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"BURNING QUESTION ENDS"

Preston Council on Monday night resolved by five votes to three to sell the "State" coach, which has been the centre of controversy for some months now. With the sale of this vehicle a new "burning question" will have to be found.

Tenders were called and the highest offer was £82/10/6, which was accepted.

Motion to Sell Car.

Cr. Adams, as chairman of the committee of the council moved that a recommendation of that committee, viz., "That the car be sold to Laurence Jones, the highest tenderer for £82/10/6," be adopted.

Two Tenders.

There were two tenders, and the second tenderer (Mr. W. A. Cull) wrote to the council asking leave to increase his tender price from £55 to £110.

Cr. Hemburrow seconded the adoption of the recommendation and said that whilst a higher price was always acceptable, there was a fair and proper way to do business. The tenders had closed and were opened a week ago, and as this tender was submitted after the others were opened, it must be regarded as informal.

An Amendment.

Cr. Robeson moved an amendment that the recommendation be referred back to the committee of the council, and that fresh tenders be called. He said it was not so long ago that a letter had been agreed to as amending a cartage contract.

Cr. Hemburrow—That is not so. The letter referred to was simply an explanation.

Cr. Robeson—I think that the best thing will be to call for fresh tenders. The council wants money. The car valued by expert valuers as being worth £135. Now it is suggested to be sold for £82/10/6. A further offer has been made of £110, and as the council wants money, and if the car is to go the council should get as much as it can for it.

Cr. Zwar (emphatically)—It's got to go.

Cr. Robeson—if fresh tenders are called a higher price will probably be offered.

Cr. Maynard seconded the amendment.

Cr. Newton—How long ago is it since the council ordered the car to be sold within 60 days?

Cr. Zwar (Ironically)—Only six months. (Laughter.)

The Mayor—On October 20.

Cr. Spratling—Did Mr. Cull put in a previous tender and what was his price?

The Mayor—You have that.

Cr. Jones Returns.

Cr. Jones said—I do not want to debate on this matter, as my son is

one of the tenderers. I ask permission to retire.

Cr. Jones thereupon left the chamber.

Cr. Newton said—I support the clause, as I think the amended tender was put in after the other tenders were opened. I would have liked to see Mr. Cull get the car—but by fair means. The valuation placed on the car of £135 was for a "trade-in."

Didn't Want Car.

It has been said that I wanted the car for a friend of mine, but that is not so.

The Mayor Speaks.

The Mayor (Cr. Robinson)—I intend to support the amendment and eventually oppose it.

The council is very unwise to get rid of the car, and the whole thing savors of comic opera. The council bought the car out of loan money at a cost of £400.

£20 Repaid Out of £400.

Out of that cost only £20 of the loan money of the car cost has been liquidated, and the council has to go on until 1957 to pay the balance of the £400.

The car was bought for the use of the Mayor, councillors and town clerk. It is necessary to have it, and had it not been for the outcry there is no doubt it would have been retained. If things had been done with the car in the past that should not have been done, that is no reason why the present Mayor should be deprived of the use of it.

By giving the Mayor a grant of £50 in lieu of the use of the car, the council evidently thinks it is doing its duty.

In speaking of the tenders the Mayor said that the council, if it did sell the car, should get as big a price as it was possible to get, and if a tender was put in, and a higher price offered subsequently, the council should get all it could.

Another thing was that the car had been registered and insured at a cost of about £23, and this would be current until October next.

Bad Business.

Cr. Hemburrow—Bad business. The Mayor—if you'd known more about it you would not have done what you did. (Laughter.)

Continuing, the Mayor said that deducting the cost of the insurance and the registration, if the car were sold it would actually realise about £60.

Cr. Zwar—When was the registration and insurance renewed?

The town clerk—In October.

Cr. Zwar—If my first motion had not been blocked the car would have been sold before the registration and insurance were due. That stands to the credit of those who blocked my motion.

The amendment was lost and the motion carried. Those who voted for the motion were Crs. Adams, Preston Council, Hemburrow and Newton. Spratling, Hemburrow and Zwar; against: Crs. Maynard, Robeson and the Mayor. Cr. Jones was not in the chamber, but retired as indicated.

Week of Prayer and Repentance.

A week of prayer and repentance was held in Preston and on Friday night a well-attended meeting was held. All members of the Ministers' Association occupied seats on the platform. The address was delivered by the Rev. F. J. Jennings, of High street Methodist Church, Northcote.

PRESTON COURT.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4

Before Mr. E. C. Tibb, P.M., and Messrs. O. A. Walker and T. J. McMahon, J.'s P.

Cyclist Fined.

Norman Alexander, was fined a bicycle on the footpath in High street on November 19 was fined £1. For not having a light at the same time he was fined £1.

Debt.

J. J. Carlton obtained orders against J. McDonald for £4/4/ and J. Whitlock for £10/12.

Mr. R. T. Cahir appeared for Carlson.

Plenty Motors Pty. Ltd., for whom Mr. Cahir appeared, obtained orders against Charles Butterworth for £50, with £2/17/6 costs; H. Hollis for £3 13/1, and H. Young for £1/8/11.

A. L. Sharpe, trading as Sharpe's, obtained an order against Mrs. Jones for £3/15/6 for goods sold.

A Fraud Summons.

J. L. House, clerk, Spring street, Regent, was examined on a fraud summons. He said on August 21 an order was made against him in favor of J. Hornsby for £4/13/7, with 15/6 costs. This amount was still owing. He was employed at the Royal Australian Airport at Laverton and earned £5/1/6 weekly.

Mr. Home (Home and Wilkinson) appeared for Hornsby.

An order was made that House be imprisoned for 14 days unless the amount, together with £2/6/6 costs, was paid at the rate of 1/7 per fortnight.

THORNBURY SCHOOL OLD SCHOLARS' TENNIS CLUB

Last Saturday there was a full attendance of members at the finals of the club's tournament. The club has now a membership of over 40. During the afternoon opportunity was taken by Mr. Hall, headmaster of the school, to congratulate the club on the progress it had made and its general management. He warmly welcomed Mr. J. O. Hughes, the former headmaster. A presentation of an enlarged photo of the club was then made to Mr. Hughes by T. Dunlop, who referred to the fine help Mr. Hughes had given to every scholar in the school. Mr. Hughes in reply said he valued highly the honor conferred upon him, and he would always take an interest in its work.

Mr. Hughes presented a similar photo to Mr. Hall, who expressed pleasure at the kind thought of the members, and said that the club had proved successful because the members were able to manage for themselves.

A further photo of a like nature was presented by Mr. Hughes to Mr. Tulloch, who has been the main strength and stay of the club and one who performed most of the preliminary work to establish the club. Mr. Tulloch sincerely thanked the club and valued the present very highly. The proceedings closed by the members showing their appreciation of Messrs. Hughes, Hall and Tulloch by singing "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows."

PRESTON RED CROSS

The final meeting of the year was held at the town hall on December 3, the mayoress (Mrs. G. E. Robinson) presiding over a large attendance. It was decided to hold an Australian tea in the old town hall on Thursday afternoon, December 18, at 3 o'clock for the Preston unemployed Christmas cheer. Groceries to be brought along. Sums of £3/3/ each were voted to the Preston toy fund, Eye and Ear Hospital, Christmas Cheer Fund and Austin Hospital Cheer Fund. A committee meeting will be held at the town hall (upstairs) on December 15 at 8 p.m. to arrange for Australian tea.

PRESTON TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Results of Saturday's match—
A Grade.—Cranross, 27, 1 East Preston, 55; South Preston, 65, 1 Oakover, 47.
B Grade.—Oakover, 71, 1 East Preston, 41; Regent Methodists, 62, 1 South Preston, 52; Murray, 68, 1 Regent Park, 44; Reservoir, 61, 1 All Saints, 42.

NORTHCOTE MAN'S 6,000 MILE AIR TOUR.



AN AERIAL TOUR OF 6000 MILES, through five States, is being undertaken by Mr. Ludwig Nudi (centre), of Northcote, inventor of the Raysola ignition device. Before leaving Essendon on Saturday, he and his pilot, Mr. R. W. McKenzie (left), discussed the route with Mr. Frank Penny, aviation officer of the Shell Co.

THE 1930 HENLEY GIRL.



Her charm is her happy abandon to the spirit of carnival, and she exemplifies the color and youthful animation which transformed the river on Saturday.

(By courtesy of "The Argus," Melbourne).

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FORTY YEARS AGO

From the "Leader" of December 6, 1890.
Telephone Communication for Preston.—The Postmaster-General has been interviewed with the object of extending the telephone service to Preston. Mr. M. Deutz has succeeded in getting a sufficient number of subscribers for the establishment of an exchange. The terms are £15 per annum for business premises, and £10 for private houses, and it is hoped to have the service ready in six or seven weeks time. We trust the gentlemen who signed the requisition will reap the reward of their enterprise.

APPROACHING AUCTIONS

By Stott, Son and Watson, on Dec. 6 at 3 p.m., on property, 179 Gooch St., Northcote, sale of 4-roomed w.b. villa, on land 32 x 115. Advt. elsewhere.
By Stott, Son and Watson, on Dec. 6 at 3.45 p.m., on property, 91 Regent St., Preston, sale of d.f. w.b. 5-roomed villa, on land 40 x 125. Particulars advertised.
By Angus-McDonald, Pty. Ltd., 682 High St., Thornbury, on Dec. 10, at 3 p.m., on property, 29 Pender St., Preston, w.b. cottage and land, as advertised.
By James and Hobson on Dec. 11, at 12.30, household furniture, motor car and effects at 18 Herbert St., Preston, at 3 p.m., 4-roomed villa on land 45 x 111. Details advertised.
By James and Hobson, on Dec. 13 at 3 p.m., 5-roomed villa, 55 Harold St., Thornbury, on land 60 x 134ft. 6; at 1 p.m., 5-roomed villa, 34 Powell St., Preston, on land 35 x 120, as advertised.

Preston Tradesmen Offer

IN AND ABOUT PRESTON

By The Roseabout

Amalgamation of Bands.
Preston Citizens Band and the Junior Citizens Band (the latter only having been formed recently) have amalgamated. It is intended early next year to run Saturday evening socials to raise funds.

Issue of Licenses.
Estate agents and others are reminded that it is necessary for them to renew their licenses for next year at once.

Missing From Home.
HARRY Auckland is missing from his home in Bell St., Preston, since Monday. He is 10 years of age, fair complexion, dressed in black knickerbockers, grey sweater and brown overcoat. The police are inquiring.

Stolen Bicycle Abandoned.
On Sunday morning a bicycle valued at £7 was stolen from the yard of Clifford Joseph Bolger, boot finisher, Gowar St., Preston. The bicycle was subsequently found abandoned in High St. by Gen. Dage and restored to its owner.

Fowls Found.
A COUPLE of white Leghorn fowls found by Ernest Newell on a vacant block of land off May St., Preston, last Saturday, are awaiting a claimant at Preston police station.

Cases of Larceny.
ON Friday evening of last week a man's bicycle, valued at £4, was stolen from outside the house of Lawrence A. Lynch, butcher, Miller St., Thornbury.

Wife's Valiant Adamson.
A school girl living at Rushall Cres., North Fitzroy, was enjoying a swim at the city baths. Preston, one afternoon recently, a moon thief stole her shoes, valued at £1/5.

When Mrs. Raymond Home.
Cooper St., Preston, went to bed her fowl last Thursday morning she found that two Rhode Island rais valued at 10/- had been stolen during the night.

Attempted Shopbreaking.
AT 11 p.m. on November 27, T. Forbes, grocer, Plenty road, Preston, locked his premises securely. At 7 o'clock on the following morning he found the plate glass in the door had been broken. An attempt was made to force it, but unsuccessfully.

Fishmonger's Loss.
BY forcing a window at the house of Mrs. O. Bree, fishmonger, High St., Preston, thieves gained an entrance on November 25 and stole two £1 notes, about a pound's worth of silver and coppers and a cigarette pack. The total value was about £4/3.

Preston City Baths.
THE attendance at Preston City baths has not yet reached summer level. The receipts for four days from last Friday amounted to £8.

More Vandalism.
BELL PARK is the latest reserve to receive the attention of vandals. The pansy beds have been invaded and choice blooms stolen. The barbed wire surrounding the lawn was interfered with, a portion of the lavatory attachment in the park damaged.

Grass Fires.
ON the morning of November 27 an acre of grass was destroyed by fire on land occupied by Mr. E. Johnson, Garden St., Preston.

On Wednesday morning last
Preston brigade was called upon to extinguish a grass fire on vacant land at the corner of Victoria and Raglan Sts. About two acres of grass were destroyed.

Mayors' Guild.
A SPECIAL meeting will be held in the city hall on December 8, at 8 p.m., in Mayors' room, to make final arrangements for party in aid of local unemployed for Xmas cheer.

The same ladies are again giving
prizes for games, etc., and a dainty supper will be provided. Mr. C. W. Donohue has offered to assist in the disposal of tickets. All who buy a ticket will be helping to make Xmas a little brighter for someone. Mrs. Donald Shaw has donated poultry. The novelty party will be held on December 9.

Preston Municipal Buildings.
IN the current issue of the "Australian Municipal Annual" an article appears, in which complimentary reference is made to the generous services rendered by Dr. J. W. Adams, in preparing plans and supervising the erection of the new Town Hall at Preston.

Over Indulgence.
TWO men, John H. Sawden and John Wilson, who had over indulged in intoxicating liquor last Friday night, appeared before Mr. O. A. Walker, J.P., and were discharged when they had made contributions to the poor box.

A Broken Window.
MR. PROWSE, clerk of courts at Preston, was surprised upon reaching his office on Wednesday morning to see a large pane of glass in a side window broken. It is believed a mischievous boy was responsible.

Highways and Vehicles Act.
UNDER a grant from the Highways and Vehicles Act, Preston Council is spending the sum of £351 on works in High St., north of Murray road.

Infant's Death at Reservoir.
RITA Caroline King, aged 14 months, the infant daughter of Const. King, of the Collingwood police, was drowned in a hole at her parents' home at Reservoir on Sunday afternoon. The child was playing in the back yard, where she was found by her father lying face down in a small hole of water. A covering had been removed temporarily from the hole an hour before. The hole was 15 inches deep and only partly filled with water.

Preston Girls' School.
WE are requested to state that the date of the annual speech night is December 12, not December 4 as published.

Snakes.
SNAKES and conchillers are not usually thought of together, but when they do meet it is generally at the expense of the reptiles. Whilst on a weekend at Morwell, the brown coal town, Cr. A. E. Newton was going for a stroll, when he met with three of the species within a short space. A strong and supple stick accounted for all three. "The place is swarming with them," says Cr. Newton, and it is surely no argument of imagination, as he is a teetotaler.

Preston Quarry.
THE Preston Council's quarry is about closed down, there being over 1000 tons of metal in the bins and at grass.

Private Street Works.
Preston Council will consider what to do with its private streets engineering staff, as few works of this nature are now being carried out.

Darts of Building.
HARDLY worth considering," is the way Engineer Scott put it to the Preston Council on Monday, when indicating that during the fortnight the building permits had totalled five, of an approx. value of £188. These included one garage, 4 additions and one shed. This is a far cry from the time when the value of new buildings ran into thousands of pounds weekly.

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Municipal Salaries.
Preston Council has arranged that the Municipal Association act for it in negotiating for a proposed reduction of the salaries award.

Fire Brigades' Representative.
Preston Council has decided to support Cr. A. F. Showers, its present representative, for re-election to the Fire Brigades' Board.

Wood Street Park.
SWINGS at seven at the Wood St. Park are to be repaired by Preston Council.

Dangerous Railway Crossing.
AFTER many months of agitation something is to be done at last at the Epping road railway crossing. When a man was killed in an accident at this level crossing about six or eight months ago, the Preston Council urged the Railways Department to make the crossing safe, either by the provision of gates or by adopting other means. Repeated requests made at last have their reward.

Minister for Railways (Mr. J. Cain, M.L.A.), has announced that a danger sign is to be erected there.

Edwards Lake.
THE question of erecting a light at Edwards Lake to enable the Reservoir District Band to play on summer evenings, is to be considered by the Preston Council.

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Yuletide Bargains to Thrifty Christmas Shoppers

PRESTON LIBRARY AFFAIRS

(To the Editor)
Sir,—The constitution of the Preston Library provides that five members of the Preston City Council shall be appointed by the council in October. As municipal elections are held in August there is a danger of the library being without its quota, as a defeat of councillors is always possible. If library and municipal elections synchronized this could not occur. Any business transacted by the library committee when the council has not its quota would be irregular and voidable. If a council representative retire from the council his successor cannot be appointed until October, as the clause for filling a vacancy on the library committee does not apply to council representatives; the absence from meeting clause is also inapplicable. The constitution should be revised and all such clauses eliminated.

Cr. Zwar attended a meeting of the library committee in September, and he and his two colleagues (Cr. Adams and Hembury) attended an extra meeting on October 7. At that meeting Cr. Zwar presided and ruled my motion for conducting the annual election of the library committee out of order, and gave instructions how the ballot should be taken. I have an extract from the minutes of the council meeting, and it shows that those councillors were not appointed to the library committee until October 8.

The annual election of the library committee held in October was most irregular. I know of over twenty persons who voted and were not members of the library. "Vote early and vote often" appeared to be the slogan. Hats were used for ballot boxes and check papers were given out without a check, nor was any check made of the number present and votes recorded. A man was elected, although he was only enrolled as a member of the library a few hours previously. The owner of a hat used to collect ballot papers found a number in his hat after the meeting. A council representative claimed the right of voting, although I was not a member of the library.—Yours etc., C. P. HILLIES, Penders St., Preston, 2/12/30.

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CENTRAL PRESTON.

The annual meeting of the Preston Mothers' and Sisters' League was held last Monday night, a good number being present. The election of officers resulted:—President, Mrs. J. Donohue; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. Donohue and Kohry; hon. treasurer, Mrs. A. Howes; hon. secretary, Mrs. S. Lacey; general committee, Messdames Higgins, Chalmers, Voss, Smith, Dodge, Owen and Chown. Prizes won in the billiards and snooker tournament run by the Preston City and Citizens' Band played in the afternoon. On Friday the junior band was seen in High street. Next Sunday will be a massed band performance in the Preston Park. Eight bands will participate.

Preston Church of Christ choir has been practicing a special Christmas cantata. Applications for the Christmas camp close next Sunday.

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THE JUNIOR BAND again delighted its shoppers in High St. on Friday night with their music and marching. The new uniforms are quite distinctive, and show the boys off to advantage. That they are popular goes without saying. Many calls have been made for the boys' services, but the committee are out to realize all overtures of exploitation, and frequently only deserving cases have any chance of obtaining the boys' services. The rush of applicants for admission to the band still continues, the latest figures being 64. The band, however, cannot absorb all of these at present, consequently they are considered suitable, accepted as recruits, but will be placed in the band as opportunity occurs. A gentleman has made available free of cost to the band three instruments valued at £20, to whom the committee desire to tender their thanks.

Preston City and Citizens' Band.
THE above band are about to start their summer season programmes, on Sunday night last at Regent Park they entertained quite a nice crowd, and with the coming warm summer nights the band will, in the balmy surroundings of this popular park, be as an oasis in the desert. On Saturday afternoon at the sports the band seemed in extraordinary trim with many ad vanced selections.

The Regent Central Progress Association will hold a picnic at Edwards Park lake on Saturday, December 6. Proceeds are in aid of Xmas trees. A programme of sports has been arranged for the children.

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MR. H. BRIDIN AND FAMILY desire to tender HEARTFELT THANKS to all friends for messages of sympathy in our recent sudden and unexpected loss, especially thanking Mr. and Mrs. Peckham for their kindness to us and kind devotion to my late beloved wife. Will all kind friends accept this as a personal acknowledgment.—13 Leicester St., Preston.

RETURN THANKS.

MR. and MRS. CLINTON and SISTERS desire to THANK all kind relatives and friends for letters, telegrams, cards and personal expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement, also thanking Rev. F. O'Grady, Rev. F. Power, and Dr. Forbes McKenzie, Sister Beer, and special thanks to Dr. Horgan for his outstanding attention. Will all please accept this as a personal acknowledgment of their deepest gratitude.—Avalon Rd., Preston.

BEREAVEMENT NOTICE.

MURPHY—The family of late Stephen Murphy desire to EXPRESS THEIR GRATITUDE to all relatives and friends for letters, cards, floral tributes and personal sympathy in their recent bereavement. Special thanks to Dr. Horgan for his outstanding attention and to Dr. S. Crawford and the nursing staff of Spaworth Hospital.—6 Kemp St., Croxall.

The Leader

JUSTICE TO ALL

Published Every Friday Morning

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Last week Ellen Laura Jackson, 48 years of Thornbury, was granted a decree nisi for a petition for divorce from William Reginald Jackson, 43 years, of Down street, Collingwood, on the ground of misconduct. At the same time a petition for divorce from Thomas Fahy, 62 years, currier of Plenty road was granted a similar decree from Ena Ann Fahy, 56, on the ground of misconduct. Mrs. Augustus Bradford, currier, was joined as co-respondent.

Once again Father Christmas will make his appearance in High street, Northcote. The Traders' Association has arranged for his appearance this week-end.

The ladies' committee of the Regent Central Progress Association reported that through their secretary (Mrs. Black) 250 caps had been made by that organization, also that £41/1 had been raised for the relief of the unemployed.

Endorsers are invited by the P.M.G.'s Department for conveyance of mails from Regent R.S. to Bundoora and return. Despatch Motors, 120 High St., Preston, advertise their storming process which adds 20,000 miles to the life of your car engine and makes it equal to new. Car owners would do well to read advertisement elsewhere and have their cars put in through order for the Christmas season.

PRESTON CITY L.S. AND SWIMMING CLUB

Now that the swimming season has started interest is awakened in the club. A new secretary (Mr. H. Huthmann) and treasurer (Mr. G. Lennox) have been appointed. Members are smiling because of the club and we will give a cordial welcome to any person intending to join. Our junior swimmers are putting up good time in racing the 50 yards yards. The senior members are improving and will have their first race next Saturday at Footscray baths. With the talent available it is felt the club will give a good account of itself. Misses Cull, Davey and E. Newman are in attendance to assist any new ladies. The merit holder, A. Gibbs, is short of a few strides in practice for the great River Yarra three miles race.

Court Pride of Northcote, A.O.F.—The above court will hold the annual Christmas tree night next Tuesday, December 9, at 8 o'clock at the Scouts' Hall, Arthurton road, Northcote. All officers of the court are requested to be in attendance at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

Church of the Epiphany.—Sunday last was a day of commemoration. The church had completed its 11th year and special collections were taken in aid of the building fund. The preacher at the morning service was the Rev. L. Wenzel, of Richmond. There was a large congregation. The preacher took for his text the words in Matthew xvi. 18. "The chair sang the anthem 'I was Glad When They Said Unto Me'."

St. Aidan's Church of England.—A welcome home social was tendered to Rev. J. O. Hughes on November 26, when there was a representative gathering. The Rev. T. Cole referred in appreciative terms to Mr. Hughes' work for the church, and expressed pleasure in his return to work again. Mr. Hughes in reply looked forward to continued usefulness and happiness. A fountain pen was presented to Mr. Wilson, who had acted in Mr. Hughes' absence.

UNEMPLOYMENT

AT PRESTON

There is no decrease in the number of persons seeking relief at Preston town hall depot, and the committee finds it hard to make ends meet. There has been a generous response on the part of the public since the appeal was originated, both in money and kind. The result of the volunteer system of collecting has not come up to expectations, and the services of additional volunteers would be appreciated. A committee of five from the ranks of the unemployed has linked up with the relief committee, and all are working in unison and harmony. Speaking of an unemployed man on Wednesday the "Leader" representative was told that those applying at the depot are not altogether satisfied with the measure of relief afforded, and it is suggested that the sustenance money should be on similar lines to those prevailing in Collingwood, where 34 loaves of bread, 7/6 for groceries, and 3/6 for meat is the weekly allowance, as against between 5/ and 6/ prevailing in Preston. What the men really want is work, not sustenance. "Reproductive work is at hand in Preston," a member of the relief committee says, "if the Government would advance the necessary amount of money on loan for the carrying out of same." Another unemployed man in Preston made the remark that "We have no 'red rag' in our midst."

Regent Central Progress Association has done excellent work in assisting to relieve the wants of the needy, and a further sum of £41/1 has been secured for the relief of the unemployed man in Preston made the remark that "We have no 'red rag' in our midst."

The sports gathering at Preston Park last Saturday afternoon did not attract anything like a crowd, as was expected. The general opinion expressed was that the gathering had not been sufficiently advertised, and it was not until 10.30 a.m. on the day that the presence of the mayor (Cr. G. Robinson) was sought in order to declare the affair open. The mayor, being otherwise engaged, was unable to attend. Mr. Robinson was sought in order to declare the affair open. The mayor, being otherwise engaged, was unable to attend.

On Sunday appeals will be made in all the churches at Preston for assistance in connection with the Christmas fund, which is being responded to with very fair support up to the present.

A number of the unemployed have been engaged during the last few days in cutting down trees in Walker's playground, Cramer street. The wood will be converted into fuel and distributed among the poor. As usual, Cr. Zwar provided the means for transporting the wood.

The municipal staff of the Preston council rose the occasion when a subscription list was passed round, the result being that the substantial sum of £7/15/ was raised for the relief fund.

COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE CHRISTMAS TOYS

What ought to be called a Christmas Happiness Committee has been appointed at Preston, consisting of Crs. H. P. Zwar, W. J. Hembury, J. W. Adams and R. H. E. Maynard, who will formulate a scheme to provide toys for the children of Preston's unemployed. Donations of toys and cash will be warmly welcomed by any of these gentlemen, who are doing their utmost to provide some little Christmas enjoyment for the children.

DEPUTATION TO PRESTON COUNCIL

Preston council will hear a deputation consisting of unemployed at its committee meeting on Monday night next.

Concert for Unemployed.—The usual Sunday night concert in aid of the unemployed, was held in the Town Hall on Sunday night. The attendance was good. The programme was contributed principally by the Northcote Symphony Orchestra, who have a wonderful proficiency. The various items were given with fine precision, harmony, time and expression, and provided a rare treat for patrons. One of the best items rendered was the overture to "William Tell," Miss Myrtle Mills, the possessor of a rich contralto voice, was heard to advantage in "The Lost Chord." Mr. Eric Jones was very successful in his selection from "Serafino." Mr. R. Bohme played a theme on his violin in a masterly manner, and Miss Mills sang again, and sang "Still as the Night." Other numbers by the Orchestra were—"Overture," "Raymond," three dance items from "Henry VIII," selection from "Cavalleria Rusticana," and a march, "Pomp and Circumstance." The orchestra was ably conducted by Mr. E. S. Farrell, and the accompanist for the singers was Rev. Joseph Briggs. Cr. Turner thanked the audience for their attendance, and the orchestra and the other contributors.

A full report of cases against Mathieson and Luxon, of Reservoir, by Preston court on Thursday, following a visit to the picture theatre by public health inspectors, will appear in next issue.

"BREEZE AT PRESTON COUNCIL"

MAYOR THREATENS TO CLEAR GALLERY.

RUCTIONS OVER PRESENTATION OF REPORT.

What is on the report of the special investigation committee which Cr. L. Jones (chairman) has twice endeavored to present to the council without success?

This is a question that is being asked by many ratepayers. An attempt was made by Cr. Jones to present the report a fortnight ago, and in anticipation of hearing the report, representatives of almost all the progress associations were in the gallery at the council meeting on Monday.

A Point of Order. When Cr. Jones rose to read the report Cr. Zwar asked if it was in order that he should read it. The Mayor (Cr. G. E. Robinson) "I'll have a minute of the council turned up a minute of the council."

Will "Circulate" Reports. Cr. Jones—Very well, I'll circulate the reports then, and walking into the gallery, he handed out three copies to members of the public. Mayor Directs Receiving of Reports. The Mayor, Mr. Zwar, and Cr. Jones, in the gallery, were asked to receive the reports. The Mayor, Mr. Zwar, and Cr. Jones, in the gallery, were asked to receive the reports.

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TURF NOTES.

(By "Watchful.")

After seeing Auto Pay win at Sandown Park racers have little doubt that the Dominion bred juvenile is destined to achieve high aspirations on the turf. His finishing efforts in all his races were judiciously timed, and his breeding suggests that he will stay at least a middle distance. The dam of Auto Pay, is by the English Derby sire, Mr. G. Benzonian (imp.), who was by a good stayer in Velsquez, runner-up in the English Derby and sire of Murillo and numerous noted performers in England. Auto Pay is a well-sprung colt who should shine as a weight carrier.

Import Hazrat has been somewhat of a conspicuous failure since arriving from England, but he showed a glimpse of his best English form at Sandown Park on Saturday. Like Backwood, who took second, Hazrat, who was not seen at his best until the autumn. The Fairy Stakes and Newmarket are the races which will suit the stylish Britisher admirably.

Another imported horse worth keeping in mind is Port Nelson, who was backed with rare confidence at Sandown Park. This solid looking son of Captivation ruined his chance by a tardy beginning, but his finishing effort was impressive. He will be seen to greater advantage over a longer distance.

Birthday Girl pulled up lame after racing at Epsom, but Trainer Ned O'Dwyer is hopeful of getting her right. Pure Blood made the yearling debut at Sandown Park, and the West Australian owned mare ran without a stumble. The Tea Tray mare looks in nice forward condition, and is a very attractive colt. J. Holt is nothing if not patient, and he may return in the early part of the autumn handicaps.

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AMATEUR ATHLETICS. PRESTON-NORTHCOTE CLUB. The inter-club contests were resumed at the amateur sports ground on Saturday. Preston-Northcote Club obtained an overwhelming victory over Power House and finished 8, recording every possible point but one which was lost in the half mile relay.

WEST PRESTON ASSOCIATION. The usual fortnightly meeting was held on November 26, the president (Mr. W. H. Burland) being in the chair. There was a fair attendance. The Unemployed Committee requested the secretary (Mr. W. Clark), after considerable delay we are pleased to announce that the Tramways Board is to put the shelter shed at the corner of Gilbert and Oakover roads in order by putting in a back and side. Members are urged to patronize the Plain and Fancy Dress Ball to be held on December 6. This is the first of the series of balls which the association are giving for the year and the proceeds are for the giving of a treat to the members' children at Christmas. Members will receive registration cards for their children and it is essential that these be completed and the Baths opened on Sunday afternoon. The winner of the prizes for children (whether financial or not) are welcome, but the secretary must be notified of their proposed attendance.

ARTHURTON ROAD & DISTRICT. The association held a special meeting recently at the corner of Traill and Satch streets to protect against an application to the council to build a shop at that corner. A good number of ratepayers were present. Strong opinions were expressed against the proposal. The estate is regarded as the Town of the port, and it was felt that it would be pure vandalism to disturb the beautiful surroundings. The residents had bought their homes with the knowledge that it was a residential area, and otherwise they would not have settled there. Now no matter what street one goes into one sees beautiful front gardens and lawns. The residents expect the council to keep faith with them and obey its own by-laws.

GLENNHUTLY DEFEAT IVANHOE. In a contest at the Madamrone (Bathurst) Amateur Athletic Club was held against Glennhuty, and after a close contest Glennhuty won by 100 Yds. 2.15 p.m. A. Robinson, E. Berry, A. Orr, emergencies W. Perry, W. P. Werry, emergencies A. Fox, High Jump, 2.50 p.m. A. Angus, emergency, Owen, One Mile, 3.27 p.m. A. McEachern, W. Wigg, emergencies, F. Bates, A. Galagher, 120 Yds. Hurdles, 3.57 p.m. B. McNabb, H. Harding.

RECENT CENTRAL. The monthly meeting was held at the Tyler St. State school on Thursday. General. Mr. Brock referred to the subject of poverty of many of the unemployed men was on the register, and generally admitted that another 700 in the Preston district were not registered clothes, boots, etc. Mr. Hewitt requested that a drain in Plenty road, at corner of Wilkinson St., be attended to. Mr. Thompson referred to the state of Plenty road, between Gubbinth Ave. and Wood St. Mr. Glasgow referred to the absence of a street nameplate at House and Wilkinson St.; also to the dangerous nature of a culvert in Plenty road in that vicinity. Mr. Brock drew attention to unsound holes in front of the newsagency, given by Mr. and Mrs. Harris, of the Regent Central Progress Association Cricket Club. About 60 adults were present and all had a most enjoyable evening. Amongst other attractions was a midges golf course of nine holes laid out and constructed by Messrs. Harris, Smyth and others. A competition for ladies and gentlemen was won by Mr. Westwood and Mrs. Robinson. The winner of the apron raffled by Mrs. Freake was Mrs. G. Taylor, of Tyler street. The sum of 25/ was raised from this source. The total amount raised from the party was 25/3/. The cricket club desires to thank Mr. and Mrs. Harris for their kindness and hospitality in raising this fine sum.

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DIVORCES GRANTED. In the Third Civil Court on Friday Mr. Justice McArthur granted a decree nisi to Ellen Laura Jackson, 48 years, of Mansfield street, Thornbury, from William Reginald Jackson, 43 years, of Down street, Collingwood, on the ground of misconduct. A decree nisi was granted with costs. The marriage was contracted on March 30, 1910, at Clifton Hill. A decree nisi was granted with costs. The marriage was contracted on March 30, 1910, at Clifton Hill. A decree nisi was granted with costs. The marriage was contracted on March 30, 1910, at Clifton Hill.

HEIDELBERG CLUB. Fifty-six members competed in the mixed foursome for trophies presented by Messrs. L. O'Brien and E. E. Norris. The leading scores were—Mrs. S. Wright and T. Lingford (handicap 26), 65; Mrs. L. R. Hetherington and G. P. Davey (30), 66; Mrs. G. Youren and V. Bell (21), 68; Miss P. Attyeo and M. E. Daly (19), 69; Mrs. Ferguson and A. J. Ferguson (26), 69; Mrs. Morris and A. J. Norris (29), 69.

HEIDELBERG CLUB. On December 6 a stroke competition for Mr. A. J. Terdich's trophy will be held.

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IN THE GARDEN

FLOWER PRODUCTION.

by "Syringa."

Every gardener, naturally, wants to secure the free-flowering of his plants. In a general sense plants that produce more flowers, rarely produce an abundance of blossom. Although the point is often forgotten, it is a fact that the flower production on the part of plants is associated with semi-starvation.

Examine a flowering plant, and it is evident that the blooms are nearly always at the shoot ends, the farthest away from the centres of nutrition. It is also a well-known botanical fact that most plants tend to be more floriferous at the top of the plant than at the bottom when the soil is very rich. If a specimen is growing in extremely rich soil, a great development of leaves takes place, and the time of flowering is deferred, and the number of blossoms produced may be below the average.

Sunshine is one of the greatest stimulants in the matter of flower production. There are few plants which will grow in shaded places, like the foxglove, etc., but these are really exceptions, for the majority of flowering subjects are sun-lovers. It should not be overlooked that a situation which is extremely sunny, like a north border, will often prove so hot that the beauty of the flowers does not last long. Here plants tend to set seed very freely, and it is most important to pick off all dead blooms as fast as they appear. Then the display of bloom in a hot position may be prolonged by keeping the soil in which the plants are growing thoroughly moist.

Pinching out is a very wise practice in the case of many plants, whether out of doors or under glass. Always one gets more flowers by removing the tips of the leading shoots in the early days, and the plant may be followed with advantage in the case of annuals, as well as perennials. If this is done when the plants are quite young, there is no reason why the flowers should be late in putting in an appearance. The result of this step is seen in the larger production of flowers.

The state of the soil in which plants are grown has marked effect on the extent to which they bloom. On close, heavy land, which is relatively cold, plants are always slow to come into bloom. On light, warm ground, all plants will come to the flowering stage at a very much earlier date. Where specially early flowers are desired, it is worth while preparing some beds in which the soil is much lighter than that usually recommended for the particular kinds.

Annual Flowers for Cutting.—There is always a demand for cut flowers in the home, and by sowing seeds of suitable hardy annuals during the next few weeks, an ample supply may be had from this source from the end of January onwards. Where garden space is limited, the seeds can be sown direct in the flower border, but in larger gardens it is more advisable to reserve a

pare plot for the purpose. However carefully one may cut, the border always looks bare if large sprays of blossom are removed, and for this reason it is better to grow plants that produce solitary long-stemmed flowers, if space is limited, rather than those bearing blossoms in sprays or clusters.

Some of the best annuals of the former type easily raised from seed outdoors, now are the dainty modern single margolds, the dimorphothecas, and these are really charming, with flowers ranging through white, lemon, buff, champagne, deep yellow and orange. Cornflowers are invaluable for cutting, and they will thrive in any soil or aspect. Blue is the familiar color, but there are also varieties in white and pink, and these are equally good.

Perhaps the brightest of all annual flowers are the summer Chrysanthemums. From a mixed packet of seed an almost endless range of colors may be had, while most of the blossoms will be "ringed" in contrasting shades. Single and double are especially fine for indoor decoration.

Flowers should not be accounted missed, for it is of a lovely soft shade of blue, delicately veiled with a deep green involucre. Miss Jekyll is the finest form with clear cornflower blue flowers. Miss Jekyll White is a good companion plant for this, and Hispanica bears deep blue blossoms, and it is most important to pick off all dead blooms as fast as they appear. Then the display of bloom in a hot position may be prolonged by keeping the soil in which the plants are growing thoroughly moist.

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Annual larkspurs will also be found useful for large vases, especially those belonging to the Stock-flowered section. Rosy scarlet is particularly pleasing, and as fine by lamplight as by sunlight. Pink, blue, white, mauve and rose are other colors that may be had. Amongst many other flowers, mention may also be made of others all shades: marguerite carnations, very fragrant; cosmos, very elegant in white, rose and crimson; sweet scabiosa, scented or crimson and very long-lasting in the cut state; tall two-week stocks, highly fragrant and of many pleasing shades; and zinnias, rather stiff and formal, but of the most brilliant coloring and unsurpassed for cutting.

—Garden Lover.

EX-CR. C. T. CRISPE HONORED

PRESENTATION FROM COUNCIL

LONG SERVICE RECOGNISED

As a mark of appreciation of services extending from 1898 to 1930 the mayor of Preston (C. Robinson), on behalf of the council made a presentation of a gold wristlet watch, suitably engraved, to ex-Cr. C. T. Crispe, who is doing so the mayor congratulated ex-Cr. Crispe on his long period of faithful service, saying that he had played a great part in the development of the municipality. The engraving on the watch was: "Presented to Cr. C. T. Crispe by the Preston Council as a token of appreciation and esteem for services rendered, 1898-1930."

These sentiments were supported by Crs. Newton and Adams, who spoke of ex-Cr. Crispe as a man of mature judgment.

Ex-Cr. Crispe, in responding, gave thanks for the token of esteem, and said prior to coming to Preston he was a member of the Fitzroy council for 8 years, which, with his term at Preston, brought his period of municipal service up to 40 years. Whilst he has given up much time to the work he had received a lot of pleasure out of it. At the last elections he had bowed to the will of the ratepayers, but he still took keen interest in public affairs. (Applause.)

CYCLING.

PRESTON PROFESSIONALS

The club held a mile handicap and a three mile scratch race on Preston Park on Saturday. T. Gascoyne won the former by a wheel from F. Thomas and J. Keen, while the scratch race was won by B. Shannon from H. Bird.

On Sunday Preston met Prahran Club in a cricket match, Preston winning by nine wickets and 15 runs. Prahran made 28 and 53 (Keen 21, Jones 5, 27, Gascoyne 5-9, Powell 3-0, hat trick), while Preston replied with 72 and 106 (Jones 29, Gascoyne 24, Keen 19 n.o.).

Field Amateurs.—Three Miles Handicap.—R. Forsyth (16.55), I. T. Butler, 2, J. Lee, sen., 3, Time 1:33. Fastest, L. Helle (scr.), 7.15.

Annuals bearing blossoms in sprays or clusters, clarkias, with long, loose sprays of brightly colored double flowers are worth including. A good strain of seed will give scarlet, salmon, pink, white and purple. A poor strain often contains rather dull shades, and it is a waste of time and space to sow any that do not have double-flowered sorts, which may be had in delicate shades of rose, mauve, lavender and crimson.

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COST OF LIVING FALLS

According to figures compiled by the Commonwealth Statistician, the cost of living for the Commonwealth has fallen 2.5 per cent. for November, when compared with October figure, and 15.7 for Victoria when compared with figures for October, 1929.

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CHURCH NEWS

St. Mary's C. of E. Preston.
The annual floral fair held at the building fund was opened on the 21st, by Mrs. Angliss, wife of Hon. W. Angliss, M.L.C. The hall had been beautifully decorated by Mrs. Steele with paper flowers made by herself and the stalls looked extremely well. The wear in introducing Mrs. Angliss mentioned some of the many works in which she engaged. Mrs. Angliss spoke of the pleasure it gave her to be present, especially as years ago her mother (who was also present) had worked in the old church. She then declared the bazaar open. Little Joan Westmoreland presented a bouquet to Mrs. Angliss and a vote of thanks, moved by Mr. E. C. Tribe and carried by acclamation. The bazaar proceeded briskly and considering the depression everything went off well. In the evening Cr. and Mrs. Zwart were present and at the request of the vicar Mr. Zwart spoke a few words expressing the pleasure it gave them to be present at anything at St. Mary's whose patroness had been tried him well. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the visitors, and Max Trotman presented Mrs. Zwart with a floral arrangement. The following presided at the stalls: Toy Stall, Mesdames Parsons and Morrison; Flower stall, Mesdames Jeffrey, G. Steele jun., and F. Tucker; Produce stall, Mrs. McRae, Misses K. Kingsford, Alma and Irene McRae, and Mrs. Ransome; Ladies Guild Mesdames, Harding, Asker, Manley, Tribe, Churchyard, and McBeath; Ice Cream stall, Mesdames Sheldrick, and Higham; General, Mesdames Trotman, and Hyland; Sweets, Misses Brock, V. McWhorter, S. Brock Tatchell, Bransgrove, and H. Steele; Guides, Captain E. Tribe, Misses Tobin and guides; Cakes, Mesdames Grant, Johnston, and Huggott; Birch, and Miss E. Johnston; Refreshments, Mesdames Cunliffe, Mair sen., Underwood Sowden and Misses Grace Cunliffe, and Mrs. St. John; Cashier, Miss Tribe; Hoopla, Messrs. J. Jeffrey, F. and G. Parsons, J. Bruce, and Crozier; Lady with 100 Pockets, Mrs. McRae; Upright Piano, C.E.B.S.; Competitions, Mrs. Morrison and Mr. Kingsford. Miss Brock and Mr. G. Sheldrick were joint secretaries and Mr. St. John was secretary. The fair was continued on Saturday, and when outstanding amounts are in, some £160 will have been received. One pleasant feature of the fair was the good feeling prevailing, everything going swimmingly.

WHITE WAY IN NORTHCOTE

The White Way scheme, by means of which the windows will be flood lighted from dusk to dawn, is being proceeded with by the Northcote Council. Many of the shopkeepers' windows have been illuminated by the intention of taking part in the scheme, and it is understood that about 60 per cent of the signatures have already been completed before Christmas. Those who have not signed yet are urged to get into touch with the electrical engineer (Mr. Hawthorn) or the secretary of the Traders' Association (Mr. W. Gullick).

It is understood an official opening will be held about Christmas.

COMMUNITY SINGING

The children sang splendidly under the baton of Mr. Alfred Broadley, assisted by an orchestra, with Miss Greer at the organ and Miss Broadley at the piano. In the morning Rev. Dorman spoke on hymns. The afternoon service was taken by Rev. Walter Robinson, while Rev. D. Reeves addressed the children in the evening.

Last Saturday the choir held a picnic at Exham.

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Rev. P. V. Bainbridge, Th. B., vicar of Allington, preached on November 30.

Week of Repentance and Prayer

The united services in connection with the national call to repentance and prayer, arranged by the Preston Ministers' Fraternal, passed off most successfully. Each night two well-attended prayer services were held in North Preston and one in South Preston. On Friday an all day prayer meeting was held in the Salvation Army Hall, a different minister having charge of the hourly sessions. At 3.30 p.m., aided by the Salvation Army Band, an open air service was held, while at 8.30 p.m. the service was conducted in the new city hall. Rev. F. Parsons presided over this service, various ministers taking part throughout the evening, while several opportunities were given for prayer by members of the congregation. Mr. B. Robbins led the singing, and Rev. F. J. Jennings, of the Northcote Methodist Church, addressed the gathering in place of Hon. H. E. Angliss, M.L.C., who was unable to attend. As a result of donations and offerings all expenses were met, and a balance is being paid into the fund.

Preston Ministers' Fraternal

The closing meeting of the fraternal for 1930 was held at All Saints' Church on December 2 at 10.30 a.m. It took the form of a devotional "quiet hour," when Rev. F. Morton, vicar of Dandenong, gave an address and led the devotions, basing his remarks upon the Transfiguration of Christ.

Thornbury Presbyterian Church. Throughout the week of prayer meetings were well attended. The Scotch fair will be opened on Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Gardiner has arranged the concert.

Princess of Wales Park Methodist Church. Last Sunday Rev. Dugdale spoke on depression, his text being "I the least hath eaten." The evening service was conducted by Mr. John E. Blackney, secretary of the Association for Industrial Research and Conciliation.

The Young Women's Missionary Movement held a nursery rhyme social on Tuesday for foreign missions at James Street Presbyterian Church. The girls and boys held a toy social to provide some toys for youngsters of unemployed, the amount raised by the effort being £2/12.

Congregational Church. The anniversary of the Sunday school was celebrated on Sunday.

BOWLING.

THORNBURY CLUB.

Members of our club have experienced another successful week. Muir, an old comittee man of Thornbury Club and one of the most popular members, passing away last week. More than fifty members paid their respect by attending the funeral. Members are now playing for the Wardley Trophy. Some time ago Mr. Wardley donated 25 as a special trophy and the committee decided to give this to the champion rink. Great interest is being taken by the penitents in the games. So far the C rinks are predominant and at present it looks like victory to President Fred Cornish's rink. However, it will be advisable for this rink to refrain from too much optimism, for bowls is a funny game.

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PRESTON LADIES' CLUB

The section of pennant matches resulted—Preston v Surrey Hills: Mesdames Cohen, Fleming, Appleton, Earne (20) v Mesdames Wilkie, Drew, Leven, Pann (20); Dalh, Husel, Binney, Atyeo (10) v Jacobs, Whitaker, Wright, Garret (28).

The section played at South St. Kids. Scores—Mesdames Watson, Woods, Carthew (11) v Hogan, Hughes, Dwyer (21).

Played at Fairfield—Mesdames Watson, Carthew (19) v Stalman, McIntyre, Filer (12); Condie, McIntyre, Howe (20) v McCrohan, Holwell, Watson (19).

Owing to the financial stringency, the Preston council has decided not to purchase at present a motor power mower for the lawns on the pipe track.

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FAIRFIELD NOTES

There was a good attendance at the Albair Harmony Club's fortnightly social. Music was by Mrs. Harris' orchestra and Mr. J. Solomons was M.C.

A sale of gifts at St. Paul's Parish Hall on November 28 and 29 for church fund, stalls were managed by Rev. Scouts, Mothers' Union, Girls' Friendly Society, Ladies' Guild, choir and girls' Sunday school. A midweek golf course attracted considerable attention.

Fairfield C.Y.M.S. Cricket Club held a social in Fairfield on Saturday evening.

The death has occurred at Frankston of Mrs. J. Brown, who is well known in Fairfield as part owner of the Fairfield Theatre. The Thornbury Theatre (now a dance hall) was once in her hands.

(Unemployed).—At the fortnightly meeting of the Fairfield branch of the Shire of Heidelberg Relief Organisation it was reported that results of the house to house canvass for the past fortnight have been very gratifying. An egg appeal will be made for the week ending Saturday, December 13, in an endeavor to provide a happier Christmas to those in distress. The management of the Fairfield Theatre have donated a picture night, the whole of the proceeds going to the organisation.

Orchestral Concert.—At the annual concert of the pupils of Miss S. E. Mahoney, in the Northcote Town Hall (Wednesday 26), the Fairfield school orchestra gave a very creditable performance. During the evening Miss Mahoney was presented with a gold mounted leather bunch bag by members of the Fairfield and Wales St. school orchestras.

PLUMBERS' PERMITS.

PRESTON COUNCIL TO REMIT FINES

Preston council on Monday resolved to remit fines of £1, with 2/6 costs, to each of two plumbers, Messrs. Gunter and Butters, for having opened roads without permits.

No Reflections Intended.—Cr. Jones said that when discussing the matter at the previous council meeting he had not intended to cast any reflection on the inspector (Mr. J. O. Iles), who had simply carried out his duties. The committee had decided to withdraw one case, but no instructions had been given about the other two.

Cr. Newton protested against remitting any fines, and said the council had objected when the Crown Law Department had previously remitted fines. Instead of remitting these two fines the council should have prosecuted the other plumber.

"A Gracious Act"—Cr. Hembarrow pointed out that the committee had previously considered only the one case before the court, and this case was withdrawn. Surely, then, it would be a gracious act to remit the fines in two other cases which had occurred at the same time, and were actually on all fours. It was decided to remit the fines. Cr. Newton voting against the motion.

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A check-up conducted by the accounting department of RKO Radio Pictures discloses such "freak" occupations as these—

"Glass Market 'grower': cobweb-spinning expert; dust and snow blower; 'breakaway' man who makes resin glassware and balsam wood furniture and toys; waxer who specializes in eyebrows, moustaches and sideburns; table-setter, also an expert bedmaker; portrait painter; also adept as a "wax cook" who makes wax flowers and fruit.

A brickmaker from Paris who makes thin brick walls in plaster.

Among the outstanding features of the picture are the charge of the infuriated rhino straight at Osa Johnson, who is forced to shoot him to save her own life; the stampede of a herd of elephants, seeking safety from a jungle fire; the swarms of wily crocodiles infesting the rivers that the party was forced to cross; the gorgeous shots of remaining giraffes, of speeding antelopes and zebras; the marvelous flashlight photos of lions and leopards; and, above all, the scene which shows Osa Johnson playing in a grassy glade like a lot of big cats.

SHOOTING CHARGING LION.

One sees Osa Johnson shoot a charging lion that falls within twenty feet of her. This young woman, who evidently has no fear, calmly stalks some of the most dangerous animals to get them into places where her husband can photograph them.

But, really, the great kick is where "Simba"—that is the native word for lion—makes himself a nuisance by killing off the herds of the natives and the blacks, with only their spears and bows to rob them into a pin cushion doing his charges and having their spears until he falls down.

"SIMBA" is a picture that should not be missed. It has thrills that are real, not of the Hollywood variety, and more than that, it is a picture the like of which will not be seen for years, and perhaps never again.

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An exotic role in Hollywood immediately calls for Myrna Loy, and when she is not actually at work for Warner Bros. First National she is constantly being loaned to other producers.

NORTHCOTE THEATRE.

On Monday "The Young Man of Manhattan" is a stirring romance of newspaper life. The camera moves to many rendezvous of newspaper folk, the southern baseball trainer, the "Tanney-Dempsey" fight in Philadelphia, the world series in St. Louis, the big football game at Princeton and the perils of Manhattan Island. In this interesting drama Norman Foster plays the title role, and Claudette Colbert of the flashing black eyes and lovely poise, plays the heroic little wife of Foster.

"In the Next Room," a murder in a certain house in the film's prologue sets the plot rolling and strikes the keynote for the ensuing action. An ominous note it is, too. Amid the weirdest and creepiest circumstances the story unfolds, and the suspense is delightful.

"A small town near a big city in the grip of a run-running fever is the setting of "Roadhouse Nights," which comes on Thursday. Perilous as the situation may seem, yet the picture is packed with the hilarious antics of Charles Jackson and Durante and Charles Ruggles. Kohler is the rum king, Helen Morgan is his sweetheart, and Charles Ruggles is the newspaper reporter out to get a story about Kohler. Ruggles and Miss Morgan find their childhood love has not died, and they decide to flee from the town. Then the fun begins. "Gee Street" concerns Riki, a young and handsome proprietor of a cafe in the Soho district of London, and Anna, a girl of the streets who Riki has cared for and watched blossom into glorious womanhood. The leading roles are filled by William Freshman, Sari Hertz and Ed Coote. Freshman is an Australian who started as a general utility man at Caumont studios, and swiftly ascended the ladder of success.

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DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS and MARY PICKFORD IN

"Taming of the Shrew."

All Talking Hollywood version of Shakespeare. You will be surprised when you see this picture and will enjoy every inch of it. "Taming of the Shrew" will prove an eyepener.

Arrangements were finalized recently between John W. Hicks, Jr., managing director of Paramount Pictures, and the Commonwealth Government Cinematograph Department. The agreement provides for the government made all-talking picture, "This is Australia."

The picture consists of two reels and graphically tells the story of an overland motor trip from Perth to Cairns.

"This is Australia" is considered to be the finest picture of its kind to be produced here and Mr. Lynn T. Mapleton, officer in charge of the Commonwealth Cinematograph Department, was responsible for the filming and direction.

While the utting of an ocean liner as a setting for a talking picture is by no means novel—many recent films having contained scenes of this nature—the making of almost a complete picture aboard a steamer during a long passage is an innovation in talkie production.

Harold Lloyd's latest Paramount all-talking comedy, "Peet First," is the first sound picture to be produced in the manner of steamship technicians and supporting players, recently made a voyage to Hawaii aboard the Matson tourist liner "Malolo." Filming most of the important scenes of the picture during the trip.

By special arrangement with the Matson Company, the powerful dynamo on the "Malolo" were used to supply the necessary current to the sound recording apparatus and also the steam experts of RKO Radio Pictures. The miniature sets are built as models to assist in constructing life-size settings.

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Church Notices.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT.
11 a.m.—Holy Communion and Sermon.
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.
Preacher—Rev. A. H. Constable.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
NORTHCOTE
DECEMBER 7—SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT.
Holy Communion 8 a.m.
Holy Communion 11
Evening 7.
Preacher—The Vicar.

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY
(Railway Parade)
SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion. G.F.S. Corporate Communion.
11 a.m.—Mattins and Sermon.
7 p.m.—Evening and Sermon.
Preacher—The Vicar.

ST. MARY'S, PRESTON
8 a.m.—Holy Communion
10 a.m.—Juvenile Church
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer.
7 p.m.—Evening.
REV. F. PARSONS.

NORTHCOTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, JAMES STREET
Morning and Evening—Rev. A. T. Jones.

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USUAL SERVICES.

NORTHCOTE METHODIST CHURCHES.

HIGH ST., NORTHCOTE.
11 a.m.—Rev. W. H. Gray
7 p.m.—Rev. F. J. Jennings
PRINCE OF WALES PARK
11 a.m.—Rev. F. J. Jennings
7 p.m.—Rev. J. T. Duggleby, M.M.
ST. GEORGE'S ROAD
11 a.m.—Mr. E. O. Easton
7 p.m.—Pastor E. C. Perkins
CROXTON
11 a.m.—Rev. F. C. Bremer
7 p.m.—Rev. H. Worrall

PRESTON CHURCH OF CHRIST
220 High St., near Bell St.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7.
7 p.m.—"What Matters Most?" (Baptismal Service).
Minister—A. J. FISHER.
ALL WELCOME.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH MARTIN STREET.
11 a.m.—"The Spices of Life."
Rev. Duncan E. Reeves.
3 p.m.—Special Young People's Service and Distribution of Prizes. Parents invited.
7 p.m.—"Progress and the Social Gospel."
You are cordially invited.

PRESTON SCHOOL OF DESIGN.
Gospel Service 7 p.m.
God commendeth His love toward us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. All Welcome.
"Ye shall receive power when the Holy Ghost is come upon you."
See next week's advt.

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GET your holiday attire in readiness—save a last minute rush where your suit is concerned. A rush because you order too late, and disappointment because your suit does not come up to your expectations.
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BY PUPILS OF MISS ALYS EASTMAN (MRS. RALPH).
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Saturday, December 13, 1930, at 8 p.m.

"THE DANCE OF THE PAPER DOLLS."
Accompanied by MASQUERADERS' ORCHESTRA.
Pianist—MRS. YOUNG.

CAST.

Governess MISS ALMA BYSOUTH
Children MISS FRANCIS MATHEWS & JEAN CAUSON
Paper Dolls MISS P. BARTON, M. HICKS, K. KLUTZ, A. QUARTERMAINE, I. SHEPHERD, D. HAZEL

Fairy Doll MISS LEXIE BAIN
Soldiers MISS M. COLE, F. GRAHAM, I. MULDER, D. PARTRIDGE, J. KUPSCH, E. LES, F. LEB, J. PATRIDGE
Drum Major MISS LOIS BOY
Gipsy Doll MISS LOUIE MYLES
Colombine Doll MISS JOYCE RESSON
Camping Jack MISS MARJORIE COLE
China Doll MISS VALDA ROBERTSON
Gollwing MISS LORNA BUIST
Wax Dolls MISS L. BALFOOK, M. LENNANT, C. MAXEY, K. PRATT
Wooden Dolls MISS M. CAUSON, I. FROST, G. WILSON, I. ROBERTSON

Little Bo Peep MISS I. CONNORS, M. POULTER, D. SMITH, M. GUTHRIDGE, N. CASTLES, H. GORRIE
Tommy Tucker MISS FLORENCE REDDIN
Little Blue Doll BABY BETTY WILKINSON, DULGIE COLLINS, LOIS HAMILTON, NORMA FINLAYSON
Little Fairy Doll MASTER RAYMOND DAVEY (8 yrs 3 years)
French Dolls MISS G. ALLEN, T. WALTER, H. BROWN, P. WARE, R. COLE, M. DUNSTAN, OWEN EASTMAN, MISS H. BRUMMOND, T. PORRITT, J. SCOTT, J. ROBERTS, I. SPAHER, K. QUARTERMAINE, G. POULFER

FAIRY WEDDING SCENE. MISS LILLIAN BOOTH, MISS THELMA BOOTH, MISS AUDREY SOUTHCOMBE, BUNICO EASTMAN
EVERY DOLL PLAYS AN IMPORTANT PART.

SENIOR GRADE "LADY FACE"
Action Song THE STATUE OF ST. GEORGE
Folk Dance "TARRANTELLA"
Vocal Duet "LACKADILLA"
Action Song "TWO LITTLE GIRLS IN BLUE"
Rod and Free Exercises INTERMEDIATE GRADE
Action Song THE PARADE OF THE TIN SOLDIERS
Club Solo MISS HEATH DRUMMOND
Folk Dance "CAVOTTE"
Court Dance MISS LEXIE BAIN
Humorous Song—"In These Hard Times"
Club Swinging and Free Exercise UNDER 12 GRADE
Soloist—MISS ALMA BYSOUTH
LITTLE DUTCHIES Demonstration by MISS MOLLY KLUTZ
Song and Toy Tap Dance—"Pickin' Petals Off O' Daisy"
Soloist—UNDER 12 GRADE
Club Swinging SENIOR GRADE
Song and Dance "LET A SMILE BE YOUR UMBRELLA"
Solo Dances—LEXIE BAIN.

"GARDARS"
Mickey and Minnie Mouse COME AND SEE
Action Song "WHEN YOU AND I WERE SEVENTEEN"
Theatrical Spectacular EAST PRESTON STATE SCHOOL, IV. GRADE
Tap Dance "SPECIAL DANCING GRADE"
Final Chorus—"Drink to the Bonds of Friendship"
SENIOR GRADE

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS.
Won at Melbourne and Ballarat Competitions 1930.
A Special Medal and Bar will be given to the MOST POPULAR ARTIST in the MOST POPULAR ITEM. This will be decided upon by the applause of the audience, and the decision is to be final.
Admission to Dress Circle and Orchestra 1/6; Back Seats 1/3; Children half price to all parts. Seats may be booked on payment of 1/- extra to Mrs. Ralph, 10 Fitzroy St., Preston West. No half price for booking. Every item on this programme has been solely taught and arranged by Mrs. Ralph.

Auctions

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6.
At 3 o'clock on the property, 479 GOOCH ST., NORTHCOTE. Under instruction from the Mortgagee—
STOTT, SON & WATSON.
Of Northcote and Preston, will offer by public auction—
W.B. VILLA.
Containing 4 rooms, scullery, conv., E.L., gas, sewer, made street. LAND 32 x 115; made street. Title Certificate. Long easy Credit Finance terms. From 275 deposit; balance over 21 years; interest 6 1/2 per cent.
G. J. WATSON, Auctioneer.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11.
At 3 o'clock on the property, 91 REGENT STREET, PRESTON. Under instruction from Mortgagee—
STOTT, SON & WATSON.
Of Northcote and Preston, will offer by Public Auction—
D.F. W.B. VILLA.
Containing 5 rooms and conv., E.L., gas, sewer, hand 40 x 125. 1 ROBERTSON STREET, PRESTON. Terms: £175 deposit; balance over 20 years; interest 6 1/2 per cent.
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11.
On property, as under—18 HERBERT ST., PRESTON (Near Station). BRICKS, COMPLETE FURNISHINGS.
Owner leaving for Scotland.
At 3 p.m.—D.F. Brick Villa, tiled roof, 4 large rooms, kitchenette, every convenience, perfect order, laid out in Lawns, roses, cement paths and Side Drive, very fine garage. Suit gentleman or anyone looking for an exceptionally well kept home. Land 45 x 115 ft. Small deposit; balance at 6 1/2 per cent.
At 12.30 p.m.—Household Furniture comprising—3-piece Rosewood Bed Suite, double bedstead and bed-ding, linen, 7-piece oak diningroom Suite, 6 x 4 Ext. Table, 7 ft. Walnut sideboard, 8-day marble clock, 3-piece oak bedroom suite, 12 ft. bedstead, wire stretcher and bedding, 5 x 3 kitchen, 2 ft. 6 in. chef safe, Singer 66 machine, chairs, linos, cooking utensils, crockery, books, curtains, elec. wireless, bench, lawn mower, tools, pot plants, etc.; also Buick 7-seater closed motor car (nearly new).
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13.
On properties as under.
Lot 1—55 HAROLD ST., THORNBURY, very fine D.F. Villa, 4 bedrooms and S.O., fitted with every convenience, por. bath, gas heater, spotless order. Land 60 x 134 ft. 6 in., laid out in lawns, fruit trees, vegetable, side drive, garage; situated 3 min. Thornbury railway station, tram school and churches. Highly Recommended.
Lot 2, at 4 p.m.—34 POWELL ST., PRESTON (near Regent Station), Extra Neat S.F. W.B. VILLA, five rooms and conveniences. Good order. Land 55 ft. x 120 ft. Room for car drive; road made; sewer. Easy Terms.
PROPERTY MUST BE SOLD
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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1930.
At 3 o'clock on the property, 29 PRINCE ST., PRESTON. Mortgagee's Sale under Mortgage Registered No. 544556. Title under Transfer of Land Act 1923.
ALL THAT PIECE OF LAND being Lot 25, Block B, on Plan of subdivision No. 2213 lodged in the Office of Titles, being part of Crown portion One hundred and forty-six, Parish of Jico Jico, County of Bourke, and being the whole of the land described in Certificate of Title Vol. 5146, Folio 1029107, upon which is erected a W.B. Cottage containing 4 rooms and conveniences, situated at No. 29 Pender St., Preston, close to Plenty road Electric Trams. This can be inspected and particulars obtained at office of Fitzgerald & Fitzgerald, Solicitors, Market St., Melbourne. Tel. Central 3905. Full particulars from **ANGUS McDONALD PTY. LTD.**, 582 HIGH ST., THORNBURY Auctioneer and Estate Agent. Tel. JW 1235.

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THE LEADER, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1930

Domestic Leader

SEE TO YOUR EYES
Headaches, pain round the eyes and temples, or at the nose of the neck may all be due to eye-strain caused by errors of refraction. If you suffer from these distressing pains, consult a Specialist. Phone Call 10595. Open till 9 p.m. Fridays.
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WHY NOT HAVE A SUNDAY EVENING PICTURE SHOW TO BENEFIT THE UNEMPLOYED? WOULD BRING HAPPINESS TO MANY DULL HOMES

HOW FUNDS COULD BE RAISED FOR AN XMAS TREAT

Several of the local theatre managers have made a suggestion that an entertainment of this kind would give a handsome return. The idea in mind is a performance at which there would be no expenses. The net proceeds would go into the funds of the unemployed to provide either a Christmas dinner or in some other way assist at what should be a festive season to bring a little joy to the families of those unfortunate.

The Northcote Council has always been opposed to a Sunday entertainment of this kind. This is at it should be, but in times such as the present, and for such a worthy cause, a set policy might be deflected to meet the situation.

We do not think for such a cause as this there would be any opposition from the public, the churches or those most keenly interested in a matter of this kind, or those inclined to be outspoken.

Possibly one Sunday evening could be set aside and all local theatres would co-operate.

By doing this the entertainment would be held only on one specific evening set apart for the particular purpose, and an understanding could exist that it would not be regarded as a precedent for holding Sunday 10.15 p.m. a call from a city station was received from the corner of High Street and Over Sts. The house belonging to Mr. W. R. Roswarne had turned out, also the Northcote fire brigade. On arriving at the point one was in sight. It was informed that the alarm was broken by a box with a grey cat. The cost of the fire alarm would be worth about £2. It cost £1/15/- to bring the Preston carriage out and £2/6/- for the case could be shown, such as "The Ten Commandments" or such other picture depicting a moral and having an uplifting tendency. The production of a programme of this kind could be made a condition to granting permission.

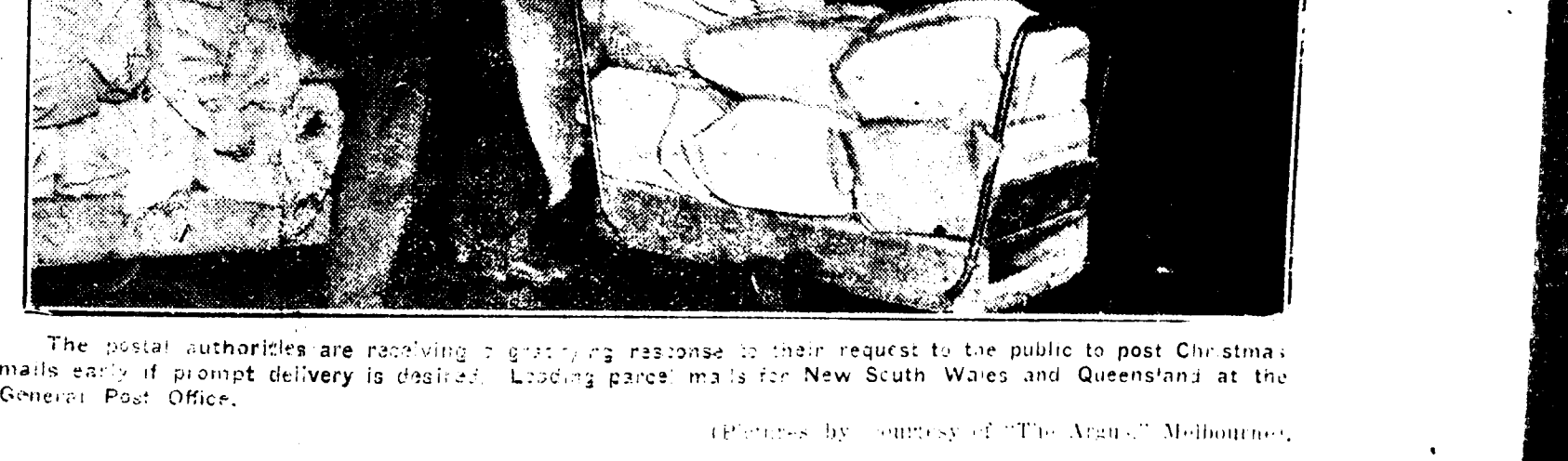
TRAVELLING BY RAIL!



The flooded paddocks on the river flats by the Burke road bridge, Heidelberg, was to follow the example of the boy and girl and slide along a boat and rail fence. A snapshot taken during the recent heavy rains.

FALSE FIRE ALARM.

DRASTIC PENALTY AT PRESTON.
A drastic penalty was imposed by Preston court on Thursday on a youth who gave a false alarm of fire.
There have been many hundreds of false alarms given this year at Preston, and the bench is so far commented on its action, which should stop to arrest further offences of this kind.
Alexander Charles Dickson, 11 years, Murray road, Preston, was charged that on November 25 he had lawfully damaged a fire alarm, the property of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade.
Mr. E. F. Norris appeared for the son, who pleaded guilty.
Station Officer L. G. Stodge of Preston fire station, said about 10.15 p.m. a call from a city station was received from the corner of High Street and Over Sts. The house belonging to Mr. W. R. Roswarne had turned out, also the Northcote fire brigade. On arriving at the point one was in sight. It was informed that the alarm was broken by a box with a grey cat. The cost of the fire alarm would be worth about £2. It cost £1/15/- to bring the Preston carriage out and £2/6/- for the case could be shown, such as "The Ten Commandments" or such other picture depicting a moral and having an uplifting tendency. The production of a programme of this kind could be made a condition to granting permission.



The postal authorities are receiving a gratifying response to their request to the public to post Christmas mail early if prompt delivery is desired. Loading of mail bags for New South Wales and Queensland at the General Post Office.

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FREE MATINEE FOR CHILDREN

RECENT THEATRE HELPS UNEMPLOYED

To celebrate the Christmas season of those unfortunate at the festive season of the year whose parents and relatives are unemployed, the management of the Regent Theatre has arranged a free matinee to be held at the theatre on Christmas Eve (Friday) at 2 p.m. All the proceeds of the performance will be devoted to the relief of the unemployed. The management of the theatre has arranged to have a special programme of work for the unemployed, and all star performers are being arranged, and a special programme will be the principal feature of the matinee.

FORTY YEARS AGO

From the "Leader" of December 13, 1930.

Who is your employer paying the money? I am not sure.

Mr. McMahon, J.P. You don't seem to know anything about my job. You are the employer and you are paying the money. I am not sure.

At the recent examinations of the London College of Music Master J. H. Braden gained honours in the advanced intermediate section of piano. Master Braden is a pupil of Mrs. Beatrice Caskey of High St., Preston, N'cote.

DEATH.
OLIVER.—On December 3, 1930, at her residence, "Camberwell," 85 Westbourne gr., Northcote, Catherine, widow of the late Robert Oliver, aged 84 years. Interred privately December 5, Brighton Cemetery.

The Leader
JUSTICE TO ALL
 Published Every Friday Morning
 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1930.

Hold Over.—Reports of Miss Pao-Webb's pupils' concert and other items.

The following pupils of Miss M. Cotchin, A.L.C.M., L.L.C.M., were successful in recent London College of Music examinations. Primary, first class, Evelyn Gilbert; elementary, first class, Irene Hamilton; honors, Ian Bottlesley.

Messrs. Alexander Grant, Dickson, & Paine, solicitors, issued on Wednesday a Supreme Court writ on behalf of David Paisley, of St. Elmo road, Alphington, carriage contractor. The writ is against Richard Hugh Davies, ship engineer, of Heidelberg, and a claim is made for £1,000 damages for alleged slander. The writ complained of was said to have been spoken by defendant in November, 1928.

Free cup reading daily between 2 and 5 p.m. is an added attraction at Miss Morgan's tea rooms, 711 High street, Thornbury, where a daily and refreshing afternoon tea is served.

M. Reid Robertson, of 430 Bourke street, Melbourne, advertises superior carpets, rug, bedroom suites, linen and household furnishings at bargain prices. Inspection is invited and satisfaction guaranteed.

Northcote Red Cross Auxiliary
for Women's Hospital.

SECOND ANNUAL MEETING

The second annual meeting took place on Wednesday afternoon in the Northcote town hall, Westbourne grove, when there was a good attendance.

J. H. Green, J.P., mayor of Northcote, was in the chair, and welcomed Mrs. James Aston (president of the Women's Hospital), Mrs. T. W. Corrigan (auxiliary organizer), Mrs. Earle (from the hospital committee), Mrs. R. J. Bennetts (Northcote branch), Mrs. J. M. David and Mrs. H. Thompson (Northcote Melbourne Hospital Auxiliary).

Apologies were received from Miss McDonald (matron, Women's Hospital), Mesdames A. J. Ryan and J. E. Cooper (St. Vincent's auxiliary), D. H. Mort, E. B. Scott and W. H. Gray (Thornbury auxiliary), Mrs. G. Robinson (president, Preston auxiliary), Mrs. T. Cole and Rev. A. H. Constable.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read by the secretary (Mrs. A. W. Harley) and adopted.

Mrs. S. Dennis proposed the adoption of the report and balance sheet, which set out the many activities of the year and their success, leaving in hand a balance of £23 15—slightly larger than that of the previous year—after endowing a bed for £25 and giving £37 10 to the Northcote relief fund, as well as the making of materials which cost £23 8 3. The main receipts were £48 2 10 from a concert, jumble sale and dance, with donations and subscriptions of £72 6 afterwards, £60, sale of buttons £7 13. Over £100 has been handled during the year in a thoroughly wise and capable manner. Cr. Dennis congratulated the ladies on their work, and hoped they would be long spared to carry on their generous work.

Rev. F. J. Jennings and Rev. J. O. Hughes seconded and supported Cr. Dennis in a similar vein, paying many tributes to the earnest and willing work of the members.

Mesdames Aston, Earle and Corrigan each spoke of the gratitude of the Women's Hospital committee for what was being done for the institution, and congratulated the auxiliary on the balance sheet.

A musical programme was given by Mrs. C. Gardiner and Miss E. Barnard, with Mrs. M. C. Jones as accompanist. Several recitations by Mrs. L. Parker were thoroughly enjoyed.

A vote of thanks to the office-bearers, artists and the mayor for presiding was moved by Rev. T. Cole, who extolled the virtues of each in a fitting manner, and was ably supported by Mr. Hughes.

Mrs. S. Dennis replied in a neat speech, especially thanking her co-workers and officers for the harmonious year that has just passed, and also Mr. J. A. Thomson for his untiring help at all times.

Afternoon tea was served by the ladies.

The office-bearers for the ensuing year were confirmed as follows:—President, Mrs. S. Dennis; vice-presidents, Mesdames R. V. Rugg, F. M. Kettle, W. Brownell and Brownell Montgomery; treasurer, Mrs. H. F. Akers; secretary, Mrs. A. W. Harley; delegates to Women's Hospital, Mesdames Dennis and Harley; work committee, Mrs. G. Robb, secretary; letters and buyers, Mesdames S. Butler, Disher and Boatwright; auditing, Mr. J. A. Thomson.

POPULAR POLICE SERGEANT.
PRESENTATION TO EX-SERG. GORDON.

The muster room at the Northcote police station lost all its cheerfulness on Monday evening last, when all thoughts of pay cuts and depression were relegated to the back of the mind, for the numerous friends of Serg. Gordon, of Thornbury, staged a gala night in the form of a presentation and farewell to him on his retirement from the service.

The tables were tastefully and decoratively laid by courtesy of Mr. William Anderson, well known in local police circles. Cut glass decanters and crystal glasses were arranged with the eyes of a connoisseur, with varied and sufficient edibles to more than satisfy the needs of the assembly of 25 to 30 persons present.

Mr. Mahony, ex-superintendent of police, occupied the chair, and made a most eloquent and efficient chairman, the sparkle of his wit being evident at high tide mark, and it was not till midnight that the company regrettably dispersed.

In making the presentation of a handsome gold watch suitably inscribed, the chairman extolled the excellent qualities of ex-Serg. Gordon, not only as an officer of the law, but also as a citizen. He had proved a most conscientious constable, scrupulously neat, and always good tempered. His valuable gold watch was not to be judged by its intrinsic value at all, as the material value lay in the inscription, which expressed the sentiment of his comrades—esteem for him as a man, a comrade, and a superior officer. He hoped that Serg. Gordon, his wife and family would live long and enjoy his well earned retirement following 32 years of service in the Victorian Police Force.

In responding, ex-Serg. Gordon expressed heartfelt thanks for the generous remarks and the good wishes for himself, wife and family. The watch would always be one of his most valued possessions on account of the sentiment attached to it. He had always tried to do his best for his comrades and the department, and if he held the esteem of so many of his comrades he was satisfied. He considered that the men under him had rendered him as equally valuable assistance as he had rendered to them. They were a happy family at Thornbury. He was not exactly sorry to leave the service, but he did regret leaving the close association of his comrades.

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Every person present made a short speech during the evening, which was one of the most pleasant spent in the history of the force. Among those present were Sergs. McEiff and Lang, ex-Sergs. Hayes, Senior-constables Matthews, Kennedy, Fowler and Joiner, Constables Joyce, Menach, McDonald, McGuinness, Buchan, Cormack, McFarlane, Derham, Small, Higgins and Carey. Other guests who were Mr. William Jones, J.P., Mr. Ben Rapley and Mr. Hastings.

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SECOND ANNUAL MEETING

The second annual meeting took place on Wednesday afternoon in the Northcote town hall, Westbourne grove, when there was a good attendance.

J. H. Green, J.P., mayor of Northcote, was in the chair, and welcomed Mrs. James Aston (president of the Women's Hospital), Mrs. T. W. Corrigan (auxiliary organizer), Mrs. Earle (from the hospital committee), Mrs. R. J. Bennetts (Northcote branch), Mrs. J. M. David and Mrs. H. Thompson (Northcote Melbourne Hospital Auxiliary).

Apologies were received from Miss McDonald (matron, Women's Hospital), Mesdames A. J. Ryan and J. E. Cooper (St. Vincent's auxiliary), D. H. Mort, E. B. Scott and W. H. Gray (Thornbury auxiliary), Mrs. G. Robinson (president, Preston auxiliary), Mrs. T. Cole and Rev. A. H. Constable.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read by the secretary (Mrs. A. W. Harley) and adopted.

Mrs. S. Dennis proposed the adoption of the report and balance sheet, which set out the many activities of the year and their success, leaving in hand a balance of £23 15—slightly larger than that of the previous year—after endowing a bed for £25 and giving £37 10 to the Northcote relief fund, as well as the making of materials which cost £23 8 3. The main receipts were £48 2 10 from a concert, jumble sale and dance, with donations and subscriptions of £72 6 afterwards, £60, sale of buttons £7 13. Over £100 has been handled during the year in a thoroughly wise and capable manner. Cr. Dennis congratulated the ladies on their work, and hoped they would be long spared to carry on their generous work.

Rev. F. J. Jennings and Rev. J. O. Hughes seconded and supported Cr. Dennis in a similar vein, paying many tributes to the earnest and willing work of the members.

Mesdames Aston, Earle and Corrigan each spoke of the gratitude of the Women's Hospital committee for what was being done for the institution, and congratulated the auxiliary on the balance sheet.

A musical programme was given by Mrs. C. Gardiner and Miss E. Barnard, with Mrs. M. C. Jones as accompanist. Several recitations by Mrs. L. Parker were thoroughly enjoyed.

A vote of thanks to the office-bearers, artists and the mayor for presiding was moved by Rev. T. Cole, who extolled the virtues of each in a fitting manner, and was ably supported by Mr. Hughes.

Mrs. S. Dennis replied in a neat speech, especially thanking her co-workers and officers for the harmonious year that has just passed, and also Mr. J. A. Thomson for his untiring help at all times.

Afternoon tea was served by the ladies.

The office-bearers for the ensuing year were confirmed as follows:—President, Mrs. S. Dennis; vice-presidents, Mesdames R. V. Rugg, F. M. Kettle, W. Brownell and Brownell Montgomery; treasurer, Mrs. H. F. Akers; secretary, Mrs. A. W. Harley; delegates to Women's Hospital, Mesdames Dennis and Harley; work committee, Mrs. G. Robb, secretary; letters and buyers, Mesdames S. Butler, Disher and Boatwright; auditing, Mr. J. A. Thomson.

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Alexis Daddioff, who served for thirty seven months in the Russian Army during the War and became an artillery colonel, is technical advisor on "The Virtuous Sin"...

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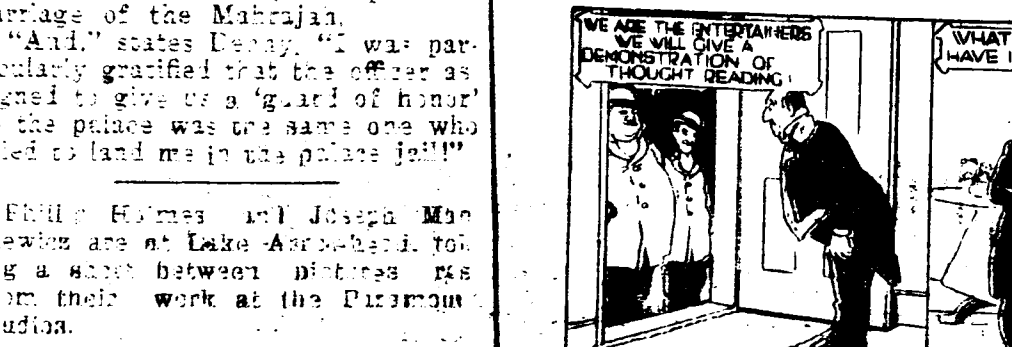
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Walter Huston in a scene from "The Better Wife" at the Northcote Theatre.

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"Through all the heart, through all the discouragement of Africa, the smile of a little girl, your smile made me die a year ago..."

REGENT THORNBURY

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15. "Grumpy" "Grumpy" "Grumpy"

MARIE DRESSLER and POLLY MORAN in "Caught Short"

Ampere's two female women in uproarious comedy of the stock market...

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A Vitaphone All Color Musical Comedy, which literally has it all...

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion
11 a.m.—Rev. A. H. Constable
7 p.m.—Mr. Philip Lewis

CHURCH OF THE EPHANY
NORTHCOOTE
DECEMBER 14—THIRD SUNDAY
IN ADVENT.
Holy Communion 8 a.m.
Evangelist 7
Preacher—The Vicar.

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY
(Railway Parade)
THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT.
11 a.m.—Holy Communion and Sermon.
7 p.m.—Evangelist and Sermon.
Preacher—The Vicar.

ST. MARY'S, PRESTON.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion
10 a.m.—Juvenile Church
11 a.m.—H. T. Croxson
7 p.m.—Evangelist
REV. F. PARSONS.

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Morning and Evening—Rev. A. T. Jones.

PRESTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Corner Jessie and Cramer Sts., West Preston.
11 a.m.—Rev. R. Nairn, M.A.
7 p.m.—Rev. A. J. Stewart.

NORTHCOOTE METHODIST CHURCHES.

HIGH ST., NORTHCOOTE.
11 a.m.—Rev. F. J. Jennings
7 p.m.—Rev. J. T. Duggleby, M.M.
PRINCE OF WALES PARK
11 a.m.—Rev. J. T. Duggleby, M.M.
7 p.m.—Mr. W. Slater.

ST. GEORGE'S ROAD
11 a.m.—Mr. A. Oates
7 p.m.—Miss E. Croxton

11 a.m.—Pastor E. C. Perkins.
7 p.m.—Rev. F. J. Jennings.

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REV. DUNCAN E. REEVES
11 a.m.—"A Companionable God."
3 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Classes.
7 p.m.—"Christianity and the Social Movement."

PRESTON SCHOOL OF DESIGN.
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Jesus Makes the Lame to Walk.
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Preston Tradesmen Offer

IN AND ABOUT PRESTON

By The Rouseabout

Sacred Heart Church

The Prince and Princess Carnival, which extended over several months resulted in a substantial amount being gathered in. The Prince and Princess of Harmony (Lawrence O'Neil and Nellie Long) headed the list with £500. The Prince and Princess of Sport (Bernard Jones and Beryl Pritchard) coming a good second with a credit of £346. Bertha Piper (Princess of Contentment) was successful in raising £344 by various efforts and Father O'Grady is hopeful that the total realised will be close on £1,400. The crowning ceremony of the winning Prince and Princess (Lawrence O'Neil and Nellie Long) was performed in the presence of a large and interested audience in the parish hall by Father Cahir. The grounds surrounding the church are being laid out in an artistic manner by Mr. Linacre, of Mont Park.

Strachan Cemetery

The trustees are making arrangements for the opening of the burial grounds on January 16. The West Preston State School annual examinations for merit and qualifying certificates were held on December 15 and 16. Ninety-five students attending West Preston State School were successful in gaining qualifying certificates and 25 merit certificates.

New Form of Robbery

The latest form of robbery in Preston is interfering with the telephone receivers connected with the Metropolitan Fire Brigade. Several instances have been recorded recently of appliances being connected with the receivers being cut off.

Fire

LAST Saturday the signal box composed of a two-storey building at Bell railway station caught fire, while a burning-off lamp was being used. Preston Fire Brigade extinguished the flames promptly.

A motor truck was considerably damaged by fire at Epping road, Thomastown on Saturday last. Assistance from Preston Fire Brigade soon righted matters.

ON Monday evening

the distribution of prizes at Preston took place, and on Tuesday the Women's Home League had an enjoyable break-up. The Army band will play carols in the main streets of Preston on Christmas Eve and again on Christmas morning. The children's picnic has been arranged for South Morang on New Year's Day.

Manufacturer Loses Bicycle

A BICYCLE valued at £14/15/-, a property of Robt. Mercalf, manufacturer, Leicester street, Preston was stolen on December 8.

Preston Court Sitings

THERE will be no court of Petty Sessions at Preston from yesterday until January 8, 1931. All arrears cases coming to the hands of the police will be dealt with at the Preston police station during that period.

Gramophone Stolen

AT 9 o'clock on the evening of December 15, Mrs. May Black, Carlisle street, Preston left her home and on returning half-an-hour later missed a gramophone from the house. The instrument was valued at £6/12/6.

Motor Driver's Loss

BETWEEN 1 a.m. and 6 a.m. on December 16, a motor tyre, rim and tube and other articles to the value of £18 were stolen from the residence of Geo. Duncan, motor driver, Wood street, Preston.

Set of Cutlery Disappears

A FRONT window in a house occupied by Betty Sutherland, Knitter, Milton street, Preston was forced on December 14 and from the place was taken a set of cutlery in a cabinet valued at £9.

Paltry Theft

A CHILD'S money box, containing 6/-, was stolen from the house of Harold Watts, carpenter, Alfreda st., Preston on December 10. The thief gained entrance to the house by opening the back door with a duplicate key.

Xmas Poultry

THREE muscovy ducks, valued at £2 were stolen from the yard of a house occupied by Valentine Benedict, clerk, South street, Preston on December 12.

Stolen Bicycle

ON Tuesday at noon a bicycle valued at £6, the property of Wm. Blackman, Camberlain avenue, Preston was stolen. The bicycle was left on the verandah of the house and a man was seen running away with the machine. Husbands and Stealing.

AN extensive robbery

occurred at the residence of Henry Samber, plumber, Austral avenue, Preston on December 12. It was found that a large window had been broken and the following articles were stolen: a bicycle, clothes, knives, forks, crockery, picture papers, cutlery, etc. The loss is estimated at £200.

Larceny from Garage

LARCENIES continue to be reported from Preston garages. The latest to hand is from Howe and Co., High street, Preston. In the early morning of Wednesday it was discovered that the garage mentioned was found to have been entered and two pairs of complete winter tyres and tubes, valued at £30 stolen. It is not known how entrance to the garage was effected.

Another report shows

that between 11.45 p.m. on December 15 and 7 a.m. on the following day, the lock was forced off the garage door of a house on the corner of Oakhill ave. and Melvor street, Reservoir, occupied by Harold Jas. Smyth, carpenter, and two cricket bats stolen. From a clothes line six pairs of socks were taken. The value of the stolen property was £7.

Harold Chinall, fruiter, High St.,

Preston suffered the loss of two rim, truck tyre and a couple of tubes valued at £20. These were taken from the garage of 41 house between 8 p.m. and December 15 and 3 a.m. on December 16. Entrance was effected by wrenching the lock of the garage door.

A Local Preston Lodge, M.U.

members of the above lodge will be held in the Anglers' Club Hall, Murray road, on Tuesday next, 23rd inst., at 5.50 p.m. Tea for children at 5.30 sharp. Any donations to the above will be welcome to make it a success.

Wood Street Park.

SEATS and swings at this park are to be given attention and the park cleaned up generally. The Preston council will spend £2 on the work.

Council Doings

AN extra seat is to be placed in Cramer street Park. £10 has been voted by Preston council to a toy fund for children of unemployed.

The council has refused

a request to donate one year's rental (£31/11/11) to East Preston Tennis Club.

A traffic dome is to be erected

at Junction and Edwardes streets, Reservoir.

Danger signs have now been

erected by the Railways department at the Epping road crossing.

Water mains are to be extended

in Calbourne street from Oakover road west to Ventnor street for 83 chains; also along Ventnor street to Whitwell street (63 chains) and Ryde street from Calbourne street north to Whitwell street 63 chains.

Preston Picnic Ground

THE Edwardes Lake Park is proving a great asset to the residents of Preston. On Saturday last, 19th inst., its beauties and facilities for picnics was much appreciated by the residents of the Regent Hill. A unique and well organised picnic was held in the park by that very active body designated the Regent Central Progress Association. About 175 persons journeyed to the lake in picnic vans and private conveyances. A complete programme of sports was held for the children who keenly contested all the events. At 5 p.m. a bag of refreshments was supplied to every child, together with a cup of raspberry vinegar. Afternoon tea and refreshments were provided for the adults by the ladies' committee. At the conclusion of the afternoon the prizes for the different events were presented to the winners by Mr. A. Deacon, the president of the association. Owing to the wintry conditions quite a large number of members were prevented from being present, nevertheless the Christmas tree fund benefited to the extent of over £3 from this outing.

No Council Miniature Golf

THE council decided to take no action in reference to a suggestion that it should lay out a miniature golf course in one of the Preston parks.

Tramway Facilities.

THE West Preston Progress Association has urged Preston council to make representations to the Ways Board to have the last West Preston car be detained at the depot until the last East Preston car has arrived, or alternatively that another car be run to West Preston, leaving Melbourne at about 11.50 p.m. The opinion was also expressed that fares might be reduced.

The council resolved to send the

requests on to the Board.

Wandering Stock.

WEST Preston Progress Association complained to the last meeting of the Preston council about damage caused by wandering stock. Inspector lies is giving this attention.

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NEWS OF THE PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS.

WEST PRESTON ASSOCIATION

The usual monthly meeting was held on December 15th at the residence of the President, Mr. A. Deacon. Correspondents were received from the council re arrangements and water at Crispie. The answer being unsatisfactory, it was decided to ask the council to reconsider the request, stating that this matter required urgent attention.

Mr. Crowe reported the success of the plain and fancy dress ball in aid of the children's Christmas treat. The Mrs. Membray (Departed) and Mrs. M. Duloo (Pelaco). Mr. and Mrs. Crowe, representing the Two Black Grows, received a special consolation prize presented by Cr. W. Robeson.

A letter was sent to the Gas Company, also to the Tramways Board, for improvement to the West Preston lines and reduced through fares.

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THANKS.
BARNETT—MR. LES BARNETT, MR. and MRS. H. ROSE and Family (late of Diamond Creek) desire to express their sincere THANKS to all kind friends and neighbors for personal expressions of sympathy, floral tributes, letters, telegrams and cards sent in their sad bereavement, especially thanking Rev. Hafferty, members and vestry of St. John's C. of E., Thornbury, Dr. Bearham, Mr. Strong, manager Ruskin Motor Body Works, and all employees, W.M. City of Northcote, Lodge No. 2, W.M. Thornbury, Mark Lodge, and Taylor & Sons for the way the funeral arrangements were carried out.—Les. Barnett, 115 Harold St., Thornbury.

The Leader
JUSTICE TO ALL
Published Every Friday Morning
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1930

Mr. L. W. Williams, town clerk, Preston, advises us just before going to press that the mayor of Preston (C. Gilbert E. Robinson, J.P.) has received a cheque for £16, per Mr. Warren, from the Tyler Street State school. This amount has been collected by the school towards the Lord Mayor's appeal for metropolitan hospitals. A detailed list of collections will appear next issue.

On appeal, a penalty of a month's imprisonment imposed on Victor Gustave Price, formerly of Northcote, was reduced to fine of £10. He was a member secretary of the Victorian Police Association, and was charged with "having counselled disobedience in the police force."

Thornbury bowlers and patrons of the euclyre parties are invited to bring the children along to the Thornbury green to meet Father Christmas on Tuesday evening next, December 23, at 7 o'clock.

W. A. Pearce, 28 Powell street, Preston, advertises all latest and best dahlia, can-like stems, at 25 per cent, less than city prices.

Orders are invited for fencing at Northcote cemetery.

FAIRFIELD NOTES

The Fairfield Overland Car Club held an enjoyable ball and novelty evening on December 6. Among those noticed were Mesdames Pettit (black lace), Piddymatt (brown crepe), Berry (black lace, relieved with white flowers), Hoyal (red and black), Smith (black lace), R. Jones (pink georgette), Lyons (ankle length red lace), Bransgrove (pale pink georgette), Murphy (pink georgette), Misses Pilcock (floral crepe de chene), Peadleton, Rowland (floral crepe de chene), Faull (floral georgette), Johnson (green satin), Bollenbacher (lemon georgette), and Jolly (green mousseline violet). A Father Xmas day is being held for members on December 21 at Sunny side beach.

Organized by Misses I. Wright and E. Mahony, a dance was held in St. Anthony's to raise funds for the ladies' annual picnic. Among those present were—Misses R. Waters (pink georgette), M. Mahony (pink georgette), Miss Lindley (green georgette), E. Healy (floral georgette), E. Hogan (white georgette and lace), D. Archibald (ankle length green georgette), Miss White (black satin), and Miss Mahony (white satin). The picnic proved an even greater success, over 400 children being taken to the beach.

Field and Abingdon Aiding Club's annual smoke night was substituted on Monday last by a social and kindest Xmas Eve in the hall. Donations were received from Messrs. Alford, Palling, Reidie, G. Jones, A. Smith (Father Xmas), and W. Watts. The organizing was in the hands of the ladies' committee, in conjunction with the social committee.

Unemployed—At the meeting of the Fairfield Relief Organisation Cr. "Mik" took the chair. The "Back to the Land" scheme was forwarded to the central executive for consideration. The chief business was the discussion concerning a Xmas tree for kiddies of unemployed in Fairfield and Abingdon. Mr. J. Bennett offered to provide half the ice cream required.

FAIRFIELD CANOE CLUB

Annual Christmas Function.—The club's annual Christmas social on Wednesday night at the clubhouse proved a great success. For the night of surprises, and a number of presentations were made, causing much amusement. A Christmas tree was presented by Mrs. Lovell and the evening passed all too quickly, and it was a happy crowd that dispersed after singing "Auld Lang Syne." Each and everyone of the hundred present voted it the best night ever held by the club.

Yearly Night.—Despite the uncertain weather many members and their ladies braved the elements last Saturday night, when a Venetian Night was held. The function proved enjoyable.

NORTHCOTE NOTES

Thornbury Old Scholars Tennis Club.
A social tendered to the president vice presidents, patrons and members of the School Committee was held in the Thornbury School, Hutton street, on December 13. A large double room downstairs was tastefully decorated and with the orchestra dancing to the strains of a fine orchestra presented an animated scene. Supper was prepared upstairs, and at 10 p.m. an adjournment was made. The tables were decorated with beautiful pink carnations and the room pleasantly adorned with "mural" decorations. A delicate array of viands also rendered the effect more engaging. Still Mr. Len Weaver (sic) of the club welcomed the visitors, and Mr. Hall, the present head master, and Mr. Hughes, the foundation and former head master, responded. Each congratulated the club on its successful management.

Mr. Tullock proposed "Success to the Tennis Club" and Mr. Dunlop responded.

Mr. Hall then presented the trophies won by Miss White and Mr. Ely in encouraging terms, and Mr. Ely made a suitable response. Photos were also presented to the runners up. The trophies were presented by Messrs. Wall and Kelley. The toast of the ladies was proposed. Miss White responded and Miss Ely in encouraging terms, and Mr. Ely made a suitable response. Photos were also presented to the runners up. The trophies were presented by Messrs. Wall and Kelley. The toast of the ladies was proposed. Miss White responded and Miss Ely in encouraging terms, and Mr. Ely made a suitable response. Photos were also presented to the runners up. The trophies were presented by Messrs. Wall and Kelley. The toast of the ladies was proposed.

American Tea.

The Girls Guild (James Street Presbyterian Church) held an American tea on the 10th inst. A musical programme embraced the following items—"How Do You Do" by the Company; solo, "Bonnie Mary of Argyle"; Mr. Alfred Brooks (encored); solo, "The Flower Song"; Miss Jean Humphries' recitation; Mr. Audrey Johnson, (encored); humorous solo, "Burlington Bertie"; Miss Marie Cassidy; solo, "Miss Fred's Northcote"; (encored); dialogue, "Mechanical Jane"; Misses J. and N. Carter and Isabel Urquhart; duet, "The Peaches"; Mr. Ernest Wilson (encored); recitation, Miss Audrey Johnson; solo, Miss Amy Schwabach; solo, Mr. E. Wilson (encored); dialogue, "Hiding the Bangor"; Girls of the Guild. The chair was occupied by the Rev. A. T. Jones.

Community Singing.

The weekly community singing was held on Thursday evening last. Proceedings were commenced by the Northcote Professional Orchestra playing "Days of Glory." Other good numbers given by the orchestra throughout the evening were—"Flight of Birds," two numbers from "The Desert Song" and "Fais and Fancy." Mr. Winter conducted and Mrs. Smith was at the piano. Mr. Bourne sang "A Chip of the Old Block," Miss Clinch recited "A Morning at School," and "Fit for Fat." Community singing was under Mr. W. Nicoll.

Successful V.A.D. Team

Entering for the "Herald" cup, a Northcote V.A.D. team consisting of Mrs. Lewin, Misses Sutherland, Dakin, Trotman and Mrs. Raverty (commandant) gained second place at the competition held at Government House last Saturday. This was the only ladies' team to be placed, and when it is considered that the winners were only three points ahead of the performance is meritorious, and more so when the winning team was from the St. John's Brigade, who are regular competitors. Twenty detachments competed.

Northcote Traders' Shopping Carnival

In connection with the Northcote Traders' Christmas gala shopping carnival, about 75 free prizes are to be given away. A large number of bills have been distributed throughout Northcote, and each bill bears a number. In the windows of various shops in Central Northcote are displayed numbers, and if the number in the shop window corresponds with that on the bill, the holder of the bill may claim the free gift. The numbers are now being displayed, and the gifts will be available on or after December 22. Many shops have anything from two to eight prizes to be claimed.

The street has been decorated with bunting, and gum boughs giving it a carnival appearance.

Residents are advised to scan the shop windows closely so that all the gifts may be claimed.

Northcote Citizens' and Soldiers' Band

The band journeyed to Mordialloc on Sunday to compete in a street band contest, and everyone of the hundred present voted it the best night ever held by the club.

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CHURCH NEWS

Rev. F. J. Jennings' Talk.
On Wednesday evening last week the Rev. F. J. Jennings addressed a gathering in the High Street Methodist Schoolroom on impressions gained during his visit to the States and America. The chair was occupied by Mr. Hallam.

Mr. Jennings, who received an ovation, said he would give them a talk regarding his travels and would endeavour to take his bearings in imagination along with him. His trip had been made possible through the wonderful kindness of his people. He and his companions had experienced a welcome everywhere they had gone. Jennings said Mr. Jennings is more to me today than it ever was, Australia is just finding herself and will emerge as a nation. The present is a crucial time and our country is a firm foundation than heretofore.

A hearty vote of thanks was proposed, and carried by acclamation. Mr. Members' and carried by acclamation. During the evening musical selections were given by the following: Mrs. Brown; Mrs. Pettie, by Mr. Reg Cox's Quartette Party; song, Miss Matthews; recitation, Miss Bennett.

ST AIDANS' VICTORIA ROAD.

The annual fair on December 6 was despite the continuous rain, a great success, and over £40 will be cleared. The Ladies Guild and all the stall holders were most successful. The fair was held in the afternoon and Mr. Green opened the fair in the afternoon and Mr. Jones attended in the evening. The progress has been a happy one and the committee in aid if the unemployed will be held in the afternoon and Mr. Green opened the fair in the afternoon and Mr. Jones attended in the evening. The progress has been a happy one and the committee in aid if the unemployed will be held in the afternoon and Mr. Green opened the fair in the afternoon and Mr. Jones attended in the evening.

Princess of Wales Park Methodist.

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Christmas Services

Under the auspices of the Northcote Ministers' Fraternal social united services will be held on Christmas Day, and that for the southern section will take place in the High Street Baptist Church at 10.30 a.m.

Northcote Church of Christ

There was a large attendance on Sunday night, when the Young Warshipers' League conducted its anniversary. Under the leadership of Mr. D. Lang, the choir sang several beautiful hymns. Miriam Morrill, Dorothy Ferris and Norma Bennett sang "The Golden Rule," while Lew Quirie read the scripture lesson. Mr. A. J. Fisher presided at the service.

Church of Epiphany

An enjoyable time was spent at the parish hall on Monday evening, when Mr. Taylor, of Ivanhoe, gave a Dickens Recital, Songs by Misses E. and M. Bennett, and Mrs. Bennett. The annual Christmas carol service will take place on December 21.

Congregational Church

A wonderful night was the party and Christmas tree given to the kindergarten children last evening. The children pleased with items, and after supper Father Christmas visited the young folk with a sack of toys, while presents made of the kindergarten children were taken off an illuminated tree and presented by the little ones to their parents.

TURF NOTES.

(By "Watchful.")
The veteran trainer James Scobie will visit Adelaide during the holidays with the Bendigo Cup winner, Temptation, who is engaged in the Fort Adelaide Cup. Scobie won the richly endowed Adelaide event with Bialli, who subsequently proved successful in the Melbourne Cup. Temptation has already visited South Australia, where he was runner-up in the Adelaide Cup. He is a solid gelding, possessing plenty of stamina, and should give a good account of himself.

Mr. Merson Cooper was afforded compensation for the loss of Prince Viol, of whom he was partly owner, when Prince Viol was killed in a race at the Bendigo Cup. The compensation was £200. The Bendigo Cup was won by Handicap at Moonee Valley. This handsome filly greatly resembles her grand-dam Truette, and has wonderful race prospects. She is a hard nut to crack in the juvenile events during the holidays. Headman was not disgraced, and the Drake colt, who was runner-up in the Bendigo Cup, was a hard nut to crack in the juvenile events during the holidays.

PRESTON COUNCIL AND WAGES.

FURTHER CONFERENCE TO BE HELD.
The Preston council considered a recommendation at its last meeting that it should not agree to proposals submitted by Mr. J. Sheehan, Industrial Adviser for Employees in reference to wages, but to the Arbitration Court for a variation of the present award.

Cr. Robeson said that before the council decided to go to the court, he further conference should be held, which considered the draft proposal, but he felt sure the draft was not a fair one. He felt the council could probably win a satisfactory agreement with the employees. The expense of going to the court, the council employees were getting £4/16/- per week, and one was off—an average weekly earning of £2/8/-.

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BOY SCOUTS.

FIRST PRESTON TROOP.
The cricket team are enjoying a successful season and at present are leading the league. The team will conclude the year with a social on Monday evening, when the firsts will be presented. The expansion will meet on Tuesday night, Mr. Green will be the guest of honor.

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IN THE GARDEN

DAHLIA CULTURE

GROWING POMPOES: LISTING AND STORING.

(By G. E. Handley.)

Pompeo Dahlias require a slightly different treatment to the decorative, cut-flower and sprays cactus types. These miniature dahlias are profuse bloomers, and for color and neatness, they are in a class by themselves.

When the central flower bud appears, pinch out the main stem at the base of the stem and leave four to five lateral stems.

This type of dahlia does not require feeding to the same extent as the types above mentioned, as the object is to see the blooms about 1 1/2 in. in size. On no account give them the bone and potato mixture. Just rely on the best giving once a week of about 3 lbs. to the square yard six weeks after planting; also give very light manure at the same time. Repeat the best only just as they are blooming at their best. Keep the blooms cut and you will see water constantly and quality of the blooms that come out.

Lifting and Storing. After the first frost, cut the bushes down to about 12 inches above the ground, but do not cut them down until there is no sign of growth; as the sap from the leaves and stems goes back into the tubers and strengthens them for the next season. When you are certain that the plants are dormant, you can safely lift them. I have found that a square or square mouth shovel is the best tool for lifting the plants; also you want someone else to help you. If you work around the plant in a circle and loosen the soil, the get your friend with his shovel on one side and yours on the opposite; you will find that you will have them out in no time. On no account wash the soil off the tubers, as this not only supports them and saves them from getting fractured near the stem, but also keeps them in good condition until planting time comes around.

Store in a dry place of draughts until required again for planting, and make certain that there is no chance of frosts getting on them, as this will immediately kill the germ and they will be useless.

"Garden Lover."

The Delphinium or Perennial Larkspur.

A First Prize Essay by Mrs. Pitt before the Murrumbidgee and District Horticultural Society.

Delphinium.—From delphin, a dolphin; from the supposed resemblance of the spur to a dolphin's head. This occurred in the early types, but with the modern improvements has practically disappeared, and it is now very difficult to see in the present form of the flower.

The natural order of crociforms of the family ranunculaceae, being a hardy, herbaceous perennial which dies down each year in the late autumn, and sends up fresh growth in the spring. The best time to handle the root system is in the dormant period during the months of June, July, and August, when the old crowns should be lifted, divided, and replanted once every three years, dividing the centre old without crowns and replanting only the fresh young shoots from the outside.

It raised from seed, which is sown in either autumn or spring, it is possible to select from many new and fine types, and perpetuate them for all time by continuing the root division system. Seed collected from any particular flower will rarely reproduce the original on account of the amount of cross-hybridization that has taken place in the delphinium family during the past century.

It is interesting to know that "Johnson's Gardeners' Dictionary" details over one hundred perennials in the delphinium family, without the numerous varieties of annuals and biennials.

But for our ordinary gardening work, it is sufficient to note the plants which are obtainable in such a variety of shades, ranging from the palest blue, to the deepest purple.

BOWLING.

PENNANT MATCHES.

A PENNANT. Surrey Hills 94—Northcote 87.—Surrey Hills (1) Leven, Rabitt, O'Meara, Runtle, 25; (2) Wilks, Henderson, Crowley, Webb, 21; (3) James, Anderson, Hogg, Matzke, 27; (4) Davis, McCormick, Bowman, Garrett, 20. Northcote—(1) Brown, Thompson, Steed, Jackson, 15; (2) Shaw, Hawthorn, Sharp, Maynard, 20; (3) Threlkeld, Trevelan, Plant, Vastarich, 20; (4) Reil, Kenny, Pollock, Rowell, 32.

Canterbury 100—Heidelberg 92.—Canterbury—(1) Huckerby, McRobert, Bruce, Balfe, 16; (2) Fisher, Wasley, Greenham, W. Bleach, 19; (3) Peters, Grav, N. Lusty, A. Lusty, 31; (4) Knight, Trogaskis, Bleach, Gregory, McNaught, Foster, Swann, 31.

Dunstan, Smith, Tatchell, May, 20; (2) Hill, Garrard, Champion, Kierce, 29; (3) Ooe, Stafford, Taylor, Calder, 18; (4) Nixon, Hambrook, Le Rossignol, Wortley, 28.

Thornbury 90—Essendon 81.—Thornbury—(1) Cogle, White, Carby, Gregory, McNaught, Foster, Swann, 31; (2) Allen, Forth, 26; (3) Allan, Willis, Rogerson, Sharp, 23; (4) Wyatt, Whalley, Grosscott, Murden, 21.

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Preston C1 (110) v Collingwood (47).—Welch, Fleming, Ayler, Billings, (49) v Debnar, Dunn, Bedford, Clarke (11); Hill, Sheppard, Zwar, Lang (29) v Rojo, Westmoreland, Mumford, C. Hebert (15); Preston C2 (95) v West Brunswick (30).—Butcher, Burchall, Fox, Crowe (30) v Hannan, Merrigan, Taylor, Merrigan (15); Pips, Hursthouse, Farr, Howe (29) v Knife, Gray, Rimmet, O'Neill (18); Allardice, McCreesh, Henshaw, Salingers (36); O'Donnell, Magisson, Lucas, Robins (18).

Competition was keen in the monthly cat flower season. The results being—Cut Flowers (amateur)—Mrs. Firth, 5 pts.; Mr. Gibson, 3 pts.; Mr. Toole, 1 pt. Cut Flowers (professional)—Mrs. Bonnell, 3 pts.; Mr. Fawley, 1 pt. Bunches of Roses (amateur)—Mr. Bailey, 5 pts.; Mr. Firth, 3 pts.; Mr. Baattie, 1 pt. Bunches of Roses (professional)—Mrs. Lovelace, 3 pts. Basket of Flowers—Mrs. Corry, 5 pts.; Mrs. Bonnell, 3 pts. Special prizes—Bunch of Gaiardias—Mrs. Bonnell, Bunch of Snapdragons—Mrs. J. W. Firth. Basket of Flowers—Mrs. Firth.

The next meeting will be held on the second Wednesday in February.

THE GUN.

Christmas Trophies at Reservoir. Northcote club provided a mixed programme of starlings and sparrows at Reservoir on Saturday, and there was an excellent attendance. Interest centred in the first of a series of Christmas country trophy shoots. S. R. Keenan, of Ascotvale, had a sequence of 34 starlings, the best of the season at Reservoir. "Surrette" had a break of 25 and C. M. Woodway 17. Results.—No. 1 starling sweepstakes, Headway and "Pentland"; No. 2, "Surrette" and Keenan; and "Yarraville" and trophies by Keenan (first), "Yarraville" (second), and Meadway (third). The succeeding sweepstakes were divided by Porter, "Surrette," and "Yarraville," with the first events by Meadway and "Pentland." No. 1 sparrow sweepstakes, Porter and "Pentland"; No. 2, Porter, "Pentland," and "Gillie" (a son of "Meranda"); No. 3, "Pentland" and Keenan.



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PRESTON COUNCIL

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15.

The usual meeting was held on Monday, December 15, at 7.30 p.m. in the Council Chamber. Present: Mr. G. E. Robinson, Mayor; Mr. J. Zwar, Mr. J. Jones, Mr. W. Spratling, Mr. J. Humberrow, Mr. A. E. Newton, Mr. W. T. Robeson, and Mr. H. E. Maynard.

The council has already authorized the engineer (on November 24) to go ahead and prepare plans for the work. Humberrow said 15 out of 24 of the owners in the street wanted the work done. He asked if the council could find any money to do the work.

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Preston Tradesmen Offer

IN AND ABOUT PRESTON

by The Rouseabout

Band Matters at Preston
A **BOGG** recently distributed throughout Preston stated that the "Wonthaggi" school band had been banned from the school band movement. The following wire received from the Wonthaggi head teacher reads: "Wonthaggi school band not banned from school band movement. Going stronger than ever. We are informed from an authoritative source that the school bands are open to any pupil attending the school where the band is in operation."

While the Bly Boiled
While the billy was boiling for midday lunch on Monday there was an explosion, the result being that a quantity of waste matter at the Lawrence Leather Pty. Ltd. company's works, Northcote became ignited and the services of the Preston firemen were requisitioned to extinguish the flames.

The Fowls Still Go
Twenty Rhode Island Red and 3 Black Orpingtons, also 4 White Leghorns dispersed from the yard of Michael Reid, poultry farmer, Gilbert road, Preston at 2 o'clock in the morning of December 19.

Man Wanted for Assault
Preston police are on the look-out for Francis Stewart Widley, who has been fined £5, in default of 28 days' imprisonment on a charge of having unlawfully assaulted Jas. Frost.

Social Evening
On Monday evening, Preston branch of the R.S.S.I.L.A. and the Mothers, Wives and Sisters' Association met at a social evening and were entertained by members of the Diggers' Concert Party. Mrs. Higgins moved a vote of thanks to all who assisted, and Mr. Donath made a suitable response.

A Successful Appeal
The appeal made by Preston branch of the R.S.S.I.L.A. for gramophone records for the use of patients at Macleod Sanatorium, has resulted in 142 records being sent in, also a model gramophone.

Housebreaking and Stealing
Mrs. Alice Watt, Bell street, Preston has reported that property to the value of £40 was stolen between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on December 18 from her premises. Mrs. Watt left her home securely locked up and on returning later found that silk stockings, gold medal and bag bearing inscription and other articles had been stolen.

Lord Mayor's Appeal
At a public meeting on Tuesday in connection with the above the mayor (Cr. G. E. Robinson) presided. It was announced that donations to the amount of £140.16/ had been received. Votes of thanks were carried to those responsible for this result.

High Street Road Construction
COUNCILLOR Robinson, the mayor of Preston has given notice of his intention to move at next meeting of the local council that the council do by special order, subject to the provisions contained in Act No. 3865 cited as the Preston Loan Act 1930, declare that all or any specified portion of the money borrowed under Loan No. 15 for £37,000 in regard to the construction of High street in Preston, northwards from Murray road, and (b) £1040 for the purchase of machines for making roads.

57th Battalion Items
ON the coming Saturday, the 57th (Preston) Rifle Battalion will hold the annual "Xmas Pudding Shoot" at Willamstown. A number of plum puddings will be distributed to successful competitors.

Preston 57th Battalion has obtained from the Defence Department, a hut from Broadmeadows encampment which has been placed in position in the drill hall grounds, Reginald street, Preston. The structure will be made use of as a gymnasium and lecture hall.

The Military Sports Association has decided to include swimming activities in connection with the organisation and the 57th Battalion intends to form a club in order to assist in the movement.

Concert Party Entertainers
PRESTON branch of the R.S.S.I.L.A. gave an enjoyable entertainment recently for the benefit of the inmates of Clayton Epileptic Colony. The following contributed to the programme—Mesdames S. Larsen, M. Howe, and Miss J. Tomlinson also Messrs. C. Cochran, H. Chalners and S. Larsen. Mr. H. Nesbitt (President) made a capable chairman and the patients thoroughly enjoyed the programme. The matron of the Institute proposed a vote of thanks to the entertainers and a dance followed.

Stolen from Car
A **RADIATOR** valued at £2 was stolen from a motor car belonging to Preston Anglers' Club, Murray road, Preston between 8 and 11 p.m. on December 18.

Car Cart on Fire
ON December 11 a car cart, belonging to the Preston city council caught fire in Newcastle street owing to the overheating of bitumen.

Fire Alarm Fiasco
AT 11.4 p.m. last Monday a thief set a fire alarm on the corner of Spring and May streets, Preston and stole the transmitter.

Let there be Light
ON a recent hot night four well-known bridge enthusiasts were having a keen game, when suddenly the electric light went out. A keroseene lamp was obtained and the game continued. Two and a half hours later a friend entered and said "Why don't you turn on the electric light instead of grilling over a keroseene lamp?" Then it was found that it was only the globe burnt out.

Reservoir Meeting
AT the monthly meeting at Day's Hall, Reservoir, on December 2 Mr. Fletcher presided over a good attendance. Correspondence dealt with the Hon. G. C. Webber received from the Hon. G. C. Webber re Mr. Roberts' appointment as Justice of Peace; from Industrial Clinic re new regulations and new moved Legislative Assembly. It was moved that the branch protest against such Bill. The town clerk wrote re condition of Rathgown road. The Central Executive wrote re account. Also no. of annual conference in 1931. The correspondence was received.

Reports—it was moved that the secretary's apology for non-attendance at the Industrial Printing and Publicity Co's shareholders' meeting be accepted. Mr. Hannah (Preston) reported that a committee formed, and it was decided to appoint the municipal campaign delegates to act in that capacity.

General Business—It was moved that the branch should affiliate with the I.C.W.P.A. A discussion on the expenditure in the central Ward at the last municipal election resulted in the explanations of Mr. McPherson and delegates being accepted.

Notice of having the meeting night changed.

CYCLING.
PRESTON PROFESSIONALS.

CROSS WINS 5 MILE HANDICAP.
GASCOYNE CREATES NEW RECORD.

In preparation for the Xmas county carnivals and other big track meetings to be run shortly, the above club conducted a five mile handicap on the Epping road on Saturday. The event proved a real tryout for most of the club's members, and was easily one of the best races witnessed on the Epping road for some time. Tom Gascoyne, who has been riding well of late at the Motor, broke the run of back luck that attended him during the recent road season. Tom Gascoyne, who has been riding well of late at the Motor, broke the run of back luck that attended him during the recent road season.

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Boy Badly Burned
RICHARD T. Turnham, 14 years of age was badly burned in a fire which occurred at the rear of 611st Garage, High street, Northcote on December 18.

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A PRESTON LAW SUIT.
JUDGE REMOVES JURVE MEDICT.

RESCUING ACTION.
Under Mr. Justice Mann's rescuing action, recently in favor of William Barrow, of Preston, the rescuing action against the Bank of New South Wales, his Honor later, hearing argument on questions of law entered judgment for the bank with costs.

Barrow sued the bank for £4,200 damages, alleging that he advanced that sum to various persons on the advice of a branch manager of the bank and that the security obtained was inadequate.

The jury awarded Barrow £660, and found that the manager was both negligent and acting within the scope of his employment in giving the advice.

Mr. W. Hign, K.C. (for the bank), contended that there was no evidence to support the jury's finding that the manager was acting within the scope of his employment in giving the advice.

Mr. T. G. Jones (for Barrow) contended that it was within the scope of the manager's employment to have unsatisfactory securities as at the time of the rescuing action. The bank had ratified and accepted the acts of the manager, and had taken part of the money obtained through the rescuing action.

Mr. Justice Mann held that originally it was not within the scope of the manager's employment to have unsatisfactory securities as at the time of the rescuing action. The bank had ratified and accepted the acts of the manager, and had taken part of the money obtained through the rescuing action.

STRONGROOM FIRE AT PRESTON.
An ARREST MADE

In the early hours of the morning of September 24 a fire occurred in the strongroom of the Preston council's electric light department, in which certain records and a number of duplicate receipts were destroyed.

As soon as the fire was discovered the mayor (Cr. Robinson) requested the police to make an investigation, and two detectives were detailed to make enquiries. The detectives co-operated with officers of the public works department, and made a special audit. After close investigation the detectives led and McGuffee made an arrest on Monday afternoon.

Later in the city watch house Roy William Witham, 22 years, formerly a clerk at the Preston electric light department, was charged with having maliciously set fire to certain documents, and with larceny as a servant of an amount of approximately £260.

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RESERVOIR NOTES

The ladies of the Reservoir St. George's Guild carried out a successful Xmas function at the Byfield Hotel on Wednesday, when they entertained about 120 children. Father Xmas was in attendance, and each child received an appropriate gift. In addition a high tea was provided.

A happy evening was spent when the Reservoir District Band, provided an appetizing supper. The Band has vacated the band room in used as a home for destitute families. The way to allow for destitute families, the manager, Mr. Zwar, the owner, comfortable to a number of people in the northern part of Reservoir.

The West Reservoir Progress Association held its fortnightly meeting last. Satisfaction was expressed at the obtaining of the traffic cop for the action of the ranger in rounding up stray cattle.

The United Reservoir Progress Association held its annual meeting. Mr. Twite has been re-elected president, with Mr. Bradford secretary. A Sunday last Joe Tunstall, niece of the crossing of the bridge, was breaking two ribs and an arm. Mr. Childers's Hospital. His condition is critical. The cyclist suffered a severe fall. The police have the matter in hand.

COMMONWEALTH LOAN
£29,750,290 SUBSCRIBED

Final figures announced for the Commonwealth £29,750,290 conventional loan show that the loan was subscribed by £1,750,280. Of the total amount subscribed £25,176,610, or nearly 85 per cent, was invested in the 6 per cent loan maturing in two years. For the 10 years period £4,225,280 was invested at 5 1/2 per cent. Only £246,200 was subscribed for the 20 years period, paying 5 1/2 per cent.

Of the total Victoria's share was £13,648,160 taken up by 55,038 subscribers. The next highest was New South Wales, where 32,612 subscribers put up £3,022,480. Queensland found £2,942,350. South Australia £2,382,940. West Australia £875,030, and Tasmania £862,390.

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Stable Manure and Fruit Trees.

Replying to the question "What is the chemical action of stable manure on fruit trees?" the chief horticultural instructor said it is claimed by authorities on agricultural chemistry that a ton of a pure sample of stable or horse manure which has not been leached by water or rain, or permitted to become excessively heated by fermentative action, and become what is known as "fire fanged," may contain as high as 17 lbs. of nitrogen, 13 lbs. of phosphorus, 10 lbs. of potash, and 10 lbs. of lime. The average sample of stable manure as handled and used here could not be expected to still retain these quantities, more particularly the nitrogen. The kind of food given the horses and the ages of the animals would also influence the quantities of these compounds found in the manure itself. As far as our knowledge extends, it is generally conceded that it is not so much the gain received from the direct addition to the land of these plants from the manure itself that benefits the trees or crops, but the indirect action it has on the soil body. The mass of organic matter absorbs water and holds it, which in its slow decomposition liberates heat, and facilitates the formation of carbonic and humic acids, which in turn assist in breaking down insoluble mineral compounds containing plant foods. The ordinary soil moisture could not bring into solution. Its physical action on the soil renders it friable, open and aerated. It appears to be the essential medium for securing greater bacterial activity in the soil.

It is possible the results of this increased activity are the more direct cause of stimulating the growth of foliage, shoots, and fruits on our fruit trees than is the addition of the quota of the plant food elements mentioned above as being conveyed to the land in the manure itself.

Now is the time to commence sowings of the delightful winter vegetable—Savoy cabbage—"Garden Lover."

PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS.

NORTHCOTE WEST WARD.

An unusually large gathering of members and their children attended the Xmas meeting on December 13. The president (Mr. Thomas), in welcoming the visitors, stated that although we were passing through a serious depression, it was reflected in the happy faces of those present. If such a large number could attend this year, the association would have to look out for a much larger building in which to conduct their Xmas treats when times were brighter. The outstanding feature of the evening, apart from the visit of Father Xmas, was an address given by Mr. Hall, head master of the Thornbury school, on "The Future Welfare of the Children." During the course of his remarks Mr. Hall invited the co-operation of parents in the efforts put forth by the school staff to do their utmost to fit the children for their future positions in life. A vote of thanks, moved by Messrs. Deslandes and Wharton and supported by Cr. Turner, was carried in a manner that showed how keenly interested members were in this subject.

During the course of the evening about seventy children received gifts from Father Xmas, and prizes were awarded to the winners of various games. Girls over seven were given an opportunity of displaying their elocutionary talents, and after some interesting items Cr. Turner awarded first prize to Miss Bessie Alderton. The others did so well that an extra toy was given to each competitor.

The president extended the thanks of members to all who had assisted to make the evening such a success, and after wishing all the compliments of the season hands were joined in singing "Auld Lang Syne," and a most enjoyable evening was brought to a close.

The next meeting will be held in the school hall on January 15, 1931.

REDUCING NORTHCOTE VALUATIONS.

A conference between representatives of the Thornbury Road Progress Association and the West Ward Association was held in Eastman Park on Sunday morning, with a view to

NORTHCOTE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

SOCIAL VISIT TO COBURG SOCIETY.

Members of the Northcote Horticultural Society were the guests of the Coburg Horticultural Society on the 17th inst. at a social evening in the Freemasons' Hall, Bell street, Coburg. A good number of Northcote members attended and spent a most enjoyable evening. A splendid programme of games was arranged, both young and old being well catered for. The popularity of these was shown by the continuous laughter which they caused. The euchre tournament was also well patronized and two special prizes were provided for Northcote members. These were won by Mrs. Rice and Mr. J. W. Pirih.

The Coburg Society is famed for its hospitality and this was further demonstrated at supper time. In a few well-chosen remarks, Mr. Pirih, vice-president of the Northcote Society, thanked the committee and members of the Coburg Society, and in doing so emphasized the spirit of co-operation existing between the two societies, and the value of horticultural societies as a counteracting tonic for the depressing times through which we are passing. The gathering was brought to a close by all present joining hands and singing "Auld Lang Syne."

PICNIC ON FOUNDATION DAY.

A combined picnic has been arranged for Foundation Day, January 26, in which members of Essendon, Brunswick, Coburg and Northcote societies will take part. The picnic ground will be at Diamond Creek and motor conveyances will be provided. The return fares will be: Adults, 3/; children under 16 and over 12, 2/6; under 12, 1/6. Milk will be provided by the committee. The conveyance will leave the Northcote town hall at 10 a.m. on January 26, and will put up members at various points in High street between there and Bell street. Those desiring to attend are requested to advise the Northcote secretary not later than January 9.

PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS.

NORTHCOTE WEST WARD.

Having the valuations on rateable property in the city reduced, the outcome of the meeting was the drafting of a letter, which has been forwarded to the council.

Further references to this important subject will be appear from time to time.

EAST PRESTON ASSOCIATION.

A meeting was held on Monday evening, when Mr. R. Rogerson presided. Visitors included Cr. Maynard Mr. W. J. Inglis, Miss Ross and Messrs. Saunders and Hall.

Mr. R. Rogerson explained that the Gowerville Theatre had been closed, and as this was a serious matter, he had suggested the matter should be brought before the association.

Mr. Inglis said he had been approached by business people in the matter, and while he did not consider the closing of the theatre a serious matter, he agreed it was serious for others. He thought the pressure of influential people would be beneficial, provided proper data and guarantees could be secured.

It was resolved that the association get into touch with influential men and associations with the object of having the theatre re-opened, and that a committee comprising Messrs. Black, Kirby, Andrews, Olinch and Wharton and supported by Cr. Turner, be appointed to act in co-operation with business people.

The Central Council of Progress Association referred the question of improved valuation to the association. It was resolved that while agreeing with the principle, details should be sent on the matter in both voice and vote.

TRAGEDY AT RESERVOIR.

When Theodore Pomaroff, 39 years, a watchmaker, of High St., Preston, was riding a motor cycle across the railway line at the level crossing at Epping road, Reservoir, his machine was struck by the 7.7 p.m. train for Thomastown on Saturday night.

Pomaroff's machine was caught by the electric train, and he and the machine were dragged for about 200 feet. He was killed instantly.

BOWLS.

THORNBURY LADIES' CLUB.

The president and members of the above club held a successful Euchre Party on December 15, there being 64 persons present for euchre as well as others who attend from the social side. Mrs. A. Smith was the winner of the ladies' prize, Mr. Tait of the gents Mrs. E. B. Scott and Mrs. Willis also won the booby prize. Supper was served after the presentations had been made.

On December 16 the 'B' pennant team played against Albert Park, resulting in Mrs. Jones, Miss Olinch, Mrs. Luckhurst, Mrs. Spielwerg, 23, v. Mesdames Wright, Ewins, Williams, and Holden 9.

Mesdames Doble, Robertson, Lunn, Harrison 26 v. Mesdames Glanville, Harris, Kelley, Roberts, 19.

December 18, "B" pennant team played A against Blackburn resulting in Misses Bayley, Mesdames Burbury, Albion, Willis, Rogerson, Sharp, 23, Glanville, Harris, Kelley and Roberts, 30, Mesdames Cropley, Pearce, Adams, Cox, 28 v. Mesdames Wright, Ewins, Williams, Holden, 10.

"A" PENNANT.

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Thornbury 98—City of Camberwell 88.—Thornbury—(1) Rose, Bartley, Allen, Forth 31; (2) Carlyle, Whitto, Hayes, Frencham, 18; (3) Wyatt, Whalley, Growcott, Murden, 23; (4) Allen, Willis, Rogerson, Sharp, 23. City of Camberwell—(1) W. Spear, Jones, Cook, F. Spear, 22; (2) Rowe, Bassett, North, Coghlan, 26; (3) W. B. Gardner, Davis, Hood, 20; (4) Burgess, Warner, Rider, Dobbie, 20.

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TROUBLE OVER DEBTS AND HOUSEHOLD BILLS.

"He continually struck me on the head, and caused me to faint. He also used to 'take it out of the child' on every possible occasion, and when I intervened he would turn on me."

The husband said: "I used to give my wife all my wages, but as she is a bad manager she got me into debt."

When I got a notice about arrears on my house and other bills I asked her the meaning of them and she said: "Those are only a few. I'm going." I said: "If you are like that deserting a sinking ship, the best thing you can do is to go." The husband also related that the only occasion he struck his wife was when she threw a pair of scissors at him, and she stuck in his back.

Mrs. Rosanove appeared for the wife, and Mr. R. T. Cahir for the husband.

Mrs. Rosanove said that the parties were married in March, 1926, and there was one child, now aged about four years. At first the couple lived with the husband's mother, and about 18 months later made a home of their own. By this time the husband had evidently become infatuated with ideas put forward by his mother, as he apparently set out to make life as unendurable as possible for his wife. He continually struck her on the head, as a result of which she would often faint. Once the wife complained to her mother about "being struck and when husband and wife got home the husband said: "I'll thrash you in your future, so you can't say I hit you."

"My husband is always picking at me and finding fault," Mrs. Nellie Holt told the bench at Preston Court on December 18, when seeking a maintenance order against her husband, Alfred John Leslie Holt, of Mallock St., Preston.

Mrs. Holt said—Now I live with my parents at Nicholson St., Brunswick. I am 21 and my husband is about 28. When we first got a home of our own my husband was always "picking at me," finding fault, and then he would strike me on the head. Some time ago I had a fall on my head, and when my husband hit me it used to affect me and often cause me to faint. One night whilst at a neighbor's playing cards, the baby cried. I got up to go to it, and when I did so my husband grabbed the cards out of my hand and threw them on the floor. As I stooped to pick them up he bit me on the head with his fist. On another occasion he said I was a bad manager and he would give me £2 a week to "get out."

When we were at my mother's place one day I complained that he was always hitting me, and he gave an undertaking that he would not do so any more.

"When we got home he said: "I'll thrash you in your future, so you can't say I hit you."

"The night before you left you had visitors?"—Yes.

"And you and your husband were both entertaining them?"—He tried to make me look small in front of them.

Were you both friendly on that day?—Just friendly.

When you left was the building house?"—Yes.

And did you say "I'm going to go?"—No.

How much do you owe for milk?—Would it be £2/9/2?—It might have been near that amount.

And that would represent your supply over a long period?—Yes.

You have said that your husband's mother interfered with you. Did you ever change your opinion regarding her?—I wrote to her once, thanking her for what she had done for us.

I suggest that the only time your husband struck you was when you threw the scissors that stuck in his back?—That is a lie.

When you went to dances did you wear your wedding ring?—Yes.

Were you ever without it?—I lost my ring once, and got another the next day.

Neighbor's Evidence.

Evidence was given by Mrs. Byrne that on one occasion when the

husband was at her place playing cards, Holt struck his wife when she was crying.

Mother's Story.

Mrs. Louisa Holland, Nicholson St., Brunswick, said—Mrs. Holt is my daughter. She came to me on November 21 with her child. Holt has never been to see her since. On one occasion she spoke to Holt about striking my daughter, and he said: "I'd willingly pay £2 a week to get rid of her."

Mr. Cahir—Was that in the heat of an argument?—No; he was quite calm.

How many times have you lent your daughter to her wedding ring?—Never. I have borrowed my daughter's ring twice because I had lost it.

Dr. W. H. Steele, High St., Preston, said—Mrs. Holt suffers from nervous headaches. This might be caused by ill treatment.

Mr. Cahir—Worry or anxiety over accounts would also cause the trouble?—Yes, it might, though more often it is the mental rather than physical?—Yes.

Could Not Live Within Husband's Means.

Mr. Cahir said that the trouble was that the wife was managing her husband's means. Up till a few months ago Holt had given his wife all his wages, and even then she had got into debt. The last cause of complaint alleged by the wife was that she had a habit of going to the home late, and she did not order a deposit on a house later for no cause at all, except that she was told to "get out."

Holt said—When we were first married my mother-in-law lived with us, and she also lived with us for 18 months later when the husband, which was in my name, was nearly, and then my wife married the house was too hard to keep in order. I sold the house, and used the money she was for?—I was selected by my wife. At the time I was married I was earning £7 a week. I am now getting £5/10. About six months ago I was earning £6, and even though I gave all this to my wife, the bills started to come in. I cut down my wife's allowance so that I could see the bills were reduced, and I found that the payments on the house were in arrears.

I deny that I have ill-treated my wife, and have only struck her on one occasion. That was when she threw a pair of scissors at me, and they stuck in my back. I was "awid," and struck her with my open hand. Of late my wife has gone dancing every Wednesday night to the Merri Palais, and would return home late. The "incident" described by Mrs. Byrne never happened.

Speaking of the separation in November Holt said—A number of bills had come in and I asked my wife about them. She said: "I'm going." Those are only a few. I said: "If you are like a rat deserting a sinking ship, the best thing you can do is to go." The next day she said she was going, and I asked her to give me the key, and to close the door when she did leave.

Previous Threats to Leave.

On previous occasions she had threatened to leave, and I have stayed up till the early hours of the morning "kidding" her to stay.

On short notice she did 2 years haven't been to see her?—No. You found out where she was on the day after she went?—Yes.

And you rang her up threatening legal proceedings if she travelled?—Yes.

Has never taken me out now, and has not done so for months, although he goes out to dances himself and returns at all hours. On the night before I left (November 20) my husband told me to "get out" next day, and threatened if I was not quiet he would put me out that night. The next morning he demanded my key and told me not to be there when he came home.

My husband earns about £5/10 a week, and used to give me £2. In the last few weeks I was with him he kept back 10/- weekly to pay off a debt.

Mr. Cahir—Have you told us the worst you can about your husband?—No.

You haven't got any bad points?—I will say I haven't been able to manage as well as I might. There were arguments over money.

Were there other bones of contention?—Yes. He wanted more children.

Up to six months ago he gave you all his wages?—No.

What was the biggest allowance you ever received?—£4 a week.

Was that sufficient to keep the home going?—Not when he got some of it back.

At that time were you getting into debt?—I borrowed money.

And you were threatened with a summons?—Yes.

Did you sign your husband's name to a promissory note without his knowledge?—Yes.

You also signed a money order

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CLUB ELEVENS

Northeote v Collingwood Colts
 Play was resumed at McDonnell Park under conditions which batmen should have found to their liking. With the score at two for 40 in reply to Collingwood's 165, Hamilton and Fleming carried the score to 60 before Fleming was out by Crowe. Williamson failed and the next three batsmen added only 17. With seven down for 77 Northeote's prospects were anything but rosy but a great partnership by Percy Anderson and S. Peterson realised 92 before the latter was out by 31. With the game safe the remaining batsmen did not stay long and the innings closed for 183. Anderson was 61 not out, which included five 4's and a beautiful straight drive for 6 off Pearce. Collingwood's second innings opened sensationally. F. Collins bowled Ross with his sixth ball, and Oakman retired caught and bowled off H. Collins' second ball. In attempting to steal a run Crowe had his wicket shattered by a good return from H. Collins, and three were out for 6. The remaining batsmen were all at sea to H. Collins' leg breaks and were content to play out time. When stumps were drawn seven were out for 53, of which H. Collins (who is the sports master of the successful Westgarth school team) took four for 20. **Collingwood Colts**
 First Innings: 165
 Second Innings: 183
 Ross, b. F. Collins, 6
 Crowe, c. and b. H. Collins, 6
 Oakman, run out, 6
 Ford, b. H. Collins, 6
 Pearce, b. Wiltshire, 6
 L. Naismith, c. F. Collins, b. H. Collins, 1
 R. Naismith, not out, 20
 Newton, c. Miller, b. Hamilton, 9
 Sandries, 1
 Seven wickets for 53
 Bowling: F. Collins, 1 for 18; H. Collins, 4 for 20; P. Anderson, 0 for 3; J. Hamilton, 1 for 1.
Northeote
 S. Baring, run out, 13
 J. Hamilton, c. Ross, b. Crowe, 25
 E. Miller, c. Newbound, b. Pearce, 4
 Fleming, lbw, b. Crowe, 4
 Williamson, c. Newbound, b. Crowe, 0
 H. Collins, lbw, b. Crowe, 4
 F. Wiltshire, run out, 6
 S. Peterson, lbw, b. Pearce, 92
 P. Anderson, not out, 61
 F. Collins, b. Pearce, 1
 L. Peterson, lbw, b. Pearce, 29
 Sandries, 29
 Total, 183

HEIDELBERG DISTRICT
 First Grade
 North Ivanhoe, 161 and three for 8, d Heidelberg, 158 (Dowling 84, Murphy 22, Stott 20; H. Anson 7 67).
 North Alphington, 128 (K. Anson 5/31, Gonzalez 4/34), and three for 35, d Ivanhoe Footballers, 68 and 92 (Turnbull 23, Imhoff 20 n.o.).
 Rosanna, 151 (McWaters 48, Preston 25 n.o., d Fairfield, 70 and 68 (Fitzsimons 6/15).
 Alphington, 108 (McGan 31, Lee 22, Martin 20; Carce 4/6, Poulter 4/26).
 West Heidelberg, 111 and 51 (Bode 6/22), d Ivanhoe, 84 (W. Hickox 4/21, Webster 4/28) and four for 64 (Stone 5/3).

CHURCH ASSOCIATIONS
Northeote and Preston Churches
 First Grade
 Thornbury Church of Christ, 76 and 153 (Gall 22, James 43, Bramley 24), lost to Prince of Wales Park, two for 202 (H. Power 128 n.o., A. Power 29 and 6/20, Greenwood 22).
 St. James Church of England, 122 (Pink 30 and 10/19, Osmond 27, O'Connor 7/22), d St. Mark's Church of England, 39 and 38 (Green 4/31).
 Regent Pre-byterians, 187 and three for 44 (Froebel 58 and 4/29, Wildsmith 37, Underhill 38, Tuppon 25 and 5/36).
 West Preston Methodist, 90 and 136 (Paddle 31 and 34 and 4/55, Elms 36, Brewer 26 and 23 and 7/70).
 South Preston Methodists, 84 and eight for 55 (Barker 19 n.o., Kaufman 28 and 3/16, Velder 5/34, Bock 4/30).
 d Croxton Methodists, 64 and six (closed) for 76 (McBean 20 and 26).
 Thornbury Pre-byterians, 135 (C. Bowden 38, T. Love 17, J. C. Watson 10, A. Shaw 13, W. Walker 25 n.o., B. Anderson 6 42, G. Carpenter 2/30).
 v Northcote Church of Christ, 82 and five for 157 (A. Cooper 48 and 4, E. Buzzard 11, Carpenter 28 n.o., W. Tyson 23; Bowden 3 26, A. Gray 6/23, G. Duncan 2/30).

THE JUNIORS
 Clifton Hill A.N.A., v Flemington and Kensington
 Continuing with seven wickets down for 44 in reply to A.N.A.'s total of 133, Flemington and Kensington made 56. Sparks 4/10 and McKay 27 obtaining the wickets. A.N.A. in its second innings closed with seven down for 77 (Bachelor 24, Watts 4/31). Then the excitement began. With 10 minutes in which to make 155, Flemington and Kensington's first wicket fell at 17; then Steel and Anderson carried the score to 66 before the former was c and b by Bachler for 58 (two 6's, four 4's). The third wicket fell at 106 when L. Smith was bowled by Sparks for 23. With-out any addition to the score Anderson (20) was bowled by Sparks. Seven were out for 124 when James and Roy Smith became associated, and with three minutes to spare, and a great excitement, Flemington and Kensington won by three wickets. James made 19 not out. Sparks took four for 47.
Yarraville v Fairfield
 Fairfield made 96, and Yarraville, thanks to a fine innings by Horley (64) carried the score to 105. W. Ingelman took six for 50. In the second innings Fairfield made 73 (F. Boyle 22, C. Hughes 4/29, Yarraville, losing one for 20, won by 9 on the first innings.

THIRD GRADE
 Clifton Hill A.N.A., 131 and five for 52 (Mounsey 21, Wood 4/8), d Northcote Socials, 123 (Banstow 42, Crawford 38).
NORTH SUBURBAN ASSOCIATION
 First Grade
 Brunswick City, 152 (Parkhill 46, Ellis 35, Peters 5/51), d Northcote Footballers, 82 and 33 (Jordan 10/37, Malone 8/32).
 Pascoeville, 142 (McClumpha 11, Carr 29 and 4/37, Taylor 21), lost to Thornbury, 240 (J. Lovelace 58 n.o. and 5/16, Lane 53, Cough 22, W. Lovelace 37, Black 22).
 Second Grade
 Collingwood Caledonians, 126 and eight for 39 (Pike 40 and 4/27, Hay 20; Lord 5/7), d Prince of Wales, 97 and none for 8 (Jones 27, Cope 19 n.o. and 5/20).
 Burnley Juniors, 173 (Baggott 41 n.o., Bratley 31, Rosan 21, Robinson 4/28), d Regent, 117 and six for 70 (Cameron 55 n.o., McGrath 23 n.o., Gray 8/51).
 Third Grade
 Regent, 112 and none for 54 (Cameron 37 and 5/11), d Crescent, 100 and nine for 65.

OTHER MATCHES
 Municipal Association—Heidelberg, 111 and one for 20 (Phillips 61, 1 Northcote, 67 and 60 (Jack 7/21, Purvis 7/48).
 Returned Soldiers—Northcote, 132 and five for 31 (Lyons 37 and 9/53, O'Neill 31, Callender 25), d Coburg, 50 and 111 (Lawrence 37; Kerley 5/24, Rackam 42, Bott 5/21).
 South Preston Methodists, 115 (Pike 5/45), d Preston, 75 and seven for 112 (Larson 24, Nesbit 22; Crichton 3/13).
 Church of Christ
 North Fitzroy, 69 and 79 (Webb 35, Kruse 5/20), d West Preston, 67 (Brown 7/32).
 Northcote, 59 and 91 (Ireland 40 and 3/28, Bridger 4/38), d Essendon, 95 and 61 (Moyes 6/28).

Baptist Church

First Grade
 Port Melbourne, 202 (Jenkins 72, Williams 34, Johnson 24), d Preston A, 15 and 107 (Shearer 31; Williams 6/0).
Second Grade
 Ivanhoe, four (closed) for 221 (Thomas 82 and 4/31, Matthews 38, Jolly 35), d Clifton Hill, 76 and five for 113 (L. Ames 38, C. Arnes 23, Moore 23).
 West Preston, five (closed) for 176 (Lord 60 n.o., Kelly 45, Snooks 20 and 5/27), d North Preston, 49 and 42 (Keene 9/36).
C.Y.M.S.
 Coburg, 219 (McGrath 67, McDermott 61, Flannery 30, Glover 29), d Fairfield A, 115 and 39 (Gronoway 31; McDermott 5/32, White 6/48, McNamara 4/10).
 Thornbury, 53 and eight for 129 (Foley 44, Mitten 35, Gibson 29 n.o.; Perry 7/35, Power 5/48), d North Fitzroy, 121 and four (closed) for 60 (Brook 56 and 30; O'Meara 6/40).
 Clifton Hill A, five (closed) for 126 (McDonald 37, Roberts 47 and 4/30), d Preston, 31 and 87 (Lockwood 24, Sullivan 24 n.o.; Rasmussen 6/27).
 Northcote A, 138 and four for 21 (McDonald 37, O'Sullivan 21; Williams 8 47), d East Brunswick, 36 and eight (closed) for 142 (Smith 47, Williams 44; Power 6/17, Nicholls 4/14, Stevens 4/23).
 Fairfield B, 67 and eight (closed) for 110 (Farnell 25, Batty 23), d Carlton, 92 and 80 (Hodder 54 n.o. and 4/22, Jackson 22; Farnell 8/41).
 Northcote B, 117 and seven for 214 (Mitten 51, Hall 39, J. Smark 31, A. Smark 28), d Glen Iris B, 147 and two for 52 (O'Donnell 35, Mann 26 n.o.; Baker 20, Matthews 22 n.o., Murray 24).
Church of England—Holy Trinity, Thornbury, 270 (Watson 132 and 31, Fox 36, Vitale 27, Boyle 4/8, Woods 4/12), d St. Luke's, North Fitzroy, 60 and nine for 59 (Atyeh 20 and 20).
Band of Hope—Croxton Juniors d McElroyton; Seddon d Bell.

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 Senior Competition
 Northcote, nine (closed) for 237 (Scott 112 n.o., d Ivanhoe, 45 and 6/28 (White 23; King 6/14, Neville 4/17).
 Fairfield, 119 (Weller, sen. 27, Shoobridge 21; Carter 4/42), d Collingwood, 59 and 105 (Hickinson 35, Jarrett 27 n.o.).
 East Brunswick, 186 and two (closed) for 58 (S. Welsh 60, C. J. Welsh 24; Collins 21; Egan 5/72), d Clifton Hill, 117 and seven for 63 (Lewin 9/69, Leslie 5/34).
Junior Competition
 Samuel Mauer, 98 and 41 (Jenkin 45 n.o.; Oman 9/46, Dudley 5/18), d Dennis, 29 and 51 (Newson 11/26).
 Fairfield, 202 (Davies 79, Urwin 20; Schulz 6 55), d Clifton Hill, 32 (closed) for 150 and none for 92 (Henry 54 and 25, Sanders 39 n.o., Brown 25).
 Northcote, 69 and 71 (J. Angus 37, Faul 20; Robinson 4/10), d John Vale, 46 and 35 (Spinks 24 and 9/70; Parry 5/32, Hamilton 4/22).
U.A.O.D.—Gwalia, 137 and none for 37 (Wilson 30 and 27 n.o., Bailey 21, Langridge 21 n.o.), d Preston, 52 and 137 (Bignore 20; Ashworth 11/50).
A.O.F.—Pride of Northcote, 113 and 102 (Richmond 43; L. Smith 3/37, J. Smith 2/25), d Yarraville, 100 (Timmins 10).
P.A.F.S.—Preston, 68 (Watkins 20 n.o.; Allen 7/32), lost to North Fitzroy, 103 and five for 137 (Rickett 45; Johnston 71, Smith 32; Seebach 7/36).
Manchester Unity—Langridge, 62 and seven (closed) for 121 (Anthony 38 n.o., Crawley 36 and 1/11, Hacking 32; H. McLellan 4/16, Whittaker 4/63), lost to Rose of Denmark, 94 and six for 57 (Kripe 23 n.o., Gardner 21; Torode 3/30, hat trick).
H.A.C.B.S.—Preston, 85 and 79 (Tuttle 20 and 34 and 11/45, Kinsella 20), lost to Essendon, 74 and nine for 92 (O'Donnell 35 n.o., McSweeney 19 n.o.; Jordan 5/66, O'Donnell 4/19, Brophy 4/25).
 Lyons, Northcote, 31 and 106 (Day 40 n.o.; McLaughlin 13/12), lost to Port Melbourne, six (closed) for 110 and one for 31 (McLaughlin 31, Boyle 27 and 9/66, McRedmond 26; Flynn 4/46).

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RECIPES
Oatmeal Squares.
 One pint mug oatmeal, 1 pint mug flour, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 teaspoon salt, 2 tablespoons butter or dripping, milk or water, mix with dry ingredients while warm, roll out thin, using flour to dust, bake in moderate oven till light brown. Nice with butter.
Tomato Punch.
 One cup sugar, 1 cup water, 1 quart tomato juice, juice of 2 lemons. Boil the sugar and water 5 minutes and then cool. Use tomatoes which are perfectly ripe and of a deep red color. Put in a few slices of a coarse sieve and strain through a cheese cloth. Add lemon juice, with the syrup, and chill on ice. When ready to serve, add a few sprays of mint.
Piquant Sauce.
 Three dessertspoons vinegar, 1 shallot, butter, parsley, seasoning, thickened brown stock, 1 dessertspoon anchovy or capers, and then cool. Use tomatoes which are perfectly ripe and of a deep red color. Put in a few slices of a coarse sieve and strain through a cheese cloth. Add lemon juice, with the syrup, and chill on ice. When ready to serve, add a few sprays of mint.
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 Use the tips of your fingers when you massage.
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 Take one or two short logs of wood in which the bark has been left. Pile in the centre prettily, and put a few pieces of ivy among them. The ivy lasts many weeks, and when withered can be easily renewed.

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John Alexander Thomson, late of Waterloo road, Geelong, has left real estate £1450 and personal property £16,965 to his widow and children.

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