, and can all be treated, although different treatments must be meted out to each individual kind, both with regard to the time of exposure and to the strength of the solution used. Far from being harmful to the hair, the art of permanent waving in the hands of a skilled operator is beneficial, and, Madam, how decorative!

The present vogue of semi-long or semi-short hair would be an absolute impossibility without the co-operation of the permanent waving machine, which bequeaths to the modern woman that light and graceful wave so much akin to natural curly hair which forms a fitting frame to charming faces. The straight lank hair of the days gone by is now a thing of the past. The marcel iron, although still actively employed, has been ousted from the position which it held in the youth of the Mother of Miss 1930, and the art of permanent waving reigns supreme.

From Japan to Cape Town, from Melbourne to Stockholm, hundreds upon thousands of women have increased their physical attractions and personal charms by means of a fitting coiffure, and by this I mean a headdress designed and carried out in order to suit the individuality of each person. If every woman could afford to have her gowns and frocks so designed, would she not at once avail



herself of the facilities which wealth would offer them? And so, I imagine, basing my opinion upon this reasoning, has modern woman adopted the permanent wave.

There is now no limit as to what the permanent waving machine can do for your coiffure. It used to be impossible to have a permanent wave upon a permanent wave; that is to say, once a head had been permanently waved it could not undergo a similar treatment until the first wave had completely grown out. This is no longer the case, and re-waves, without harm to the hair, can be carried out at any time when it is considered necessary.

BRIGHTER BEDSPREADS.

Many housewives like to have one or two fresh bedspreads in hand, and the continually recurring white sales offer hosts of lovely new ideas. Before making any suggestions, however, it is well to remember that, even in these highly individual days, some folk place the white counterpane first. They feel there is something not quite hygienic about a bed that has a covering other than a pure white washable one. And there is this to be said for their notion—undoubtedly it is the best choice for certain rooms, and suits them as nothing else can.

But for those who crave novelties there are several from which to select. Numbers of the shops are featuring large squares of beautifully colored Indian cotton prints for bedspreads. Then lovers of the bold and striking might give attention to the new fad for wool-embroidered bedspreads. The foundation of the spread is of coarse net, and this is embroidered freely in various bright colored wools. As the design does not cover the whole surface, some of the net is left uncovered, therefore a spread of this type has to be laid on a foundation of sateen in some matching color.

But my personal choice is for shot taffeta, which is both effective and good wearing. I have a perfectly plain one in deep powder blue, joined down the middle with an inch-wide strip of dull gold galon, which is the admiration of everybody who sees it. To my mind there is nothing more attractive, and it is dainty and wholly practical. The shops are full of new fabrics just now. You have only to choose.

OUR FASHION SECTION

LATEST FASHIONS FROM PARIS FOR YOUTH AND GRACE.

It should be easy to dress youth and its grace, but the difficulty lies precisely in the fact that one must preserve to youth its own particular charm and not weigh it down with vain additions. The new fashion appears to me in this full of good and bad suggestions. Nothing is more "girlish" nor more becoming, for example, than the fashionable movement of having the wastline exactly in its right place, and slightly taken in; but on the contrary great tast must be used in making the choice of a long skirt. All points too much accentuated, and complicated panneaux, and all those refinements which the great dress-makers are accentuating each day, are contrary to the impression of simplicity which one must never forget in dressing our girls.

I think that this season a typical dress of the "jeunne fille," or young woman, will follow the choice of Jeanne Lanvin, which has been seen about a lot in Paris, and each time with renewed pleasure. Imagine to yourself a dress of mousseline de soie in white, tucked from the decollete to the hips and then falling in graceful flares or folds nearly to the feet! One has seen this dress sometimes trimmed at the hem by a strip of fox fur or marabout, now floating in the air, and now touching the ground all round. A little narrow belt marks the waist.

Louiseboulanger had also a most delicious dress in her last collection. This robe was in flowered mousseline, and the long and ample skirt was held in by a hip band. Over the shoulders a fichu of simple colored muslin was draped with a charming grace. The idea of attenuating the effect of the decollete by means of this device is ingenious and charming.

Even in the afternoon the problem is still difficult enough, but I think that by incrustations and piping, always bearing the ideal of simplicity in mind, one will be able to make more than one pretty model. The coat three-quarter lengths, is indicated, more especially for town wear, and we shall see some charming printed crepe de chenes with little geometrical designs, which will furnish some of the ensembles for the sunny days.

Although we are approaching our winter season here, I am sure that there does not exist a girl who, even at this early hour, is not dreaming of next spring.



On the left is evening dress by Lippe et Gaston in white and rose, worn with a blue pastel of the same material and lines with green. The skirt is long and slightly flared at the waist.

In the middle there is a dress of Nicole Groult in red crepe georgette, of which the bodice is entirely black. The skirt is trimmed at the edge with fine piping.

On the right is seen a dress by Louiseboulanger in printed mousseline on pale green satin, worn with a handkerchief of pale green mousseline thrown over the shoulders and tied in the front.

COSMETIC ARTISTRY.

WHAT IS BEAUTY?

How can I be beautiful? This question—and it is of vital importance to women—is asked constantly. Let's see if we can answer it.

First of all, what is Beauty? Isn't Beauty in its broader sense a state of mind? Is classic perfection and harmony of face and figure the real criterion of beauty as exemplified by the modern woman whom we meet in the busy social and business world of to-day? No. Rather charm, individuality and perfect grooming go to form the answer.

Let's take it for granted that the chapeau is chic, that is, does not hide good features, or that it perhaps throws a softening, kind shadow on a hard or unfortunate line here or there. Also that the costume or frock has been chosen with taste and is of a line and color which harmonize with your perfect ensemble. That the hose are of a shade which is going to flatter your legs and are above shoes that are well chosen as to the dress and occasion. All this arranged for, we begin to become a little more personal.

If you are clever, you are going to analyse yourself once more and begin with your hair. Is it really becoming? Or is it just easy to fix? If your face is quite long and thin you will no doubt want to give it a little less "angular" expression, and that is done by bringing it lower over the forehead in soft waves or added fullness at the ears or perhaps both.

Then, again, your face is round and rather wide perhaps. In this case you would want to add length which nature neglected in her intricate work of creating attractive women, and the centre hair part is among the many ways of giving this illusion.

MARRIAGE.

Marriage is like a bed with love and tenderness. It is a duty. Then, one day, it is a fault. In particular: it is a very sad sadness, because it was so beautiful. But it is not broken, but it is broken. The next time one brushes against it, it is broken. And so on, the breaking happens. It is beyond repair. And so on, the breaking happens. It is beyond repair. And so on, the breaking happens. It is beyond repair.

Which we acquire to treasure all our life; perhaps, nobody's fault in particular: it is a very sad sadness, because it was so beautiful. But it is not broken, but it is broken. The next time one brushes against it, it is broken. And so on, the breaking happens. It is beyond repair.

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SWINGING THE PENDULUM.

Backwards, forwards! So the pendulum swings, always covering the well-worn ground. Its pace is measured one, unless something upsets its equilibrium, and then it rushes wildly to and fro.

Whether the pendulum is the fashion in Eve's garments or in her beauty aids, the same rule holds good—backwards, forwards! The modern girl likes to spell the word "modern" with a very big "M", looking backwards with a scornful glance. But probably her toilet aids might be considered very out of date by the mummies at the British Museum, who went one better than her, with all her modern beauty culture!

As far back as history can trace the aids that really "aided" beauty were those that were in use, and now once again they are in vogue. Asses' milk, soft water, the juices of plants applied to cultivate real beauty gave way before the powders and paints that adorned the plainest and the prettiest faces.

Miss 1930 is delightfully practical and demands preparations that will really make her beautiful—not only just an artistic picture to be blotted out by soap and water. If Dame Nature has not been lavish with her gifts, then these have to be enticed to grow on soil that beauty culture carefully tills, and the little seeds of beauty must be watered with lotions and creams. As the farmer breaks up his land with the plough, so are various types of apparatus, such as vibrators, brought into play upon the dainty face and hands.

A MARKED DIFFERENCE.

Well, the girls of to-day may cut their hair the same way as men do, smoke the same way, and wear the same kind of knickerbockers; but we have never yet seen one strike her matches the same way.

Applying Face Cream

By A. W. Stom, Manager of the Myer Beauty Salon, Melbourne.

The demand for face creams and lotions is very greatly on the increase and consequently the enthusiasm of manufacturers knows no bounds. New preparations are shouting themselves hoarse to be noticed by ladies, old or young, and fervently trying to impress upon very impressionable minds the necessity for using "Caldy's Cooling Cream," "Lucr's Lustrous Lotion," or "Paling's Pulverised Clay Pack Preparation." Then being duly impressed, these find their way into the boudoirs of those who seek to rejuvenate their skin, facial contours, etc.

Then there is the woman who has a real skin trouble—either dry eczema, ringworm, or any of the dry skin diseases. She comes with a smile on her face and 2/6 in her hand and expects to be cured with a pot of blackhead cream!

My advice to ladies really is this. First and foremost get expert advice as to what should be the treatment to undergo. Then go home and use the creams or lotions



Fig. 1.

Now, how many of these purchasers actually think before they possess themselves of these new preparations, what is wanted for their particular type of skin? The outcome very frequently is that the wrong creams or lotions are purchased—, not of course with actual dire results, but merely resulting in a waste of money and time which could have been spent in a better way.

prescribed. But, remember, by "expert" I mean a person who is really qualified to prescribe for skin troubles—a person who has some knowledge of dermatology. The expert knows his or her own limitations. When a client asks for advice on real skin trouble, and the expert knows he cannot cope with it, he is usually honest enough to say so and send the client to a dermatologist to be treated. There are many quick remedies and one has to be careful of them. To illustrate this I quote the following from Pharmaceutical Formulas, page 6—

Bosom Developers.

"A preparation of Tragacanth."

"This has to be massaged into the bosom at night." This represents the usual treatment for bosom development.

Strange to say, we found a massage jelly for the reduction of superfluous flesh to be a tragacanth preparation!

So beware!

Another thing to remember is this.

Take, for instance, women in the hotter parts of Australia. The continuous heat is responsible for drying the skin and making it harsh and coarse. Dust naturally will find its way into the pores, giving the skin that sallow look so often seen in women from the hotter climates. What is the remedy?

First a cleansing cream which penetrates into the pores, opens them and cleans them out. Then should follow a face cream rich in vegetable oils, with the object of softening the skin and healing the ravages of heat. Sometimes a good astringent lotion can then be used to close the pores, which have become enlarged.

With very dry skins one may occasionally apply a little face cream overnight, with beneficial results. For moderately dry skins one should not use too much vanishing cream, as this has a slight drying effect.

Women, however, are occasionally very funny and very inconsistent through lack of knowledge. In many cases they cleanse the pores, apply astringent and cream, and feel nice, clean and comfortable. Then, lo and behold, they clog the pores up again with cheap face powders. This effectively undoes all the good they have done.

Now for the oily skin. First of all, "steam." Either have the face steamed properly by a beauty culturist or steam it yourself. Then

Where age has wrought havoc with the skin tissues, and the skin is furrowed into deep wrinkles, no amount of massage will take them away. Face lifting (skin stretching) by a plastic surgeon is very effective, but no one can rejuvenate the eyes, and a stretched skin and weary eyes have a very strange effect in the appearance of the person so treated.

With advancing age the skin is not the whole trouble. The eyes sink further into their sockets; the figure changes and unconsciously droops; the nose becomes sharper.



Fig. 2.

put some boiling water in a basin with a little drop (about a teaspoonful) of eau de cologne in the water. Wrap a towel over the head and sit like this for five minutes. Not very comfortable, but a great help. After this period the perspiration will come out of every pore, and with the perspiration will come any dirt that may have found its way there. If ice is handy apply it to the skin in a gently circular motion, covered with a piece of muslin. This will effectively close the pores again. If no ice is available use a towel wrung out in very cold water. Then apply a nice cucumber cream and next vanishing cream.

That's all right when grandma is asleep. Then she looks like young Phyllis; but when grandma wakes up and tries to look like Phyllis—oh, dear!

So dear ladies, look after yourselves, but do not tamper with your skins. When you treat your skin, know the



Fig. 3.

For those ladies to whom wrinkles are a source of worry, a more vigorous massage is necessary and then a good reputable wrinkle cream must be used so as to be able to pat the skin without hurt. Then use fairly strong astringent afterwards.

And one must not think that by buying a pot of cream (be it 5/- or 5 guineas) that one has only to apply it, sit in front of a mirror, and watch oneself get young once more. These marvels of rejuvenation died out with "Faust," and I do not think that no matter how often a woman will "sell her soul to Mephistopheles," she will look a day younger for it. Infinite patience is worth more than virtue where beauty is concerned.

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The Women's Page
(Conducted by "FENELope")

ROMANTIC CIRCLE

WHITE—WALTON

The first wedding in the Methodist Church, St. George's road, Croxton, took place on March 25, when Mr. Norman T. White, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. White, of 9 Hutchinson street, Brunswick West, was married to Miss Thelma May Walton, daughter of Mrs. F. M. Walton, of 106 Park street, North Fitzroy. The Rev. F. Woolhouse performed the ceremony. Mr. Smith (an uncle) accompanied the bride and gave her away. A solo, "At Dawn," was sung by Miss A. Anson. The bridal gown was white crepe satin styled in a close-fitting bodice, with tight sleeves and flared skirt reaching to ankle length at the back. Her Limerick lace veil was mounted on tulle and caught to the head in cap fashion. A sheaf of tiger lilies and pink gladioli formed the bridal bouquet. Miss G. E. Gogg, the bridesmaid, was dressed in mushroom pink lace, with close-fitting bodice, long sleeves, and fully flared long skirt. Her hat was a smart felt to match, with a drooping brim and bow at back. She carried a bunch of pink gladioli. Mr. R. Zuppé, the best man, was dressed in a tuxedo. The bridegroom's mother chose a honey brown jersey frock, with felt hat to tone, and carried blue delphiniums.

FANCY'S FASHION

GIRL'S COAT FROCK

The pattern for this week is one that will be sure to find favor with both mothers and youthful daughters. It is a charming little coat frock, embodying the ever-popular pleated effects, yet so simple in style that it can be quickly and easily made up at home by the merest novice.

The illustration shows pleated sections at each side, the back being plain. The dress is designed to open at the front, as in the sketch, and it is finished with a neat collar and a



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THE STAND-UP SUPPER

We all come to it one time or another, however superior we have been about it, however loudly we have said, "Oh, I believe in treating my guests properly and giving them a good sit-down supper with plenty to eat."

Oh, I believe in treating my guests properly and giving them a good sit-down supper with plenty to eat. You have a small table, perhaps, and you cannot possibly seat more than four people comfortably round your table. You have a small table, perhaps, and you cannot possibly seat more than four people comfortably round your table. You have a small table, perhaps, and you cannot possibly seat more than four people comfortably round your table.

narrow belt or girder at the waist. Long sleeves are provided. These are simply gathered at the wrist into narrow wrist bands.

The dress is suitable for making up in almost any of the materials now showing, including velvets and silks. The pattern is No. 3155, price 10/6, and is cut in sizes to suit girls of 9 to 12 and 12 to 14 years. The patterns are on sale at all the agents whose names appear in the list published in another part of this issue. They are manufactured in Australia by Demaret and Co., Derby street, Collingwood. Write for illustrated leaflets of designs, which will be sent gladly on application.

LIP LORE

A hard line of make-up always hardens the line of the lips.

Glycerine and lemon will keep the lips soft and give them color. A drop of eau de Cologne will also give color.

If you use a dry lipstick which obviously has no grease in it, always apply a little cold cream to your lips before you apply the lipstick.

If your mouth is thick don't take the lipstick right to the edge of your lips; if your mouth is thin apply color right to the edge, even a little over.

Always wipe away a little of the color when you have finished. Remember that most mirrors, and especially bad or not-too-clean ones, reflect slightly darker and dimmer than reality.

Follow the line of your lips, accentuating the cupid's bow if you have one. If your mouth is large and you wish to make it look smaller, make up more to the middle of your mouth.

The proper way to apply your lipstick is not, as most women imagine, on the line of the lips, but up and down—the way the skin grows. The line of the lips should still be followed, of course. To make up your mouth this way takes longer, but is more satisfactory.

Author: "Is my story perfectly clear?" Publisher: "It should be. There's nothing in it."

"And, what is a popular song?" "Any song that becomes a howling success."

each person, add a pinch of salt, pour boiling water on it, clear, and serve after it has "stood" for a few minutes. Need for your supper there will be no need for you to think wistfully about a "good sit-down meal," because your guests will have had quite enough, if you do as I tell you, even if you haven't!

Those fascinating potato crisps and cheese straws make useful and appealing things to eat, and, as spoons and forks are quite permissible even when eating up, there is no reason why potato and Russian salads should not be served, and certainly all forms of trifles, jellies, and fruit salads as sweets.

RECIPES

Good Puff Paste

Ingredients.—To every pound of flour allow 1 lb. of butter and 1/2 pint of water. Carefully weigh the flour and butter and have the exact proportions; squeeze the butter well, and afterwards wring it in a clean cloth so that no moisture may remain. Sift the flour and see that it is perfectly dry. Sift 1 lb. of flour to your quantity. Work the whole into a smooth paste with a knife to mix it with. Roll it out as thick as a smooth piece of paper (all about 4ozs.), and dot them with the paste. Sprinkle with flour, roll over and roll out. Repeat this until the pound of butter is used up (in four times). Rub the rolling pin, but roll lightly. Your oven heated sufficiently with the paste, and do not press heavily on the rolling pin, but roll lightly. Roll your own heated sufficiently with the paste, and cook till it is done. When putting the butter in, the whole of the brushed with the white egg the paste will rise more lightly.

Purée
1 lb. of fruit, 1 1/2 pints of water, 11 lbs. of sugar makes three pints of puree. Pour boiling water over dried fruit, allow to stand for three minutes, put the fruit into a colander (enameled if possible) and run the cold tap on it for about five minutes. Next put the fruit into a dish and add a teacup of water and cook for 24 hours. Boil together for 10 minutes, pass through a wire sieve, strain out skins and stones, add 12 lbs. of sugar and simmer for 10 minutes.

Sago Plum Pudding
Three tablespoons of sago, soaked in a cup of milk overnight (or boiled enough raisins, spices, currants, and half a cup of sugar, two cups of bread crumbs, 1 teaspoon of soda dissolved in a little boiling water, 1 tablespoon of melted butter, and last of all, orange. Mix in order given, put in a greased basin and steam for two hours. Serve with custard or sweet white sauce.

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Ladies' Doubles
Misses Cunliffe and Chirgwin d. Mesdames Knight and Bromley, 9-6.
Misses McCarthy and Brown d. Mesdames Strachan and Ashley, 9-5.
Mesdames Parker and Ellis d. Misses Baker and Byrne, 9-6.
Mesdames Carroll and McKelvie d. Misses Reid and Bradbury, 9-3.
Miss Miles and Mrs. Pretty d. Mrs. Tattersall and Miss Facey, 9-5.

Gent's Doubles
Evans and Stubbing d. Jennings and Hing, 9-5.
Poole and Webster, w.o. from Nibbel.
Horn and Hedger d. Gray and Storchery, 9-8.
White and Syer d. Ebsworth and O'Brien, 9-11.
De Page and Armstrong d. Grant and Thake, 9-3.

COOMA TENNIS CLUB
GENTS' AND MIXED DOUBLES OPEN HANDICAP

The matches during the week were evenly contested and thoroughly enjoyed by a large attendance of enthusiasts. Results to hand are as follows:—
Mixed Doubles: J. Hehir and C. Powers v. Murphy and J. Murphy, 9-5.
W. Burke and Miss Boyle d. J. Drummond and Miss Treacery, 9-8.
H. Hazel and Mrs. Straun d. W. O'Hara and Miss Hollowood, 9-5.
J. McKay and Miss D. McKay d. M. Benson and Mrs. Pretty, 9-7.
H. Meibohm and Mrs. Tattersall d. T. Jones and Miss Connolly, 9-7.
E. Hehir and Miss Pobjoy d. D. Thorn and Miss Saunders, 9-7.
Dr. O'Collins and Miss Loel d. W. Mooney and Miss Gleeson, 9-6.
C. Jones and Miss Kelly d. D. Sykes and Miss Laing, 9-5.

Gent's Doubles
G. Cook and G. Geyles d. D. and J. McKernan, 9-3.
H. Meibohm and A. Cockrane d. M. Clarke and Swain, 9-6.
R. Witham and M. Benson d. F. Heine and T. Jones, 9-7.
W. O'Hara and G. Marshall d. A. Prentice and G. Jackson, w.o.
Dr. O'Collins and W. Burke d. R. Crowe and D. Crowe, 9-5.
E. Ruffin and C. Thorn d. G. Crawley and T. Kurban, 9-7.

Draw for Monday, March 31
7.45.—C. Jones and G. Longwill v. R. Rayson and C. Allen; R. Crowe and Miss Barry v. R. Carroll and Miss L. Wallace.
8.30.—C. Powers and Miss Kearton v. M. Swain and Miss Clarke; W. Burke and Miss Boyle v. E. Hehir and Miss Pobjoy.
9.15.—C. Centes and M. Cattnach v. H. Hazel and D. McKelvie; G. Longwill and Miss R. Wallace v. A. Cockrane and Miss Richardson.
10.0.—E. J. Hehir and C. Powers v. P. Murphy and J. Murphy.
Players competing in this tournament are advised to find out dates and times re playing of matches by ringing Cosma Tennis Club, JW2326, or from W. F. J. Bott, hairdresser, 563 High street, Preston, tournament secretary.

Results and draw will also be published in this paper each week.

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TALKIES AND MOVIES

"THE STREET GIRL"

Westley Ruggles has made an appealing picture from an original story by W. Carey Wonderly. It tells of the struggle of a little group of musicians—six boys and a girl—who win fame from an unpromising start in a small cafe in the Hungarian quarters of New York. Betty Compson, in the role of a little Hungarian violinist, brings a new charm to the screen. Her talent on the violin is particularly impressive for one whose reputation has been built outside the musical world. John Harrow, who has the leading male role opposite her, will undoubtedly climb high in the ranks of the new leading men of the talkies by virtue of his sincere performance.

"THE DRAKE CASE"
The story concerns a woman accused of murder who refuses to say a word in her own defence, although the facts deny having committed the crime. This attitude throws a burden upon her lawyer and his method of exonerating her and himself from a seemingly impossible position is the surprise and thrill of the picture.

"THE DRAKE CASE"
An unusual murder trial courtroom picture, directed by Edward Laemmle. In the cast with Dr. O'Collins are Messrs. French & McNeil will also give a Luxurious Deck Chair and a Steamer Sit-up Chair.

NORTHCOTE THEATRE.
Most enjoyable programmes this week have been provided at this popular theatre, and the audience is expected to continue to attend to see the Paramount exclusive all-talking pictures being screened. To-night and this week-end Betty Compson is appearing in one of the best she has yet done—"The Street Girl." There is also a dazzling string of dances and scenes, including 200 singers and dancers. Betty Compson is a talented violinist, and her playing is superb. The story tells of the struggle of a little group of musicians—four boys and one girl—who win fame from an unpromising start in a small cafe in the Hungarian quarter of New York. How the chance visit of a prince to their restaurant influenced their careers and led them finally to a night club of their own comprises the plot, in which are woven several remarkably fine characterisations. Betty Compson's talent on the violin is particularly impressive for one whose reputation has been made outside the musical world.

The usual matinee will be given on Saturday afternoon. On Monday next the change of programme will include a gay farce all-talking comedy entitled "Divorce Made Easy," in which Douglas MacLean and Marie Prevost are featured in the leading roles. MacLean is the lawyer who sacrifices his standing with the girl friend by entering into a pact with a young married couple. Maudling relatives come on a bedlam of laughter-bringing gags and dialogue. Also to be screened is "Someone to Love," and the humor in this is guaranteed by the appearance of Charles (Buddy) Rogers and Mary Brian. The "three musketeers of the music store" is the title given to the matinee of principals in this picture. These are Rogers, Jack Oakie (Australian) and William Austin. These are the stars for their comedy work in many films.

On Thursday next the popular actress, Clara Bow, is appearing in "The Saturday Night Kid," which is 100 per cent Paramount talking film. It is the story of a plucky, lovable little shop girl.

REGENT TALKIES.

For the week-end two good features will be shown. Betty Compson in the all-talking and singing attraction, "The Street Girl," is the first, and the second is "The Iron Mask," adapted from the novel by Alexander Dumas. Monday brings "The Drake Case," a sensational mystery story. Caught fleeing from the house that hid the culprit body, her finger points on the pistol, what chance had Lulu Marks to prove her innocence—until an unexpected clue revealed an incriminating plot of love and death? Gladys Brockwell, Forrest Stanley, Robert Frazer and James Crane have the feature roles. The support is William Haines, the speed demon, in "Speedway." Haines had two narrow escapes when he conducted a race driver during the great Indianapolis races for this Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture—a sensational production. Haines, having behind a camera, twice missed collision with wrecks on the track by a matter of inches. The new picture is a vivid dramatic of the track with Anita Page, Ernest Torrence, Karl Dane, John Miljan and a notable cast.

Thursday to Saturday the all-talking feature, "They Had to See Paris," will be screened. In the role of Pike Petersen is a young actor named Clayton, Oklahoma, until his oil well comes in and makes him suddenly rich. Will Rogers' trouble begins when his wife insists on taking the family to Paris. Members of the east also embrace Marguerite Churchill, who appears as the daughter, and Owen Day is, jun., who plays the son. Fifi Dorsey, formerly of the Follies-Berger, of Paris, has an important part. A free trip to Paris will be given by Hoyts Theatres Ltd. in connection with this picture. See the advertisement for particulars.

Regent Theatre
HIGH STREET, THORNBURY

THE THEATRE OF PERFECT SOUND AND PROJECTION.
RESERVATIONS JW 2117

LAST TWO NIGHTS AND SATURDAY MATINEE OF BETTY COMPSON IN

THE STREET GIRL
ALL TALKING AND SINGING.
Also DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS IN

THE IRON MASK THE IRON MASK
MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, APRIL 1 & 2.
SEE AND HEAR GLADYS BROCKWELL IN

THE DRAKE CASE THE DRAKE CASE
You will see and hear a murder trial as it actually is fought out—as if you were there yourself. Children over 6 and under 16 not admitted.

Also WILLIAM HAINES IN **SPEEDWAY**
A SYNCHRONISED SOUND FEATURE.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, APRIL 3, 4, 5.
SEE AND HEAR WILL ROGERS in his first ALL TALKING FEATURE—

THEY HAD TO SEE PARIS
HOYTS THEATRES LIMITED WILL PRESENT A FREE TRIP TO PARIS

To the person who submits the best reason "Why Pike Petersen (characterised by Will Rogers) and his Family Had to See Paris." Replies must be limited to fifty words. In addition, the winner will be presented with the following—The Leviathan Ltd. will give a Handicapped Solid Leather Travelling Case, Kodak Pty. Ltd. will also present a World-Renowned Tourist Camera, Messrs. Foy and Gibson will add a "Gibsonia" Travelling Rug, Messrs. French & McNeil will also give a Luxurious Deck Chair and a Steamer Sit-up Chair. SEE ANDERSON'S WINDOW IN HIGH ST. ON FRIDAY NIGHT. FRIDAY NIGHT, APRIL 4, IN HIGH STREET, THORNBURY. WATCH FOR THE MYSTERY GIRL IN THE LIMOUSINE IN addition to "THEY HAD TO SEE PARIS," a full supporting programme of TALKIE SHORTS will be shown.

PRESTON COURT

THURSDAY, MARCH 27

Before Mr. T. B. Wade, P.M., and Messrs. Lovell Jones and Orlando Walker, J.S.P.

Tram Passed on Wrong Side
Frank Lytton Rowe, Plenty road, Preston, was charged with having on March 5 driven a motor cycle past a tramcar on the wrong side of the road. Constable T. Wilson, of the motor cycle patrol, said he saw defendant pass on the right-hand side of a tram travelling towards Northcote. A fine of £2 was imposed.

Debt
H. Crozier obtained an order against Mrs. Starling for £7 1/11, with 1/11/7 costs. Mr. R. T. Cahill appeared for the complainant. Mrs. M. E. Piper obtained an order against — Cameron for £4 3/4, with 1/11/7 costs. The same complainant obtained an order against Sullivan and Annie Day for £6 1/11, and £1 costs. Mr. R. T. Cahill appeared for the complainant.

CLARA BOW
A Paramount Star.
who heads a strong cast in "The Saturday Night Kid," a happy, comedy with an entertaining climax.

Hoys MERRI Theatre

ST. GEORGE'S ROAD, NORTH FITZROY
The Only Perfect Sound Theatre. You Can Hear Every Word.
RESERVATIONS JW 4212

East and West Preston Trams stop at the Theatre Entrance.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, MARCH 28 & 29.
BETTY COMPSON in **THE STREET GIRL**
All Talking, Singing, Dancing
Oh! And how Betty can play that violin.

MONTE BLUE in **GREYHOUND LTD.**
Warner Bros' Talkie.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WED.,
WILLIAM HAINES in **SPEEDWAY**
Synchronised Sound.
ALSO
GLADYS BROCKWELL in **THE DRAKE CASE**
All Talking.

Children over 6 years and under 16 years not admitted.

COMING THURSDAY NEXT, APRIL 3—
WILL ROGERS in **THEY HAD TO SEE PARIS**
ALL TALKING COMEDY.

Why did Will Rogers have to see Paris? See and hear the picture, then tell us in fifty words on a form obtainable at Theatre and win a free trip to "Gay Paris" yourself.

Auctioneers' Advertisements

SATURDAY, APRIL 5. SATURDAY, APRIL 5. AT 3 O'CLOCK IN A SEATED MARQUEE ON THE LAND,

MILLER STREET, PRESTON

Boundary of Northcote. Junction of East and West Preston Trams.

Realising Auction Sale of 9 SPLENDID SHOP SITES AND 11 VILLA SITES

MUST BE SOLD. TITLES, CERTIFICATE. TERMS. £20 deposit per lot; balance 20/- monthly for 5 years; interest 6 1/2% payable quarterly. Option to pay off at any time.

STOTT, SON & WATSON

(C. J. WATSON, Auctioneer). NORTHCOTE, PRESTON, THORNBURY, FAIRFIELD.

Impounding Notices.

JUSTICES ACT 1915. INFORMATION OR COMPLAINT FOR AN OFFENCE PUNISHABLE SUMMARILY AND SUMMONS THEREON.

In the Court of Petty Sessions at Northcote, in the Central Bailiwick. 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 State of Victoria, who saith that on the 25th day of March, 1930, at Northcote, in the said Bailiwick and State, the said unknown owner being the owner of certain cattle, to wit One Bay Draught Gelding, indistinct brand near shoulder and like 66 off shoulder, swelling near hind fetlock, found on certain land off Victoria road such land 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.

W. J. Jones, Informant. To Unknown Owner aforesaid. WHEREAS the above information has this day been laid by the above-named William John Jones before me one His Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the Central Bailiwick of the said State. These are therefore to command you in His Majesty's name to be and appear on the 1st day of April, 1930, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the said Court of Petty Sessions at Northcote to answer to the said information and to be further dealt with according to law.

Dated at Northcote the 27th day of March, 1930. B. E. JOHNSON, J.P. (Stamp Fee 2/6 cancelled.) Note.—If not claimed the Court will be asked for an order to sell at 12 noon the same day.

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Unknown Owner, of ---, Defendant. The information of William John Jones, of Northcote, in the State of Victoria, who saith that on the 20th day of March, 1930, at Northcote, in the said Bailiwick and State, the said unknown owner being the owner of certain cattle, to wit One Black Gelding, lorry sort, two white hind flocks, star, indistinct brands near shoulder and off thigh, found on certain land off Victoria road, such land 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.

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DRESSED POULTRY.

Bostock's, High St., Northcote.

FRESH EGGS AND DRESSED POULTRY.

ORDERS DELIVERED.

All Eggs Guaranteed New Laid from our own farm.

J. H. MORGAN, PROPRIETOR.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29. At 3 o'clock at the property, 26 WHALLEY ST., NORTHCOTE. By order of the Mortgagees.

ALL THAT PIECE OF LAND being lot 59, plan of subdivision 6253, lodged in the Office of Titles, and being that part of Crown portions 106 and 107 at Northcote, Parish of Jilka Jilka, County of Bourke, described in Certificate of Title, Vol. 4011, Folio 802004, subject to registered mortgages Nos. 533167 and 533168, together with d.f. w.b. VILLA of 5 large rooms, kitchenette, bathroom, etc., land 40 x 145, garden, lawns, fruit trees, handy station and school. Title Certificate. Terms, For Absolute Sale. Inspection Invited. Solicitors—Messrs. Wisewould & Duncan, 408 Collins St., Melb. Auctioneer—

STOTT, SON & WATSON, NORTHCOTE AND FAIRFIELD.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29. At 3 p.m. on the property, 34 STOTT STREET, PRESTON, Mortgagees' Realising Sale.

W.B. BUNGALOW, Of 5 rooms, conveniences car entrance, sep. bathroom, sewer, made street, close to shops and Bell railway station. Land 50ft. x 101ft. This property is well situated, being in a good street amongst a good class of property, and within 3 min. of the school. Well worth consideration by investors.

Title Certificate, particulars of which can be obtained from the solicitors, Messrs. Wright-Smith Shaw & Co., Chancery House, Melbourne.

Terms at Sale. For further particulars and orders to inspect see A. A. LEAHY PTY. LTD., Late Geo. Hook & Co. (Geo. Henderson, Auctioneer), 901 HIGH ST., THORNBURY (JW 2125).

CITY OF PRESTON.

TENDERS, accompanied by a cash deposit equal to five per centum of the amount of the tender, addressed to the Mayor, Town Hall, Preston, will be received up till 12 Noon MONDAY, 31ST MARCH, 1930, for the under-mentioned works.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the City Engineer's office on and after WEDNESDAY, 26TH INSTANT.

- 1. CONSTRUCTION OF BAILEY AVENUE. 2. CONSTRUCTION OF SUSSEX STREET. 3. CONSTRUCTION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY BETWEEN SUSSEX STREET AND RAGLAN ST. 4. CONSTRUCTION OF GILBERT ROAD, BETWEEN BELL ST. AND MILLER STREET.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. L. W. WILLIAMS, Town Clerk.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE.

PUBLIC MEETING.

WHEREWITH Convene a PUBLIC MEETING to be held on WEDNESDAY, 2ND APRIL, in the Town Hall, for the purpose of considering the matter of taking steps to provide a fund to RELIEVE THE DISTRESS amongst our fellow citizens caused by unemployment, sickness, etc.

An appeal is made to all Citizens who are not affected by the prevailing conditions to rally and assist those unfortunately placed.

All Societies and Associations are requested to send representatives and members of the public are cordially invited to be present.

W. HAYES, Mayor.

ASPHALT & CONCRETE PAVING. H. J. EAGLAND, 106 CLARKE ST., NORTHCOTE N.16 (Near Fairfield Station).

Estimates submitted for Paths, Drives, Floors, etc. Tennis Courts a Specialty.

ALL WORK GUARANTEED.

PRESTON METHODIST CHURCH. SUNDAY, MARCH 30.

11 a.m.—Mr. R. Crocker 3 p.m.—Rev. W. T. Tippett 7 p.m.—Rev. J. McIlroy, B.A., B.D. SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 5. Scholars' Night and Distribution of Prizes. ADMISSION—ONE SHILLING.

PERSONAL

The Editor welcomes personal paragraphs for this column.

Mr. Trengrove, J.P., of Preston, who has been in ill-health for some time, is still confined to his home.

Mr. J. T. McMahon, J.P., of Thornbury, is enjoying a holiday in Tasmania.

Mr. J. O'Neill, of Woolton avenue, Thornbury, has been elected secretary of the Victoria Bird and Fish Society.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Cahir, who are well known in Preston, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter. Mrs. Cahir is a granddaughter of Cr. C. T. Crispe, J.P.

Mr. Hugh Crowe, of 626 Bell street, Preston, was recently appointed a commissioner for taking affidavits under the Evidence Act.

Major and Mrs. W. Blaskett, well-known identities in connection with the Salvation Army, left by the Mongolia on Tuesday on a trip to England.

Mr. J. Thomson, of the Economy Hardware Stores, High street, Preston, is seriously ill. Mrs. Thomson was recently operated on at Mt. St. Evin's Hospital.

Mrs. Walker, wife of Mr. Orlando Walker, J.P., of Preston, is recovering from an accident which she met and broke two bones in her left wrist with recently. She slipped off a chair the shock to Mrs. Walker was considerable at the time.

William Adams Blake, of Austin street, Thornbury, retired coachbuilder, who died on February 20, left by will dated January 21, 1930, real estate of a gross value of £2,354, and personal property of a gross value of £2,123 to his wife and sons, subject to gifts to other relatives.

Mrs. E. Reid, of 14 Salisbury grove, Northcote, is in Epworth Hospital, where she has undergone a severe operation, but is now recovering. Mrs. Reid will be in the hospital for another two or three weeks. Her many friends from P.A.F.S. Ladies' Lodge, Thornbury Red Cross, and Thornbury Army will be sorry to hear of her illness and wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. F. L. Syer, of Swallow street, Preston, who has been first male assistant at the Hotham street State school for the past seven years, has been promoted to the headmastership of the new school at East Ivanhoe. It is expected that Mr. Syer will take up his new duties after the Easter holidays, when in all probability the new building will be ready for occupation.

The popularity of Vin Callaghan, of the Northcote-Preston Professional Cycling Club, was shown by his fellow members when they and the employes of the Dunlop-Perdriau Co. tendered him a party on his 21st birthday at Fairfield on 21st. Some 120 persons were present and an enjoyable evening was spent. Songs were given by Johnny Kean, "My Mother's Eyes," Malley Clarke gave a ventriloquist act, Mr. Cosgrove, comic songs and Vic Brown, trick cycling, while Vin Callaghan and Miss Humphries gave an exhibition of fox trot dancing. The toast of the guest was proposed by Mr. M. Clark, while Mr. Jim Lawry endorsed Mr. Clark's remarks. Mr. Callaghan suitably responded. The parents was proposed by Mr. Lawry and replied to by Mr. Callaghan, sen.

The death occurred on Monday, under tragic circumstances of Mr. George Webber, the 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Webber, of 563 Bell street, Preston. On Thursday the youth complained of feeling ill, and it was thought that he had eaten something which disagreed with him. On Friday he became worse and a doctor being consulted ordered his removal to the Melbourne Hospital, where an operation was performed for acute appendicitis. The operation was successful, and the youth made good progress, but on Monday he suffered a relapse and passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Webber had been away and could hardly believe that their son had been operated on when they returned on Monday, and his death occurred shortly after their arrival. The greatest sympathy is felt for the bereaved family, the members of which are widely known and respected. The funeral took place on Wednesday, the interment being made at the Fawkner Cemetery.

DEMARET'S PATTERNS.

- ALL ONE PRICE 10/6. LOCAL AGENTS: Clifton Hill. Miss Baird, 56 Spensley street. Northcote. Miss B. Graham, 85 High street. Messrs. Matthews and Son, 107 High street. Mr. A. Nair, 205 High street. Miss E. Morris, 236 High street. Mr. S. M. Cohen, 337 High street. Croxton. Mr. A. Wales, 509 High street. Mrs. M. Bain, 259 St. George's road. Thornbury. Miss E. Dixon, 629 High street. Mr. B. Anthony, 811 High street. Messrs. McCasker and Eaton, 863 High street. Mrs. M. Davis, 397 St. George's road. Mrs. M. Speer, 147 Miller street. Mrs. Hircot, 120 Dundas street. Preston. Mrs. Hadfield, 124 Plenty road. Mrs. Beardsley, 509 Plenty road. Messrs. Newbegin and Smith, Plenty road. Mr. E. G. Green, enr. High and Bell streets. Mr. H. May, 391 High street. Mrs. L. Emery, 276 High street. Mrs. L. Clements, 474 Murray road. Mrs. Stratford, 544 Murray road. Mrs. E. Anderson, 16 Gilbert road. Mrs. T. M. Kelly, enr. High and Mason streets. Messrs. Newbegin and Smith, 496 High street. Reservoir. Mrs. E. Pola, High street. Messrs. Campbell Bros., Edwardes street. Mrs. Skate, draper, Edwardes street. Albington. Mrs. J. Siddon, 348 Heidelberg road. Ivanhoe. Miss Woodnorth, 644 Heidelberg road. Heidelberg. Mr. G. Sheffield, Burgundy street.

REGENT NEWS

Crowded congregations attended the Regent St. Methodist Sunday school anniversary services on Sunday. These will be continued next Sunday.

Regent Methodist circles have arranged to farewell Rev. J. McIlroy, B.A., B.D., Dip. Ed., on April 6, whose duties as assistant director of the Y.P. Department commence on April 1. He has decided to remain in Regent, and his future address will be 12 Edgar St.

Reservoir section of the Methodist circuit will conduct the first anniversary on Sunday. The Rev. J. Beighton, a former pastor, will conduct the morning service the Rev. J. McIlroy will conduct his farewell service at 3 p.m., and the resident pastor will conduct the evening service.

The Preston Life Saving Society held an examination at Preston baths on March 26.

St. Mary's Tennis Club. The annual meeting of St. Mary's Tennis Club was held last Saturday evening. The balance-sheet disclosed a credit of £10. A second court is to be laid. The vicar, Rev. F. Parsons, presented Miss A. Tribe with a beautiful handbag in recognition of her past valuable services as treasurer. The following office-bearers were installed:—President, Rev. F. Parsons; vice-presidents, Messrs. Tribe and Steele; secretary, Mr. C. E. E. Mr. Len. Johnson was elected captain and Mr. Jack Goodrich vice-captain. The appointed ladies' committee is considering the organisation of weekly dances.

Scouts. Under S.M. Sheldrick the first Regent scout troop visited Williams-town on Saturday, where district swimming sports were conducted. Scouts who passed tests were presented with badges on Wednesday evening—J. Gatehouse and H. Lacka burry, senior class; C. Rice, metal workers; D. Wheeler and J. Mundy, carpenters. The first Regent Wolf Pack met last Thursday, when tests were held. Applications for admission are still invited.

General. Reconstruction of the road from the northern boundary of Preston to the Darenbin Creek has been commenced. The metal will receive bitumen penetration and the work will be done by day labor.

New lawns are sprouting in the Mason St. Reserve; pitchers have been neatly set around the beds; seating accommodation has been provided, and the footpath of the street adjacent has been graded from the slabs to the channel.

Good progress is being made in the Wood St. Park, where local unemployed have been engaged from time to time.

Mr. Beardsley has disposed of his newsagency business in Plenty road, East Preston. The new proprietor, Mr. Grant, is now in occupation. Successful special Lenten lantern services are being conducted by the vicar in St. Mary's, East Preston, every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

SUCCESSFUL AT HOME

NORTHCOTE CRECHE AND KINDERGARTEN

Over 200 ladies attended the "At Home" given by the committee and members of the Northcote Creche and Kindergarten in the town hall, Northcote, on Wednesday afternoon. The decorations were carried out in autumn tints. Owing to illness Mrs. R. J. Bennetts (president) was absent, and an apology was received from Mrs. Frank Brennan. Mrs. J. David (the acting mayoress) was in the chair. The artists were Mesdames J. David and D. Graham, Misses Doris Lewis, Violet Larzer, Hilda Barnard, Tess Davies and Garvan, and most enjoyable items were rendered. Several of the creche children gave action songs. The children had been trained by Mrs. A. Bean and Miss Farr, and thanks are due to these ladies for their great interest and patience. A vote of thanks to the artists was accorded. The financial result was highly satisfactory. Afternoon tea daintily served by the members brought a delightful afternoon to a close.

By Stott, Son and Watson on Mar. 29 at 3 p.m., on property, 26 Whalley St., Northcote, 5-roomed villa on land 10 x 145, as advertised. By Stott, Son and Watson, at 3 p.m. on April 5, on property, Miller St., Preston, 9 shop sites and 11 villa sites. See advt. for particulars.

Reservoir Citizens' and School Picnic Committee.

THE ANNUAL MEETING will be held in Reservoir School No. 3960 on MONDAY, MARCH 31, at 8 p.m. Citizens of Reservoir are invited to attend.

BUSINESS: To present prizes won at recent picnic. To receive Annual Report and Balance Sheet. To elect citizens' representatives to committee. To consider amendment of constitution. F. J. WRIGHT, President. W. H. CLOWES, S.F.A.I., Hon. Sec.

NORTHCOTE.

A.N.A.—No need to worry. Join the Northcote Branch. Better Benefits.

FOR Second-hand Timber, Gal. Iron, Window Sashes, Doors, etc., try R. W. Williams, enr. Elm and High Sts., Northcote.

ONGARELLO'S.—The best of Wines always stocked. Why not have the best? Ongarello's, enr. High St. and Arthurton Rd.

STOVES.—For Stove Repairs, S.H. Stoves, etc., Fish and Chip Stoves a specialty. See Maddigan, 602 High St., Croxton. Work guaranteed.

THORNBURY.

SPORTS WEAR.—For the latest in Sports Wear you cannot do better than inspect our range of high quality stocks at reduced prices. Les. White, Tram Terminus, Thornbury.

Wanted to Buy.

STERLING SOAP COMPANY Pty. Ltd., South Preston. Buyers of household fat in any quantities, 5/- per tin. Ask your grocer for STERLING SOAP.

BOTTLES, Bones, Rags, Zinc, Lead, Brass and Copper. Highest price given. Cash on delivery. Letters receive prompt attention.—H. Bishop, Darenbin Rd., N'cote. Phone: JW3363.

NOTICES

PAINTING, CARPENTERING and all HOUSE REPAIRS. Estimates for Garages, S'epouts, etc. Wire Doors and Window Screens made and fitted. Stepladders, etc., made to order by THE HANDYMAN, 118 HIGH STREET, WESTGARTH. Anything—Anywhere.

CARPENTER.—Prices given Houses, Garages, Shop Fittings, Repairs, Sleepouts, Painting, etc. Call or Write, G. Anderson, 314 Clarke St., Northcote.

NOTE.—Alterations, Additions and Renovations carried out in best manner. Work guaranteed. R. Cracknell, Builder and Contractor, 11 Union St., Preston.

BRICKLAYER.—E. MEDLIN, 182 Gower St., Preston East. Alterations, additions, coppers, smoky chimneys, anything. Workmanship guaranteed. Letters attended.

CARPENTER, Joiner, will do any carpentering, alterations, additions and repairs. Prices reasonable. Letters attended to.—E. A. Sadler, 44 Woolhouse St., Northcote.

LAWN Mowers Repaired and Sharpened. Saws and Scissors Set and Sharpened. Hedge Clippers, Shears, Knives Sharpened. Orders called for and delivered. Keys Cut. I.X.L. (W. J. CARNELL, 604 High St., Northcote

Situations Wanted.

ACCOUNTANT available to keep Books, Audit, etc. Yearly and half-yearly balances taken out. Mr. White, 37 High St., Preston. JW 3919

FRENCH POLISHING.

FRENCH POLISHING, expert, Furniture, Pianos, Fittings. G. Walpole, 15 Martin St., Northcote.

WANTED.

TYPING Circular Letters, etc., done; immediate attention. Ring JW 3482.

WANTED.—Gardener wants work, any line, general, etc. "Fanny," "Leader" Office.

For Sale

ICELAND Poppy Seedlings for sale. 100 for 1/6. 16 Livingstone Pde. (near Plenty road), S. Preston.

To Let

DOUBLE Room, suit Bus. Couple or Friends, E.L., B.H., 3 min. railway station. 14 Gadd St., Croxton.

TO LET 5-roomed Dwelling, rear of shop, 477 Plenty Rd., Preston. All conveniences, bath heater, washhouse, etc. Key at 479. 25/- weekly.

Board and Residence

VACANCY M.C., 2 friends, or gent. Good home. 614 Bell St., Preston.

WIDOW wants one large or two small unfurn. rooms, in quiet home, Croxton; mod. terms. E.R., Northcote "Leader."

WANTED Room, unfurnished. Reply "Micawber." "Leader" Office.