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GAMING CHARGES AT PRESTON

SHOPKEEPER FINED £40

At Preston Court on Thursday before Mr. E. C. Tibb, P.M. and Mr. T. J. McMahon, J.P. Leslie Thomas Pears, West St. Preston, was charged that between March 31 and April 18 he had the care and management of a common gaming house in High street, Preston.

David Clancy, Bayliss street, Preston; Bert Colson, Spencer street, Preston; Leslie W. Humphries, Gordon street, East Preston; John Harold Moore, Northernhay street; William Pauline, Jackson street, West Perth; Marshall Taafe, Cameron street, Regent; were found on the premises of a common gaming house without lawful excuse.

Constable Swingler said: "At 12.10 p.m. on April 17 with Constable Harrison, I went to Pear's confectionery shop by means of a warrant. I asked there was the betting he had done that day, and he produced some betting slips, relating to the races at Williamstown and Sydney. The bets ranged from 1/ to £1. Pauline brought in a book containing bets. Colson brought a sheet showing 76/ worth of bets; Taafe brought in a betting sheet and a settling sheet referring to the previous Saturday's races: Moore and Humphries also had betting sheets. At the shop were also found betting sheets relating to the previous Saturday's races. I seized £8/15/ under the warrant. I asked how long he had been betting there Pears said 'About three months' and admitted that he was renting the shop and paid 12/6 rent weekly."

Pears pleaded not guilty, and on his behalf it was stated that he was unable to work, and had taken to betting to try and earn a living.

Pears admitted that seven years ago he had been convicted for street betting.

The P.M. said that Pears had not acted ignorantly. He would be fined £40 in default three months imprisonment, and would be ordered to pay costs. The £8/15/ found on the premises was forfeited.

On behalf of Pears, Mr. Jones made application for time to pay.

The P.M.: I do not feel inclined to grant that request.

Mr. Jones: If the court will not grant time the Crown Law Department will. The department is receiving about £10,000 to £14,000 per year from fines in cases of this kind.

The P.M.: Probably more revenue would be derived if these men were licensed.

Mr. Jones: I do not think so. I believe that if these unlicensed bookmakers took out licences it would "break" all the others, as the competition even now is very keen.

The other men who pleaded guilty to charges of being found on the premises were fined £2 in default 14 days' imprisonment.

Three Cases Dismissed

Macfarlane Davis, Price street, Regent; Hugh Hamilton, Queen street Preston; and Walter Luckmann pleaded not guilty to charges of being found unlawfully on the premises of a common gaming house.

Constable Swingler said that whilst he was interviewing Pears, Davis came in and looked at a sporting paper on the counter. After a time Davis said to him "What are you doing here?" and he said "I wanted some lollies."

The P.M.: Was Davis searched?—Yes. There was nothing on him.

Davies: I had gone to the shop to buy some sweets. It was not until I heard a warrant read that I realised the police were there. I was innocent as I had nothing to fear, and I offered no objection to being searched.

Case dismissed.

Sergeant Burroughs (prosecuting) said that he would withdraw the other three cases as they were very similar.

Hamilton then asked for costs.

Sergeant Burroughs. We'll go on with it.

Constable Swingler said that when the man entered the shop he had 1/ in his hand. When asked what he was going to do with the money he said "I want some cigarettes." The cigarettes were not bought."

Hamilton said: "When I got into the shop there were a lot of men there. I purchased some cigarettes and was about to leave when detained by the police. I was searched but there was nothing on me."

The P.M.. You are definite that you did not go into the shop for the purpose of betting?—I am.

Did you know that betting was going on there?—I would not like to say that I did.

Case dismissed.

Hamilton asked for costs and the P.M. said that the circumstances were suspicious and no costs would be granted.

The evidence in the case against Luckman was similar. Luckman said he had entered the shop to purchase sweets.

The case was dismissed.

The P.M. said that people had a perfect right to enter the shop, and the police should be very careful as to whom they brought before the court.

Sergeant Burroughs: I might say that there were other persons who were released, but there was an element of suspicion in these cases.

PRESTON RATEPAYERS PROTECTION LEAGUE

The monthly meeting was held in the Preston Town Hall on Thursday night. Mr. C. Warr, the president, welcomed several new members and extended the league's congratulations to Cr. H. Jupp, who was returned unopposed for the extraordinary vacancy in the West Ward.

Mr. Bert Davis, the Central Ward candidate, received a warm welcome and briefly responded.

Cr. Jupp, in responding, said he hoped to be of considerable service to the ratepayers of the West Ward and would do all in his power to advance the interests of the ward.

A campaign committee consisting of Messrs. Pike, Jones, Foley, Brown Bushell, Green, Kendall and Jupp with the president and secretary (Mr S. T. Grey) was formed.

Arrangements are being made for several social functions during the year and from present indications this live association will rise to greater heights.

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ATHLETICS

PRESTON AND NORTHCOTE A.A.C.

The third annual meeting was held on April 27. Only a fair attendance was present. Mr. H. Weir, secretary of the V.A.A.A. received a hearty welcome. The following office-bearers were elected for the 1933-34 season:—President: Cr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A.; vice-presidents: Cr. H. Swain Messrs. E. E. Kirkland, H. Hankin, R. Broadhurst, A. B. Harding, J. Kirk; hon secretary: Mr. C. Owen, 46 Asling street, Preston N18; hon. treasurer: Mr. C. Thorne; assistant-secretary: Mr. N. Harris; committee: Messrs. W. Perry, D. McEachen, G. Connor, J. Hogben, B. McNabb; cross-country captain: Mr. W. Weightman; do vice-captain: Mr. J. Hogben; handicappers, selectors: Messrs. W. Weightman, J. Hogben and C. Owen; auditors: Messrs. G. Pike, L. Hammond; property steward: Mr. A. James; cross-country coach: Mr. A Galagher; delegates: Mr. C. Thorne V.A.A.A., Mr. A. Galagher A.C.S.C.;

Mr. Weir thanked all for their welcome and said he had watched the progress of the club since its foundation in 1930, gaining honors in three grades and premierships on the track Mr. Weir gave an interesting address written by Major Conder on Amateur Sport. which was applauded.

During the evening Mr. Zwar presented the Hogben cup to Mr. W. Weightman, who gained the title in the 5 mile club championship last year. This cup has to be won twice before being won outright. A photo also was presented to Mr. Weightman

Another relay to Cranbourne is spoken of and the club will try to lower the time made over the last course.

Championship certificates were presented to B. McNabb, 120 yards hurdles; V. Kirkland, 440 yards hurdles: W. Perry, javelin; W Weightman, 1 and 8 mile run; L. Bransgrove, pole vault.

The official opening run was held at the Moonee Valley Racecourse last Saturday, there being 574 athletes representing 30 clubs present. They were sent off in three packs. W. Weightman was fifth in the fast pack run, though other members did not go all out. There were only 19 in the official count. More members should attend this function next year.

Next Saturday we will travel over to Ivanhoe to have a pack run with that club, and members are requested to be at the corner of Darebin road and High street, Thornbury at 2.15 sharp.

On May 13 a pack run or race will be held at East Preston and will start from the home of Mr. A. Galagher, at 2.30 sharp.

NORTHCOTE JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

SPECIAL SOUVENIR ISSUE

of

The Leader

IN connection with the Northcote Jubilee Celebrations, to be held between May 15 and 25 next, it is our intention to publish a Special Souvenir Issue of the Northcote "Leader" on May 19 to commemorate the occasion.

This issue will be of about 30 pages, containing special articles on Northcote's growth and history, and it will be fully illustrated.

This issue will be unique, as an occasion of this kind happens but once in the lifetime of the average citizen; and as there will be a great demand for extra copies orders should be placed at once by readers who desire extra numbers of this issue.

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APPROACHING AUCTIONS

By G. T. Bourke, 70 High St., Westgarth, on May 6, on property, 73 South Cres., Westgarth, 5-roomed bungalow, as advertised.

By P. B. Kingsbury, 563 High St., Northcote; Gemmell, Tuckett and Co. Pty. Ltd., Melbourne, and J. J. Brennan, Carlton, on Wednesday, May 10, at 3 p.m., on property, 12 Hotham St., Preston, brick villa, on land 100 x 135. Also on same day at 3.30 p.m., on property, 43 Regent St., Preston, W.B. bungalow, on land 40 x 111ft. 13in. Details advertised.

NORTHCOTE NOTES

Young People's Concert

At the James street Presbyterian Church on April 26 the young people gave a splendid programme. Rev. Jones presided, and songs, quartettes, duets and quintettes were rendered by Misses Ford, Cogle and Chapman and Messrs. Ford, J. Paull, H. Lewis, Wallace and Pink. Instrumental items were given by Messrs. Ford, Wallace and J. Paul and Mrs. Paull. monologues by Messrs. Tranter and J. Weston, a sketch by Messrs. Ford, Beecher and J. Thomson. and the final number was a one-act drama. Refreshments were provided by the ladies.

St. Vincent's Hospital Auxiliary

Northcote – Thornbury Branch.—Having thoroughly enjoyed the musical afternoon previously arranged by Mrs. Frank Brennan to aid the Auxiliary funds, members of the branch and their friends are looking forward with keen anticipation to the card and musical afternoon arranged by Mrs. Brennan, to take place at her home, Westbourne grove, Northcote, on Tuesday, May 9. Special attractions will be provided for the large attendance expected. The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be held at the Northcote Town Hall on May 11 at 2.30 p.m.

Motor Car Crashes Into House

A remarkable escape from serious injury was experienced by William Little, of Gertrude street, Fitzroy, and Alfred Peck, of the same address, when a motor car which they occupied struck the wall of a house at the corner of Young and Moor streets, Fitzroy, soon after 2 o'clock on April 27. After a collision with a furniture van driven by Alexander Hoey, of Cunningham street, Northcote, the car, which was driven by Mr. Little, swerved across the intersection and struck the bluestone wall with great force. The car was severely damaged.

Wales Street School Boys' Band

The committee of the above held a garden fete at 10 Martin street, Thornbury, on Saturday afternoon and evening last in fine weather. The fete did not receive the support it warranted, as the attendance was not as large as was expected. Those present spent fairly freely and a profit of £14 was made. As there was a fair assortment of gifts left over the committee has decided to conduct a sale of surplus goods on Saturday next at 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m., when plenty of serviceable goods will be sold at bargain prices.

Northcote A.W.A.

The last meeting was held on April 24 in the town hall lodge room, Miss Ford presiding over a good attendance. Delegates from the A.N.A. attended to make final arrangements for the plain and fancy dress dance There will be euchre and old time and modern dancing. Several prizes have been donated. Nominations for new officers will be taken at the next meeting on May 8, and a large attendance is requested.

Northcote Social Club

Merriment was the keynote of the first of the series of dances of the Northcote Social Club at Normanby Hall, on Wednesday evening. As is the custom the sixty-odd couples present were introduced to the new president Mr. J. Ross and Mrs. Ross and the evening proceeded to the sprightly music of Aumont's band. A "Mystery Hike" was won by Mr. and Mrs. W. Houston who, at the supper interval, were duly presented by the secretary (Mr. L. Sharp) with mementoes, the former's gift being one "to inspire him to greater things in this, our Jubilee year." After a welcoming speech from the president, Cr. Olver made a presentation to Mr. P. A. Young, who is leaving shortly for England. Mr. Young responded. Then on with the dance, and the enjoyment continued till nearly twelve when with "Auld Lang Syne" (Mr. T. Pollock, soloist) and the National Anthem the evening closed. The Mayor (Cr. A. H. Oldis) and the Town Clerk and Mrs. J. A. Thomson were welcomed by Cr. Olver. Mrs. Olorenshaw catered in her usual magnificent manner thus adding to the happiness and comfort of members.

Northcote Younger Set Auxiliary

Miss Ettie Johnson presided on Tuesday evening in the Lodge room and after ordinary business Mr. Hatfield reported on the executive meeting and asked members for suggestions for the syllabus. The syllabus item for the night was a card evening but owing to Jubilee functions the attendance did not warrant it and after ordinary business Mr. Hat- meeting closed early. Next meeting will be in June after the Jubilee and a full attendance is expected.

Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary

The auxiliary's effort for the Northcote Jubilee celebrations will be a euchre party and dance in the Northcote Town Hall on Tuesday, May 9, when the admission will be 1/. Members are asked to attend and make this a bumper night.

In the Dispensary Hall, Thornbury, the annual meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 10, when the Mayor (Cr. A. H. Oldis) will preside and the nomination of office-bearers will be confirmed.

NORTHCOTE HIGH SCHOOL

New Prefects.—The yearly investiture of prefects took place on Monday afternoon, April 24. The ceremony was conducted by the Mayor of Northcote (Cr. A. H. Oldis) and eight of the students received their prefects' caps for 1933. J. Joyce was selected as the senior prefect, the others being J. Ballantyne, R. Bennett, D. Day, C. Lavender, C. Miller, W. Stuchbery, E. Twomey.

Hobby Groups.—The various hobby groups are beginning to settle down to their work on Friday afternoons, but it is expected that more progress will be made next term. Model aeroplane construction is popular; and the orchestra has begun regular rehearsals. At present there are about 24 instrumentalists, while other enthusiasts are handicapped by lack of instruments. There is a good 'celloist for example, but no 'cello.

First Aid.—Mr. Grose has formed a first aid group in the school. The group meets after school each Monday, under the direction of Superintendent Campbell. At present the 36 boys in the group are engaged on bandaging work, and they hope to obtain their junior certificate (St. John Ambulance), and then to go on for their senior certificate.

Exams.—The first term examinations commenced on May 3, ending on the 9th. These examinations are very important for all forms.

MERNDA

The Rev. G. Treyear, the newly-arrived Presbyterian minister a few nights ago sustained a slight accident to his leg. Complications have arisen and caused so much physical suffering that he was taken away by ambulance on Monday to hospital.

Alarming Outbreak of Fire

Occupants of the Bridge Inn Hotel had a most alarming experience on Monday evening. The whole family had just begun the evening meal at about 6.30 p.m. when Mr. A. Johnson jun., heard a noise which he thought was a cat in the pantry. Getting up from the table he went out of the dining room and then heard strange noises in one of the upstairs rooms. Rushing up he found the room on fire and blazing furiously. He gave the alarm and telephone messages were sent to neighbours. Mr Johnson struggled against the flames and sustained some severe burns. Cr. J. G. Orgill arrived from the Post Office and rendered ready assistance After a stiff fight the flames were extinguished but the bedroom where the fire had broken out was gutted. Beds and furniture being wholly destroyed. The origin of the fire is unknown but it is believed that it may have been caused by the overturning of a lighted candle which had been inadvertently left in the room by Mr. Johnson's young grandson. Mr. A. Johnson has expressed deep gratitude to all neighbours whose splendid fight undoubtedly saved the hotel from complete destruction. The damage is covered by insurance.

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Preston City Life Saving and Swimming Club

(To the Editor)

Sir,—In your issue of the 28th inst. appears a reference to the Preston City Life Saving and Swimming Club over the signature of Ian G. Green, in which he asks, "I might here ask Mr. Pleydell on whose invitation he attended the meeting?"

In fairness to Mr. Pleydell Mr. Pleydell is the chief executive officer of the Victorian head centre of the Royal Life Saving Society, and under the Royal Charter granted the Society by His Majesty's Government of England Mr. Pleydell needs no invitation to attend any meeting of any club affiliated with the Society. However, Mr Pleydell was not exercising his right as above stated on this occasion, but was present at the request of Mr. A. A. Meyers, chairman of the Victorian Head Centre of the Society, who had attended a previous general meeting of the Preston Club held on 22/2/33, at which Mr. Meyers was elected upon a deputation to wait upon the Preston City Council to give effect to the following motion:—"That this club respectfully request the Preston City Council to receive a deputation from *this club for the purpose* of considering matters of general interest to its welfare, and having in view the club's expressed determination to work in harmony with the council, and its executive officers. The deputation to consist of three (3) members of the club and the chairman of the Victorian Head Centre of the Royal Life Saving Society."

The council received the deputation on March 6, and as Mr. Meyers was unable to attend the meeting of the club held on the 11th inst, owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Meyers, he requested Mr. Pleydell to attend on his behalf and express his (Mr. Meyers') views on the deputation to the council.

Mr. Pleydell informed the meeting to this effect, but as Mr. Green was the last to attend and the first to leave the meeting, perhaps he missed that part of Mr. Pleydell's address? The other members of the deputation to the council were Messrs. Clarke, Cookman and Horan, and I herewith attach their signed report, which was read to the meeting and was received and confirmed, on the motion of Messrs. Shanhun and J. Moylan, late secretary and assistant secretary respectively to the club.

With regard to the part of the statement that reads: "In the report of our delegate, Mr. E. Shanhun (Mr. Shanhun is not a delegate of the Preston Club: he is a member of the Executive Council) at the meeting of the R.L.S.S. held on Thursday night last Mr. Pleydell was reprimanded for his action and when he asked for an endorsement for same the request was unanimously rejected." Beyond stating that this is untrue, and as Mr. Shanhun will have to answer to the Executive Council at its next meeting on the 18th inst., I do not intend to further comment. But I do desire to know from Mr. Green to whom Mr. Shanhun submitted the report. Frankly, this is only an open and public admission by Mr. Green of the underhand tactics of the cliquedom that ruled the Preston City Life Saving and Swimming Club, and eventually brought about its sad ending.

It is regrettable that Mr. Green should have attempted to applaud the achievements of the club during the past year, as the less said about them the better would have been the advertisement of the club. But as he has seen fit to make them public, let us be truthful about them. He states that: "During the Herald Learn to Swim Week 82 non-swimmers were taught to swim, 25 of whom received the certificate of efficiency," or, in other words, only 25 of the 82 pupils were taught to swim a distance of not less than 25 yards—the distance necessary to obtain a certificate of efficiency. Twenty-five out of 82 pupils —truly a record that no one should boast of. Mr. Green further states that he himself held classes for life-saving drill, and that he attended the baths four night a week for that purpose. Seeing that the baths were open for five months, and that Mr. Green attended four nights a week, I assume that he was instructing in life-saving drill for approximately 100 nights, and during that time he never presented one member for examination for any awards of the Royal Life Saving Society. Truly a remarkable testimony to Mr. Green's skill as an instructor! Is it any wonder, then, that the only three members of the club—Mrs. Cookman and Messrs. Murnehill and Rogers—had to avail themselves of the courtesy of the Northcote club's instructor, Mr. J. J. Fogg, to prepare them for the bronze medallion award.

With regard to the, club's minute books, in which Mr. Green challenges the statement that the minutes were not signed by a chairman, Mr. Green is quite correct when he stated that in my meeting at which he was in the chair he signed the minutes as read at that meeting. But Mr. Green only presided at five meetings of the club, whereas from the inaugural meeting, which was held on 13/2/29 and all subsequent meetings held to 29/11/32 (37 meetings), not one bears the signature of a chairman.

I do not think the writer of the report in your issue of the 22nd prox. referred to Mr. Green when he wrote the report for the "Leader." During the long time I have been reading the "Leader" I have always found that your reporters gave the public a fair and unbiassed report of events. Perhaps Mr. Green is of the opinion that he was the writer of the report. If he is, I desire him to perish the thought.

In conclusion, I desire to make an appeal to the people of Preston to attend the public meeting to be held in the supper room, Town Hall, Preston, on Tuesday, May 9, as advertised, and assist in the formation of a life saving and swimming club that will be worthy of their city; that will be conducted for the carrying out of the noble aims and objects for which both the Royal Life Saving Society and the Victorian Amateur Swimming Association were formed, and have always striven to uphold. Both these organisations deal with an ideal and not individuals.—Yours etc.,

J. A. HOGAN.

Life Member and Member Executive Council, R.L.S.S., and Member Council, V.A.S.A., 3 Woolton Ave., Thornbury, 2/5/33.

(The signed report referred to has been supplied by Mr. Hogan, but is too long for reproduction.

Further letters on this matter must be compressed into 150 words or so in order to secure insertion.—Ed., "Leader.")

CHURCH NEWS:

St. Aidan's Church, Victoria Road

Members of the G.F.S. attended a birthday rally at Christ Church, South Yarra, on Tuesday. A pleasant time was spent.

The L.O.L. of Northcote attended evening service on Sunday. An inspiring address was delivered by Rev. J. O. Hughes. Miss Winifred Greer was the soloist.

A social, promoted by the Progress Society was successful, as was one by the Ladies' Guild on April 22. Miss Bennett, the Church organist held an afternoon for her pupils on April 28.

P.W.P. Methodist Sunday School Anniversary

One of the best celebrations was held on Sunday last. A juvenile choir of 200 under Mr. E. Langfield led the service of praise. Miss Jones was the pianist and Mr. A. Power organist were assisted by an orchestra. The morning service was conducted by Rev. J. T. Duggleby, M.M. At 3 p.m. Mr. E. J. Little, of Fairfield, was the preacher, and in the evening Rev. T. H. Indian conducted the service.

High Street Methodist Church

The preacher on Sunday morning was Mr. A. C. Bowman. The choir rendered the anthem "God is a spirit" At the meeting of the Y.M.M.I.S Rev. Jennings gave an address on "The Oxford Movement."

In the evening a musical service was held, when the visiting soloist was Mr. John Dudley and the choir rendered anthems. Rev. Jennings took the pulpit.

A "Back to High Street" Re-union social will be held in the school hall on May 20. All past and present adherents are cordially invited. Special services will be held on Jubilee Sunday, May 21, including a musical service in the evening.

Holy Trinity, Thornbury

The vicar officiated at the morning services on Sunday while in the evening the Rev. A. E. Ellissmith of the Australian Board of Missions delivered an address on the work of the A.B.M.

On Sunday Rev. W. H. Chamberlain will conduct all services.

A garden fete will be held on Saturday, May 13, commencing at 2.30 p.m. and continuing during the evening. This event will function in the grounds of the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ulmer, 10 Martin street, Thornbury. The Wales-Street State School Band will be in attendance.

On Tuesday, May 9, at 2.30 p.m. a flag bridge afternoon will be held in the parish hall, organised by ladies of the church.

Church of Christ, Northcote

On Wednesday Mr. L. Abramavitch addressed the mid-week meeting when 50 heard an interesting lecture on "The Passover — Ancient and modern." Mr. Gillanders, missionary from Brazil, gave a talk on his work on April 27. On Sunday Mr. A. Hughes, a missionary on furlough from India, spoke at both morning and night services.

The Girls' Club debated on Monday night with Glenferrie club on the proposition that the "Platform exercised a greater influence than the Press." Denying this, Northcote girls scored a victory.

St. Mary's Church of England

Services were well attended on Sunday, Rev. Thornton (Rector) preached in the morning, the evening address being given by the Rev. Taylor, of Holy Trinity Church, Port Melbourne.

A feature of the morning services in the future will be the reading of the lessons by various members of the Church of England Men's Society

A meeting of the local branch of the Mission to Seamen and St John, was held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Chigwin in Northernhay street. This mission is receiving the support it merits from the church members.

St. George's Road Methodist Church

The preached last Sunday morning was Rev. E. Lechte. The juvenile choir rendered two anthems admirably. At the evening service Sister Edith was the preacher, and Mr. R. Bredin the soloist.

Thornbury Presbyterian Church

On Wednesday community singing conducted by Mr. J. W. Mackay, was held in the school hall in aid of the Girls' Physical Culture Class. Pianoforte items were rendered by Miss Thelma Robertson. On Saturday after noon a rainbow fete, organised by the Ladies' Guild in aid of the Sunday school building fund was opened by Cr. Jones. Mrs. Jones was presented with a posy by little Miss June Franks. At the evening session recitations were given by Miss Bohne; and Miss Joan Allan and Master Robert Sims danced to the music of Piper Watson. The sum of £40 was realised.

Croxton Methodist Church

Rev. E. Lechte preached in the evening, at the monthly musical service. The visiting soloist was Mr. Grayden.

Town Hall Charges

PRESTON councillos have prepared an amended scale of charges and regulations for the hire of both town halls. The matter will come under notice at next meeting of the council.

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NORTHCOTE IN RARE FORM

INTERESTING GAME AT COBURG

VISITORS' FINAL OUTBURST DASHES HOME SIDE'S HOPES

(By "Rover")

The first three quarters at Coburg presented a most entertaining exhibition. The last quarter of an hour, however, saw Northcote revealing one of their noted outbursts when they decisively defeated the home team. The form of the visitors was most pleasing, and they will undoubtedly be a side to be reckoned with.

THE TEAMS

NORTHCOTE. — Backs: Acland, Hart, Lyncoln; half-backs: Powell, Honig, Woods; centres: Cole, Corrigan, Garrett; half-forwards: Simmonds, Williamson, Hamilton; forwards: Wilson, Seymour, Gray; followers: Bowe, Goullett; rover: Ross.

COBURG. — Backs: Griffiths, Elliott; Stockdale; half-backs: Lines, Rudolph, Lowe; centres: Kight, Leahy Rogers; half-forwards: Harris, Bertram, Broom; forwards: Voight, Eley sen.; followers: Jenkins, McGrath; rover: Mears; 19th: Uhe.

THE PLAY

At the opening both sides showed plenty of pace. Voight and Rudolph relieved in turn with long drop-kicks before Mears, marking, gained first score for Coburg—a point.

Marking the kick-off McGrath's shot found its mark. Rudolph was impressive in defence for the home side in his ability to kick with both feet enabled him to clear continually.

Mears, who was much in evidence, roving, hit the post. Coburg were top pery for the visitors. Their centre in particular was putting in much good work. Northcote were holding their own in the ruck, Rowe in particular, frequently coming under notice with fine marks.

Rudolph stopped Northcote in the teeth of goal. He commenced a brilliant burst around the wing which culminated in Jenkins marking and kicking the home side's second goal.

Northcote dashed forward but Stockdale stopped them. Rogers, Mears and Broom combined to enable the latter to hoist Coburg's third goal. The game so far had been much in favor of the home side. On a few occasions only had Northcote managed to pass the half-forward line. With a neat single-handed mark Powell commenced a fine move but Stockdale relieved.

Dashing in to mark Eley goaled with a long kick. The visitors opened their score when Gray, freed, raised both flags. Coburg did not let up with their pace and were definitely on top. Marking high, Jenkins hit the post. Rowe now stationed himself beside Rudolph. This was successful in placing Northcote within range but Coburg's defence was sound. Excelling in position play and with their attack functioning effectively, Coburg had built up a handy lead. The scores at the first change were:

FIRST QUARTER SCORES :

Coburg.—4 goals 6 behinds (30 points).
Northcote.—1 goal (6 points).

Hamilton, playing his first game, was doing well at half-forward and thoroughly justified his inclusion in the team. Rudolph marked his shot right in front. Rose was playing much better and he neatly passed to Simmonds for the visitors' second sixer. His next shot just fell short. This success infused new energy into Northcote and Seymour, freed, booted his first goal.

Northcote were now in the ascendancy and were fighting hard to make up the leeway. When Hamilton goaled with a spectacular overhead shot they were only five points down

They were matching vigor with vigor and were aided by numerous free-kicks by Coburg, who had become disorganised. Brown marked well and sent the ball well up but Harris hit the post.

Northcote's robust methods gave them continuous field advantage and Seymour and Ross quickly added singles. They were displaying flashes of brilliant football but many of these were fruitless as Elliott, Rudolph and Stockdale staged an admirable defence. Ross cleverly eluded the home defenders and notched a goal which placed Northcote in front.

Coburg, recovering, were not slow to reply and Eley, dashing in, made no mistake. Garrett was outclassing Willox on the wing. He was initiating many attacks for the Northcote forwards who were finding Stockdale very hard to pass. The play was exciting and many hard knocks were given and taken.

Northcote were attacking on the bell. They had made a good recovery and with only three points difference they had an even chance of success. The visitors displayed fine co-operation and understanding and were exploiting hand-ball with good effect. The scores at the long interval were:

HALF TIME SCORES :

Coburg.—5 goals 8 behinds (38 points).
Northcote.—5 goals 5 behinds (35 points).

When Rudolph kicked out in relieving Northcote were awarded a free-kick. It is quite a long time since this rule has been strictly enforced. Bray kicked a single.

A lightning dash around the wing by Coburg looked promising but Broom was only equal to a single. Quick exchanges around the pressbox wing carried the visitors forward From a scrimmage in front Seymour goaled off the ground. Northcote were displaying brilliant team work. Clever hand-ball landed the ball with Seymour who punted a single. Elliott, who had been defending finely stopped their next advance.

Special exchanges down the centre landed the ball with Voight who made no mistake. In his new position at centre half-back Honig was performing splendidly.

From centre Northcote forward and Williamson found an unguarded goal. His sixer again restored the lead for Northcote. Leahy, who is recognised as one of the finest centres in the Association, was being completely overshadowed by Corrigan and was placed on the half-forward line. Bertram was placed beside the Northcote man.

With Corrigan still on top Northcote advanced but Rudolph turned them back. In an impressive burst Coburg quickly added two goals, the result of two solid attacks straight down the centre. Broom and Eley were the goal-kickers. The home side were now 9 points to the good.

Northcote were dominating the duels in the ruck and because of their ascendancy their attackers were being vigorously frustrated by the Northcote defenders.

Broom raised both flags for the home side but with a lead of 16 points Northcote were safe. The last five minutes of play brought no result. The ball found Northcote attacking. Northcote had proved themselves the better side and towards the end of the game they had plenty in reserve. Their win was gratifying after the reversal of form they showed last Saturday. The final scores were:—

FINAL SCORES :

NORTHCOTE. — 13 goals 9 behinds (87 points).
COBURG.—10 goals 13 behinds (73 points).

Goal-Kickers

Northcote. —Seymour (5), Ross (3), Simmonds (2), Gray, Hamilton Williamson.

Coburg.—Broom (3), Eley (2), Rogers, Jenkins, McGrath, Voight, and Leahy.

Best Players

Northcote.—Corrigan, Rowe, Gray Ross, Seymour, Honig, Garrett and Williamson.

Coburg. — Rudolph, Stockdale, Elliott, Rogers, Lowe, Eley, and Broom.

NORTHCOTE MEET CAMBERWELL

The meeting of Northcote and Camberwell at the Northcote Park on Saturday afternoon should provide an exciting game from start to finish. Camberwell are anxious to avenge the defeat they sustained in the last minute in the final against Northcote last season. A large crowd is expected and patrons are promised an enjoyable afternoon's game.

JUNIOR I.O.R. COMPETITION

Dennis v Samuel Mauger

The opening match of the season was played between the above teams on Saturday. Both sides took the field without full teams. Samuel Mauger being very short. Despite this a good game resulted. Dennis went to the front early, and, although Sam. Mauger at times made valiant efforts to catch their opponents, there short-age of players was too great a handicap, and Dennis ran out easy winners by 12-21 to 3-4. Bro. Smith gave a good exhibition of umpiring.

ASSOCIATION SUB-DISTRICTS

Preston District v Fairfield

Preston District opened the season with a good win over Fairfield. Through being unable to obtain his clearance G. Turnbull, the captain was unable to play, so the vice-captain, J. Dennis, took charge. Thornbury played good football throughout but at times the forward line was weak. Final scores:—Thornbury 21—22, 148; Fairfield 1—5, 11. Goalkickers: F. Bamfield (6), H. Baxter (5), L. Hendrie (4). Best players: Frawley, Johnston, L. Hendrie, Dunn, Mince.

Players are asked to attend general meeting at Thornbury Paluis on Friday night at 8 p.m. sharp.

MERRI THEATRE

May 11 ushers in an all Australian programme at the Merri Theatre "Diggers in Blighty," and "Harmony Row." In the former three Diggers Chic, Joe and Scotty are in disgrace with their superior officers for absconding with five jars of rum from the quarter-master's stores and are threatened with ten days "clink." In the meantime Sir Guy Gough, of the British Intelligence, is seeking to outwit and capture a German spy and his associate, a French adventuress With the more or less effectual aid of these three irresponsible soldiers and a Captain Jack Fisher, the spies are brought to heel and information extracted which gains a victory for the British troops and the Three Diggers. Instead of being punished Chic, Joe and Scotty and Jack Fisher are given ten days leave in London and go to stay with Sir Guy's spinster sister "Aunt Martha." The fun begins. The Australians leave a trail of mirth and surprise wherever they go, playing many hilarious jokes on the poor unsuspecting Aunt Martha who, unable to stand the strain any longer, is taken away in a state of collapse. Pat Hunna, George Moon, John D'Arcy, Joe Valli, Prudence Irving, Thelma Scott and Nellie Mortyne are backed by a splendid cast.

"Harmony Row," the latest of the Fifteen talking productions, starring George Wallace, is made for laughing purposes only.

From the first moment George appears on the screen the laughter never ceases, an dthe audience follows his ludicrously comical adventures as a police recruit, as a novice constable in a very unsavory neighbourhood, and in some truly hair-raising adventures in a suburban residence in a neighbourhood of impeccable respectability, to the accompaniment of roars of mirth. The final sequence depicting a boxing match between diminutive Constable Dreadnought (George Wallace) and "Slogger" Lee, the terror of the underworld (John Dobbie) is the funniest episode of its kind ever shown on the screen. The supporting cast includes Marshall Crosby, John Dobbie Thelma Scott, Phyllis Baker, Edwin Brett, and little Willie Kerr.

PRESTON DISAPPOINTS

PORT'S CONVINCING EXHIBITION

VISITING FORWARDS CRUSHED BY SEASIDERS' DEFENCE

(Contributed)

Preston visited Port Melbourne last Saturday when they gave a most disappointing exhibition. Players were frequently out of position, they roamed unconcerned about the field, and lacked cohesion and understanding. The big men were also too slow, and the Seasiders revealed their decided superiority in an uninteresting game.

At Port Melbourne. Attendance 2,500.

THE TEAMS

PRESTON. — Backs: P. Spargo, Smith, McSwain; half-backs: Cunningham, Monahan, Brewis; centres Dowling, Davie, Underhill; half-forwards: Dineen, Doyle, Cameron; forwards: Poulter, Walsh, Robinson; followers: Hughson, Harding; rover: Warr: 19th: Spargo.

F. Spargo replaced J. Harding (injured knee) at three-quarter time.

PORT MELBOURNE. — Backs: Plumridge, Garbutt, Barnes; half-backs: Lowrie, Perrett, Murphy; centres: Garlepp, Brooker, Boquest; half-forwards: Lowrie, Brandson, Harry; forwards: Leggo, Rusden, Hurley; followers: Rees, Tuite; rover: L. Keating; 19th: C. Keating Umpire.—Burston.

THE PLAY

Preston forwarded on the bounce and attacked solidly but lack of understanding up forward caused many opportunities to be lost. Three singles only were scored before Port's backs cleared. Then Keating, dashing in, goaled for Ports.

Ports' forwards were playing with better understanding and making use of every opportunity. Harry scored the possible twice.

Preston's forward work improved when goals by Robinson and Warr were registered. Team work by both sides was spoilt by crowded, scrambling play. It was Preston's quarter but poor kicking failed to give them the lead. The bustling tactics of Ports' backs forced Preston forwards to make many errors whereby accurate kicking of the seasiders' forwards gave them a lead of 1 point.

FIRST QUARTER SCORES :

Port Melbourne—3 goals 3 behinds (21 points).
Preston.—2 goals 8 behinds (20 points)

McSwain now placed himself in the Preston ruck which was giving ground. This move proved effective as two goals scored by Walsh and Doyle were the result. On the move again smart work forward gave Hurley a goal. At this stage the Preston backs were hard pressed. The defence of P. Spargo and Brewis was particularly good but repeated bombardment of the Port attack broke through the Preston defence for a goal by Keating. The seasiders were now sparkling with nice exchanges which took the ball from centre to goals.

Port's kicking was somewhat astray and from four chances point only were scored. The marking of both sides was deplorable, brought about by spoiling tactics which brought a feast for Ports small men who were coming through with fine dash.

Ports' forwards were again in the picture and from as many tries three goals were scored—two from Perrett and one from Harry. Preston, at this stage, was giving ground everywhere and appeared to be last on the ball everywhere.

HALF TIME SCORES :

Port Melbourne.—8 goals 9 behinds (57 points).
Preston.—4 goals 10 behinds (34 points).

Entering the third quarter Preston began to rally and in a few minutes Walsh, who was playing a lone hand goaled twice. Port tried hard to stem the attack but again Preston answered with goals to Davie and Warr which gave Preston a well-deserved lead of 1 point.

Preston, by closing up the game, seemed to rattle their opponents and two more goals by Warr and Hughson gave them a handy lead. Coming again Port found their forwards in position and goals by Keating and Rees were the result.

Port Clap on the Pace

By opening up the game Port made a brilliant recovery and goals by Rusden and Keating gave them a 13 points lead over Preston who, by this time, were straying and fumbling badly.

THIRD QUARTER SCORES :

Port Melbourne.—12 goals 12 behinds (84 points).
Preston.—9 goals 17 behinds (71 points).

Harding, who up till now had been playing a good game for Preston, left the ground with a knee injury and was replaced by F. Spargo. Port's rally seemed to have come to stay as a fine piece of play by Brandon and Tuite resulted in two goals.

Keating, by clever scouting, added still another goal for Port from a difficult angle. Keating seemed to be everywhere and again goaled. Preston came once more and after a stern tussle in front Hughson goaled. On again, but Port's defenders were too solid. Preston continued to die hard but so fiercely did the defenders of both sides fight that scoring was out of the question. However, Port broke through at last and goals by Rusden and Boquest settled the issue beyond doubt.

FINAL SCORES :

PORT MELBOURNE. — 19 goals 15 behinds (129 points).
Preston.—12 goals 18 behinds (90 points).

Best Players

Port Melbourne.—Keating, Lovett, Harry, Rees, Tuite.

Preston.—Harding until hurt, Robertson, P. Spargo, McSwain, Walsh,

Goal-Kickers

Port Melbourne. — Keating (6), Harry (3), Rusden (2), Rees (2), Perrett (2), Bransden, Tuite, Boquest, Hurley.

Preston.—Walsh (3), Doyle (2), Warr (2), Hughson (2), Davie, Underhill, Robinson.

PRESTON v BRIGHTON

Preston will be at home to Brighton to-morrow, when they are confident of "breaking the ice" for the season. Undismayed at their failure last Saturday, they expect to raise the hopes of their supporters in to-morrow's contest.

Lyall Seebeck, a former follower, was out training during the week, and also Morgan, who has returned from the country. When these two players are available they should quicken up the ruck work considerably.

The committee are hopeful of shortly being able to secure the position of a full forward in Dunston, from Long Gully, who comes with a good reputation as a sharpshooter.

Preston's forward work was all at sea at Port Melbourne last Saturday. Efforts are being made to prevent a recurrence of such a poor display.

Supporters are reminded of the euchre party and dance held over on Saturday evening in the Scout Hall. Cash prizes are offered for the winners of the euchre, whilst dancers will be afforded the opportunity of dancing to a first-class orchestra.

Harding, who badly injured his arm last Saturday, is likely to be an onlooker for a few weeks. His place in the side will be greatly missed.

V.J.F.A.

Northcote v Coburg

Coburg 11—14; Northcote 6—13. Best players Sharwood, Buzza, Jamison, Boyle and Randall. The team will go to Camberwell on Saturday. 'Buses will leave Arthurton road and High street corner at 1.30.

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—Inserted by his sisters and brother.

THANKS

Mr and Mrs WILLIAM ROBINSON, 349 Gower St., Preston, desire to express their many friends and relatives their heartfelt APPRECIATION for the numerous gifts, cards, letters, flowers, telegrams and personal visits of congratulations on the occasion of their golden wedding.

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PERSONAL

The Rev W. E. Chamberlain, vicar of Holy Trinity, Thornbury, preached in St. Paul's Church, Kingsville, on Sunday evening last. A large congregation attended the service and Mr. Chamberlain and members of the family were enthusiastically welcomed by the parishioners. Mr. Chamberlain was vicar of St. Paul's, Kingsville, for seven years, before coming to Thornbury.

Mr. David Lowden, the well-known musician, has been appointed choirmaster and organist of Holy Trinity, Thornbury. Mr Lowden is more widely known in other suburbs, so it is suggested that his influence may be felt in this district. He will commence his duties this week.

Mr Tom Dunmurry will take up the position of headmaster of Reservoir State school after the May vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith E. Bennetts, of Dewing road, Preston, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Cottrell avenue, are receiving congratulations upon a new addition arrival in the family.

Temperance Colonist is preparing an industrial tour to Bail State school this week.

Cr. E. Jones took his seat at Preston Council table on Monday evening when three present sat in committee.

Sister Rutland has been granted an additional four weeks' absence on sick leave from Preston Base Health Centre. Drs. Scott and Simpson advise complete rest and Sister Rutland will probably return to Pentridgeon where she will remain for a month. In the meantime Sister Irving will occupy an at the Centre.

Mr. D. McGregor has resumed duty as Preston Post Office after a week's absence, suffering from a septic heel.

Mrs. Seaton, of High street, Preston, is still at St. Vincent's Hospital. She is also shown no sign of improvement.

Mrs. E. McIntosh, of Bruce street, Preston, is recovering from influenza and bronchitis. Mrs. McIntosh, who has been an active worker in the Preston Boys' Band, has been given leave of absence but decided to resign altogether.

In his report of the Memorial service at Preston on Anzac Day the inscription on the wreath at the Memorial Arch for H. C. Cole should have been from "Sister Edith in fondest memory of Private H. C. Lowe, 22nd Batt., and his comrades."

At the home of Miss Bailey "Wearnaway" High street, Northcote a number of guests were received on Wednesday afternoon by Miss Bailey and Mrs. Watkinson. A musical afternoon had been arranged and the artists were Misses Leonard Sloss Daphne Moore, and Hilda Bradley and Mr. Bowen (tenor). Mrs. F. W. Johnson and Master Clarke (recitations) and accompanyists Misses May Broderick and Ida Park. The hostesses served a dainty tea and the proceeds will go towards the fund of Miss Ettie Johnson, Queen of Central.

MASSED BANDS AT PRESTON

On Sunday, May 14, a massed bands performance has been arranged, funds from which will go to the Public Assistance Committee. Six bands will march from various points of the city arriving at Cramer street Park at 2 p.m. If weather is unfavorable the function will be held in the City Hall.

In the evening bands and choirs will render sacred music in the City Hall. Cr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A., is chairman, and Mr. Wm. Ward organizer.

Don't forget the Pork Chops for dinner-to-day. Only 6½d. lb. at Hosking's Meat Emporium, 429 High St., Northcote.

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The Week's Social Gossip

Double Wedding and Reception.—

Mrs. L. Roberts and Mrs. McDonald, of Thornbury will entertain about three hundred guests at a reception at the Preston City and old Town Halls, after the marriage of their daughters, Beryl Roberts and Esther McDonald, at St. Mary's Church, Thornbury, at 3 p.m. The beautiful blocks of both brides are of white satin and lace. Miss Beryl Roberts will be attended by her two sisters, Phyllis and Joyce, also Misses Emma Smith and Kath Mahoney, and Miss Flora McDonald by her two sisters with two little train-bearers (cousins of the brides).

The monthly meeting of the Northcote Auxiliary for the Blind festivities will be held at the Northcote Town Hall on Monday, May 8, when Mrs. Brownell will preside.

On April 29, a garden fete organised by the Epiphany G.F.S. was held in "Kalimna," the residence of Mrs. V. Johnson, Clarke street, in aid of the Building Fund. Rev G. Fyans opened the fete, and the stalls did good business. Guessing competitions and counts were enjoyed by the visitors, and a dainty afternoon tea was served.

The wedding group of Mrs. John J. C rozier (nee Miss Alma M. McRae), with her attendants. Misses H. Brentnall, V. McRae, I. McRae and A. Marsden.

Photo by Cyril Stevens Studios, Thornbury.

A most successful and enjoyable evening was given by Mr. and Mrs. C. Murray at their home, 24 Sussex street, Preston, on April 22 to celebrate the coming of age of their only daughter, Edna. Dancing and games were indulged in by the young people present, after which the guest of honor was presented with the key of the door, at a fancy repast served in the marquee. Miss Murray was the recipient of many beautiful and costly presents among the guests were Mr and Mrs. W. Gregory, Mrs L. Egan, Mr. J. Blair, Mrs. J. Murray, Mrs. G. Burson, Misses

LANGUAGE CHARGE

FINE OF £5

At Northcote Court on Tuesday Edward Eastaway, Gladstone avenue, Northcote, was charged that on April 16 he used obscene language in St. George's road.

Constable Fennessy said: At about 6.20 p.m. on April 15 I was outside the Albion Hotel, from which I had cleared all the men. Eastaway was with three other men, and as I passed he made a remark. Soon after that he approached me in a fighting attitude as I stood on the corner. I told him to go home, and he made use of filthy language. I warned him that if he was not gone in five minutes I would arrest him. When that period had expired I saw Eastaway near a tram stop, and took him in charge. On the way to the police station he repeatedly made use of foul language, and he threatened to "do stir" for me and also said that he would "get me." I said "What do you mean by that ?" and he replied "Go to gaol."

Eastaway: Did you say to me "Come along. You'll do me. I have your record from other police"?—No.

Did you say that you had got my form from Constable Newton ?—No. You said that you had beaten Newton in court and you'd beat me too.

Eastaway: I did not say that at all. In the case with Constable Newton I was fined £5.

Constable Grundy said that he was behind Constable Fennessy and his prisoner on the way to the watch house, and he heard Eastaway use bad language.

Eastaway said: I did not use any language. The police have "got me set" although I have tried to go straight. I had had a few drinks but knew what I was doing.

The P.M. (Mr. W. J. Clarke): I think it is a case of when the wine is in the sense is out.

Sergeant McEniff: Did you hear any language used ?—Yes. One of the men at the tram stop dropped a bottle of beer and swore. In a crowd it is easy for the constable to be mistaken.

Do you swear ?—No.

You were in the lock-up alone ?—Yes.

Then who was using the bad language in the lock-up ?—Not me. It might have been some men outside.

The P.M. said that the bench had no hesitation in accepting the police evidence.

Eastaway who admitted prior convictions, was fined £5 in default one month's imprisonment.

AN UNPROFITABLE TRANSACTION

WHEN David James Mackay, broom sewer, of St. George's road, Northcote, purchased a radiator cap from a workmate, he little thought that it would bring him trouble.

At Northcote Court on Tuesday Mackay was charged with receiving a radiator cap and a tyre gauge valued at under £2, knowing them to have been stolen.

Plainclothes Constable Erwin said On April 13 I questioned Mackay who admitted that he had purchased a radiator cap from a youth employed at the same factory for 2/. He also said that the youth had given him a tyre gauge in satisfaction of a loan of 6d made some days before Asked if he knew where the youth had obtained the articles and if he knew they had probably been stolen, defendant admitted that might have been so.

Mackay: I did not say that.

Continuing Constable Erwin said that the new value of the articles would be 27/6 and 10/6 respectively

Mackay: Have you found the owner of the goods ?—No.

Mackay elected to be dealt with summarily. He said that when he purchased the articles he did not know that they had been stolen He had worked for three years alongside the youth from whom he had made the purchase, and had always believed him to be honest.

A conviction was recorded and a fine of £5 imposed.

STREET BETTING CASE

FINE OF £20

HUGH William Suares, Hodgkinson street, Clifton Hill, was charged at Northcote Court on Tuesday that he was in Kemp street on March 25 for the purpose of street betting.

The evidence was that gaming police saw defendant take bets, and when searched betting slips were found in his possession.

Suares: I only wanted to make a few shillings to keep me going. I am unemployed.

The P.M. (Mr. Clarke): How could you pay successful betters if you only had a few shillings ?—It usually squares up.

Are you on sustenance ?—No. I get a small pension.

In imposing the minimum fine of £20 in default two months' imprisonment, together with £1 costs, the P.M. said that people who broke the law must pay for it.

Time was allowed in which to pay.

STARLIGHT

By ANNE FURRELL

IT had seemed a long tour. An uncongenial part. Bad business, followed by the usual fortnight's notice.

Margot Venne felt old and lonely. She longed to be twenty again and slender, starry-eyed, and untouched by life. She acted for a living, chiefly in the provinces in second-rate companies, and earned a mediocre salary. Then one day a film agent rang her up.

"You've got a beautiful voice," he said. "Ever acted for the films ?"

"Never," replied Margot.

"Baxters have brought Venetia Valli over from Hollywood. Her accent is appalling. They want someone to double for her voice. It means signing up for two years. Care to do it ?"

"Rather !"

The agent arranged for an interview, and Margot got the job.

Oaktree Village, where Baxter's studios were situated, seemed to the newcomer to be full of beautiful young girls. Black-haired vamps, platinum and ash blondes, brunettes and red-heads vied with each other for star parts on the screen.

The exquisite faces filled Margot with uneasiness. There seemed something relentless about their gay insolence. She saw them as a conquering army of youth pushing the older generation aside. Margot was only twenty-eight, but in that environment she felt definitely passée.

Amidst these lovely young creatures Venetia Valli took the palm for beauty. In her capacity of "double," Margot became quite friendly with the American star. They lunched together daily at the studio and in the cool of the evening, when the day's work was over, Venetia would motor her back to town and invite her to dine at her expensive hotel.

All the men crowded round Venetia Wherever she went she was the centre of attraction. Listening to the conversation of her charming and glamorous "principal" the thrill of life danced like a shimmering will-o'-the-wisp before Margot's eyes.

Parties, excitement, jewels, motor rides, lovely parts on the screen, smart clothes, this man "falling for me" here, that man "falling for me" there. "He sent me this, I sent him that," and so on, until Margot's discontent knew no bounds.

It wasn't that she envied the lovely young thing her good fortune. That would have been silly, and Margot certainly wasn't silly. It was rather that she despised herself for not having fought her own way to the top. Visions of lost opportunities mocked her.

And then one day Venetia threw a bundle of letters into her lap and said: "Be a sport and go through my mail for me. I haven't time. Some of these guys think a girl's got nothing to do but wade through their drivel. I'll tell the world I'm a film star !"

So Margot "went through" the letters. They were from all over the world, from all sorts of people. Boys on the threshold of life, men at the end of it. Women in Society, girls in factories. "Please send me a photograph," seemed to be the universal cry until she came upon Richard Grey's letter from Africa. It was somehow, different from the others and he did not ask for a photo. He wrote quite simply about himself and his lonely life on the veldt, touched lightly upon his longing to see England again, and of the pleasure Venetia's films had afforded him. He called her "Starshine."

Margot gave Venetia back all the letters except that one, and that one she kept and answered.

She wrote from her own little flat and she signed Venetia Valli at the bottom of the page. From the day she received a reply a new and vivid interest came into Margot's life. All through the vital correspondence which ensued, this interest made itself felt in the girl's daily round

Happiness was reflected in her work. A playwright chanced to hear her rehearsing for Venetia Valli, was charmed by her musical voice, and offered her a part in his new play Margot gave up films and went back to the stage. The play ran on, and the critics took notice of her. Another part—the lead this time—came her way, and she became a success.

Deep in her heart she realised that she owed her changed circumstances to Richard. Somehow she had caught and held the reflection of his delightful personality as it expressed itself to her through his letters. She blazed at its touch as a match to tinder. Her income ran into four figures, and life was one long ecstacy.

Then he wrote her that he was returning home to consult an oculist. Some slight eyesight trouble she gathered, which refused to respond to local treatment. They must meet some time, he said vaguely. Only them did she fully realise, with an icy shock of dismay, that he would expect to see the radiant beauty of Venetia.

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Northcote had a good match on Saturday and Preston fought pretty well although they didn't win. Better luck to-morrow.

A new girl Cobber this week and Fluffy sends her a special welcome. Send along your entries for the Animal Competition. Can you guess the problem each week ? Heaps of love from the Pets and UNCLE PHIL.

BIRTHDAYS

All the Cobbers, Uncle Phil and the Pets send the Happiest and Heartiest Birthday Greetings and Best Wishes to Eric Kent and Roy Metcher (May 6); Beatrice Toohey (May 7); Kathleen Maloney (May 8); and Helen Gamble and Nestor Kerr (May 9).

NEW COMPETITION

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Pick out as many hidden names of animals as you can in the following sentences and send the list in to Uncle Phil, Grandpa's decision is final and he will award a prize to the Cobber who sends in the most correct names in the right order. Entries to be in by May 13, winner on May 19.

I do abhor seeing all Alla may do as she will jump ignorantly into things. She will get at and do everything hurriedly and makes a heap of dismay that he would expect to see the radiant beauty of Venetia.

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Answer next week.

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle

The Jester untwined the thick rope, making it half its thickness and tied the ends together. Then it was long enough to reach the ground.

OUR MAIL BAG

Bell St., Preston,

Dear Uncle Phil,—Please enrol me as a member of the Cobbers' Club. I am 7 years old and in the second grade at school. I am sending a riddle for the Cobbers which I hope they will enjoy.

Hazel Francis

(GOOD)

Welcome to the Clubs Hazel and we hope you'll send us a snap of yourself for our Cobbers' Album. Try the Animal Competition it's quite an easy one. Do you like skipping this cold weather ?Fluffy and Jacko send Greetings and love.—U.P.

Ruby Kesteven. Glad the Birthday went off well. Did you have a cake ? You all must be proud of your Dad Hope someday soon you will see the Shrine too. It is marvellous. Try the Competition and ask your brother and sister to enter also. Does Reg like his prize ? Love and best wishes to you all from the Pets and U.P.

WEIGHTS AND SIZES

(Concluded)

THERE is just one part of us where weight goes for practically nothing—the brain. Brain power depends upon area. The more, and deeper, the convolutions (the deep furrows that make the brain look like a relief map of the War-time trenches), the bigger the brain's area must be.

Imagine a brain spread out flat, and you will see what I mean. Some monkeys have proportionately bigger brains than ourselves, but the furrows are much shallower. So the man at a club here or a Chicago gunman is a better thinking machine (in spite of the owner's behavior) than that of the most respectable and lovable chimpanzee.

Whales have much more convoluted brains, and bigger brains, than ourselves, but the whole apparatus covers a vastly smaller area in proportion, so that, as one of the world's thinkers, the whale is only a light-weight—and a very light weight too!

AN OLD WOMAN

Poor little old woman so bent and so worn,
Sorrowful faced, so frail and forlorn
With pity I'm wondering doesn't it seem long,
Since you were as I am—young hopeful, and strong ?
And is there some song in your heart ever new,
Would make you just smile at me pitying you ?

Jean Angus

(GOOD)

EVENING SONG

Little birds sleep sweetly,
In their soft, round nests,
Crouching in the covert,
Of their mother's breasts.

Ethel Francis

(GOOD)

THE NURSERY TRAIN

Come! get in the train for nursery-land
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So long as you've done your lessons to-day;
And if tthere is none to say you nay.
Then please hurry up and come.

Jessie Francis

(GOOD)

LIMERICK

There was a young fellow of Dover
Who was an incurable rover,
He roamed o'er the ocean,
With a misguided notion;
That at the edge of the earth he'd fall over !

Alice Southam

(GOOD)

STORYETTES

Mother: "When that naughty boy threw stones at you, why didn't you come and tell me, instead of throwing stones back ?" Sonny Boy: "Tell you Mum ! Why you couldn't hit a haystack."

Ruby Keele.

(GOOD)

Bob: "Do you know why it is dangerous to live in a very tall house ?" Tony: "No: why ?" Bob: "Because there are so many floors (flaws) in it."

Rosa Smith

(GOOD)

Mistress: "Why are you late cook ? Didn't you hear the alarm bell ?" Cook: "No 'mam, but now you mention it I did have a lovely dream about wedding bells."

Edna Southam

(GOOD)

Mistress: "Have you swept that room out for me, Mary ?" Mary: "Ej, me, ma'am. I've swept out the dust, but the room is still there."

Jean Skipper

(GOOD)

"Why, look at all these milk cans" said Rupert, who had never been to the country before "It must be a cow's nest."

Edna Burt

(GOOD)

Magistrate (to negro): "Who are you ? Are you the defendant ?" Negro: "No sah—ah's not the defendant. the defensus bloke is sitting over there with a pencil behind his ear." Magistrate: "Then, who are you ?" Negro: "Ah, me, sah ? Ah's the bloke that stole the chickens, sah !"

Roy Murphy

(GOOD)

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PRESTON PROFESSIONALS

Last Saturday afternoon the club held their first race for the road season, a 15 mile handicap on Plenty road, Preston. Results:—T. Johnson 2min 30sec 1; A. Fry 3min 30sec 2; S. Andrews 2min 30sec 3. Winner's time 39min 5sec. Absolute fastest time A. Walkley (scr) 38min 5sec.

The professional road season will be officially opened next Saturday. Racing over the 33 mile course at North Esendon, riders will be faced with a stiff ride. The race is promoted by the Reliance Cycle Depot. Several Preston boys will represent our club.

PRESTON AMATEURS

On Saturday the above club held its first race over 15 miles. The scratch men included F. Gascoyne and J. Andrews. The limit men were soon caught by a few of the bunches behind and they kept things moving The 3.10 bunch included E. Sholdz and G. Bartlett and W. Carey who rode hard trying to catch the leaders Scholdz just failed to get them in an exciting finish J. Storen outsprinted A. Barnett, who is improving with J. Robbins third. Winner's time 40.35 3-5. The fast-flying Gascoyne had an unassisted ride and did the journey in the fast time of 37.46 1-5 The first open race is to be held on Saturday on the Campbellfield road, the distance being 25 miles. Several of the club boys are riding and the club wishes them every success. In case some of the riders do not know the course it is as follows: The start is at the hotel at Campbellfield to the coursing grounds, down the side of the grounds to the old Sydney road. When on the old Sydney road proceed north for 6 miles to a fairly large hill. Then turn at the bottom. Then straight down to Sydney road and then it is a straight run to the finish.

NORTHCOTE.—15 miles race at Thomastown:—H. McLeod (4min 30 sec), time 38.25 1; W. Mitchell (4 min 45sec) 2; J. Campbell (4min 45 sec) 3. Fastest time A. Davies (35 sec), time 37.2.

FAIRFIELD.—16 Miles race, at Preston:—F. Shaw (2.10), time 42.37. 1; F. Farrell (3.30), 2; H. Swanson (0.45), 3. Fastest, W. Flint (0.45), time 41.32.

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NORTHCOTE C.Y.M.S.

EASTER TRIP TO BENDIGO

UNDOUBTEDLY the members who made the trip to Bendigo to spend the Easter vacation will agree that the success of the holiday was without precedent. Arrangements were in the hands of the branch president (Mr. W. Gartney) who, in conjunction with the Bendigo branch, organised a complete programme. The party left Melbourne on the Thursday from the Northcote Town Hall at 9.30 p.m. and at about 1.30 a.m. arrived at the Court House Hotel, Bendigo. The city itself presents wonderful facilities for sport and the members took every advantage of this circumstance. The cricket match between the two branches was played at Kangaroo Flat and was won by Northcote. Scores were—Northcote: 167 (A. Baker 39, R. Baker 30, D. McDonald 25 ret.); Bendigo 105 (W. Gartner 4/10, D. McDonald 3/12).

Visitors from all over the State thronged the pavements to view the various processions on Saturday and Monday afternoons, the attraction of the latter being the appearance of the Chinese Dragon, a "tableau vivant" of balancing and other representations of the civilisation of the Orient.

On Friday the visiting branch was officially welcomed at St. Kilean's hall by the parish priest and the Bendigo branch of the C.Y.M.S. and on Sunday night was entertained at a sacred concert. The best feature of the trip was the excellent state of the weather. An ideal holiday amid ideal surroundings is perhaps an apt comment on a most enjoyable trip.

by 11-9, while the B team easily accounted for Clifton Hill C by 17-2. The visiting teams were later entertained at supper, during which fraternal greetings were exchanged.

As next meeting (May 11) is halfyearly night a large attendance is expected. Chief interest will centre in the election of officers, there being three nominations for one of the more important offices.

Arrangements are being finalised for the "Back to Northcote Tent" meeting on May 26. Invitations have been sent out to all present and former members, and a record attendance is anticipated. The function will take the form of a P.C.U.'s night and re-union smoke social.

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ELDER—HAWKING

CARRYING a sheaf of dahlias, white roses, azaleas, pink carnations and fern, Miss Ivy M. Hawking made a most charming bride, frocked in her white bridal array, as she entered the Regent Presbyterian Church with her father for her marriage with Mr. William C. Elder, on Wednesday evening, April 12. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. G. Anderson. The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm Hawking of 29 Austral avenue, Preston, and the bridegroom, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Elder, of Reservoir. The church was decorated by friends of the bride with Easter daisies and the bridal party stood under a floral arch from which hung a bell. A beautiful ankle-length white lace and georgette dres was worn by the bride, with long, close-fitting sleeves, and a full rucking of georgette over the elbows. Her exquisitely embroidered lace veil, which was worn over pink tulle, formed a cap, and was held in place by clusters of orange blossom. Miss Thelma Dickens as bridesmaid, was frocked in blue organdie, close-fitting to the knees, and fully flared to the ankles, with puff sleeves and a blue rucked cap on the hair. Her bouquet was of orange dahlias, and she wore a crystal necklace. Mr. Edward Osborne was best man. During the signing of the register a duet, "Sincerity" was delightfully rendered by Misses May Dickens and Iorna Dunstan. After the ceremony about 80 guests assembled at 29 Austral avenue, where they were received and entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Hawking. After the honeymoon the couple intend to reside in Preston.

OXNAM—CURNOW

THE Rev. W. H. Chamberlain officiated at a pretty wedding on Saturday, April 15, when the contracting parties were Mr. Edward Oxnam, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Oxnam, of Salisbury grove, Thornbury, and Miss Ethel Curnow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Curnow of Thornbury. Holy Trinity Church Thornbury, was the setting for the ceremony which was largely attended by relatives and friends of the bride and groom. The bride was daintily frocked in ankle-length white satin with white satin shoes and a lace veil held with orange blossom and falling over pink tulle. She wore a pearl necklet and carried a white, showed bouquet touched with pink. The bridesmaids were Misses Lilian and Lavinia Curnow. The former was attractively frocked in ankle-length pink georgette trimmed with pink fur. Pink satin shoes and a pink georgette hat bearing white flowers together with a pearl necklet and a pink bouquet completed the ensemble. An attractive figure was the second maid in ankle-length mauve georgette relieved with mauve fur and mauve satin shoes. A mauve georgette hat trimmed with white flowers, a pearl necklet, and mauve bouquet completed the ensemble. The bride was presented at the chancel steps by her father. The best man was Mr. Edward Whiteoak and Mr. Keith Gorrie was the groomsman.

FASHION FOR WINTER TIME

A CHARMING and practical suit for the cold season is sponsored by Claudette Colbert, of Paramount. It is a black cloth dress, simple in cut, with a fitted bodice, long sleeves that are a bit bulky at the top and fitted closely from elbows to wrists and a slim skirt. She wears a vestee of black and white smocked tricot with white frills of tricot around the edges. This vestee has no back, being worn around the back of the neck like a scarf, and is held at the waistline by a tricot belt.

Miss Colbert suggests that several color schemes could be used with this frock by the introduction of several different vestees, thus giving a new aspect to the same frock.

NEW TWO-PIECE FROCK

THE revived two-piece frock that has been whispered about has been chosen by Mae West of Paramount. Miss West selected a thin, porous wool, and four patch pockets (each with a metal button) and a metal studded leather belt decorated the separate slip-on blouse. The high, close neckline is accented with sheer white organdie and the sleeves are long and extremely well designed. The skirt is quite the most slenderising model of the season, being a four-gored. The frock is in the new deep mulberry shade, and her toque is of black velvet, as are her bag and gloves.

SWEATERS

SWEATERS to wear shi-ing, skating and hiking during the coming winter months are being shown now. According to Wynne Gibson, who is rather partial to these comfy woollies for all sports wear, nobody could help seeing some of them, for they come in loud colors and striking patterns.

Miss Wynne Gibson, of Paramount is clever with the knitting needles and has fashioned several jumpers for herself. One is knitted in checkerboard pattern in two colors of golden brown and vivid periwinkle blue checks. It is a waist-length sweater blouse, buttoned up to the neck on brown bone buttons, and with a little turnover collar. The sleeves are plain and there is a patch breast pocket.

Another ensemble which is brand new this season is a hip-length vest in the new smocked tricot stitch, with ribbed bands at the top and the bottom. This vest buttons up the front on buttons, and over it goes a bolero with long sleeves, which is knitted in stocking stitch. The cuffs are done in the same smocking stitch as the vest.

The cap is knitted like the bolero and resembles a stocking cap pulled out in a flower-like flare at the top and pinned down on the right side. The color scheme for this charming sweater is deep blue and coral, and it is worn with an eight-gored skirt of the same blue shade.

Lobster Patties

Ingredients—1 tin of lobster, 1oz butter, 3oz. flour, 1 pint milk, salt and pepper, 2oz. mushrooms, butter for frying, patty cases.

Make a sauce with the flour, butter and milk. Season it well and boil for a few minutes. Then add the lobster cut in dice, also the mushrooms, previously peeled and cleaned and fried in butter and cut into convenient sized pieces. Make the mixture hot and heap it into the hot patty cases. There should be a good half-pint of diced lobster for this amount of sauce.

Patty cases can be obtained ready baked from any good caterer or confectioner. They should be ordered a day before they are required; or you can buy puff pastry ready mixed, and shape and bake the patties at home. Just roll the paste to half-inch thickness and stamp into rounds. Now cut a smaller round in the centre of each, but only halfway through. This can be removed when cooked, and there is your space for filling.

NORTHCOTE SCHOOL BAND

EASTER VISIT TO MALDON

ONE of the many attractions of the Easter Fair at Maldon was the Northcote School Band. These boys were certainly a big draw card, and not only is their music fully appreciated, but their behaviour is also.

These boys are wrapped up body and soul in the band, as is Bandmaster King and we cannot bestow too much praise upon them all. They have just finished a 6,000 mile tour of Victoria and New South Wales which must have been a big strain.

On Easter Saturday night in the Hall, the Northcote School Band gave a most entertaining show, and after several selections they staged a big laugh in "The House That Jack Built." If the audience required anything more comical than this, they could not find it in Victoria. The versatility of these boys is wonderful and it seems that they are capable of filling the bill in anything at all, and not one of the audience went away feeling that they had not received their money's worth.

The concert on Sunday night was worth going a long way to hear, and the other suffers in comparison. A few items worthy of special mention being Clarrie Keitch, Arthur Clark Col. Hammond and Jack Sweeney (Little Tich).

On Monday the band headed the procession and rendered selections at the sports during the afternoon. On Tuesday they had their own sports in the town and several races were run, but Mr. King was not allowed to start on account of incorrect performances. The boys returned home later and are to be congratulated on the excellent impression they leave among the folk at each town they visit.—"Farrangovor "Times" Maldon

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR

About 100 children from the Junior C.E. Societies in the Northcote and Preston Union (incorporating Heidelberg District) gathered at the Northcote Congregational Church on Saturday afternoon for a junior rally. The chief feature was a talk, illustrated by lantern slides, on Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress," given by Mr. F. Meyer. Eighteen members of the Perry street, North Alphington, Methodist J.C.E. attended the rally and then went to the Northcote gardens for tea, after which games were enjoyed.

Members of the Fairfield Methodist J.C.E. visited the Y.P. Society on Wednesday night and conducted the meeting. Solos were rendered and helpful papers were read, the time of fellowship culminating with supper.

Very good meetings have been held recently by the Fairfield church of Christ Y.P.C.E., who have suffered a serious loss in the home-call of one of their members, Mr. J. Pascoe. On Thursday the meeting was taken by the District Union Flying Squadron, and a time of rich spiritual blessing was experienced. The Churches of Christ C.E. department is keenly interested in its missionaries in the New Hebrides, for whom a launch is being purchased. The Fairfield Y.P. and Junior Societies have contributed £8 to date.

On April 19 the Flying Squadron paid a visit to the Croxton Methodist Y.P.S.C.E. and conducted their meeting.

A District Union Rally will be held in the Ivanhoe Baptist Church on May 16 commencing at 7.30 p.m. with a song service, and followed at 8 p.m. by the meeting, the speaker for which is Rev. W. H. Hinson, of Clifton Hill.

During the fourth week in May (from 21st to 27th), an appeal for magazines to help the work of the missionaries in inland Australia will be conducted. Any readers who would like to contribute could send their contributions to the nearest Methodist or Baptist Church, where they will be gratefully received.

GOLF

HEIDELBERG CLUB

T. S. Lingford 13 and L. R. Dowell trophy—4 ball best ball v par—108 entries.

Results:—10 up, L. Jacques 11 and J. H. Chandler 7; 9 up, G. S Gay 3 and G. Rimington 2; 8 up W. Broderick 15 and W. Scanlan 14; 7 up, J. Gosney 9 and D. Fraser 15, T. S. Lingford 13 and L. R. Dowell 11; 6 up, F. L. Norris 8 and A. J. Norris 13.

Result of H. Carson trophy—square, F. L. Norris 8.

Subsequent to the afternoon's play Mr. A. R. Wallis was entertained by members of the club at the Golf House Hotel and given a hearty send-off, prior to his departure to the Geneva Conference.

Next Saturday — Monthly Medal stroke.

Heidelberg Golf Associates

Mrs. C. Faragher trophy—stroke event—31 entries.

Results—66, Miss Marchant 22 winner; 70, Mrs. Joyce 27, Mrs. A. J Ferguson 22; 71, Mrs. Binks 21; 72, Mrs. Byrons 27, Miss Fairway 25; 73 Mrs. Cook 17, Mrs. Sutherland 27; 74, Mrs. W. Ferguson 20; 75, Mrs. T. S. Lingford 20, Mrs. F. Atyeo 27; 76, Mrs. S. Thomson 27, Miss Richmond 22.

Monthly Medal — Stroke — 46 entries. Results:—67, Mrs. F. Atyeo entries. Results:—67, Mrs. F. Atyeo 27; Miss O. Green 27; 68, Mrs. G. Balfour 21, Mrs. J. Talush 27; 70, Mrs. T. Lingford 20; 72, Miss B Fewster 27; 74, Mrs. E. Sutherland 27, Mrs. Wardle 16; 75, Mrs. J. H Evans 27, Mrs. C. Oakley 15, Miss A. Wippell 21, Mrs. Byron 27, Mrs A. J. Ferguson 22; 76, Mrs. Binks 21 saitlity of these boys is wonderful and it seems that they are capable of filling the bill in anything at all, and not one of the audience went away feeling that they had not received their money's worth.

Mrs. J. Edwards 21, Mrs. A. J. Norris 27, Mrs. Stone 21, Mrs. Smart 27. Mrs. Simpson 27, Mrs. S. Thomson 27.

Next Tuesday, May 9—Stroke—Mrs. R. R. Duncan's trophy.

RESERVOIR CLUB

The club held Gent's Canadian Foursomes on Saturday, the winners were Messrs. E. and L. Sparrow, who returned a card of 79 less handicap 22—a net 57. Other scores were:—

Messrs. Kupsch and Beckwith 94 (32) 62; L. and J. Lanigan 90 (20) 64; Pascoe and H. Lane 82 (16), 97. Twenty-four members in all went out.

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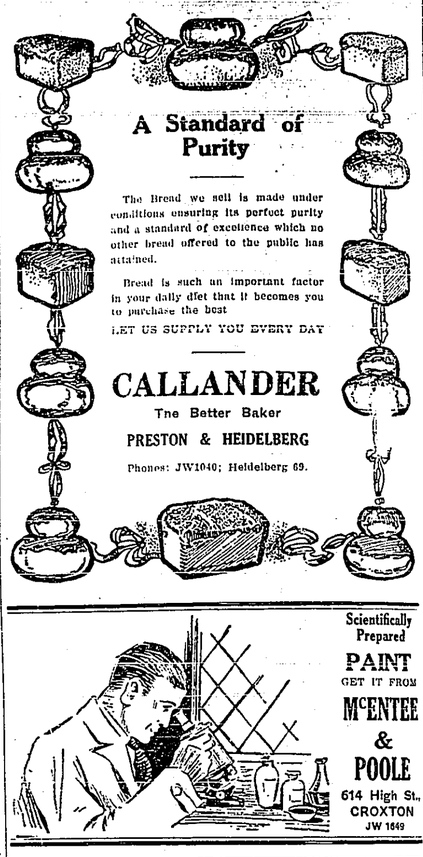

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30 x 5.00	25/	32 x 5.77	32/6	34 x 7.30	37/6	33 x 4½	28/6
31 x 5.00	27/6	33 x 5.77	32/6	715 x 115	17/3	34 x 4½	28/6
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TURF NOTES

By "LUTEPLAYER"

Well Bred Colt

Although he measures only 14.2, Hostile won the Ascot Juvenile Handicap on Saturday in the manner of a good galloper.

He had the pace to keep in a prominent position from the start, and, after taking the lead at the distance, showed courage in withstanding a strong challenge from Kunopia.

Hostile is a well-bred colt, being by the 1928 Doncaster Handicap winner, Simoon's Start, from the Valais mare, Valcan.

Hostile is raced by his trainer Jack Smedley, who has won races recently with Blue Chequer. Smedley did well a couple of seasons ago with Black Duchess.

Likes the Courses

Apparently the Ascot course suits Eminere, for he has started only twice on the tracks and has been first past the post on each occasion. The first time, however, had an unfortunate sequel, as he was deprived of the prize on protest.

His second start was in the Five Hundred on Saturday, when he won decisively. Handy all the way he put in a brilliant run in the straight, and did not have to be ridden right out.

Eminere is a three-year-old gelding by Heroic from Lintilla, and has raced consistently in recent weeks. Also he was a consistent galloper as a two-year-old. His form on Saturday left the impression that he will be heard of again.

All the Way

Backers made no mistake when they sent Salanton out a 5/4 on favorite for the first division of the Ascot Welter Handicap.

Taking the lead at the barrier rise he had the others chase him all the way. They could not get near enough to trouble him, and he won with any amount in hand, and yet was four lengths in advance of the second horse.

Salanton should be capable of winning in better company. He represents good galloping blood, being a four-year-old gelding by Salatis from Milanton. Salatis will be remembered as a brilliant galloper who downed the mighty Eurythmic in the Caulfield Futurity Stakes.

Should Win Again

Highway and Winchman won the respective divisions of the Ascot Trial Handicap in style that points to other successes. Highway made his task ever so much harder by attempting to hang out all the way, yet he was able to keep in a handy position and unwind a strong run in the straight to gain his victory. Highway should not be troubled by a distance as he is by Saltash, sire of Strephon.

Winchman raced more kindly than Highway, but like the latter, his finishing run was strong and he won with something in hand. Winchman is by Bold and Bad from Clarissa, so is a half brother to that useful performer, Starissa.

Likely Improvers

Ascot runners who can be marked down as likely improvers:—

STRYMON:—Second in Trial (1st div.) after leading at distance and had every chance. However, is only a three-year-old and should be capable of improvement.

PRINCE CONCEIT:—One of leaders all the way and finished second Trial Handicap (2nd div.). Was an outsider, but likely to be more popular next start.

KUNOPIA:—Put in game run in Juvenile Handicap, but Hostile hung on a little too good for him, but a win in sight.

HAP:—Failure in Juvenile can be overlooked. Chance settled through interference at half way stage.

BELABBES:—One of the leaders from start of Five Hundred and fought on gamely to run dead-heat for second with DUNLORA, who came home fast wide out. Both should win races.

STARDOM:—Showed plenty of pace and just missed a place in £200 Handicap. Should win a minor event.

ISKANDER:—Could not manage downhill run in £500 Handicap. Came home well. Will be all the better for the experience of the course.

ASCOT—SATURDAY

The V.T.C. and R.A. will again provide racegoers with their week-end sport at Ascot to-morrow (Saturday).

As usual, the principal event on the programme is the Ascot Five Hundred, of five and a half furlongs. Eminere won the like event last Saturday so decisively, that he appears likely to repeat the success. Eminere has shown a liking for the track, and the horses for courses rule applies more strongly at Ascot than any other course.

Harding was the elect of S. Murphy's pair last week, but failed, though he met with interference. Perhaps Murphy will rely on The Dawn Patrol on this occasion, and if he does, he should get a good run with the Night Patrol colt.

Iskander will be all the better for his experience of the course last Saturday, and should be on hand at the finish.

Araumah probably will need an outing on the track, and the same may be said of Semitist. Eastern Glow was heavily backed for the Five Hundred, but lost his chance through interference. The fact that she was backed indicates that she is fit, and she may have to be taken into account.

Belabbes ran a splendid race last Saturday and is entitled to consideration. Gold Bag has been racing consistently, but the distance of this race may not be quite far enough for him. The best of the others probably will be Full Force.

SELECTIONS

River Handicap—First Division
LADY KEITH 1
CARLEM 2
CEDRIC 3

Second Division
WELL SHUN 1
WINGOLD 2
MAGOOT 3

Juvenile Handicap
KUNOPIA 1
HAP 2
JOHANNES 3

Trial Handicap
WINCHMAN 1
HIGHWAY 2
GERHAPPNA 3

Five Hundred
EMINERE 1
THE DAWN PATROL 2
ISKANDER 3

Welter
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BASEBALL

PRESTON CLUB

The games opened last Saturday: results were as follows:—

A team were beaten by Port Melbourne, 5—2. R. Spoor was elected captain, C. Duffield vice-captain. Best players were A. Westcott. J. Goller, E. Crawley.

B team, G. Hills captain, A. Oates vice, lost a win over Malvern. Scores 11—4. Best players were A. Oates. B. Kinson, Stracker.

C team were soundly beaten by Parkrun; scores 15—3. G. Allen was elected captain, G. Naunton vice. Best players were R. Westcott, E. Nankervis.

D team with G. Keller captain and Morton vice were beaten by Ivanhoe L.O.R. Scores 31—7. Best players Hooper, Dominic.

Teams for Next Saturday

A team play Brighton at Preston. —A. Westcott, W. Goller, Crawley, Spoor, Moore, Nelder, Duffield, Patterson, Thornicroft.

B team play Y.M.C.A. at Falkner Park—Keanes, Hills, Oates, Kinson W. Goller, Ford, Robinson, Duggan, Thurgood. Stracker.

C team v Fairfield, at Preston.—Naunton, Jackson, Allen, Nankervis, Murray, Souter, Dyer, Atkinson, Twomey, Pink, Westcott.

B team play Northcote at Northcote. — Keller, Morton, Reddan, Hooper, Dominic, Spicer, Dominic, Groves, Dagley, Williamson, J. Lonsdale, R. Lonsdale. Blythman, Hooker.

NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON CHURCHES ASSOCIATION

Played on Fitzroy Racecourse on Saturday. In this match Westgarth showed themselves to be a stronger batting side than Croxton A who have a number of new players this season, but who should improve as the season goes on. The feature of the game was the youngest member for Croxton (Reg Bayley) who topped Croxton's batting with two safe hits. For Westgarth Burridge (1) Bowdell (2), Young (1), all home runs. J. Pike umpired well. Scores:—Westgarth Baptists:—1,5,4,3,7,1,4, 2.—29.

Croxton Methodists A.—0,1,1,0,0, 1,0,1.—4.

Regent Presbyterians v St. George's Road Methodists

The result of the opening match at Regent comes as a surprise, last year's premiers being forced to lower their colors to Regent. The work of the Regent battery was sound, whilst P. Walmsley on first, and R. Jackson at short stop, were the best on the day. For St. George's E. Hopkins was most promising in his first year, others deserving mention being H. Sinton, first, and R. Hopkins, catcher. The improvement in the Regent team reflects great credit on the work of their coach Mr. E. V. Menser. The umpire, Mr. W. Manuell, carried out his difficult task well.

Scores:—

Regent Presbyterians.—12,4,2,0,0, 4,5,6.—33.

St. George's Road Methodists.—1, 2,0,0.4,0,1,1.—9.

Croxton Methodists B v Epiphany Church of England

Although the scores indicate a one-sided game the excitement was sustained throughout the game. E. Gough (Epiph); v. Ward, H. Webster (Croxton) 1 each. Scores:—

Epiphany.—3,5,3,0,7,2,1.—21.

Croxton.—4,0,0,0,0,2,0.—6.

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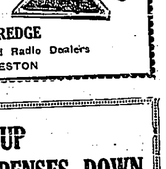

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What Preston People Are Doing

By The Rouseabout.

They Say—

THAT a ratepayer in Cooma street complains of the wandering cattle nuisance.

That on two or three occasions cattle have found their way into his flower garden and deestroyed plants.

That Messrs. O'Doherty and Gilchrist, council employees, are making concentrated efforts to abate the nuisance.

That during last week-end 40 wandering cattle were seized.

That all poddy calves found in the streets of Preston are to be destroyed forthwith.

That the local bench has been increasing the fines imposed on owners of cattle who allow the latter to wander to the annoyance of the public.

That the youngest and best-looking member of the Preston Council is also annoyed at the wandering cattle nuisance. His garden has suffered considerably.

That another councillor representing the same ward is also on the warpath regarding the evil complained of.

That a movement is on foot to present a testimonial to Mr. J. F. Deane, who has retired from the management of the Preston branch of the National Bank. Mr. Roberts, of High street, is taking an interest in the matter.

That Cr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A., has presented a handsome picture, "Midnight at Menin Gate," to the clubroom of Ivanhoe branch R.S.S.I.L.A.

That Rate Collector Pike and his partner won a box of cigarettes at a Masonic gathering in Preston last Saturday evening in the Monte Carlo event.

That the winner, being a non-smoker, distributed cigarettes among the Masonic brethren present.

Items giving particulars of dates and places of dances, entertainments, meetings, annual meetings, &c., can only be inserted when accompanied by an advertisement (cost from 1/ upwards). Personal paragraphs and weddings are welcomed by the Editor, and are inserted without charge.

Preston Leap Year Club

THE monthly meeting was held in the Murray road pavilion on Monday night and attracted a good attendance. It was decided to hold a dance, hike and picture night during the next few weeks. The resignations of the vice-president (Mr. Gordon Jackson) and secretary (Mr. Dudley Williams) were accepted; and Mr. "Billie" Wilson and Mr. Gordon Jackson were elected in their places. The president (Mrs. S. T. Grey) thanked the retiring officers for their help and support.

Pay Your Rates!

MR. Ben Johnson, town clerk and engineer to the City of Preston, notifies that rates must be paid on or before June 10 in order to secure enrolment.

Masonic Function

LAST Saturday evening at the Masonic Temple, Bell street, a very enjoyable function was taken part in by about 150 of the brethren of St. George's Lodge and their wives and lady friends. The gathering was intended mainly as a compliment to Mrs. Harding, wife of W.M. Arthur B. Harding, who recently completed 12 months' service. Mrs. Harding had during that time, with other ladies, rendered acceptable assistance in catering arrangements on social occasions. Dancing was indulged in, musical items were rendered, and refreshments served. During an interval a reading lamp and vase were presented from the lodge and a black morocco handbag from the ladies. Mr. Harding made an acceptable reply in receiving the gifts on behalf of his wife.

People on Sustenance

IT is reported that 650 persons are on sustenance in Preston.

Soldiers' Appreciation of Politician

SPEAKING at a smoke night arranged by the Ivanhoe branch of the R.S.S.I.L.A., the president (Gdr. H. Brown) paid a well-deserved compliment to Cr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A., and expressed the opinion that there was not a Digger who possessed the Digger spirit more than Mr. Zwar. The latter had the unusual experience of having his speech interrupted while the company of 300 sang, "He's a Jolly Good Fellow." Thus was a fitting tribute paid to Cr. Zwar.

Screenings Crusher

PRESTON Council has under consideration the acceptance of tenders for the supply of a screenings crusher and screening equipment for the quarry at the end of Bell street.

Fishing Notes

NINE members of the Preston Angling Club paid a week-end visit to Mordialloc and took part in a competition. There was a good catch of flathead and ten rock cod. Alec Watkins weighed in with 24lbs., Ern Gardiner 14½lbs., P. Daft 14lbs. and Mr. Watkins 13lbs. The competition was won by Alec Watkins. A party of four proceeded to Stony Point and reached home with about 70lbs. of flathead and gurnet.

Ugly Men Competition

THE Public Assistance Committee has arranged with ex-Cr. C. H. Warr to interview the various lodges and friendly societies in Preston to organise an ugly man competition to raise funds for the needs of unemployed in the district. Mr. W. Ward, Murphy grove, Preston, has undertaken to arrange with clubs, associations and guilds to fix dates with a view of raising funds for the same object. The winter months upon which we have entered accentuate the necessity for providing food, clothing, medicine, etc., for those who are "up against it."

Fire Brigade Items

THE brigade was called to the corner of Spring and May streets on three occasions during the past week, only to find they had been hoaxed. School children are supposed to be the culprits. On Wednesday afternoon a grass fire was extinguished in Leonard street. On Sunday at 12.45 a.m. the men had a run to the rear of a house in May street and found a heap of rubbish on fire. It is believed that a passer-by threw a lighted match over the fence on to the rubbish heap.

Rainfall at Preston

FOUR points of rain were registered at Preston during the past week.

Building Returns

THE building returns in the municipality of Preston for the quarter ended March 31 show that 26 permits were issued for buildings and alterations at a cost of £1,400.

Flower Day

WEDNESDAY, May 10, has been fixed for the observance of Flower Day in aid of metropolitan hospitals and charities. Preston residents will be well to the fore in helping with contributions of flowers and provisions, which will be disposed of to the public from a number of kiosks in the streets. Half of the proceeds raised in Preston will go towards the local Ladies' Benevolent Society.

Presentation to Head Teacher

AT the quarterly meeting of district State School head teachers at the Northcote State School (Helen street) on Thursday, Mr. J. H. Smith, who recently retired from the charge of the Reservoir school, was presented with several crystal dishes as a mark of respect and esteem. Mr. J. F. Rea, headmaster of West Preston State School, made the presentation in a felicitous speech, and Inspector Osborne also spoke.

Empire Day

EMPIRE Day will be celebrated on May 24 in the usual manner in Preston. Councillors are to be asked to attend at the various schools in Preston and deliver the customary addresses.

West Preston State School

THE boys attending the school are applying to the council for permission to play football at Cramer Park one afternoon a week.

Vocational Guidance Bureau

PRESTON and District Vocational Guidance Bureau was officially opened by Mayor Newton on Thursday afternoon. Members of school committees, parents and teachers were in attendance.

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ALL AGENTS

Preston Council Representation

CR. G. H. Mott has been appointed to represent the Preston Council on the Tweedle Hospital for Babies; Cr. Swain, Preston Domestic School of Arts and Northcote High School; Cr. J. W. Adams has been nominated as representative on the Northern Group of Municipalities and the Heatherton Sanatorium. All those positions were formerly held by the late Cr. G. E. Robinson.

Life Saving and Swimming Club

AS advertised elsewhere in this issue a public meeting will be held in the supper room, Town Hall, Preston, on Tuesday, May 9, at 8 p.m., to form a life saving and swimming club. All interested are cordially invited to attend. Mr. J. A. Hogan, of the Executive Council of the Royal Live Saving Society, is the convenor.

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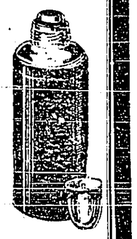

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The Monash Memorial

LIEUT.-Col. McKenna and representatives of the Preston branch of the R.S.S.I.L.A. are arranging for a meeting to be held in the old town hall at an early date, when Gen. Glasgow, Chief Commissioner of Police, will give an address on the proposal to erect an equestrian statue near the Shrine to the memory of the late General Monash.

Week-end Kitchen Special

4-PINT KETTLE 9/6

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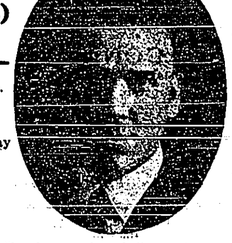

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Mr. Davis wishes to state that he will make no rash or futile promises as to the future, but definitely states that he will view every proposition which is before the Council from a broad business standpoint. If elected, he recognises that he becomes the servant of the people, and it is his wish to assist in the conduct and administration of their civic affairs and the local government of our city.

HE STANDS FOR PROGRESS AND EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION.

Supported by the Ratepayers' Protection League

C. WARR, President.
S. T. GREY, Campaign Secretary, 378 Tyler Street, Preston, N18

TENNIS.

PRESTON ASSOCIATION

The final match of the summer competition was finished on Saturday afternoon on the Regent Park courts when Numurray and Rothesay fought for the A grade pennant. Numurray for the A grade pennant. Numurray had a one game lead of 13 games up and 42 games. The over Rothesay with 42 games. The weather was again favorable and numbers of enthusiasts watched the game with keen interest. The first set of the day was the first mixed, Whitesock and Miss Maltzhan being opposed to D. Moore and Miss Facey, of Rothesay. The Rothesay pair quickly ran to a 3 love lead, but the Numurray pair getting into their stride and fighting hard brought the score to 7 all. However, they could not obtain the advantage and Rothesay took the set 9—7, leaving them one game up and two sets to go. Chatfield and Mrs. Strahan v J. Moore and Miss Smith were the opposing pairs in the second mixed. Again Rothesay ran to a 3—1 lead, but lost the lead when Numurray went to lead 4—3. The score evened at 5 all but then Rothesay went on to win at 9—6, making them 4 games up, which seemed good enough to win the pennant.

The third mixed pairs were Hall and Miss Jenyns v Zwar and Miss Wearne. The spectators were expectant now and the start was sensational, Numurray running to a 4—1 lead and Numurray members had fresh hope. There was further excitement when Numurray led 7—4 and Rothesay had to win only one game to win the match. Every point was applauded and amid great excitement Rothesay won the game, but Numurray won the set 9—6, and Rothesay had won the A pennant by one game. At the conclusion, Mr. T. Bromley, president of the Association, on behalf of the association, congratulated Rothesay and also Numurray on their splendid fight. He tendered to Messrs. "Pop" Upton and C. Thorn the best thanks for their excellent and impartial umpiring. The captains of the two clubs briefly responded, and the 1932-33 season was at an end.

REGENT CLUB

The final electric light impromptu tournament was played on Saturday. Members and friends participated in the sets which consisted of the best out of seven games. The finalists were:—Mrs. T. Davis and F. Whereat v Miss J. Simpson and A. Le Page the former being the winning pair. The prizes were presented by Mr. E. H. Simpson, vice-president, who congratulated the winners and extended hearty thanks to the ladies for again providing supper. Mr. Wherrett, responding on behalf of his partner, expressed their appreciation of an enjoyable evening. Several social functions in the form of euchre and table tennis tournaments and dances have been arranged for the winter season.

NORTH SUBURBAN ASSOCIATION

Opening Matches

The winter matches were commenced on Saturday, the weather being fine, all matches were completed. Results:—

B Grade No. 2.—Epiphany 45 d Holy Trinity 43; Methodists 49 d St. Pauls 31; Cooma 52, d College 16

C Grade Section 1.—College 47 d Baptists 11; Oakover 46 d Danella 36.

C Grade Section 2.—Church of Christ 45 d Spensley Street 34; Danella Park 48 d Soldiers 38.

REGENT CENTRAL PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

The usual monthly meeting was held on Tuesday. Mr. A. Perkins presided over a fair attendance.

Reports were received from visitant officers, treasurer and social secretary. The secretary of the ladies' committee reported on a successful house party organised by Mesdames L. Painter and G. Evans, which realised £6/13/6; also that a visit to Bryant and Mays' match factory had been arranged for next Wednesday afternoon. The bazaar secretary reported that a bazaar would be held in August in aid of the building fund. An ugly man competition would be held in conjunction with the bazaar.

General Business.—Moved by Mr. C. Starling and seconded by Mr. C. Green, that this association disassociates itself from the published reports of a member of the Reservoir Progress Association regarding the formation of a borough to take in all the postal district N19.—Carried.

Death of Ward Representative.—Reference was made to the untimely death of Cr. G. Robinson. Messrs. A. Deacon and A. Painter, past presidents, represented this association at the funeral.

Electric Light.—Members in the Oakhill area are pleased to note that the electrical engineer has taken prompt action to remedy the spasmodic dimming of lights between 6 and 8 p.m. Tyler street section is being re-wired and several poles replaced.

At the conclusion of the meeting Mr. C. Green gave an interesting lecture on "Eyes."

The Fireside Calls —

COLDER weather brings forth the need of a cheery fire in the home, so it's time to order WINTER FUEL at HEATHER'S

FAMOUS PRICES FOR CASH.

Mixed Wood 25/- ton wght.	Briquettes ..... 2/3 cwt
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Best Box Blocks & Red Box ..... 1/10 cwt	N.S.W. Grey Box .. 2/2 cwt
Vic. Grey Box ..... 2/- cwt	Coal ..... 2/9 cwt
	Mallee Roots ..... 1/11 cwt

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Appointment of Sustenance Clerks

PRESTON Council has appointed Messrs. E. G. Fryer and H. Roughsedge as clerks to assist the registrar (Mr. Watson) in the administration of sustenance in this city. Both have rendered considerable assistance in a voluntary capacity during the last three years. They will receive payment at award rates.

Collision Between Cars

IN reference to a report in last issue of a collision between two cars at the corner of High street and Murray road, Preston, on Anzac Day, Mr. A. V. Harvey requests us to state that he was wrongly described as a bookmaker instead of as a salesman. We express our regret.

Tempting Friday Specials!

Shetland Cod ..... 1/1 lb.

Ozone Fillets ..... 6½d. lb.

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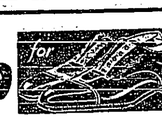

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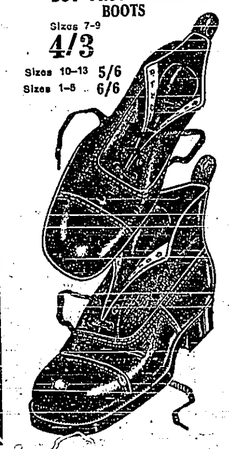

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Church Notices

ALL SAINT'S CHURCH of England, Northcote
Sunday, May 7
11 a.m.—Holy Communion.
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer.
Preacher: Rev. A. H. Constable.

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY
Shaftesbury Parade
May 7—Third Sunday after Easter
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Matins.
7 p.m.—Evensong.
Celebrant and Preacher: The Vicar (The Rev. W. H. Chamberlain)

ST. MARY'S, PRESTON
May 7: Third Sunday after Easter
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10 a.m.—Children's Church.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer.
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer.
Rev. F. Parsons, Vicar.

EPIPHANY CHURCH, NORTHCOTE (Rayvitz Street)
May 7—Third Sunday after Easter
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Choral Eucharist.
7 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Preacher: Rev. G. Tymms.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

FOURTH CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST, MELBOURNE

A BRANCH of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ Scientist in Boston, Mass., U.S.A., holds services in the MASONIC HALL, UNION ST., WESTGARTH, as follow:

Sunday, 11 a.m. and 7.15 p.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 8 p.m. Reading Room in Masonic Hall, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

Notices

19 George V., No. 3632. Sec. 106.
19 George V., No. 3792. Sec. 27.

NOTICE

A RULE to administer the Estate of NICHOLLS, SARAH ANN ROACH (also known as NICHOLLS, SARA), late of No. 2 Kellott Street, Northcote, spinster, deceased, intestate, who died on the 23rd January, 1933, has been granted to me, and Creditors, Next of Kin, and all others having claims against the Estate are required to send in particulars of their claims to the Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, No. 267 Queen Street, Melbourne, on or before the 22nd July, 1933, or they may be excluded from the distribution of the Estate when the assets are being distributed.

J. A. ROSS.
Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons.
Melbourne, 27th April, 1933

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NOTICE

A RULE to administer the Estate of THOMSON Alice Josephine (also known as THOMSON Alice), late an inmate of the Home of the Little Sisters of the Poor, Northcote, widow, deceased, intestate, who died on the 20th February, 1933, has been granted to me, and Creditors, Next of Kin, and all others having claims against the Estate are required to send in particulars of their claims to the Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, No. 267 Queen Street, Melbourne, on or before the 22nd July, 1933, or they may be excluded from the distribution of the Estate when the assets are being distributed.

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Melbourne, 20th April, 1933.

PRESTON CITY COUNCIL

Extraordinary Election

THANKS

I DESIRE to express my SINCERE THANKS to the many friends and supporters of the West Ward, who offered assistance and their cars in my campaign had I been opposed.

I further wish to THANK the RATEPAYERS for the confidence placed in me in according me a walk-over, and I trust I shall be able to justify that confidence during the three remaining months of the term.

My THANKS also to the PRESIDENT (Mr. C. WARR) and SECRETARY (Mr. S. T. GREY) who conducted my campaign.

HENRY JUPP

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RED BOX	2/-	9/-	17/6	34/-
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MIXED WOOD	1/9	8/6	16/6	30/-
BRIQUETTES	2/3	11/3	22/-	42/6
COMMON MIXED BLOCKS	1/6	7/-	13/6	26/-
NEWCASTLE COAL	3/-	14/6	28/6	55/-

GOOD DRY DEAL for Kindling ... 1/- per bag.

Municipal Notice

CITY OF NORTHCOTE

"LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1928"

NOTICE THAT PLANS, ETC., ARE OPEN FOR INSPECTION.

NOTICE is hereby given that it is the intention of the Council of the City of Northcote to execute the following works and undertakings:—

Construction of DRAIN in EASEMENT at the rear of property fronting the EAST SIDE OF VICTORIA ROAD, between MITCHELL & BASTINGS STREETS, Northcote, as shown on Plan No. A139 signed by the City Surveyor.

The specifications, maps, plans, and sections of the proposed works or undertakings, showing the exact site and measurements thereof, and of the land required to be taken for its construction together with the names of the owners (or reputed owners), lessees (or reputed lessees), and occupiers, as far as known, are deposited and will be open for inspection of all persons interested, at the Town Hall, High street, Northcote, for the space of forty clear days from the date of the publication of this Notice in the "Government Gazette" within which time all persons affected by the proposed works or undertakings are hereby required to set forth, in writing, addressed to the Council or the Town Clerk, all objections they may have to the said works or undertakings.

Dated this 27th day of April, 1933.

J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE

Tenders

TENDERS are invited and will be received up till 12 noon on MONDAY, 15th MAY, 1933, for the PRINTING or TYPING and SUPPLY of MUNICIPAL ROLLS.

Specification may be inspected at Town Clerk's Office.

A preliminary deposit of £5 must accompany each tender.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

By order,
J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk

Municipal Offices,
Northcote.
3/5/33.

CITY OF PRESTON

Payment of Rates to Secure Enrolment

NOTICE is hereby given that NO PERSON will be ENTITLED TO BE ENROLLED on the Municipal Roll for the respective WARDS of the CITY OF PRESTON in respect of any property UNLESS BEFORE or ON SATURDAY, TENTH (10th) JUNE, 1933, ALL SUMS PAYABLE IN RESPECT OF RATES MADE, due and payable on such property, SHALL HAVE BEEN PAID.

The Rate Collector will attend at the Municipal Offices, High Street, Preston, from the SECOND to the TENTH of JUNE, 1933, inclusive (Sunday and Public Holidays excepted), from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. daily. Saturdays 9 a.m. to 12 noon, to receive payment of such rates. Please note that as the TENTH falls on a SATURDAY, the OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THAT DATE at 12 NOON.

Ratepayers are particularly requested to bring RATE NOTICES when paying rates, also, to give notice to the Collector of any change of ownership or if the occupier of properties in order that the ROLLS may be as complete as possible.

CORPORATIONS are also requested to TAKE NOTICE that NOMINATIONS UNDER SEAL for representatives to be placed on the rolls MAY BE LODGED at this office, NOT LATER THAN 10th JUNE, 1933.

By order,
BEN JOHNSON,
Town Clerk and Engineer

Town Hall, Preston.
5/5/1933.

Preston Council Elections

CENTRAL WARD

A MEETING of friends and supporters will be held in the Preston Town Hall on MONDAY NIGHT NEXT, MAY 8, to complete arrangements for the campaign.

Vote: DAVIS, A. C.
S. T. GREY, Secretary.

Amusement

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE, PRESTON

6 MASSED BANDS 6

CRAMER STREET PARK, 3 p.m.
PRESTON CITY HALL, 8.30 p.m.
Sunday, May 14

Bands will march from various points of the city, arriving at the Park at 3 p.m.

Community hymns, sacred band music and combined choirs will be given at the evening session.

Collection in aid of above at each performance.

Cr. H. P. ZWAR, M.L.A., Chairman
WM. WARD, Organiser.

Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary

For Queen Victoria Hospital

WILL hold a Euchre Party & Dance for the Jubilee Celebrations in the Northcote Town Hall on TUESDAY, MAY 9, at 8 p.m. Admission 1/-.

The Annual Meeting will be held in Dispensary Hall, Gooch St., Thornbury, on WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, at 2.30 p.m. The Mayor (Cr. A. H. Olds) will preside.

Mrs. E. B. SCOTT,
Hon. Sec., JW1550.

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PRESTON
v
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At Preston Park
SATURDAY AFTERNOON
at 2.45

Membership Tickets on sale outside gates. Adults 7/-. Juvenile 3/6.

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Show you are actually interested in your club's affairs by buying a ticket. Do not be dismayed by recent failures.

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NORTHCOTE F.C. DANCE

The next assembly dance will be held at the Masonic Hall, Wednesday, May 17. The dance last Wednesday proved highly enjoyable, and further dances are being eagerly looked forward to.

Amusements

EUCHRE, Anglers' Hall, Murray Rd., Preston, Wednesday and Saturday, 8.30 p.m. Admission 1/-. Good prizes.

Old Time and Modern Dance

PICCADILLY Palais, David St., Preston.—EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT. Palma Waltz Competition, judge and popular votes, silver cups. Mildren's Band. Adm. 10d.—A. Dominici, M.C.

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ENTER for the various competitions to be held at St. Mary's Hall, East Preston, cnr. Tyler St. and Plenty Rd., FRIDAY and SATURDAY, MAY 5 and 6. Open at 3 p.m.
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FRIDAY & SATURDAY, MAY 12 & 13
Afternoons at 3, Evenings at 7.30.

WILL be opened by the Mayoress (Mrs. A. E. Newton) on Friday afternoon. Programme by Mrs. Lawson Friday evening and Saturday afternoon. Displays by pupils of Miss R. L. McDonald. Lucky number for school boys and for girls. Apron and Cooking Competitions. — President, Mrs. A. E. Newton. Mayoress; Hon. Treas., Mrs. A. K. Allchin; Hon. Sec., Mrs. F. Sheppard.

A PUBLIC MEETING

will be held in the
SUPPER ROOM, TOWN HALL, PRESTON
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TUESDAY, MAY 9, at 8 p.m.
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Life Saving and Swimming Club

All interested invited to be present.
J. A. HOGAN.
Convenor.

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GRAND SALE OF GIFTS

will be held at
10 MARTIN STREET
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3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.

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NORTHCOTE TOWN HALL
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AT MASONIC HALL
On WEDNESDAY, MAY 17
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FAIRFIELD HOLD-UP

THIEVES OBTAIN £25

GIRL ATTACKED AT HER HOME

After threatening to shoot a girl who was alone in a house in Rathmines street, Fairfield, on Saturday afternoon unless she told him where money was kept, an armed thief blindfolded the girl, struck her on the side of her face, and stole £25 in notes and silver.

Miss Florence Conran, aged 16 years, dressmaker, who lives with her aunt and uncle, Mr. A. Lee, fuel merchant, of Rathmines street, Fairfield, reported to the police that at about a quarter past 4 o'clock on Saturday afternoon she was alone in the house when two young men came to the back door. On learning that Mr. Lee was not at home, one of the men produced a revolver and said to Miss Conran, "If you do not tell me where the money is I will shoot you." After some hesitation Miss Conran, indicated that the money was in a drawer in the sideboard. The thief then pushed her on to a couch, tied a handkerchief over her eyes, and dealt her two blows on the left cheek. He then took Mr. Lee's money, amounting to £25, and with the second man, who had waited at the door, he disappeared into Rathmines street. The girl is also suffering from shock, while her left cheek was swollen and discoloured. After aunt said that she had stood up to the ordeal with remarkable fortitude. She added that at first the girl thought the two men were joking with her, and for some time refused to disclose where the money was hidden. With a revolver pressed into her back she was forced to produce the money, and was then struck on the face.

APPROACHING AUCTIONS

By C. H. Burnham (G. T. Bourke auctioneer), at 3 p.m. on May 20, on the property 72 Clarke street, Northcote, d.f.w.h. four-roomed villa and sleep-out, on land 38 x 130ft. Particulars elsewhere.

Picadilly Palma Waltz Competition

IN the presence of a good master of dancers, the first semi-final of the Palma waltz competition, held by committee of the Picadilly Palais, David street, Preston, under the supervision of Mr. T. Dominick, eventuated last Tuesday evening, when the judges' decision was in favor of Mr. J. Jacobs and Miss D. Crabtree and Mr. Howden and partner. The popular vote went to Mr. S. McLoin and partner, and Mr. F. Wagstaff and partner, who in each heat are to compete in the final. Next Tuesday patrons to the Piccadilly will see competitors in the second semi-final, when some delightful dancing will be witnessed.

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NORTHCOTE JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

A GALAXY OF ATTRACTIONS

IN connection with the Jubilee Celebrations a sports carnival will be held at the Northcote Park on May 20 commencing at 3 p.m. and will be preceded by a procession timed to start at the corner of Dundas and High streets at 2 p.m. and proceeding along High street and Westgarth streets to the Park. An interesting programme should suit all tastes and provide an enjoyable afternoon. Among other attractions the local schools will compete for the athletic championship of the city for which three valuable silver cups have been provided. Footrunning, cycling and national dancing events will be staged and a display will be given by the Fire Brigades Board gymnastic team and the Board's Band. The Northcote Soldiers' and Citizen's Band and the local schools' bands will render selections during the afternoon, and a number of sideshows and novelties will be introduced.

On Friday, May 19 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. and on Saturday, May 20 at 7 p.m. a bazaar will be held in the Town Hall, where, in addition to the usual stalls, games &c., a novel event will take place in the L.E.E. (lucky envelope bazaar). In connection with this latter attraction a number of very valuable gifts have been donated by local business people and city firms, and all those who attend and purchase a 1/ envelope will not only receive a definite gift but also will obtain a chance in procuring one of a number of special gifts such as a gas cooker, 2 blocks of land, hall stand, writing desk, 2 gentleman's clothes made to order, 2 gentleman's overcoats, bridge chair, and lounge chair. An additional attraction at the bazaar on Friday will be community singing from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

A Pleasant Sunday Afternoon will be held in the Town Hall on Sunday, May 21, at which the Attorney-General (Hon. J. G. Latham, M.P.), a former resident of the city, will give an address. A splendid programme will be provided by the Northcote and District Choral Society, which in itself is a sufficient guarantee for an enjoyable afternoon. It is not often that citizens have an opportunity of receiving such an eminent personality as Mr. Latham and it is felt that a large gathering will assemble.

A card afternoon will take place on the afternoon of Wednesday, May 24, in the Town Hall and in the evening a gala night will be held in the Northcote Theatre and citizens and Mrs. D. Crabtree and Mr. Howden and partner. The popular vote went to Mr. S. McLoin and partner, and Mr. F. Wagstaff and partner, who in each heat are to compete in the final. Next Tuesday patrons to the Piccadilly will see competitors in the second semi-final, when some delightful dancing will be witnessed.

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Everyone needs soup, and choice Indigood it is when made from Hosking's gravy beef at 3d. lb.—429 High St., Northcote.

Here's something tasty! Prime ox tripe 4½d. lb. this week-end at Hosking's, 429 High St., Northcote.

A MATRIMONIAL ENTANGLEMENT

PRESTON CHEMIST AND WIFE

FOR quite a long time on Thursday Messrs. T. J. McMahon (chairman) and H. F. Tullach, J.'sP. listened in Preston Court to stories told by husband, wife, and mother, and an aunt of the defendant in a case in which Beryl Ann Smith sought a maintenance order for herself and one child against Wm. H. Smith, chemist, Murray road, Preston.

Mr. Mark Lazarus represented the wife and Mr. H. Minogue the husband.

Mr. Minogue told the court that the case was one of those unfortunate matrimonial entanglements of the day.

Mr. McMahon asked whether there was any chance of a settlement between the parties. Mr. Minogue did not think so and mentioned that divorce proceedings between the parties were pending.

Mr. Lazarus said Smith was in a good way of business as a chemist at Preston and he also had an income from an estate in Sydney. The parties had differences and the wife went to live with her mother at Middle Park. Smith allowed his wife £2 per week and took food to the house for her and gave a car to his wife. Subsequently he took it away and Mr. Lazarus went to the house at Preston was denied the wife, and on the advice of the police Mrs. Smith left the entrance. Upon seeking an explanation from Smith regarding the seizure of the car, the wife was ordered out of the house by Smith. The child was of a sickly nature and was in a nursing home. Smith promised to allow his wife and child 30/ a week.

Beryl Ann Smith said:—I was married to Smith in December 1928. My husband knew I was not well. With his consent I went away to stay at my mother's place for four or five weeks. He promised to employ a maid to wait on me but the promise was not kept. One evening I was in my car with a friend, a Mr. Cooney, when my husband took possession of the car and drove off. I went to the house on Easter Saturday and found it locked up. I saw the police and afterwards gained entrance. I sought the return of the car, but failed to obtain it. Defendant refused to live in the house with me. He slammed the door in my face and turned the key in the door. Later he turned mother, the baby and myself out on to the verandah. Eventually we managed to get in at an early hour in the morning. I was told my presence was illegal. I have been in receipt of 30/ per week for the support of myself and the baby. I owe £1 a week for the keep of the child. When I was locked out of the house rain was falling.

To Mr. Minogue: — I was very angry with my husband for taking the car away.

Mr. Minogue—Your husband discovered you in a car in Albert road near Albert Park Lake with a man?—Yes.

Were there two bottles of beer in the car?—Yes; but they were unopened.

The lights were all out?—Not all of them.

Which of them were alight?—The tail light (Laughter).

Continuing her evidence Mrs. Smith said she stayed at Brighton Beach hotel for two nights where a Mr. Corney was employed as a barman. She disliked Preston intensely but she did not dislike housework. She did not tell a Mrs. Taylor that she was leaving her home definitely. She did not have "a boy friend." She knew a Miss Barnaby, an aunt of defendant's and had telephoned Mr. Cooney from the aunt's place.

Mr. Minogue: — When you knew you were going to have a child did you telephone Cooney?—I don't remember.

Did Miss Barnaby say it was a shocking thing when you proposed to take the baby out when you were going to meet another man?—No.

Ida Villiers, a resident of Middle Park, mother of last witness, said:—"My daughter had a bad turn at my house and it was arranged that she should stay with me until she got better. My daughter had no intention of leaving her husband, who visited my house twice a week. On Easter Saturday my daughter and I went to the house at Preston but quently he took it away. My daughter was in

Visit Preston's Busy Whiteway

What Preston People Are Doing

By The Rousabout.

They Say—

THAT the Preston F.C. second 18 is holding its own remarkably well.

That last Saturday at the Motordrome they defeated Brighton by 20 goals to behinds to 10 goals 8 behinds.

That the second 18 has taken part in five games so far, meeting with one defeat.

That Fireman Kirkland was doing relief duty at Ivanhoe on Wednesday.

That a Preston identity mourns the loss of a faithful fiddle-back walking stick, which he inadvertently left on a seat at the Northcote railway station on Tuesday.

That the actions and antics of a crowd of unwanted sightseers at a double wedding at Thornbury last Saturday beggar description.

That many well-dressed women, who ought to have known better, acted like street "hoodlumesses."

That a report of a presentation made on Wednesday afternoon to Mr. J. F. Deane, late manager of the National Bank at Preston, will appear in next issue of "Leader."

Assisting the Unemployed

THE dance arranged by Sergt. H. Lang in Preston Town Hall on Tuesday evening was one of the social successes of the season. The attendance was about 300, and a thoroughly enjoyable time was spent by the dancers. Among those present were Cr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A., and Mrs. Zwar, the mayor and mayoress of Preston (Cr. A. E. and Mrs. Newton), Cr. H. and Mrs. Swain, Mr. and Mrs. W. Williams (assistant town clerk) and Mrs. Williams, Cr. L. Jones and Marion Wilson with about a dozen lady members of her staff. Mr. Dorn's section made an acceptable commercial showing, and Stubley's orchestra supplied the music. It is expected that the dance, which was in aid of the unemployed fund, will yield £12.

Items giving particulars of dates and places of dances, entertainments, meetings, annual meetings, &c., can only be inserted when accompanied by an advertisement (cost from 1/ upwards). Personal paragraphs and weddings are welcomed by the Editor, and are inserted without charge.

Extraordinary Election

CR. E. F. Norris, returning officer for the forthcoming municipal election for the vacancy in the Central Ward of the Preston Council, caused by the death of Cr. G. E. Robinson, has appointed presiding officers and poll clerks. The date of election is Thursday, May 18, the candidates being Messrs. A. C. Davis and H. J. Hunt. The polling booths are situated at the Town Hall, Preston (Gower street entrance), Methodist Sunday school-room, High and Tyler streets, and the band room at Reservoir. The poll opens at 8 a.m. and closes at 8 p.m.

Life Saving and Swimming Club

THERE was an attendance of about 200 persons at a meeting in the municipal buildings on Tuesday evening with the object of re-forming the Preston Life-saving and Swimming Club. Cr. L. Jones chaired the gathering, which was at times in a fairly talkative mood. The following office-bearers were elected:—President, the mayor (Cr. A. E. Newton); vice-presidents, Messrs. L. F. Green and Naylor; secretary, Mr. C. Sharpe; assistant secretary, Mr. J. E. Moylan; coach, Mr. C. Moxley; captain, Mr. J. Moylan; vice-captain, Miss A. Newman; committee, Messrs. Clarke, Huthnance, Ash, Darby, Misses Bone and Porter. Mr. Collett was appointed representative on the Royal Life Saving Society of Victoria. Among those present was Mr. L. Livingstone, one of the founders of the latter organisation. During the evening the J. W. Robinson silver cup was presented to Doug. Rankin, who put up good performances with the club during the past season.

Flower Day

PRESTON residents were to the fore in the observance of Flower Day this week, and the return from the sale of flowers, groceries, etc., was very satisfactory. Stalls were placed at South Preston State School, High street, Bell and High streets, Tyler street and Plenty road, Regent and High streets, and Reservoir. A band of ladies rendered acceptable assistance in attending to the wants of the callers. Metropolitan charities and hospitals will benefit as a result, and the Preston Ladies' Benevolent Society will receive half of the money collected locally.

West Preston State School boys and girls rose to the occasion and took along 101 pots of jam, 44 packets of Crispies, 12 crystals, 18 eggs, 6lbs. flour and 70 miscellaneous articles, making a total of 242.

£1/1/- Buttons a Success

IT is reported that the £1/1/- buttons issued by the Public Assistance Committee are meeting with a ready sale.

Not Wanted

MR. Percy Clements, treasurer to the Preston Football Club, and Mr. Bert Howse, a vice-president, recently paid a visit to a country town, scouting for likely players for Preston. A football match was in progress, and upon the object of the visit becoming known, local folk lost no time in pointing the way to the exit gate and suggesting the sooner the Preston visitors got on the other side the better. The suggestion, it is stated, was promptly acted upon.

New Buildings in Preston

A NEW weatherboard villa is being erected in Patterson street, Preston, at a cost of £700, and a five-roomed brick villa in Regent street, costing £550, in Hewlett street a villa containing six rooms is to be another addition.

Another New Factory at Preston

YET another new industry is to be established in Preston. This will take the form of a slipper factory, a company having been formed for the purpose. A block of land has been secured on the corner of High and Esther street and building operations with, it is expected, be commenced shortly. A satisfactory price was obtained for the land required.

A Good Deed

MR. E. A. Harrigan, a returned soldier, who carries on business as a tailor in Murray road, Preston, does at least one good deed each day of his life. The Public Assistance Committee supply him with material which is converted into a pair of trousers, which is subsequently handed over to a deserving case in Preston. Mr. Harrigan is to be commended for his generous and kindly action.

Whiteway Lights

THE Whiteway in High street, Preston, is proving a success, and the appearance of the thoroughfare when the lights from either side of the street are in full swing affords a pleasing sight, and is a great improvement on the old style.

Australian Women's Association

THE fortnightly Euchre meeting was held in the Bradford Hall, Preston, on Monday, May 1, the president (Mrs. White) being in the chair. One new member was elected and under new business some interesting social and literary reports were received. A most interesting night call for nominations of office-bearers for the ensuing half-year, a full attendance is requested.

Australia's Champion Band Visits Preston

THE Preston Imperial Band held a successful bazaar in the Old Town Hall on April 28 and 29 for the purpose of raising funds to equip the band with uniforms and instruments. The Mayor of Preston (Cr. A. E Newton) officially opened the bazaar and the Malvern Municipal and Tramways' Band rendered selections. The members of the Malvern band were the guests of the mayor, during the interval, and as this was their first visit to Preston, the Mayor extended an official welcome to the Malvern and Municipal and Tramway's Band and Municipal and Tramway's Band. In replying to the Mayor's welcome Mr. W. Cummins, hon. secretary of the Malvern Band paid a tribute to the abilities of Mr. Tom Campbell as bandmaster. When Mr Harry Shugg left on an extended tour of America and England the Malvern Band (according to Mr Cummins) found themselves in the unenviable position of finding someone to hold this champion band together until his return. Mr. Tom Campbell was chosen and not only kept the band up to its high standard of efficiency but was complimented by Mr. Shugg on the improvement which he had effected during Mr. Shugg's absence. Mr Campbell is the bandmaster of the Preston Imperial Band, and is devoting the same musical energy to this new band as he formerly expended on the Malvern Band, thus assuring the citizens of Preston that in the near future they will have a band of which they will be justly proud.

On Saturday afternoon a nations' dancing contest was held and a very fine display by a large number of entrants in national costume was witnessed.

The Imperial Band entertained a packed hall on Saturday evening and gave the citizens a sample of the high standard of music which they can expect from this band. Mr. Tom Campbell has prepared a strenuous programme of tuition for the winter months, and any person contemplating joining must be prepared to study music thoroughly in order to attain the standard of efficiency set by the bandmaster. The management committee of the Preston Imperial Band desire to thank the citizens of Preston for their generous support of the bazaar.

ATHLETICS

PRESTON AND NORTHCOTE A.A.C.

The club went to Ivanhoe and had a pack run with that club over a five mile course. Before starting Mr. F. Coleman, the Victorian 5 and 10 mile champion, gave a talk on training. He gave hints and answered questions. F. Coleman acted as pacemaker for the first pack. No run in was contested.

Next Saturday the club will conduct a 2 mile unpaced race. The coach, A. Gallagher, is donating a cup for the fastest time, also one for the competitor who states the nearest to his time before starting. These cups are to be competed for annually.

Members are requested not to forget the one mile handicap at North cote Park on May 20.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR

AT King's Birthday week-end some of the Endeavourers from the Northcote and Preston Endeavourers are looking forward to spending it at Diamond Creek.

The Union rally will be held at the Ivanhoe Baptist Church on Tuesday next, at 7.30 p.m., the speaker being Rev. W. H. Hinton, of Clifton Hill.

Six Ivanhoe Endeavourers and one from Fairfield visited a fellowship meeting conducted by the Rev. D. E Reeves, our District Union President at the Northcote Congregational Church on Saturday night.

There was a good attendance at the monthly consecration meeting of the Fairfield Methodist Y.P. Society when the President (Rev. E. J. Little) gave a talk on Psalm 1. This society plans to hold a clothing appeal for the Brunswick street, Fitzroy, Mission, on June 11.

CYCLING

PRESTON AMATEURS

On Saturday the V.A.C.U. held its first open race to Campbellfield. Several of the club members competed W. Carey was riding well until turning into the lane he punctured. Further on his club mates H. Creighton and R. Bell who were both riding strongly got far behind the leaders also had the misfortune to puncture The race resulted—R. Carmen 1, L. Kenney 2, E. Vial 3, E. Chedderton 4, with E. Millikin fastest time.

In the junior division one of the club's most promising riders, J. Andreas rode off the mark of honor (scratch) but failed to gain the time reward.—S. Polan 1, G. Dobbin 2, E. Addes 3 (fastest time G. Byron).

The above club will hold a 20 mile handicap on Plenty road on May 13 All riders are requested to be on their marks at 3.15 sharp.

Motor Car Destroyed

WHILE driving along the Greensborough road near Watsonia Mr. W. B. Welch had a narrow escape from being severely burnt when the car he was driving suddenly caught fire. Flames burst through the floor boards and inflicting minor burns on his hands were the first indications that anything was amiss. By the time the car had been stopped by the side of the road it was completely on fire. The Greensborough Fire Brigade was summoned and under Fireman Butterworth soon had the flames extinguished but not before the back part of the car was completely destroyed. The car, a baby Citroen, was insured for £40 with the Royal Automobile Club Insurance Co.

False Alarm

PRESTON firemen were called out at an early hour on Tuesday morning to the corner of Martin and St. David streets, Northcote, but the alarm was a false one.

Combined Meeting of Mothers' Clubs

A COMBINED meeting of the Preston Mothers' Club was held in the town hall on Wednesday afternoon, Representatives of four schools were present—South, Bell, West and East. Mrs. Webber (president, Bell Mothers' Club) was voted to the chair, and Mrs. Lawlor acted as secretary. It was decided to hold a combined children's fancy dress party in June. A further meeting will be held to arrange for prizes for the "belle of the party." Items from each school, most original and best sustained, and the best couple. There will be twelve prizes.

Preston Boys' Band

A LETTER was received by the bandmaster (Mr. H. Hellings) this week from his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, granting his patronage to the Preston Boys' Band.

Vocational Guidance Council

THE acting director of Education (Mr. J. McRae) visited Preston on Thursday afternoon of last week to declare open the Preston vocational guidance bureau. Mr. McRae was accompanied by the district inspector of schools (Mr. Osborne). The Preston Council has made available a room at the town hall for the bureau. Meetings will be held on alternate Fridays.

BOY SCOUTS

1ST PRESTON TROOP

The troop is again desirous of entering the annual scout boxing championships and P.L. A. Rackham is conducting a class at his home every Friday night. It has been definitely decided that the troop will not have a football team this season. On Anzac night 45 scouts and cubs attended a service in the City Hall and heard an inspiring address by Sergeant Mawson of the Salvation Army. The Friday night dances continue to be popular and will be held as usual to-night. Visitors to the hall are passing favorable comments on the improvements effected recently; a new ticket box at the door, more seating accommodation, back rests around the wall, and the work done to the proposed lawn.

2ND THORNBURY TROOP

At Easter a successful camp under Acting S.M. Lanning, was held at Gilwell Park, Gembrook. The weather was cold, everybody had a good time. Second N. Nicholls has been made bank manager and librarian. For the next three months ambulance work will be the main feature of the work of the troop—a senior course under A.S.M. McEwan and an elementary course under A.S.M. Stonehill. An afternoon out to South Morang will be held on May 20.

Massed Bands at Preston

ON Sunday six massed bands will give a performance in the Cramer street park at 3 p.m. Bands will march from different points and arrive at their destination in time for the opening. In the evening community hymns, sacred band music and combined choirs will be given in the City Hall. Cr. A. E. Newton will preside. Mr. Wm. Ward is organiser.

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NORTHCOTE NOTES

Northcote Red Cross Auxiliary

The monthly meeting was held on May 4. The president (Mrs. A. H. Olsis) was welcomed back after her recent illness. Several new members were proposed. Seventy pillow slips 3 serviettes, and a quantity of medicine bottles were sent to Melbourne Hospital. The usual quarterly visit was paid to Bundoora on April 26, and a concert programme supplying a concert programme, cigarettes, and afternoon tea for the returned mental patients A conversazione is being arranged for June 14, the proceeds of which will go towards the purchase of a diathermy machine for the Melbourne Hospital.

Northcote and Preston Scottish Society

On May 3 a pleasant social and dance was held in the Small Town Hall. During the interval the Chief (Bro. Pearce) presented the pianist (Mrs. A. Fairweather) nee Miss Dora Townsend) with a beautiful silver tea pot as a mark of appreciation of the services she has rendered the society for some years as pianist. Bro. Fairweather suitably responded. The company joined in singing "For They are jolly good Fellows," and three cheers were given for Mr. and Mrs Fairweather.

Concert

On Wednesday evening in the James Street school hall at a concert in aid of the Presbyterian Church Cricket Club, the following programme was given—Action song, "Little Chinese Umbrella," song; "Three Jovial Welshmen," recitation: Master M Clarke; group songs by scholars; song: Miss M. Cassidy; cantata: "Dame Durden's School"; song: Mrs W. Urquhart; recitation: Miss B. Little; songs: Mr. J. Paull; song: "Three Old Maids of Lee,"; and dialogue "The Family Group." The Rev A. T. Jones who presided, thanked Mrs. Urquhart and Miss Ford (organisers) and Mrs. Paull (pianist).

Weights and Measures Prosecutions

Cr. Olver informed the Northcote Council on Monday that during the past quarter there had been many prosecutions against tradespeople for short weight, and short measure of goods sold in the Union's district. There had, however, been none in Northcote. It was decided that in a new bill which the Union desired to become law provision was made for the inspection of the measure given by petrol pumps and oil measures.

Heatherton Sanatorium

An election will be held on May 18 to fill the vacancy on the Heatherton Sanatorium Board caused by the death of the late Cr. Robinson, of Preston. Northcote Council is nominating Cr. Hayes and Preston is nominating Cr. W. Adams. Northcote and Preston will exchange preferences.

A conference of Municipalities will be held at the Melbourne Town Hall on May 30 to elect a representative to the Motor Omnibus Advisory Committee, in place of the late Cr. Robinson, of Preston.

Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary

Tuesday night saw quite a gathering at the Northcote town hall when the above auxiliary held a euchre and bridge party and dance for the Jubilee Celebrations. An attendance of 200 was recorded and prizes were won by Miss Neumann and Mr. Page (euchre); Mrs. J. J. Ryan and Mrs. Delaney (bridge), and Mrs. Frankish won a bottle of eau-de-Cologne donated by one of the ladies. The next meeting of the auxiliary will be held on Wednesday afternoon, May 17 in the Dispensary Hall, Thornbury.

Fires

On May 6 the fire brigade was summoned to the gate house on the railway line in Hutton street. The fire had been occasioned by the upsetting of a methylated spirit lamp. The building is owned by the Victorian Railway Department and is occupied by J. H. Fairy. W. Fairy, 14 years of age, was severely burned

On May 9, at 40 Separation street, a four-roomed dwelling owned by the executors of the estate of the late Jno Watson, and occupied by Mrs. Watson, caught alight. The fire was extinguished by the brigade but the kitchen and bath room were severely damaged.

Thornbury Younger Set

Thornbury Younger Set held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, 9th inst at the home of Misses E. and D. Murray, when the president Miss J. Clack occupied the chair. Arrangements were made for the forthcoming revue and dance. The hostesses provided a lavish supper and afterwards the merry throng danced. The next meeting will be held at the home of the president, Miss J. Clack, at 26 Ballantyne street, Thornbury, on Thursday, May 18. New members are invited to attend.

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TURF NOTES

By "LUTEPLAYER"

A CONVINCING WIN

By winning the first division of the Trial Handicap at Ascot on Saturday Highway completed the "hat trick," having won at the course a week earlier, and previous to that at Kyneton. When Highway won at the course a week earlier his galloping was impressive, but his success last Saturday was even more convincing. The Saltash gelding galloped more kindly this time, not attempting to hang out as he did the previous week. He was never further back than third, and he galloped brilliantly in the straight to comfortably defeat City Gate.

Highway is in particularly good heart at present, and he should be heard of again, and in better company.

A CONSISTENT FILLY

City Gate was given two outings at Ascot on Saturday. After finishing second to Highway, she was produced again for the Welter Handicap, and once more was beaten into second place. At her second start, however, she was beaten only in the last few strides.

In her first race City Gate went to the lead half a mile from home, but the "Welter" was one of the tail-enders until approaching the home turn, where she quickly went round the field to lead by the time heads were straightened for the run home, but she was caught and beaten in the last few strides by Anniswood. W. Duncan, rider of the latter, exercised greater patience and showed more judgment in the timing of his run than S. Blyth, and in the tight finish Duncan was also far too vigorous for Blyth.

City Gate is a consistent filly. During April she started seven times for as many wins, although she lost one on protest. These were in the Albury and Wangaratta districts. She is a daughter of the Melbourne Cup winner, King Ingoda, and it is a pity that she is getting so much racing. Handled with more patience she could be placed to an advantage.

THE DAWN PATROL

The successful Flemington trainer, Steve Murphy, has been trying to win an Ascot Five Hundred for some time, and has on several occasions provided the favorite for the race; but he did not gain a success until The Dawn Patrol won for him on Saturday.

The Dawn Patrol opened favorite and appeared likely to go out at comparatively long odds, but solid support for Eminere caused him to ease a little, and at starting time the pair shared favoritism. Duncan always had The Dawn Patrol handy to the leaders, and the gelding came home well to win by more than a length.

The Dawn Patrol, a three-year-old gelding by The Night Patrol, having struck his true form, can be expected to go on to other successes.

LIKELY IMPROVERS

Runners at Ascot on Saturday and Caulfield on Tuesday who impressed as likely improvers are:—

Ascot

GERHAPNA was a certainty beaten in the second division of the Trial. After being last early the mare pushed up into the field at the back of the course and immediately was pocketed. Finally she had to come on the outside of the field turning for home. She finished second, six lengths behind Snowland, after giving her ten lengths start. That speaks for itself.

STARDOM, third in Five Hundred, was impressive. He was the last to move and in making his run in the straight had an interrupted passage.

BETTODA led and finished fourth in the Welter. It was not the Bettoda of a few months ago, but the display was a vast improvement on her form at the same course a week earlier, and she should continue to improve.

AZWARBY made a good showing and finished fourth in the Five Hundred, and then went on to finish second to Thracian Prince at Caulfield. Should soon have a winning turn.

MANHATTAN GIRL showed a lot of pace in the Juvenile Handicap. It was only her second start so she is capable of improvement. By Manfred from Chatelaine.

Caulfield

FULHAM ran on gamely in second place in Trial Hurdle. Racing consistently without luck, but due for a change of fortune.

SAROKOS set a merry pace in Trial Hurdle but weakened to third place. This four-year-old gelding by Sarchedon is a brilliant jumper, but as yet wanting in stamina. However, he should improve with racing.

MY TALISMAN, having first public outing over hurdles, was shaping like a danger when he blundered at second last obstacle in Trial Hurdle. He looks the type who will make a good jumper.

SERGEANT MAJOR should have won the Auxiliary Handicap. Was carried right off the course by Porcia and then lost by only half a length to his stable mate Kalili.

PROTEA, second to Viol d'Amour, indicates that she has returned to form, and she should pay to follow.

SILTRAY was a bit slow to begin but finished well to gain third place in Trial (second division). Should win over a journey.

EAGLE EYE found Count Orloff too good for him in Welter (first division), but he is a fair galloper who will win a race before long.

DONACE, third in Welter (first division) was his best effort for some time, and he may continue to improve.

Moonee Valley—Saturday

Moonee Valley will be the venue of racegoers to-morrow (Saturday). The programme is a varied one and racing should be interesting.

BEST BETS

Consideration of the credentials of the candidates for the various races suggests that the best bets may be:—

BON HAVEN and REDDITCH.

The former broke a run of ill-luck with a convincing win at Williamstown and has done well since. Redditch likewise was impressive in beating the Mentone Brush Steeple field. He schooled well over the Valley fences last week.

SELECTIONS

BANYA HURDLE

BON HAVEN 1
ELARBY 2
LYNDEY 3

TWO & THREE-YEAR-OLD

THRACIAN PRINCE 1
CITY GATE 2
TO KALON 3

BRUNSWICK STEEPLE

REDDITCH 1
CALFLY 2
WHURLIC 3

NONYA HANDICAP
(Apprentice Riders)

HGH BRAE 1
THRALONG 2
YAROPIAN 3

KEERA WELTER

EARL LEICESTER 1
LAST COURT 2
THE DAWN PATROL 3

MORANG HANDICAP

CHILPERIC 1
EASTERN GLOW 2
SEMITIST 3

CRICKET

WEST PRESTON PROGRESS CRICKET CLUB

Tennis Tournament

At the private courts of Mr. Ray Barnett, Cramer street, a successful tennis tournament for the club's championship was concluded during the week-end. The final set was very even, contested and exciting, the result being a popular win for Miss D. Merritt and Mr. J. Setches, defeating Messrs. S. Dineen and N. Eyre 6—5.

REGENT CRICKET

Due to lack of patronage the club has decided to suspend its fortnightly socials until further notice. At the socials held on May 3 the following list of prizes were distributed:—Euchre, Mr. L. Bott and Miss Letchford; consolations, Miss M. O'Connor and Mr. J. Hamilton; Monte Carlo, Mr. Colston and Miss E. Kruse; lucky number, Mr. R. Cameron.

SOCCER

Preston d Brighton

On Saturday Preston created the surprise of the day by defeating Brighton in their first grade fixture by 6 goals to nil at Preston. A feature of the game was the 5 goals scored by Preston's centre-forward McIver, who was also responsible for the other. Preston had to start without their two clever full-backs, Smith and Macauley. On their arrival Preston supporters soon saw their error in stride. After 15 minutes J. T Gray almost opened the scoring. The goal-keeper fumbled and McIver, dashing in, put Preston one up. This put Preston on their game and from a free kick taken by J. T. Gray McIver cleverly headed past the goal-keeper and good open football was played but Brighton could not get past the strong defence. The Gray Abram combination on the right was good. After a splendid run Abram put one over and McIver made no mistake to head his third and complete the "hat trick."

After half-time McIver took the ball out to the wings and Abram, crossing to the centre, received a perfect pass which enabled him to dash through and score Preston's fourth Brighton were completely outclassed McIver, getting into range, added the fifth and four minutes from the end new McIver, from a pass from Thorpe, bring the sixth (his fifth goal) with a terrific drive; the goal-keeper made an attempt to save but could not hold it. The whole of Preston's team played well if Saturday's form can be kept up the honors will undoubtedly come to Preston. McIver is certainly the live wire of Preston's team, his shooting ability is remarkable; of the 15 goals his tally is 12 With the assistance of Abram, J. Gray, Thorpe, and Knowles (who is at present on the injured list) will certainly worry the best of defences The half-back line, Colgrave who has been eight years with the club is playing at his best. Muzzell, the centre-half, is just a last yet, but if kept in the one position will make a "star." Jones, the new left- half-forward, showed good form; the full-backs, Smith and Macauley, are recognised champions and Crook, in goal, holds his own with the best.

On Saturday the team has been drawn to play at Westhaggi in the first round of the Dockery Cup. A bus will leave about 11.30; particulars can be had from the secretary Mr. F. Phillips, 8 Pender's street East Preston.

HAZEL GLEN

It was announced in St. John's Church of England on Sunday that the Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne had advised that the Diocese had arranged to allow the temporary arrangement of the union of the Parochial districts of Mernda, Hazel Glen and Whittlesea to continue for one year as the Rev. H. E. E. Hayes had made a generous offer which it had hoped would help Whittlesea district to reduce the burden of debt. The Hazel Glen contribution in the re-arrangement would be reduced from £60 a year to £30.

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A girl aged about 18 years has reported to the Preston police that she was attacked by a man near her home early on Monday night. The girl stated that she was going to meet a young man when she heard sounds like groans from a vacant allotment in Hall grove, and saw a man lying on the grass near the footpath. Suddenly the man sprang up, threw her overcoat over her head, and struck her on the forehead. The girl lost consciousness, and when she recovered she found that her friend, who had discovered her on the allotment, was taking her to a doctor. Inquiries are being made by a detective.

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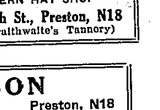
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ENGAGEMENT

The engagement has been announced of Miss Jean Robertson, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Robertson, of Nicholson street, North Carlton, to Mr. Syd. Bull, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Bull, of Ballantyne street, Thornbury.

DEATH

ROBINSON (Williams).—On the 10th May, 1933, at her residence, 93 Clarendon street, Thornbury, Victoria, dearly loved mother of William G. V. Williams, R.A.N., killed in action at New Guinea, and Lillian Maude (Mrs. Anthonsen), mother-in-law of Martin, and grandma of Lily, Andrew, Mavis (deceased). Aged 76 years.

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PERSONAL

Mr. T. A. Sands, Queen street, Regent has returned after a fortnight's stay in Sydney, N.S.W.

On Monday, Mr. J. H. Newell, who was well known in Northcote and Thornbury passed away at the residence of his son at Gordon street, Footscray. For some time Mr. Newell has been unwell but his sudden end was unexpected. For many years Mr. Newell has conducted a knitwear business in conjunction with his sister-in-law (Mrs. Wright) at Thornbury and latterly a move was made to Northcote. The funeral took place on Wednesday, the remains being interred at the Strathallan cemetery. The survivors are two sons Eric (Footscray) and Gordon (Church of Christ minister, Inverness, N.S.W.).

On May 5 at Wycheproof a well-known resident of Preston, Mr Vance ("Mick") White died suddenly He was the youngest son of the late Mr. A. White, for many years a florist in the district. Vance was an employe of the Preston City Council till the depression deprived him of his position and he had to seek employment in the country. He was well known in the sporting community being a former member and player of the East Preston Cricket and Football Clubs. Three brothers, Albert, Herbert, and Roy and sister Ena (Mrs. T. Holman) remain.

The funeral of Master Frederick John Toohey, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Toohey, of Collier street, Preston, took place at the Strathallan Cemetery on April 28. There was a representative gathering of citizens who assembled to pay a tribute of sympathy to the parents and to mark the deep loss sustained by the community by the death of one of its most promising schoolboys Amongst those who attended was the Mayor of Preston (Cr. A. E. Newton J.P.), Mr. Bennett, head teacher of the South Preston State school, Mr Geo Pike, Mr. E. G. Green and representatives of the South Preston State school Committee, Mothers' Club South Preston State school, Preston branch R.S.S.I.L.A., Preston sub-branch R.S.S.I.L.A. and the staff and scholars of the South Preston State school. The large number of wreaths placed upon the coffin was a remarkable tribute to the high esteem in which the deceased and his parents are held. As the funeral cortege passed the school the scholars of the South Preston State school were lined up on both sides of the road with bowed heads in a striking tribute to their late fellow scholar The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Parsons, of St. Mary's Church and the arrangements were in the hands of Mr. Lewis, of High street, Northcote.

Mr. Clive Thornycroft, Woodland street, Preston was the recipient of congratulations from many friends on the occasion of his 21st birthday on Monday, May 1.

Mr. Lang, stationmaster at Bell is away on annual leave.

Sister Holland is recuperating at Portarlington.

Mr. R. Prowse, Clerk of Courts at Preston and Northcote is on annual leave. Mr. E. O'Connell, of the Crown law staff is doing temporary duty in place of Mr. Prowse.

Constable McRae, of Brunswick is on duty at Preston, during the absence on holidays of P.C. Edgerton.

Another temporary appointment at Preston police station is Constable Roberts, from the depot, St. Kilda road, in place of Constable Hopkins.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. W. Zwar, a brother of Cr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A. The sad occurrence took place at King Island, where Mr. Zwar was engaged in farming pursuits. The deceased gentleman leaves a widow and married daughter (Mrs. Hepburn), both of whom reside at Bruce street, Preston.

The passing of Mr. H. Auty, of Harold street, Thornbury, on Thursday, May 4, removes a very old and highly-respected citizen of Northcote Mr. Auty took a very keen interest in friendly society work being a past member of the Board of Directors of the Druid's Lodge, a P.D.P. and treasurer of the Prince of Wales Lodge and in 1910 was installed as the first Arch Druid of the Preston Druids Lodge. During the years when his health permitted him to do so, he never missed an opportunity of attending the Preston Lodge where his advice was frequently availed of. The funeral took place last Saturday when members of both societies attended to pay their final respects to a member whose memory they will always cherish.

Mr. and Mrs. Ern Jensen, jun., of West Brunswick, are rejoicing in the advent of a daughter to the home circle.

The Week's Social Gossip

Card Party at Preston.—A well attended card party was held at the home of Mrs. Allchin, Collins street, Preston, on Saturday night in aid of the renovation and repair fund of the Y.M.C.A. Hostel for boys at Wardrop House. Both bridge and five hundred were played and prizes were won by Miss Jean Waud, Miss Waters, and Mr. J. Dein. Musical items were rendered by Mr. Gordon Irwin Mrs. Dwyer, Madam Ashton and Miss McNee. Mr. Tom Pollock thanked Mrs. Allchin and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Irwin for their assistance and support in hostel work. Mrs Allchin briefly responded. £10 was collected and was handed over to Mr. Pollock. Community singing concluded a most enjoyable evening. Among those present were.—Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Williams, Major and Mrs. A. Dwyer, Major and Mrs. S. T. Grey, Mr. and Mrs. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. T. Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. Way, Mr and Mrs. Booth, Mr. and Mrs. Newnham, Mr. and Mrs. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Ali Khan, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Moate; Misses Anderson, Meta Dale, Walker, McMillen. Grenville, Hazel Clowes, Barnes, Sedgeman, Daniels, McKenna Iris Ashton, Rita Ashton, Jean Waud, Evelyn Jones, Waters, Rojo; Messrs Allen, Williams, Ashton, O'Shea, J. Harvey, Lang, Yann, Booth C. Fraser, Armstrong, Barnes, J. Binrey, Dale; L. Thompson, Russell H. Linake, H. Linake jun., Hubert Osborne, Keith Armstrong, W. Irwin R. Hewitt, Tull, Jack Law, Allan Galagher.

To celebrate the coming-of-age of their daughter Alma, Mr. and Mrs. W. Webster gave a delightful evening at their home, 5 Haig street, Regent, on Saturday, May 6, when about 60 guests were present. Miss A. Webster wore a frock of orange satin with a white fur shoulder cape, and black and silver shoes. The hostess wore a navy floral crepe-le-chene. The guest of honor was presented with a key by her father during the dainty supper served in a beautifully decorated marquee. Miss Webster was the recipient of many beautiful and costly presents, and after her response to the toast proposed by Mr Edney, was presented with a bouquet of sweet peas and mignonette given by Mrs. Powell. Mr. Heslipe was chairman.

"Merry-Makers" Tennis Dance. — The "Merry-Makers" held a successful musical evening and dance at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Noel "St. Heliers" Plant street, Westgarth (the parents of one of the members) The dance room was beautifully decorated and reflected much credit on Mr. Geoff Noel. Songs by Misses McKay and Phillips and recitations by Miss Lovel and Mrs. Walker were much appreciated. During the evening a box of chocolates was disposed of and was won by Miss G. Dee Members greatly appreciated Mr and Mrs. Noel's hospitality.

Miss Margaret Squires and her friend, Miss Beryl Glover, both of Sydney, who came over with the New South Wales Baseball Team, are about to return after spending a very pleasant fortnight with her cousin, Mrs. J. A. Thomson, 41 Mitchell street, Northcote.

An enoyable musical afternoon, arranged by Mrs. D. Graham, under the auspices of the Ladies Guild, of the Church of Epiphany, was held on May 3 in the School hall, when an excellent programme was rendered by the Meadames Roggeson, Webb and Riddell, Miss A. Taylor and Mr Smith (songs); recitations by Mis Beryl Cook; violin solos by Messrs R. Bohme and W. Bouchier. The accompanists were Mesdames Cohen Graham and Miss Parker.

Among the passengers by the "Oronsay," which left for London last week, was Mrs. B. Cooper, of "Iona." Stott street, Northcote, who is paying a visit to her homeland Prior to her departure Mrs. Cooper at a meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Holy Trinity Church, Thornbury was presented with a book, and wished "bon voyage."

Mrs. Hannaford, of Reservoir, has returned from a holiday in Mooroopoona in connection with the "Back to Mooroopoona" movement.

On May 3, at the Reservoir Palais a coming-of-age party was given by Mr. and Mrs. S. Coffey, of 15 Cheddar road, Reservoir for their daughter Ivy. About 120 friends and relatives were present, the party taking the form of a dance. Miss Coffey was made the recipient of many beautiful presents, and during supper was presented with a large key. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Uren, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Miss Davies, Miss E. Hogg, Messrs Kilkenny, Matthews and J. Thompson.

South Preston Mothers' Club.—The fortnightly euchre party arranged by the above club was well attended on Wednesday evening (May 3) at Menhennitts Hall, Plenty road. The prizewinners were Mrs. Hosking and Mr. Jamieson. The next party will take the form of a euchre and dance.

DOUBLE WEDDING

THE following is a description of a double wedding celebrated at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Thornbury, on May 6 by Rev. Father Vaughan. The reception was held at the Preston Town Hall, where Mrs. Olorenshaw, of Normanby Hall, Thornbury, catered for both the breakfast and the supper which concluded the social evening. Items were given by Miss McDonald and Mrs. Hussey (songs) and Miss Sheila Nicholson (recitations).

SMITH—ROBERTS

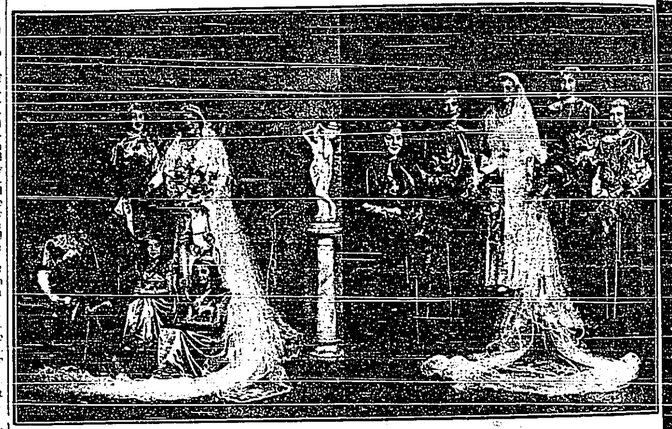
On May 6, Rev. Father Vaughan solemnised the marriage of Mr. Laurence Leslie Smith and Miss Helen Beryl Roberts, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Len Roberts, of 101 Flinders street, Thornbury. The groom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Smith, Park crescent, Fairfield. Chantilly lace cut on fitting lines, with a sweeping flared skirt, and the whole gown trimmed with bands of dull soft satin formed the bridal frocking worn with a charming headdress and veil and in place of flowers she carried a white Prayer Book. As attendants, Misses Phyl Roberts, Thelma Smith, Joyce Roberts and Kath Mahoney made a dainty quartette in coral pink chiffon velvet frocks with silver sequin toques bearing velvet leaves to match their frocks. Sheaves of coral pink gladioli and blue delphiniums with coral ribbons were their flowers. Mr. Henry Kerwin was best man and Messrs James Pilkington, Arthur Quick and Joe Clementson were groomsmen. During the stirring of the register Miss McDonald sang "Ave Maria." The reception was held in the Preston Town Hall where 150 guests were entertained at the breakfast. Mrs. Roberts wore a black chiffon velvet gown with white peau d'ange lace yoke and long sleeves. A black toque with white trimming and a posy of Duchesse of York pansies completed her toilette. The groom's mother was smart in a deep red chiffon velvet gown with contee trimmed with fawn fur. Red velvet also was her toque and she carried red carnations and autumn leaves. For the reception Mrs. Olorenshaw, of Normanby Hall, Thornbury, catered and also for the supper which was served to the 300 friends who attended the evening. The couple left for Sydney where the honoymoon will be spent.

BRAY—McDONALD

Rev. Father Vaughan officiated at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Thornbury, on May 6 when Mr. William J. Bray and Miss Flora Josephine McDonald were married. The bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. McDonald, of 121 Hutton street, Thornbury, and was given away by her father. The Lurel Ave Maria was sung during the ceremony by Miss I. McDonald. A gown of ivory satin and lace was worn by the bride and the tulle veil was caught with a Limerick lace cap fastened with orange blossom. White chrysanthemums, roses, lilies, orchids and pink lupins were arranged in the bridal bouquet. Misses Rhoda and Beatrice McDonald attended their sister, and the train of tulle was carried by Betty Stokes and Bendet Hussey, who were frocked alike, as miniature maids with bouquets of autumn pansies and chrysanthemums. The bridesmaids were attractive in apricot ring velvet frocks with caps trimmed with silver lame. Matching toques and Autumn flowers completed their toilettes. Mr. J. Bray supported his brother as best man and Mr. J. McAleer was groomsman. The groom is the eldest son of Mrs. S. Bray and the late Mr. J. Bray, of St. Arnaud.

A reception was held in the Preston Town Hall, and the groom's mother wore a black lace gown with black hat and posy of carnations for her costume, and the bride's mother, receiving, wore a black angel skin lace and georgette gown and a black velvet coat with ermine collar. For travelling the bride chose a brown and orange flat crepe dress with silver Musquash coat (the groom's gift). The honeymoon will be spent in Sydney and the couple will settle at 7 Hawker avenue, Preston, on their return. Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. W. McDonald (grandparents of the bride), Mrs. R. Street (grandmother of the bride), Mrs. Wild (bride's great-aunt), Mrs. S. Veale (groom's sister), and Mrs. B. Allen (groom's sister). Mr. J. Hussey proposed the toast of the bridal couple, and Mr. W. Reilly that of the parents. Many valuable and handsome presents were received by the couple.

WEDDINGS OF THE WEEK



DOUBLE WEDDING AT ST. MARY'S R.C. CHURCH, THORNBURY. Left: Mrs. Wm. J. Bray (nee Flora McDonald) and her bridesmaids. Right: Mrs. L. L. Smith (nee Miss Helen Beryl Roberts) with her attendants. (Cyril Stevens Photo)

SOCIAL NOTES

Preston Ladies' Bowling Club.—A most pleasant party was given at the Club on Wednesday night, May 3, the hostesses being Mesdames Allchin, Conlon, Fleming and Sinclair. Misses Breese, Crowe and Shattock provided an efficient orchestra, and excellent solo items were given by Miss Crowe (violin) and Miss Shattock, whose piano item of her own composition brought forth great applause. Mrs. Stevenson and Miss Wallace rendered vocal items, and Miss Grant was applauded for her recitations. Mr. Downie's witty sketches were well received by the good attendance.

On Sunday, at 3 p.m., a Pleasant Sunday Afternoon will be held in the Northcote town hall when leading artists will give their services.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Thompson, of 245 High street, Preston quietly celebrated their silver wedding anniversary last month.

At the Sunbeam Cafe, which opens to-day, at 208 High street, Northcote opposite Town Hall, a specialty is made of light luncheons, hot &c., Quality and reliability are fe

COME TO-NIGHT—Don't wait until Saturday night—you may be one of the disappointed ones who will not be able to gain admission. And don't forget, there is One Special Matinee—SATURDAY at 2.15 P.M.

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Northcote Council

MONDAY, MAY 8

The usual meeting of the North ote Council was held on Monday ening. Present the Mayor (Cr. A. ewton, J.P.), Crs. B. E. Johnson Olelis, J.P.), Crs. J. Hughes, A. J. Corrish Sutch, J. O. Green, S. Pinkney, W Bird, J. H. Green, S. C. Jones, W Blanfield, W. Oliver, M. C. Jones, W Mayes, A. Peters, W. H. Turner and Dennis, M.H.R.

Correspondence

St. George's Road Trams.—Tram ways Board re council's complaint o overcrowding of trams in St. George's road during peak periods, stating that a trial for a month would be given to the council's suggestion to through route a number of Fitzroy cars to Miller street.

Mr. Turner moved that the Board be thanked for its preliminary step He realised the Board was facing difficulty in remedying the trouble. By modifying in-and-out-running five more cars it would mean that two more cars would have to be put on the route A census had been taken, and he understood that at a given point it was found the Preston cars were carrying 80 passengers, when they were supposed to seat 60; whereas on the Fitzroy cars the average was found to be about 30.

The motion was carried.

Crossings.—West Ward Progress Association re state of pedestrian crossings at intersection of High street and street running west, between Elm and Blyth streets. It was suggested that immediate attention be given to those at Harold street and Beaconsfield parade. — P.W. Committee.

General

West Ward Progress Association re untidy state of lane between Kemp street and Woolton avenue.—P.W. Committee.

E. Phillips re necessity for regrading in front of property Dawkin road—Engineer to report.

Sutton Tool and Gauge Mfg. Co. Pty Ltd.—An invitation to inspect new factory, High street, Westgarth on Saturday next.

The invitation was accepted by members of the council.

Unemployed Association sought use of large hall for a meeting on matters appertaining to work for sustenance when speakers would be arranged from inside and outside the city.

The Town Clerk said that both halls would not be available during the next three weeks, the first night being June 1.

Cr. Turner said the only thing the council could do was to inform the writers of the position and advise them that if they made application later their request would be considered.

It was decided to adopt that course

Committee Reports

Public Works Committee accounts £1,302/3/ were paid.

Footpaths, High Street — The City Engineer was instructed to tar pave footpaths on the west side at rear of rockeries, for a distance of 140 feet south from Walker street The abutting owners will meet half the cost.

The application of Lew Bros., for registration of a pastry factory in Bent street was approved.

The City Engineer was instructed to prepare plans for the construction of a lane off Elm street, at the rear of High street. Notices will be served on the owners of abutting properties who will be liable for the cost.

Permission was granted to R. Green to erect brick garage at rear of property, 101 South Crescent.

Electric Light Committee accounts £298/7/6 were paid.

Parks and Baths Committee accounts £138/18/3 were paid.

Finance Committee.—In addition to the foregoing, accounts £696/12/8 were paid.

Ordinary Business

Cr. Jones asked if the engineer had received any communication about that portion of Dundas street to which Preston was to make repairs

The Engineer: I am meeting the Preston Engineer on Wednesday.

Cr. Jones: When is Northcote starting its section?

The Engineer: It is a wet weather job.

Cr. Bird spoke of footpaths Kemp street, Emmaline street, between the railway and St. George's roads — P.W. Committee.

Cr. Bird said Mr. Sutcliffe had sought a lamp instead of a dead tree in front of his home in Elm street. Trees and palms were alternated, and only one tree was now alive. All the palms had lived, and he suggested that the dead trees be replaced with palms.

Cr. Turner said that the trees had for the most part died of neglect, in this and other streets. The council had forced the trees and palms on to the people whether they wanted them or not, and the council should see that the trees were tended.

Cr. Olver: The council forces drains on people whether they want them or not, but they are necessary.

Cr. Jones: I inspected this street not long ago, and then many of the trees were flourishing. I am surprised to hear that they are dead or dying.

The matter was referred to the Parks Committee.

Cr. Green moved that path Westgarth street, east of Noel street, be referred to P.W. Committee; crossing in front of Lawrence's Dye Works, Westgarth street, needed attention—To be attended to; name plates on Thomson street and in the vicinity required attention and some now nameplates were needed—P.W. Committee.

Cr. Green said he had received a complaint of holes in path, Langston street — P.W. Committee; path in May street, required attention as it was in a very bad state—surveyor to report.

Cr. Turner said a slab over the drain in Keon street was dangerous —Attention to be given.

Cr. Olver spoke of a drain at the bottom of Mansfield street. — Engineer to report.

CHURCH NEWS

Northcote Presbyterian Church

The preacher on Sunday was Rev. F. H. Noak, M.A., B.D., of Strafford, who gave a fine address on "Pioneers of Progress." The soloist was Mr. Geo. Reid.

St. George's Road Methodist Church

The preachers on Sunday were.—In the morning: The Rev. F. J Jennings; in the evening Mr. A. Ontes. The soloists were Mrs. Mitchell and Mr. R. Bredin.

At the monthly meeting of the W.A.F.M. on May 3 the speaker was Nurse Dorr. The president (Mrs. Tulk) presided.

High Street Methodist

Rev. E. G. Lechte preached for the first time since his appointment to the circuit at the High Street Church last Sunday morning. In addition to the anthem by the choir Mrs. Graham and Miss Batten rendered a duet. At the evening service Rev. F. J. Jennings was the preacher and the choir sang "Still, still with thee." Mrs. Campbell rendered a solo

Congregational Church, Northcote

The week of devotion, which was commenced on May 1 was concluded on Sunday. There was an excellent congregation on Sunday night when Rev. Duncan E. Reeves delivered the address on the world's problems: and how to face them. The choir under Mr. Doward, rendered the anthem "Come unto Me." Two solos were rendered by Miss Dorothy Clark (Fairfield) and a duet "Come Unto Him," by Misses Brown and Greer.

Preston Church of Christ

Inaugurating a series of special prayer meetings in preparation for the forthcoming Evangelistic Festival services last Sunday commenced with a "Sun-rise" prayer meeting at 7 a.m. The series will include simultaneous meetings held at various homes, at which members of the training class will assist. At Communion Service the Church enjoyed a message from Mr. Lowson, of North Preston Baptist Church, he having exchanged platforms with Mr Fisher. At the Gospel Service one of the Bible School scholars made the confession of faith in Christ. On Monday the Mothers' Club enjoyed an interesting lecture by Rev. Gilder of the Prohibition League.

P.W.P. Methodist Church

The Sunday School anniversary was continued on Sunday, when the congregations filled the hall at all services. The Children's Choir sang excellently under Mr. E. Langfield. Rev. J. McInroy was the preacher at 11; At 3 o'clock Rev. T. C. Carne told the story of an Indian children's religious festival. In the evening the Rev. Mansley Bennett preached on "Use or Lose."

Croxton Methodist Church

The preacher last Sunday morning was Rev. T. H. Indian, and in the evening Rev. R. Lechte. At the Y.M.H.S. Mr. Alex Oates spoke on "Side-tracks of Life." Members visited Metropolitan Fire Brigade headquarters on Tuesday.

St. Mary's Church of England

The vicar (Rev. F. Parsons) preached to a good congregation at both services last Sunday. Next Sunday evening the preacher will be the Rev. T. Jones, of the Bush Church Aid Society, who will give an address on the work of the church in the out back.

In connection with the forward movement being held at St. Mary's a competitive Pantry and Flower Show was held on Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6 in the parish hall in aid of the building fund. Prizes were given to competitors for the flowers, sweets, jams, cakes &c., the trophies being kindly donated by tradespeople On Friday night a one-act play entitled "The Bargain Sale" was given by the Meadames Steele and Thatcher. Saturday evening was given over to dancing, a hat trimming competition for men and a short play entitled "The Borrowed Luncheon," performed by the Misses Norma Vallence, Lily Chirgwin, Phyllis and Betty Eaton. Many thanks are due to Mrs. Morrison and the Ladies' Guild for their success of this effort, which raised about £26.

Holy Trinity, Thornbury

Large congregations continue to attend the services, and many new residents are becoming active parishioners. The vicar (Rev. W. H. Chamberlain) will officiate on Sunday next.

A garden fete will be held on Saturday commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Weather conditions being suitable, the function will take place at 10 Martin street, Thornbury (the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ulmer). Otherwise the Holy Trinity Kindergarten hall will be used. The Wales Street school band will be in attendance and various novelties will be provided. The members of th Ladies Auxiliary are the organisers.

On Tuesday at 2.30 p.m. a flag bridge afternoon will be held in the parish hall.

The Rev. T. R. Fleming and Mr. S. H. Robinson, of the Church of England Men's Society executive, will attend a special meeting of men, which will be held in the parish hall on Tuesday, May 16. It is proposed to organise an enthusiastic Thornbury branch of the C.E.M.S.

Church of Christ, High Street

A successful Australian Tea was held in the School hall on Tuesday when there was a large attendance Musical items, arranged by Mrs. Graham, was contributed by Miss Ronald and Messrs. Best and Walton songs; recitations: Miss Brentnall; and mandolin solos by Miss Marie Jackson. Pianist: Mrs. Graham. Mr. Roy Anderson presided.

Church of the Epiphany

On Whitsunday His Grace the Archbishop of Melbourne will be the preacher at the Holy Communion at 8 a.m. and will also be the chief guest and speaker at the Men's Corporate communion breakfast, organised by the C.E.M.S. assisted by the Ladies' Guild and members and associates of the G.F.S. At 11 a.m. Bishop Stephen will be the celebrant and preacher, and at Evensong the Rev. E. H. Fernie, vicar of All Saints, St. Kilda, will be the preacher.

All Saints', Northcote

The vicar is giving a series of addresses at the Sunday services on the "Work of the Holy Spirit in the Believer." On Sunday next the morning subject is "The Spirit of Holiness' and in the evening "The Spirit of Fire."

At the monthly meeting of the Mothers' Union on Tuesday Miss Leighton, secretary of the Union to the Blind in Heathen and Bible Lands spoke. The All Saints' Troop of Scouts (3rd. Northcote) paid a visit to Werribee last Saturday. In the afternoon Werribee 1st Troop beat Northcote at football.

St. Aidan's Church

Rev. F. H. Burridge, of St. James and St. John Mission, will be the preacher at 7 p.m. on Sunday, June 14. Special solos will be rendered by the combined choirs of the Masonic Lodges.

Community Singing

The monthly sessions of community singing in the Preston Methodist School Hall have been occasions of great enjoyment. The singing of old time favorites interspersed with modern songs &c., under the leadership of Mr. G. J. Mackay calls for no further comment. On Wednesday next two well-known artists will appear—Mr. Alf Broadley, tenor and Miss Eileen Watt, elocutionist. The charge for admission is adults 6d children 3d. Share the fun on Wednesday evening next, May 17 at 8 p.m. sharp.

CAN YOU?

Guess the date? A Church was burnt down and the only part saved was the foundation stone. When this was re-laid it was put in upside down and no one noticed it as only the figures could be distinguished, the lettering being obliterated. What was the date?

Answer next week.

Christian Science

Mortals and Immortals will be the subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday May 14. The Golden Text is from Galatians 4: 7. "Thou are no more a servant, but a son: and if a son then an heir of God through Christ."

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson Sermon is the following from the Bible: "And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated." (Deuteronomy 34: 7.)

The Lesson Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science Textbook "Science and Health with Key to Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Life and its faculties are not measured by calendars. The perfect and immortal are the eternal likeness of their Maker ..... The measurement of life by solar years robs youth and gives ugliness to age ..... Except for ugliness or a mistaken sense of duty, man would enjoy more than threescore years and ten and still maintain his vigor, freshness, and promise Man governed by immortal Mind, is always beautiful and grand. Each succeeding year unfolds wisdom, beauty and holiness." Page 246.

Pay Your Rates

Mr. J. A. Thomson, Town Clerk of the City of Northcote elsewhere has a notice re payment of rates before June 10 in order to secure enrolment and avoid payment of interest

"When I bought this dog you said he was excellent for rats, and he won't touch one." "Well, isn't that excellent for the rats?"

ROWING

PRESTON CLUB

The club have had a very successful season by winning four regatta events, and Challenge Fours at their own regatta on Easter Monday.

The following are the wins. — V.R.A. held on the Yarra November 19 1932, winning the Junior Pair; by 2 lengths from Merrantile; five crews entered; the pair A. James (str.), C. Kranz (bow), A. Whitcox (cox).

Nagambie Regatta.—December 26 1932.—Winning the Light Weight Maiden Fours easily, with South Melbourne second, and Albert Park third. Seven crews entered, the race was held over a course of three-quarters of a mile. Winning time—min 3 4-5sec. The crew: J. Pinman (str.) G. Irwin, L. D'Dempsey. C. Rice (bow), A. White (cox).

Winning Double at Barwon and Ballarat Regattas.—February 25 and March 4, 1933 with an outstanding Junior Pair, G. Hutchins (str.), A. James (bow), A. Cole (cox). Winning the Challenge Fours at the Regatta held on Easter Monday at Edwardes Lake by half a length from Essendon, by a strong crew that is the makings of a good Junior Four next season.

The following club races have caused a good deal of interest:—

Homoeopathic Hospital Cup.—G Kranz (str), C. Rice, A. Morrell, T. Twite (bow), Lewis Cup.—J. Sears (str), A. Anderson (bow), Matheson Memorial Shield — A. James (str) F. Peters, J. Sears, J. Gamble (bow). Thrower Cup.— A. James (str), C Kranz, C. Sproule, J. Buchanan (bow). Bright Cup.—A. Downey, (str), C. Rice (bow).

W.C.T.U.

The monthly meeting of the Northcote branch was held on May 2. The president Mrs. Hanson, occupied the chair Mrs. Ellis, from headquarters, spoke on "Giving."

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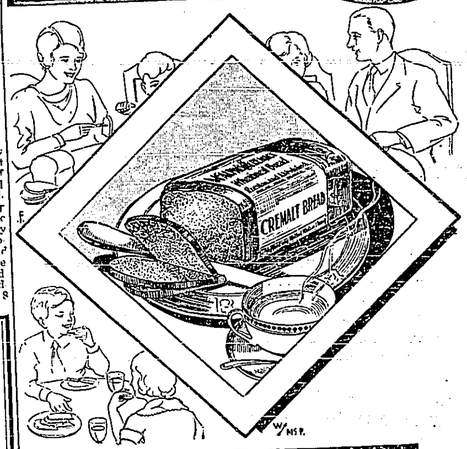

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WHITTLESEA.

No Water

Three times within a short period inconvenience and annoyance has been caused to householders in Whittlesea through the water supply being cut off during the day without any warning. The school children were without water on each occasion it appears the Railway Department, which owns the main, has been engaged in repairing the service, but it is felt that some warning should be issued to householders.

Mr. E. Fergusson, of Jerilderie New South Wales, father of Cr. M A. Fergusson, of Toorourong Park Whittlesea, has died at the age of 71 years. The deceased was a native of Lal Lal.

Poor Rainfall

The rainfall for April was 40 points being the lowest since 1923 when no rain fell. The fall for the year to the end of April totals 400 points. This is the lowest since 1927 when the fall for the same period was 288 points. Last year the fall for the first four months totalled 1444 points.

Ratepayers' League

At a meeting of the Ratepayers' League on Monday night the formation of a fire brigade was considered It was decided to write to the Country Fire Brigade Board for information Recently two fires have occurred in the district. This has raised the question.

The provision of an efficient water supply was discussed. At present the town is supplied with a 4-inch main which has been down 43 years. There are now about 53 tappings and at times the supply is poor. The Rail way Department, which owns the main, is disinclined to allow any more tappings. It was decided to make full enquiries about a scheme and the Shire Council is to be asked to arrange a deputation to the Metropolitan Board. Messrs. Gillespie and Beney, as representatives of the Ratepayers' League, were appointed to attend the deputation together with the Whittlesea riding members when arranged.

Township Area.—It was decided to petition the Governor in Council to have the town boundaries of Whittlesea altered. The natural growth of the town has gone beyond the original area. New boundary lines are defined and a request is being made that this area shall form the township of Whittlesea.

Ranger.—Complaints are still being made about wandering stock on the roads. The council is to be asked to instruct the ranger more definitely regarding his duties.

MAN ARRESTED IN QUEENSLAND

Complainant Wants to Withdraw Charge

UNUSUAL FEATURES

THERE were unusual features in a case which came before the Northcote Court on Tuesday when a man who had been arrested in Queensland, appeared on a charge of larceny as a bailee of goods valued at £321. The arresting constable did not appear and the informant, a woman, said she wanted to withdraw the charge.

The case was one in which Isador Sluice, otherwise John Lyons, Young street, Fitzroy, was charged that between February 11 and 28, being the bailee of certain articles and money to wit a tent, gold watch and chain, four greyhound dogs, two motor cars twelve half sovereigns, of a total value of £321, did fail to account to Dulcie Isabel Shaw for the same articles and was deemed to have stolen same.

Senior-Constable Matthews said that the defendant was arrested on April 20 in Brisbane by Detective Madin. The informant desired the case withdrawn.

Mrs. Shaw, Bastings street, Northcote, said: "I took out a warrant against Lyons. I have since come to a settlement with him."

The P.M. (Mr. W. J. Clarke):—You have compounded the criminal law by coming to a settlement. You cannot do that.

Complainant:—I have got the property back. We had an agreement for 12 months and that period is not yet up.

The P.M.:—You are charging the man with a crime. You cannot play fast and loose with the law like that Unless you can show there has been some mistake I will not agree to the withdrawal of the case.

Senior-Constable Matthews:—The arresting constable is not here, and I have no evidence to offer. I would suggest that the case be adjourned for seven days.

The case was adjourned for seven days. Bail was allowed at £50 and a surety of a like amount.

STARLIGHT

By ANNE FURRELL

A WHITE-CLAD nurse greeted her and, talking discreetly about her patient, led the way to his room.

"You may stay ten minutes," she said authoritively. "And please keep the conversation on the light side. Anything of a disturbing nature is liable to send up the temperature. Nothing to worry about, but one mustn't take risks. You understand ?"

Margot did understand, and for a wild moment contemplated flight. But before she could put her plan into action the nurse opened the door and announced:

"A visitor for you, Mr. Grey !"

A lean, sunburnt man, with hair greying at the temples and a white bandage over his eyes, was sitting up in bed.

Margot came swiftly forward.

"I had to come," she said softly.

"I can't see you, Starshine, but I'd know your voice anywhere."

"Your eyes—" she faltered.

"They'll be right in a few weeks," he said quickly.

"So that was what you meant by your wire ?" Margot exclaimed.

"I wanted to see you when you came," he confessed ruefully. "But I'm very glad you're here. Just to listen to your voice does me good."

"I've brought some flowers," Margot said lamely. "Roses. I'll put them in water."

In a dream she arranged the fragrant blooms in a vase and placed them on a small table beside the invalid's bed. She was conscious only of a great relief. For the moment she was safe. Impossible, after what the nurse had said, to speak of her deception. For a little while longer this man must believe her to be the real Venetia.

Dimly his voice cut through her meditation.

"You don't know how I've longed for this moment," he was saying. "I've pictured our first meeting to myself so often out there. Your letters gave me such a wonderful insight into your character. And now not to be able to see you, after all !"

"You'll get a nasty jar when you do see me !"

Margot tried to speak flippantly to hide her real feelings, which were a mixture of shame and gratification. Shame at her deceit, and gratification at the agreeable impression he had formed of her.

"I don't think so," he said quietly

The girl glanced at her wristwatch.

"Time's up, I must go," she remarked, rising.

"If I'm not asking too much," said Richard Grey, "would you look in again ? Time hangs, rather, when one can't read or write," he added wistfully.

"I'll come to-morrow and read to you," promised Margot.

And so every day for the next week or so saw Margot sitting with a book in her hands, reading aloud to Richard Grey. And with every day the friendship, which had started so happily with their delightful correspondence, took on a deeper note. Finally the day arrived when Richard said:

"I am leaving here at the end of the week. To-morrow they are going to remove these bandages."

With these words Margot's world came crashing about her ears. Gone would be the gay companionship, gone the lovely, restful sympathy. How could she expect him to forgive, once he knew how she'd deceived him ? Suddenly she made up her mind. He was practically well now; well enough anyway, to hear the truth.

"Richard," she said breathlessly, "I've got to tell you something. I—I'm not Venetia Valli. I'm Margot Venne."

"Margot Venne !" repeated Richard. "Who's she ?"

"She was the double of Ventia's voice. But now she's a star herself, thanks to you. I've got to make you understand all you've done for me. I stole your letter to Venetia ! Margot Venne, have become famous because of you. Your letters gave me courage and strength. Please, please let me try to explain."

Margot's golden voice did not falter as she laid bare the secrets of her heart, and to the man in bed it seemed as though all the springtime of life flowed back into him.

That she had pretended to be Venetia Valli, for a time, mattered not one jot. All that did matter was the fact that he was no longer alone; he meant something to this woman; had helped her to take up the broken threads of romance and knit them into a lovely, shining garment.

At length she was silent.

"Go on talking," he pleaded.

"There's nothing more to say. I've cheated you and I can only ask you to forgive me !" she whispered.

"My dear," he said gently, "there's nothing to forgive. I've a confession to make also. Come closer, and I'll whisper."

The girl came and knelt beside the bed.

What can you possibly have to confess to me ?" she murmured.

Richard Grey bent his head to hide a tender smile. "I've known for a long while you weren't that film star"

"You knew ?" gasped Margot.

"Venetia Valli went back to America ages ago. I read all about her in some picture paper or other."

Suddenly Margot burst into tears.

"What does it matter ?" she heard Richard say. "I'm lonely. I need you. Come back to Africa with me, Starshine."

There was an urgent note she'd never heard in his voice before.

"Oh, but your career !" she added forlornly. "I can't ask you to give that up."

"I have no career—without you !" said Margot sincerely.

Eagerly he cried:

"Then you'll come ! We'll go back together ! Is that what you mean ?"

Margot took his hand and laid it against her wet cheek.

"By the very first boat !" she exclaimed. "By the very first boat !"

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Dear Cobbers.—We are welcoming two new girl Cobbers this week and Jacko is quite sad about it. He says some boys might join up and help him out, but we all send a big welcome to these Cobbers nevertheless. Grandpa and I are still practising ping-pong for the match will come off next Saturday. One of our Cobbers, hopes the Pets win. That is most unkind, because they are much more agile than us and don't get in one another's way as Grandpa and I do. However, as it's doubles and singles, we should at least win one match.

Fluffy is quite bucked up that at last Preston have had a win. Now they should clasp victory each week. Northcote were lucky too, but it was a splended game, well fought to the final bell.

How is the Animal Competition going ? We have several entries in, but want a lot more yet. Send along yours before it is too late.

The Pets enjoyed Sunday and Monday but on Tuesday we couldn't get either out of bed. They waited almost till lunch time for the sun to come out and then Jacko stocked up a big fire. In the library and the two rascals almost roasted themselves and the furniture too. Heaps of love from the Pets and UNCLE PHIL.

BIRTHDAYS

All the Cobbers, Uncle Phil and the Pets send the Happiest and Heartiest Birthday Wishes and Greetings to Sylvia Harris, Laura Stead Jean Haxby, Jack Clements and Ted Stevens (May 13); Alan Northmore and George Joyce (May 14); Enid Broadhurst and Joyce Findlay (May 15); Roy Steele (May 16); Lois Walker, Jack Webb and Arthur Selves (May 17) and Nellie Power (May 18).

OUR MAIL BAG

35 Kelsby St., Reservoir,

Dear Uncle Phil, — Please enrol me as a member of the Cobbers' Club I am 13 years old and go to the Domestic Arts School at Preston. I am sending along a joke with this letter (GOOD) Daisy Mitchell

Welcome to the Clubs Daisy and we hope you'll send us a snap of yourself for our Cobbers' Album. The joke will be in next week. Try the Competition. Greetings and best wishes from the Pets and U.P.

Joyce Brookshaw. — Welcome to the clubs Joyce and we hope you'll like sending along jokes and contributions for the Corner. We've used your joke this week and so send something more, also a snap of yourself for our Album and an entry for the Animal Competition. Love and greetings from Fluffy, Jacko and U.P.

Last Week's Problem

The answer to last week's problem about the three rabbits being divided between two fathers and two sons so that each had a whole rabbit is this:—There were only three people, a son his father and grandfather. Now work it out.

CONTRIBUTIONS

A BOY'S SONG

Where the pools are bright and deep
Where the grey trout lies asleep;
Up the river and over the lea,
That's the way for Billy and me.
(GOOD) Ethel Francis

WOUNDED DIGNITY.

I don't want these horrid curls !
I don't want to look like girls !
I'm a man ! . . . . A boy
Doesn't like to look like a toy !
(GOOD) J. Francis

HENRY FORD

There was a little man, his name was Henry Ford,
He took a bit of rubber and a little bit of board,
A little bit of petrol and an old tin can,
He put them all together and the darn thing ran (a motor car).
(GOOD) Alice Southam

"STUTTERED"

"Father," said the sharp little boy as they sat around the family table, "I saw a deaf and dumb beggar in the street this afternoon and he had an impediment in his speech"
"A deaf and dumb beggar with an impediment in his speech ?" exclaimed father. "Don't talk nonsense !"
"But he had, father," insisted the youngster—one of his middle fingers was missing."
(GOOD) Jean Angus

QUEER NOTICES

For Sale: A piano, by a lady about to go to Sydney in a oak case with carved legs.

The Northcote "Leader" reporter saw many dead and wounded ducks rowing up to Goulburn.
(GOOD) Colin Hammond

PROVERBS

An egg before and eagle, a thought before a deed.

A wild colt may make a good horse.

It is sure to be dark if you shut your eyes.

An ounce of patience is worth a pound of brains.
(GOOD) Nestor Kerr

RIDDLE

As I went through the garden gap,
Who should I meet but Dick Redcap;
A stick in his hand a stone in his throat
If you'll tell me this riddle I'll give you a groat.
Answer:—A cherry.
(GOOD) H. Francis

STORYETTES

Angry Woman: "If you were a man you would help me to carry the parcels." Lazy Man: "How can I wi' both 'ands I' me pockets ?"
(GOOD) Shirley Wood

Customer: "I've worn these calf-skin shoes only two months, and now look at them." Salesman: "My dear sir, you must remember the calf has already worn that skin five months, making seven months' wear—which is very good, I think."
(GOOD) Joyce Brookshaw

"Why did you take Betty's sweet kiss ?" "Why didn't you ask if you might have some ?" "I did Mummy and she said I couldn't."
(GOOD) Joyce

The teacher was putting questions to the class "What do we call a man" he asked, "who keeps on talking and talking when people are no longer interested ?" "Please, sir," replied a boy, "a teacher."
(GOOD) Frank Power

A Straight Answer.—Cyclist: "How far is it to Slopton-on-Slosh ?" Yokel: "Ten miles as the crow flies." Cyclist: "How far would it be if the crow rode on my handle-bars ?"
(GOOD) Thelma Stead

Boss: "Now, Murphy, you told me you stayed very late and worked overtime last night." Murphy: "Yer Sir, I did." Boss: "Well how is it that Jones, you at the football match ?" Murphy: "Oh, that was not me sir; I saw the fellow there myself and he was very much like me."
(GOOD) Vera F. Keele

Jimmy: "Uncle, have a go at this sum, for me." Uncle: "No, no, my boy, I can't do that; it wouldn't be right." Jimmy: "I don't suppose it would, but you can have a try."
(GOOD) Willie Eaton

A man went into a butcher's shop and said jokingly "Give me a yard of pork, please." The butcher, just as smart, answered "John wrap up three pig's feet."
(GOOD) Norma R. Pettit

"Well, Bobby, have you a good place in class at school ?" "A fine one—behind the biggest boy in the class."
(GOOD) Bert Moylan

Small Boy (to policeman): "Teacher told us that your job is to see that people keep the peace." Police: "That's right, sonny." Small man: "What's right, will you find something" Boy: "Well, will you find something to keep that piece of toffee until I come out of school ?"
(GOOD) Bessie Goldstein

Jean: "Why do you put powder on your face Aunt." Aunt: "To make me look pretty, of course." Jean: "Then why doesn't it ?"
(GOOD) Jean Skipper

Teacher: "I'll give you one more chance, Edna. Whose emblem is the lion ?" Edna: "The plumber's, sir."
(GOOD) Rose Smith

"I've lost my umbrella," said the fussy man. "What kind of a handle did it have ?" asked the lost property man 'I don't know," sighed the man "I only borrowed it yesterday."
(GOOD) Joan Moylan

Gent (sitting in tram): 'What is your little boy crying for ?" Man (standing): "Nothing. He always cries when he sees me holding a strap."
(GOOD) Reggie Keele

New Wireless User (on 'phone): "Is that the wireless shop ? Yes ? Well this set we bought is working all right, but the band is playing too fast. How do we slow it down ?"
(GOOD) Edna Southam

Doctor: "You are very healthy. You ought to live to 75." Patient "But I am more than that now."
Doctor: "Well, what did I tell you.?"
(GOOD) Lorna Joyce

Bill: "Do you still keep up your deep breathing exercises ?" Tom: "I've had to give 'em up. We moved near a tannery last month."
(GOOD) Frank Withers

One day as our teacher was instructing the children she told them always to put the compass point on the dot; the compass slipped while she was drawing, then a boy stood up and said "Please Miss, you are off your dot !"
(GOOD) Ruby Keele

"How are the fish to-day ?" asked the traveller, of Uncle Bill. "I don't know," said Uncle Bill. "I've dropped them a nice line, but so far I have had no reply."
(GOOD) Edna Burt

Wife (reading the paper): "The giraffe has a tongue 18 inches long"
Husband: "Aren't you jealous dear ?"
(GOOD) Marjorie Wood.

RIDDLES

What is the cheapest place to buy poultry ? — The St. Kilda Baths where you can get a duck for fourpence.

What kind of fruit did Noah take into the ark ?—Preserved pears.
(GOOD) Alec Murphy

Why is an airman like a forgetful old man ? — Because he overlooks everything.

Why is an author freer than a king ? — Because he can choose his subjects.
(GOOD) Lily Southam

How do you make a slow horse fast ?—Stop feeding him.

How can you get a set of teeth inserted for nothing ?—Tease a bulldog.
(GOOD) Roy Murphy

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Regent Presbyterians.—0,4,1,3,0,3 0,5,—16.

Westgarth Baptists.—0,0,1,4,0,0,0,0 2,—7.

Croxton Methodist B v Northcote Presbyterians

The game was played on Saturday and was full of excitement for both sides, although the scores seem to indicate a very one-sided game. Croxton, with half of their men in their first season, lost the game by fielding errors and wild throws. Northcote were up to form and were successful in tricking the field on several occasions, making many of their runs in this fashion. Croxton's best fielders were G. Allison (5), A. Neilson (1); Northcote: H. Bell (3), W Beecher (2). Scores—

Croxton.—0,0,1,0,0,0,0,4,1, —6.

Northcote.—3,2,2,5,1,1,0,2,0 —25

Mr. W. J. Clarke umpired.

PRESTON CLUB

A team defeated Brighton easily scores being 9—2. C. Duffield and Westcott (home run each) and Nelder were best for Preston.

B team were beaten by Y.M.C.A. scores being 11—6. Best players for Preston Stracker (home run), Kinson and W. Goller.

C team beat Fairfield scores being 13—3. Best players for Preston were Naunton and Westcott.

D team were beaten by Northcote 14—8, but showed improved form Best players Bagley, Reddan, Kellor

Teams for Saturday

A team play Camberwell at Camberwell.—A. Westcott, J. Goller, Duffield, Thornicroft, Nelder, Spoor Stracker, Crawley, Oates.

B team play Glenhuntly at Preston—Hills, Jones, Ford, Kinson, W. Goller, Burr, Robinson, Jackson Thurgood, Duggan.

C team play Sandringham, at Sandringham; team to Hampton, — Souter, Naunton, Nankervis, Dyer Atkinson, Allen, Wescott, Pink, Twomey, Judd.

D team play K.S.P. at Haxby Parl —Reddan Moreton, Hooper Bagley Kellor, Groves, Spicer, Dominic, Murray, Williamson, Hargraves, Setcher.

GOLF

HEIDELBERG CLUB

Monthly Medal—Stroke, 102 entries.

Scores:—60, H. M. Clyne 20; 64, P. S. Renn 12, C. Ferguson 20; 65 A. Moore 14; 67, A. Norris 17; 68 C. Hodgson 20, A. Birchall 20; 69 K. Gay 6, R. T. Bowell 14, L. Jacques 14, A. McIntosh 15, J. B. Carahei 14; 70, J. H. Chandler 9, G. Hangen 14, S. C. Gonzales 20, A. Dickenson 17, J. J. Casey 14, J. Harvey 20, Dr Lear 20, C. Noureu 7.

Saturday May 13.—Par—C. Kingsley's trophy.

Club Associates

Mrs. R. R. Duncan trophy — stroke—59 entries.

Scores,—Miss Alice M. Wragge 27; 66, Mrs. Smart 27; 68, Mrs. Binks 22, Mrs. Youren 24; 69 Mrs. Tainsh 27. Mrs. Lingford 20. Mrs. Stone 21; 70, Miss O. Green 26; 71, Mrs Wole 16, Mrs. McCann 14; 72, Mrs. Sutherland 27, Mrs. Byron 27; 73, Mrs. H. Ferguson 23, Mrs. Casey 27, Mrs. Robbins 27.

Winner monthly medal.—Miss O Green 27—82 nett.

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TREBILCOCK—WALLACE

THERE was a delicate touch of color in the decorations of the Northcote Presbyterian Church on April 15 for the marriage of Mr. John Trebilcock, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Trebilcock, of Parkville, and Miss Lillian B. R. Wallace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Wallace, of Crystal Brook, South Crescent, North cote. Rev. A. T. Jones officiated and the bride, who was given away by her father, wore a long, close-fitting gown of ivory satin, with long sleeves and full skirt and her heavy tulle veil was held by a coronet of orange blossom, and a sheaf of white gladioli completed her toilette. The bridesmaid, Miss Edith Trebilcock, (sister of groom) wore a frock of mauve velvet with hat to tone, and carried a sheaf of mauve gladioli The best man was Mr. Leslie Wallace (brother of the bride). During the signing of the register "A Song of Thanksgiving" was rendered by Miss Larker. After the ceremony the guests were entertained at the home of the bride's parents. Mrs. Wallace wore a becoming gown of black georgette and lace relieved with pink and black velvet hat, and carried pink carnations and sweet peas. Mrs. Trebilcock's gown was of black silk with a tawny hat and she carried a posy of autumn blooms. The bride travelled in a frock and cape of blue wool-de-chene and grey fur, with fabric toque scarf and wallet to match. The future home will be at Parkville.

WORT—HAYES

THE marriage of Doreen, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hayes (Geraldine," Clarendon street Thornbury, with Harold,. youngest son of Mrs. Wort and the late Mr. W. G. Wort "Nunton," Edgar street, East Malvern, was celebrated with Nuptial Mass by the Rev. Father Vaughan, P.P., at St. Mary's Church Thornbury on Monday, April 17. The bride, who was given away by her father, was a graceful figure in a frock of ivory satin, made on very slim fitting lines with long sleeves puffed at the shoulders, a flared skirt and a train falling from the hip-line. Her tulle veil was worn with an effective cap of satin petals studded with diamente. Gladioli and regal lilies formed her beautiful bouquet. The bridesmaids, Misses Rita Hayes (sister of the bride) and Doris Prinn looked attractive in their pretty hats and frocks of apple green organdie, the latter effective with lattice-work and godets of flared frills. Each carried a bouquet of pink gladioli and cactus dahlias. Mr. Bert Swebbs was best man and Mr. Eddie Hayes groomsman; Messrs Wallis and Frank Hayes acted as ushers. Rumplemayers Collins street, Melbourne, was the scene of the reception.

THORNBURY CAR CLUB

ON April 22 about 40 members and friends paid a surprise visit to Mr. Alf Hughes, Brunswick, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

On May 3 the members conveyed the Preston Diggers Concert Party to Mont Park where the party presented a programme of vocal and concerted numbers. The feature of the night was the capable dancing of Miss Jones.

On Sunday 14 cars conveying about 100 went to Wattle Park, Hurstbridge. The weather was delightful and the members had a game of football before lunch. A sports programme was carried out. Results.—Married Ladies. — Peg race: Mrs. Burgin; bowling at wicket: Mrs. Hughes. Single Ladies. — Throwing the ball: Miss Thomas; peg race: Miss S. Waldron; flat race: Miss Rita Watkins. Married Men. — Kicking goals: C. Thomas; bowling the tyre: J. Lang. Single Men.—Kicking the football: F. Howitt; flat race: R. Haines. Children's Races.—Girls under 8: G. Haines 1, J. McNamara 2, V. Burgin 3; under 10: L. Donnett 1, B. Watkins 2, V. Sheppard 3; over 12: N. Barnard 1, E. Donnett 2. M. Waldron 3. Boys.—Kicking football: R. Reid 1, R. Turner 2, L. Dowsett 3; races: R. Turner 1, R. Reid 2, L. Dowsett 3. Mrs. Harris won the statue (consolation). The run home was equally as enjoyable as the run out.

On May 7 five cars conveying about 20 members paid a surprise visit to the Footscray Club who were holding their usual fortnightly euchre party and dance. The evening was enjoyable. The party were entertained by the ladies of the club to a tastefully laid out supper.

On May 14 the club has arranged a visit to the Shrine. Members and friends are invited. Cars meet at the Memorial Hall 10.15, or Shrine at 11 o'clock.

TAILORED SUIT

EARLY autumn weather calls for a chic tailored suit, according to Claudette Colbert, who wears a very smart brown mixture tweed costume in her latest production for Paramount "To-night is Ours."

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A.N.A.

PRESTON SOUTH BRANCH

The fortnightly meeting was held on the 4th inst, the president (Mr T. Andrews) in the chair. Various matters were dealt with. The most important business of the evening was nomination of officers. Various positions were well contested. At the close of the meeting members present and the ladies' committee paid a visit to the Northcote branch and joined in a social evening and all present thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Next meeting on the 18th inst will be the half-yearly meeting and election of officers. Director S. G. Heron will represent the Board of Directors He will address members on the activities of the Association and install the newly-elected officers. All members are urged to be present. The public are also cordially invited.

PRESTON BRANCH

Presentation to Reservoir State School

The A.N.A. have adopted a practice of presenting a prize each year for the most improved school ground in each inspectorate throughout Victoria. This year Reservoir was the successful school. This is the fourth time the prize has been brought to Preston. Representatives of the Preston and Preston South branches attended on Monday afternoon, May 1, to make the presentation. They were well received by the head teacher (Mr. D. Black) who, by the way is a Director and an ex-Chief President of the A.N.A. It was intended to use the quadrangle of the school yard but owing to the bitterly cold wind this was altered by Mr. Black who, rather than risk the health of his pupils, resolved to put up with a little overcrowding in one of the large rooms inside.

The presentation was made by Mr W. F. Helmore, of the Preston branch a very respected member of the A.N.A. He was supported by Mr. T Andrews, president of Preston South branch, and Cr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A. a trustee of the Preston branch. The prize, a handsome framed picture of the late Sir John Monash, was received by Mr. Smith, a former head teacher of the school and one who had worked very hard to get the grounds into their present splendid condition. Mr. Smith had been specially invited by Mr. Black to receive the prize. That the selection was a happy one was shown by the enthusiastic way in which Mr. White was received by scholars and adults alike.

After the presentation the visitors were very thoughtfully entertained at afternoon tea by the ladies of the School Committee and Mothers' Club, for which they were accorded a hearty vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. Douglas, secretary of the Preston South branch, seconded by Mr H. Pratt, of Preston South branch. This brought a pleasant and successful afternoon to a conclusion.

NORTHCOTE BRANCH

The usual meeting was held on May 4. Mr. H. Pearson presided over a large attendance. A sick visitors report was made by Messrs. Pearson, Preston and Turnbull. The acting-secretary despatched a letter of condolence to Mr. R. Gurnet on the death of his wife. Nominations of officers resulted in nearly every retiring officer being opposed. This shows that members are taking a keen interest in their branch affairs. Mr. Robb reported that a boat was available at Williamstown; this is in connection with the procession.

Next meeting is half-yearly night, and will start at 7 o'clock sharp. Business—election of officers.

South Preston State School

ON May 2 at a joint meeting of the South Preston State School Committee and Mothers' Club the Mayor (Cr. A. E. Newton, J.P.) moved resolution of sympathy for the relatives of the late Cr. G. E. Robinson and Master John Toohey, the son of the late president of the Mothers' Club. Feeling reference was made to the deep loss sustained by the community in the deaths of one of its greatest workers for educational facilities in the district, and also the loss of one of the most promising scholars.

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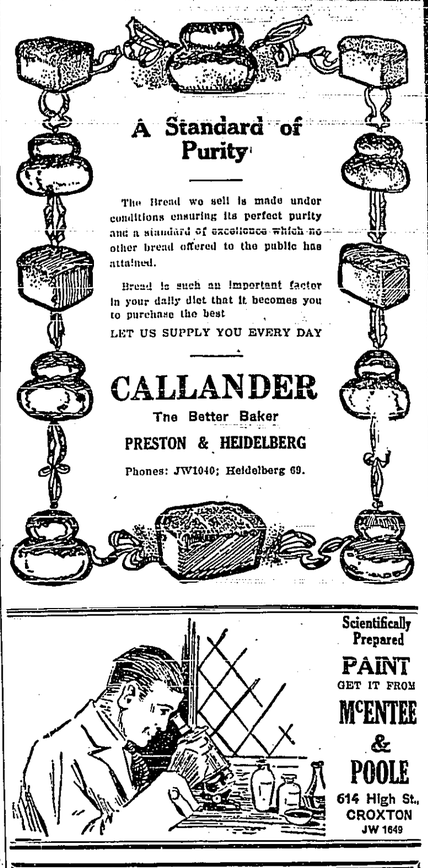

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NORTHCOTE JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Saturday saw many patrons of Miss Irene Dennis, Queen of the South, engaged at the Northcote Town Hall in a bridge party arranged by Mrs. J. H. Green. A pleasant evening was enjoyed and a delightful supper was provided.

On Friday Miss Grenfell entertained a number of guests at 7 Bayview street, Northcote, at a bridge party. Proceeds went to the funds of Miss Irene Dennis, Queen of the South. The hostess served a dainty afternoon tea and a happy gathering broke up shortly after five o'clock.

A successful house party was run in aid of the Queen of the North (Miss Mavis Jones) at the home of Cr. and Mrs. Turner, Keon street, on Saturday evening last. Seventy-three patrons subscribed for admission and a most enjoyable evening resulted. Euchre and dancing were indulged in, in the early part of the evening; the ladies' and gents' prizes for the former were won by Miss Coker and Mr. Davis respectively. A novelty prized at 3d per opening was introduced and caused much merriment, besides netting 6/6 for the funds. Amongst the guests were the Mayor and Mayoress of Northcote (Cr. and Mrs. Oldis) the Assistant Town Clerk (Mr. H. C. Ferguson), the City Surveyor and Mrs. Bradley. Mr. J. Cair M.L.A., Mrs. Frank Brennan and Mrs. M. C. Jones and Mrs. Jones, Cr. Bird and Cr. A. O. Hughes the Mayor and Mayoress of Essendon (Cr. and Mrs. J. Elliott) with their son and daughter, the Town Clerk of Essendon and Mrs. Wellington. The guest of honor was the Queen of the North—Miss Mavis Jones who drew the art union. A telegram was received from Mr. George Lawton, M.H.R., for Brisbane, regretting that he had been unexpectedly called back to Queensland. An apology from Cr. and Mrs. Olver was tendered, as they had previously promised to officiate at a wedding function. Vocal items were rendered by Mr. H. Hillman; elocutionary numbers by Miss. Eileen Burke; and toe dancing by little Nancy Smith of Northcote were applauded. Miss of Sheridan and Mr. F. Olver took turns at the piano. As a result of the effort the fund will benefit by approximately £10. Winning numbers for art union: Bottle of champagne No. 113, won by E. C. Wilson, Trader Hall; hand-worked doyley No. 55 won by Miss Collins, Ryan street Footscray; sponge, No. 4074, won by Mr. F. Munday, Northcote.

The home of Mrs. Edwards in Clarke street, Northcote, was a scene of merriment on Saturday when the hostess, aided by her daughters, entertained about 100 friends at a dance and bridge evening. Funds go to Miss Ettie Johnson. Queen of Central. A happy evening was enjoyed by a splendid supper and then the frolic commenced afresh and continued unabated till the early a.m.

At the Town Hall on Saturday, a Children's Bazaar and Baby Show will be held, proceeds for Miss Mavis Jones, Queen of the North. Entry is 1/ and a prize of £1/1/ and engravement by Cyril Stevens will be given to the winners of the two sections, up to 12 months and from 12 months to 2 years. The Mayoress (Mrs. A. H. Oldis) will preside and Matron Reynolds, of the After-care Home will be in charge of the judging. The judges' decision will be final. A concert by the pupils of Miss Florence Witthan will be given at the bazaar.

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MIRTH prevailed at the Northcote Town Hall on Wednesday night from rise to fall of the curtain on "Marry the Girl," presented by the NYSA Players as their Jubilee effort This farce in three acts, and the audience was not slow to react to the comical tangle into which a rich man-about-town (Walford—Gibbs) a barrister friend (Hugh Delafield) found themselves through the former's love affairs. Walford ("Wally") becomes engaged to Jane Elliott, while still friendly with Doris Chattaway. Mrs. Chattaway tries to make him marry Doris, so Hugh offers to look after Doris, but the scheme falls through and the story finishes in a comic breach of promise case in court.

Each character was well cast, and carried out his part splendidly. The cast of characters was.—Banks (manager, in the early part of the evening; servant to Wally Gibbs) Robert Watt; Jane Elliott, Doris Smith; Mrs. Elliott (her mother) Mavis Jones; Walford Gibbs. Keith Riches; Mrs. Chattaway (Doris' mother) Ruby Robinson; Cyril Chattaway (her son) George Lilley; Hugh Delafield barrister) Frederick Trotter; Doris Chattaway, Maisie Goold. Inspector Burrows (police officer) Edward Eckhardt; Sir Anthony Plumstead (a solicitor, Hugh's brother-in-law) Alfred Smith; Mr. Justice Sparrowhawk Rodney Stone; Mervyn Parkes K.C., Frank Perkins. Jury, judge's associate, and usher.

Mr. G. Edwards produced the comedy and is to be congratulated on the result. Office-bearers of the NYSA Players are president: Miss Ettie Johnson; secretary: Mr. Keith Riches; and treasurer: Miss Gwen Oliver. Many tributes and flowers were handed to the players at the conclusion.

Incidental music was played by the Northcote Symphony Orchestra, of 25 performers, under Mr. Basil Farrell, Mus. Dip. Melb. University, the overture being "Peonine Horse" and between the acts the Third Movement from "A Midsummer Night's Dream" Suite and the Wedding March from a "Midsummer Night" Suite were welcome and melodious.

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SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING

Poppies, chrysanthemums, marigolds and autumn leaves and berries decked the Dispensary Hall, Gooch street, Thornbury, on Wednesday when the Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary held their sixth annual meeting.

The meeting was opened by the president (Mrs. H. C. Dyte), who asked the mayor (Cr. A. H. Qhlis, J.P.) to take the chair. Among those welcomed were Mrs. W. Olver (ex-mayoress), Mrs. Felix Lloyd and Mrs. Sutherland (president and secretary, Central Auxiliary), Miss Philadelphia Robertson (secretary Central Red Cross), Mrs. S. Dennis (Northcote Women's Auxiliary), Mrs. R. Thompson (Northcote Red Cross), Mr. J. A. Thomson (town clerk) and Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. B. E. Johnson, Mesdames J. J. Ryan and Kenny (St. Vincent's Auxiliary), Mrs. Bean, sen., Cr. and Mrs. M. C. Jones and Cr. J. O. Hughes. Apologies were received from Mrs. H. P. Zwar, Mrs. P. H. Mayer, Mrs. G. Boardman, Mrs. F. Shepard, Mr. H. H. Olney, M.L.C., and Mrs. Olney, Crs. W. Olver, S. Dennis, M.H.R., and B. E. Johnson. Mrs. A. W. Harley and Miss Ettie Johnson.

The annual report was read by the secretary (Mrs. R. B. Scott).

Cr. M. C. Jones, in moving its adoption, enlarged upon the splendid work done by the members during the past strenuous year, and also during the six years of the auxiliary's existence. A total of £1,500 had been raised in six years, over £800 of which had been sent direct to the hospital.

Cr. J. O. Hughes supported, also paying tribute to the auxiliary's achievements.

In support, Miss Philadelphia Robertson eulogised the success of the auxiliary and congratulated the members. Mention was made of May 12, the birthday of Florence Nightingale, which will be held up as Red Cross Day.

Mrs. H. A. Bean (treasurer) read the balance sheet, and the Birthday League balance sheet was read by Mrs. D. H. Mott.

In moving the adoption of the balance sheet, Mr. J. A. Thomson explained the several items and congratulated the auxiliary on presenting such a good balance.

Mrs. Sutherland, seconding the motion, spoke of the work and difficulties of the hospital officials, and also thanked the auxiliary for their splendid efforts, and conveyed the thanks of the board of management of the Q.V.H. to Thornbury members.

A musical interlude was provided by Miss W. McFerrier and Mrs. Roberts, and recitations by Mrs. Dwyer-Mrs. H. A. Bean accompanied.

Mrs. Felix Lloyd, in her happy manner, spoke of the new wing of the Q.V.H., which will accommodate 100, chiefly the resident staff of the hospital. An outline of the opportunity shop, to be held in November, run by the 50 auxiliaries belonging to the hospital, was also given.

A vote of thanks to the retiring officers was proposed by Cr. J. O. Hughes.

The mayor endorsed his remarks, and response was made by Mrs. H. C. Dyte.

Two cheques of £20 each from the Auxiliary and Birthday League were presented to Mrs. Felix Lloyd; £12 of each cheque to furnish a room in the new wing.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Thomson for auditing the balance sheets was moved by Mrs. D. H. Mott. Mr. Thomson responded.

Mrs. Dyte thanked the mayor for presiding and welcomed the mayoress, Mrs. Page moved a vote of thanks to the artists. Afternoon tea was served by members, and the meeting concluded with an executive meeting.

The office-bearers elected for the ensuing year are:—President, Mrs. D. H. Mott; vice-presidents, Mesdames O. Neumann, J. Kidd and V. Smith; treasurer, Mrs. A. Bean; secretary, Mrs. E. B. Scott; assistant secretary, Mrs. Les. Hopkins; auditor, Mr. J. A. Thomson; Birthday League secretary, Mrs. Creighton; Welfare delegate, Mrs. S. Hicks.

During the year a great amount of work has been put into the different functions, and as a result of this bridge the members have had more social intercourse. Numerous donations have been received of money and in kind. The egg day proved a success. Mrs. Pugh financed two evenings, and the social committee under Mrs. P. Flather has worked amicably and capably. Mrs. Dyte has again proved an excellent president, and the secretary (Mrs. Scott) and treasurer (Mrs. Bean) have been loyal and energetic. The Birthday League grows apace and now has 300 members. Receipts amounted to £263/7/7, including a balance of £19/4/6; euchre and dances, £79/12/6; Mrs. Pugh's evenings, £28/3/10; donations and subscriptions, £31/15/; hostesses' afternoons, £14/9/3; special efforts, etc., £37/8/4; Birthday League, £22/4/3. Expenditure included cheque for Q.V.H., £127/8/6; Unemployment Fund, £37/13/; halls and catering, £32 10/6; printing, cards, prizes, etc., £18 9/8, and balance in bank, £34/17/4.

RESERVOIR NOTES

At the meeting of the Progress Association it was decided that the council's attention be drawn to the need for better lighting in Edwards street. The council is also to be asked to erect public conveniences near the station, and that the railways be asked to erect a "wig-wag" signal at the Epping road crossing. Other business was also transacted.

Miss McKenzie, of Best street, has recovered from her illness.

A representative of the M.B.W. has visited Edwardes Park in connection with a scheme of beautification.

The Church of England baseball team is joyful over its first win last Saturday.

Part of the diving board, the spring-board, and a seat have been wrecked and thrown into the Lake by vandals.

Mr. Day, of Rathgown road, had a serious motor accident at the corner of King and Collins streets on Monday morning. He was admitted to hospital.

The Chief Secretary has appointed Miss Mona Moulden as a member of the Reservoir Committee of the State Welfare Department, vice Miss Armstrong. Miss Moulden is at present away on vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smeaton, of Lake street, are enjoying a holiday.

Mrs. Dinning, of Lake street, has returned home after a serious operation.

MERNDA

The Sunday school anniversary and prize giving was celebrated in the Methodist Church Sunday school on Thursday. The function was also intended as a welcome to the Rev. G. Tregear, but unfortunately owing to his illness he was not able to attend. Mr. F. Sharpe took the chair and told some interesting sories of his early experiences in the district. Songs were given by Mrs. Turley, Miss Gibbs and Miss Holder and were much enjoyed. Miss Tregear gave a short address in which she expressed regret that her father was not able to be present and thanked everybody for their kindness and the warm welcome. The prizes were then distributed by Mr. Sharpe. Recitations by Misses Joyce Edge and Kathleen Paget were thoroughly appreciated.

The excavations for the foundations of the new Sunday School buildings are making good progress in spite of the fact that the work has involved the removal of many huge boulders. Messrs. J. Whitten, T. Hurrey and J. Jeffery have put in some excellent voluntary labor.

PRESTON LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

The monthly meeting was held on May 8. There were 12 present, and Mrs. Allchin presided. It was received that a letter of sympathy be sent to Mrs. Robinson and family in their sad loss.

Donations were received from the Government, £29, and David Syme Request, £10. Accounts passed totalled £17/6/6.

Forty-six cases have been helped this month, and funds are very low. The secretary makes an appeal for a double mattress, table and single bed for a very needy family, who have scarcely anything in the way of furniture or clothing. We have already had a double bedstead given to us. If any readers could supply anything the society would be very grateful. There are three small children without beds. A letter or phone call to Mrs. Allchin (president), 22 Collins street West Preston, phone JW3615, would ensure their removal to the unfortunate family.

WHITTLESEA COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

Engineer's Report

The Engineer (Mr. G. H. Williams) reported as follows:—

Black Flat Road.—This is practically completed; 20 chains gravelling required from Dall's corner towards Coulthard's, culvert required—£3/10/ to be spent.

Clayden's Road. — This will only need 560 lin. form and metal 400 feet—£2 be done.

Germantown Road is in good condition except for one section which about 20 yards metal is required—30 yards to be put on.

Mahoney's Road.—A considerable amount of drainage work will be necessary before permanent work of any value can be done. Drainage could be carried out as relief work.

Cr. McCormack said this was a joint road with Preston.—Engineer to interview Preston engineer and draw up a scheme.

Epping Road Roller.—Repairs will cost £32 plus £2 for body work.—To be done.

Road Drag.—One had been obtained (cost £4/10/) for returning gravel scattered by cars to road.

Craigieburn Road.—Arrangements made to obtain gravel at royalty of 3d. per yard; work progressing well. Recommended that a further shorter length be gravelled by day labor.

Bruce's Creek Road. — Reads commenced, about half patches—An extra £10 to be spent if required.

Epping Recreation Reserve.—Rails required, Mr. Worn is supplying posts.—To be called for.

Miller's Road, South Morang. — Metalling has been held up, but will be in progress from to-day.

Other Works. — Gravelling and light forming on Merriang road; rebinding and making loose metal Donnybrook road; repairs to Greenborough road; Arthur's Creek road re-blinded and table drains cleared; drains cleaned Streamville road; low section Yan Yean road rough patched, generally patching, Wallan road; general maintenance Main Whittlesea road: Patching to Epping road between Wollert and Woodstock.

Plant forwarded to C.R.B. for work Wallan road and tenders called.—Plans being prepared for works as follows:—fencing gravel reserve Merriang road; drainage Whittlesea-Eaglake road at Hunevale; construction Milky's lane between Syphon Hill and batters; bridge over Darebin Creek, Morang-Epping road (Tenders to be called for bridge).

Engineer to attend Council.

Scour on Merriang road, engineer to report on cost of spillway: scour Wilson's avenue in table drains, two culverts required. Council's cartage contractor—Engineer to report.

The report was adopted.

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SEYMOUR SCORES SEVEN GOALS

(By "Rover")

The meeting of Northcote and Camberwell at the Northcote Park last Saturday attracted considerable interest. Last season each team inflicted a crushing defeat upon the other when playing on their home grounds. When they met in the semi-final, however, Northcote won with practically the last kick of the day. On Saturday, although Camberwell were only defeated by four points, Northcote were always their masters in good, solid football.

THE TEAMS

NORTHCOTE. — Backs: Wilson, [illegible] Lyncoln; half-backs: Powell, [illegible] Woods; centres: Cole, Corri[illegible] Garrett; half-backs: Simpson, Smith, Brown; forwards: [illegible]eads, Gray, Seymour, Williamson; rover: [illegible]lowers; Rowe, Goulett; rover: [illegible]se; 19th: Ackland.

CAMBERWELL.—Backs: Elliott, [illegible]ett, L. Williams; half-backs: Rowe [illegible]ett, Wallace; centres: Clamp, R. [illegible]illiams, Pierce; half-forwards: [illegible]ollins, Trotter, Andrew; [illegible]ards: Lasky, Luff, Boothman; followers [illegible]Neill, Fyffe; rover: Boothman; 19th [illegible]: Empire.—Brandon.

In the team as originally chosen [illegible]own replaced Hamilton, who had [illegible]t fully recovered from injuries received in the Coburg encounter.

THE PLAY

[illegible]n the slight breeze Camberwell [illegible] first away but Hart relieved. [illegible]onds was doing well as half-[illegible]rd. His pass was taken by Smith, [illegible] shipped the ball to Seymour who [illegible]ssion by Jones. A long driving [illegible]by Clamp found Andrew who [illegible]d first score—a point.

[illegible]mberwell launched many attacks [illegible]mbling forwards spoilt the effort. [illegible]after two singles Duff goaled. [illegible]play swung from end to end but [illegible]eth sides the defenders were [illegible]g. Cole rallied Northcote's attack [illegible]ingleton and Williamson saw his kick [illegible]Jones through the posts for [illegible]cote's first goal.

[illegible]mberwell were winning in the [illegible]rs and their supporters were cheering [illegible]rwards many unsuccessful efforts. [illegible]ts, Dyball and Williams were a [illegible]ery defence. Smith was marked well. He twice sent the home forward for singles. Pierce was [illegible]ne to Cole on the wing [illegible]t was around this flank that Cam[illegible]ell attacked. A flashing move [illegible]nd the flank, with Clamp and [illegible]man prominent, resulted in the [illegible]rossing both flags.

[illegible]mberwell were now using better [illegible] work. Another shot by Booth [illegible]an missed. They were attacking on [illegible]he ball. For the greater part of the [illegible]matter play had been crowded and [illegible]rwards on both sides fumbled badly.

QUARTER TIME SCORES:

Camberwell.—2 goals 6 behinds (18 points).

Northcote.—1 goal 2 behinds (8 points).

Northcote Go Ahead

Jones stopped Northcote's opening rush in the goal mouth. A single was [illegible]ashed. Seymour marked nicely from [illegible]centre and booked a perfect Ross and [illegible]e combined to give the full-forwards another chance but again it [illegible]as only a single.

Dominating the ruck, and with the [illegible]reeze, Northcote used "down the [illegible]centre" tactics. Two fine marks by [illegible]nes caused checks. Gray and Cole [illegible]rought Northcote forward and Seymour [illegible]unted a goal. Cole was playing better and a long shot just fell [illegible]short.

At the other end Woods was dashing in defence. Northcote did not [illegible]ackon and had Camberwell in trouble. Cole was ahead of Pierce on the wing and Simmonds shone on the half-forward flank.

Turning and scouting with nip he [illegible]as the spearhead of Northcote's attack. Playing to position Seymour had little difficulty in goaling. The visitors replied quickly. Fighting back [illegible]esperately they raced forward where [illegible]uff goaled. Simmonds snapped a [illegible]ingle and a minute later notched a [illegible]ajor. He kicked to Seymour who [illegible]as off the target and only raised the flag. A fine understanding existed [illegible]etween Seymour and Simmonds and [illegible]e former smartly passed to the latter for a single. Tripped as he was [illegible]unning through, Seymour goaled on [illegible]he bell.

Except on the forward line, where [illegible]he kicking was sadly astray, Northcote was on top throughout. They [illegible]ere smarter to the ball. Northcote [illegible]ad a comfortable lead at half-time.

HALF-TIME SCORES:

Northcote. — 5 goals 11 behinds (41 points).

Camberwell.—3 goals 7 behinds (25 points).

Game See-Saws

O'Neil sent the visitors forward on [illegible]he bounce. Luff accepted Lasky's pass [illegible]and piloted the maximum. Cole to [illegible]mith to Gray and within a minute Northcote replied. The visitors pressed goalwards and Mason, marking hand-balled to Rowe (c.) who went on to goal. It was a fine piece of work between the two. A mark by Dyball stopped a rush by Northcote. Goulett, working hard in the ruck, collected a number of free kicks. Seymour marked a shot by the same player and punted a sixer.

Play was quickly transferred to the other end where Clamp, eluding a couple of opponents, ran on for a single. The visitors were adopting "tear through" tactics with success but the Northcote defenders were keeping the Camberwell sharpshooters in check. Mason kicked to Smith with a long shot. Lasky snapped up a miskick by Hart and passing to Luff saw the latter goal. Northcote tore forward and exciting play ensued in the goalmouth. Ross kicked out to Seymour, who goaled from an acute angle.

Each side obtained a goal and then Williams passed to Luff for another. Camberwell were now two points in front and were continually pressing forward. Northcote were not minding their men and Camberwell were exploiting the loose attacking on the bell.

THREE-QUARTER TIME:

Camberwell.—9 goals 13 behind. (67 points).

Northcote. — 9 goals 11 behinds (65 points).

A Thrilling Finish

Away at once Northcote found Jones in the way. O'Neil dashed around the wing but lost the ball in attempting to run too far. Boothman O'Neil and Luff combined to raise Camberwell's tenth big point.

Rowe to Simmonds for a 50-yard [illegible] was Northcote's reply. The visitors carried the ball to the other end and Coffin was unlucky to hit the post with a long kick. Soon after another shot by the same player flew true.

Attacking straight down the centre Northcote went forward and Brown dashed in to snap a goal. The play was crammed full of interest and when Seymour raised one flag Northcote were only 2 points behind [illegible] a scrimmage in front R. Williams snapped a point for the visitors. Honig stemmed their next advance and Corrigan carried the move on, only to be turned back by Jones. Both sides were vigorous and the aerial work was good. Northcote's strong ruck carried them forward and Ross snapped a single.

Simmonds continued to excel on the half-forward wing and was indefatiting in numerous attacks. Wilson served right in the goalmouth and Corrigan sent the ball well down. Ross [illegible] snapped a single. Williams did likewise for the visitors who, with O'Neil in the van, were fighting hard. They found Hart, Woods, and Powell very hard to pass.

With but 5 minutes to go and still 2 points in arrears Northcote increased their efforts and in a lightning burst they added 2 goals, both from Seymour. The struggle became more fierce, each side throwing everything into the game. Play became crowded. The visitors raced for and right on the bell Luff goaled with a snap shot.

Northcote's steadiness had prevailed in a hard-fought struggle.

FINAL SCORES

Northcote.—13 goals 14 behinds (92 points).

Camberwell.—12 goals 16 behinds (88 points).

Goal-Kickers

Northcote.—Seymour (7), Simmonds (2), Smith, Gray, Williamson and Brown.

Camberwell.—Luff (7), Boothman (2), Rowe, Williams, and Coffin.

Best Players

Northcote.—Simmonds, Seymour Hart, Smith, Goulett, Ross, and Woods.

Camberwell.— O'Neil, Dyball, L. Williams, Boothman, Luff, Clamp, and Wallace.

NORTHCOTE VISIT BRUNSWICK

On Saturday afternoon Northcote will journey across to Brunswick where they will not take any liberties with their opponents, who, though they have not tasted victory this season, are running their rivals very close each Saturday. Northcote, however, should be able to add Brunswick as another victim to their superiority.

Another Successful Social

Remembering the success of the first social for men only, conducted by the social committee of the Northcote Football Club, a goodly crowd attended the pavilion on Monday night for the second function. The artists included an old favorite in Mr. Fred Champion. The Mesleanne's Duo proved so popular at the last social that it was only to be expected that they would be re-engaged. Another artist who received warm applause was Mr. J. Green, whose numbers were well chosen and equally well rendered. Occasion was taken to present a Life Membership to Mr. Sam Avison. In the absence of the president (Mr. F. Trainor) the secretary (Mr. R. Hamilton) made the presentation, and spoke of the good work done by Mr. Avison. Mr Avison suitably responded.

Player Billy Cole was then presented with a hat, won by him for his services in the match against Preston. The donation was the gift of Mr. Art Hare. Midnight came all too soon, and the next function should eclipse the previous two.

SECOND EIGHTEENS

NORTHCOTE FOOTBALL CLUB SECOND EIGHTEEN

Northcote v Camberwell

Northcote journeyed to Camberwell on Saturday last. With the advantage of a slight breeze Northcote were first to score a behind by hitting the post but Camberwell's back line worried Northcote's forwards for a while and drove the ball away. In the first quarter Camberwell scored 4—3 to Northcote's 1—7. Three behinds were the result of hitting the post. Fitzgerald made many good moves in the second quarter enabling Northcote forwards to have a shot but the kicking was again poor. After the interval Northcote made up for the bad kicking and took the lead by scoring 5—6 to 1—2. Their captain again played one of his best games, scoring 2 goals and helping in several attacks which proved successful. Baxter was again one of Northcote's best, scoring 3 goals Other players under notice were Underhill, Treacy, Power (until hurt), Angus, Goal-kickers—Power (3), Baxter (3), Moore (2), Randall Glen, Noel. Docking and Fitzgerald.

Final Scores—Northcote: 13—19: Camberwell: 12—7.

ASSOCIATION SUB-DISTRICTS

Preston Districts v North Brighton

Preston Districts again showed their stamina by winning a hard-fought game from Brighton by 8 points. Outstanding features were the splendid defence of C. Painter, the smart wing work of Frawley, and the high marking of L. Hendrie. Scores:—Preston Districts, 9-9; Brighton, 5-7. Goal kickers: L. Hendrie 4, H. Baxter 2, Williams, W. Dennis. Best players: Frawley, L. Hendrie, Dunn, Painter, Mince.

On Saturday Preston District will play North Carlton at Carlton. Buses leave Thornbury Palais at 2 p.m.

MELBOURNE BOYS' LEAGUE

Reservoir Stars v Ascot Vale

Final scores.—Reservoir, 17-10; Ascot Vale, 8-6. Goal-kickers: Ryan 4, Merritt 4, Rae 2, Kealy 2, Gilbert 2, Warren 2, Uren. Best players were Naylor, Merritt, Ryan, Gilbert and Uren.

JUNIOR I.O.R. COMPETITION

Sam Mauger v John Vale

Sam. Mauger were only able to field 12 men, and thus handicapped could give little resistance to John Vale, who won by 22-22 to 7-3. Mr. C. Junor umpired splendidly.

John Vale I.O.R. Old Boys' Football Club

The following team has been selected to represent the John Vale I.O.R. Old Boys Football Club team against Fairfield Baptist Church on that ground, corner Darebin road and Station street, on Saturday. Players to meet outside Hocker's shop, Victoria road at 2 p.m. sharp:—Backs: B. Harrison, W. Harrison (c.), F. Hecker (v. capt.); half-backs: L. Reid, M. Carlow, L. Critchey; centres: A. Slack, A. Clark, L. Wintle; half-forwards: H. Cheeney, G. Best, L. Reville; forwards: R. Trigg, R. Wintle, A. Healey; followers: H. Thomas, A. McMurtrie; rover: A. Robinson.

UNITED CHURCHES ASSOCIATION

Northcote Church of Christ v North Fitzroy C of C.

Northcote met North Fitzroy (1932 premiers) —on Saturday. A close game dominated by opposing back lines, resulted. The scores were close. Northcote had a 2 point lead at the last change, but unfortunately lost Malley, who with Baggott, was outstanding. North Fitzroy taking advantage of the temporary disarrangements of the side, quickly settled up a winning lead. Final scores: — North Fitzroy: 9—11: Northcote: 7—4. Northcote played splendidly against strong opposition and should be a force to be reckoned with as the season advances. Goal-kickers: Baggott (6), Marsh 1. Best Players: Malley, Ireland equal best on ground, Baggott Minnerfie, Stabb Thody.

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Locals Maintain Offensive In Last Term

(Contributed).

Preston had their first win for the season last Saturday when they easily accounted for Brighton. The first half was very evenly contested, the ruck work of Brighton being more than a match for their rivals. In almost every other position Preston were dominant, and in a final rally they ran out easy winners. Their play was a marked improvement on recent engagements, and supporters of the red and whites are confident of their team's ability to give a good account of themselves in future matches.

Little interest was centered in the meeting of Preston and Brighton in the Cramer Street Park last Saturday when there was only a moderate attendance to witness a contest which revealed a more pleasing exhibition by the local 18 than previously displayed this season.

THE TEAMS

PRESTON. — Backs: P. Spargo, McSwain (c). Thompson; half-backs: Smith, Brewis, F. Spargo; centres: Dowling, Davis, Bathman; half-forwards: Cameron, Monohan, Dineen; forwards: Cox, Walsh, Underhill; followers: Doyle, McEachern; rover: Robinson; 19th man: Cunningham.

BRIGHTON.—Backer, Bowenbrock, Johnstone, Joynson; half-backs: W. O'Brien, J. O'Brien, Quinn; centres: Wilkins, Stewart, Tomlins; half-forwards: Clotz, Poulter (c.), Avery forwards: Aminde, Lilburne, Dean; followers: Hunt, Hill; rover: Tucker; 19th man: Goldsworthy.

Immediately on the bounce the visitors worked into a favorable position, when superior ruck work enabled them to launch the first attack, Wilkins, from the crush, snapping first goal. After some scrambling play Cameron kicked first goal for Preston. Superior ruck play by Brighton kept the game fairly even. Snappy play at half-forward enabled Underhill to goal for Preston. The ball was playing fairly even, and weight was used freely and fairly. Smart exchanges between Dowling and Dineen, who were combining well, enabled the latter to add fourth goal for the home side.

Brighton rucks were again to the fore and a free and a good kick by Poulter brought a major. After more scrambling play Dineen goaled for Preston. Walsh, who was bringing down spectacular marks and playing a good game, was kicking erratically. Brighton were now showing to better advantage up forward and adding two goals to Preston's one.

FIRST QUARTER SCORES:

Preston—6 goals 4 behinds (40 points).

Brighton.—4 goals 1 behind (25 points).

Preston Increase Lead

Good work by Poulter was spoilt by the poor kicking of Lilburne and Dean, although the latter made amends shortly afterwards by scoring full points. Goals from Lilburne and Dean put Brighton a goal clear. Preston, settling down, hammered away at the objective and Underhill, dashing in, goaled. Up and down play by both sides only brought points.

Robertson and Walsh, who were still continuing to play good football goaled for Preston.

HALF-TIME SCORES:

Preston—9 goals 8 behinds (62 points).

Brighton.—7 goals 6 behinds (48 points).

Preston opened with an attack in which Cox snapped a goal from the pack. Preston, who were beginning to have the better of the play and were picking out their man better, enabled Cameron and Robinson to register full points. Brighton tried to break through, but the home defence was too solid. In the congested play that followed Tucker eventually found an opening and goaled for Brighton. Dineen answered for the home side added another for Preston, while Lilburne replied with full points for Brighton.

THREE-QUARTER SCORES:

Preston.—13 goals 13 behinds (91 points).

Brighton.—10 goals 8 behinds (68 points).

A Runaway Finish

Brighton launched an offensive and through some congested play, which both sides were adopting, Lilburne snapped a goal. Warr, who was too ill at the start now replaced Bath (injured) and immediately ran into prominence by goaling for Preston, who were gradually clinching the game.

Scesiders

The Scesiders, whose rucks were having the better of duels, came again and Aminde, with a snappy kick, raised both flags.

Play at this stage was of a very lifeless and scrambling nature, both teams playing very much below the standard expected. Warr put the issue beyond doubt by goaling twice. Brighton, who were holding their own in the air, were lacking in the ground work. Preston, continuing to attack, were rewarded by goals from Smith and Walsh, the latter showing out in actual work. He should develop into a really good forward, and supply a long-felt want.

FINAL SCORES:

PRESTON.—19 goals 19 behinds (133 points).

BRIGHTON.—12 goals 11 behinds (83 points).

Goal-kickers

Preston.—Cameron (3), Warr (3) Robinson (3), Walsh (3), Underhill (2), Dineen (2), Cox, Doyle, Smith.

Brighton. — Lilburne (3), Deane (2), Poulter (2), Aminde (2), Wilkins, Quinn, Tucker.

Best Players

For the winners, Dowling, Dineen, Robinson, Walsh, P. and F. Spargo, were continually under notice.

For the losers their skipper, Poulter, followed splendidly and was always doing the lion's share. Others to reveal form were Hunt, Tucker, Dean, W. O'Brien and Stewart.

Playing for Brighton Joynson had to retire from the game, his place being filled by Goldsworthy.

It was rather a resourceful move in determining to place Warr full forward. Though he is probably the best rover in the Association, Preston have now two clever rovers in the side and the services of Warr at full forward may be of greater advantage to his side.

TO-MORROW'S ENGAGEMENT

Preston's great win last Saturday has put the side in great heart to journey to Camberwell to-morrow, when they expect to return victorious after participating in an entertaining and thrilling exhibiton.

HUGHSON TRAINS AT CARLTON

The League and Association, having decided that Hughson, who has been a member of the Preston team for 24 years, had been wrongly granted a permit, and was really a Carlton player, it was considered only a matter of form for a clearance to be granted by the Carlton club. However granted by the Carlton club. However when Hughson was approached by Mr. Hannah to sign the formal application for a clearance, so that the Carlton committee could deal with it last Thursday night, he refused to sign it at that stage.

On Tuesday and Thursday last he trained at Carlton. Should he transfer, his loss will be severely felt by the locals.

WEST PRESTON CLUB

West Preston played Fairfield at Crispo Park, Preston, on Saturday; the game resulting in a win for West Preston. The final scores were West Preston: 12—20; Fairfield: 3—6. A feature of the game was the clean marking and powerful kicking of Burge, a half-forward, a newcomer from Gippsland. West Preston did not seem to strike form early but Monagle, on the wing, gave a brilliant exhibition of high marking and fast dashes. J. Robertson, the West Preston captain, played well as centre forward, scoring 5 goals. Best players for West Preston were—J. Robertson, McGregor (rover), B. Monagle, W. Cooper (follower). Ryan retired during the third quarter with an injured side and was replaced by L. McLaren. Goal-kickers were—J. Robertson (6), Burge (2), W. Cooper (2), McGregor (2), and Forrest. Players and supporters are reminded that the bus leaves for Brighton from the corner of Murray road and High street at 1.30 p.m. on Saturday.

Church Notices

ALL SAINT'S CHURCH
of England, Northcote
Sunday, May 14
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Subject, "The Spirit of Holiness."
7 p.m.—Subject, "The Spirit of Fire."
Preacher: Rev. A. H. Constable.
All welcome

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY
Shaftesbury Parade
May 14—Fourth Sunday after Easter
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Choral Eucharist.
7 p.m.—Evensong.
Celebrant and Preacher: The Vicar (Rev. W. H. Chamberlain)
Saturday, May 13
Garden Fete, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at 10 Martin St., Thornbury.

ST. MARY'S, PRESTON
May 14—Fourth Sunday after Easter
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10 a.m.—Children's Church.
11 a.m.—Choral Communion.
7 p.m.—Speaker, Deaconess Minna Johnston, Th.A.
Retiring collection for the Mission of St. James and St. John.
Rev. F. Parsons, Vicar.

EPIPHANY CHURCH, NORTHCOTE
(Bayview Street)
May 14—Fourth Sunday after Easter
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Matins.
7 p.m.—Evensong.
Celebrant and Preacher:
Rev. G. Gordon Tymms, Th.L.

ST. AIDAN'S CHURCH
Victoria Road, Northcote
Sunday, May 14
7 p.m.—Rev. F. H. Burridge, of St. James and St. John. Solos. Combined Choirs, Masonic Lodges.
Rev. J. O. Hughes.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

FOURTH CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST, MELBOURNE

A BRANCH of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ Scientist in Boston, Mass., U.S.A., holds services in the MASONIC HALL, UNION ST., WESTGARTH, as follow:

Sunday, 11 a.m. and 7.15 p.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 8 p.m. Reading Room in Masonic Hall, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

Notices

19 George V., No. 3632, Sec. 106.
19 George V., No. 3792, Sec. 27

NOTICE

A RULE to administer the Estate of NICHOLLS, SARAH ANN ROACH (also known as NICHOLLS, SARA), late of No. 2 Hollett Street, Northcote, spinster, deceased, intestate, who died on the 23rd January, 1933, has been granted to me, and Creditors, Next of Kin, and all others having claims against the Estate are requested to send in particulars of their claims to the Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, No. 257 Queen Street, Melbourne, on or before the 22nd July, 1933, or they may be excluded from the distribution of the Estate when the assets are being distributed.

J. A. ROSS,
Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons.
Melbourne, 27th April, 1933

PROVISIONS

TENDERS will be received until 11 a.m. on FRIDAY, 26th MAY, 1933, for the supply of BREAD, GROCERIES, MEAT, in quantities as ordered at Greswell Sanatorium. Period, 12 months from 1st July next.

Samples (where specified in schedule) may be seen at the Sanatorium or at the Tender Board Office, Melbourne. Conditions of contract, see Vict. Govt. Gazette of 3/5/33, page 1325.

Tender forms and all particulars from the Secretary to Tender Board, Gisborne Street, Melbourne, C.2, or from the Superintendent of the Sanatorium.

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TENDERS will be received until 11 a.m. on FRIDAY, 26th MAY, 1933, for the supply of BREADSTUFFS, GROCERIES, JAMS, MEAT, TEA, in quantities as ordered for Mont Park Hospital for Insane and Bundoora Hospital. Period, 12 months from 1st July next.

Samples (where specified in schedule) may be seen at the Tender Board Office, Melbourne. Conditions of contract, see Vict. Govt. Gazette of 3/5/33, page 1325.

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Municipal Notice

CITY OF NORTHCOTE

"LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1928"

NOTICE THAT PLANS, ETC., ARE OPEN FOR INSPECTION.

NOTICE is hereby given that it is the intention of the Council of the City of Northcote to execute the following works and undertakings:—

Construction of DRAIN in EASEMENT at the rear of property fronting the EAST SIDE of VICTORIA ROAD, between MITCHELL & BASTINGS STREETS, Northcote, as shown on Plan No. A139 signed by the City Surveyor.

The specifications, maps, plans, and sections of the proposed works or undertakings, showing the exact site and measurements thereof, and of the land required to be taken for its construction together with the names of the owners (or reputed owners), lessees (or reputed lessees), and occupiers, as far as known, are deposited and will be open for inspection of all persons interested, at the Town Hall, High street, Northcote, for the space of forty clear days from the date of the publication of this Notice in the "Government Gazette" within which time all persons affected by the proposed works or undertakings are hereby required to set forth, in writing, addressed to the Council or the Town Clerk, all objections they may have to the said works or undertakings.

Dated this 27th day of April, 1933.

J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE

Payment of Rates to Secure Enrolment and Avoid Payment of Interest.

NOTICE is hereby given that NO A PERSON will be ENTITLED TO BE ENROLLED on the MUNICIPAL ROLL for the respective Wards of the CITY OF NORTHCOTE, in respect of any property, unless BEFORE or ON SATURDAY, the TENTH DAY of MAY, 1933, ALL SUMS PAYABLE IN RESPECT OF RATES MADE DUE AND PAYABLE ON SUCH PROPERTY shall have been paid.

Notice is further given that INTEREST will be charged on ALL RATES NOT PAID by the TENTH DAY of JUNE, 1933.

The Rate Collector will attend at the Municipal Offices, High Street, Northcote, from the SECOND to the TENTH day of JUNE, 1933, INCLUSIVE (Sunday and Public Holidays excepted), from 9 a.m. till 4 p.m. DAILY; SATURDAYS, 9 a.m. till 12 noon; and also on the NINTH day of JUNE, from 7 p.m. till 8.30 p.m., to receive payment of such rates.

Ratepayers are particularly requested to bring Rate Notices when paying rates, also to give notice to the Collector of any change of ownership or of the Occupier of Properties, in order that the ROLLS may be as complete as possible.

Corporations are also required to take notice that Nominations, under seal, for representatives to be placed on the Rolls, must be lodged at this office not later than 10th JUNE, 1933.

By order,
J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk
Town Hall, Northcote.
11/5/33.

Election Notices

CITY OF PRESTON

EXTRAORDINARY ELECTION
Central Ward

A. G. (Bert) DAVIS
NOT TIED TO ANY PARTY
THE TRUE WORKERS' FRIEND
Polling Day: Next Thursday
Next Meeting:
TOWN HALL, TUESDAY, MAY 16

How to Vote:
[1] **Davis, A. G.**
[2] **PRATT, H. J.**
S. T. GREY, Secretary.

Amusement

Football! Football!

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TO-MORROW AFTERNOON
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On WEDNESDAY, MAY 31
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R. H. HAMILTON, Sec.

Northcote Jubilee Celebrations

LUCKY ENVELOPE BAZAAR
(L.E.B.)
TOWN HALL, NORTHCOTE
Friday, May 19
At 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

COMMUNITY SINGING
12 noon till 2 p.m.
and
Saturday, May 20
at 7 p.m.

A gift for all who purchase an envelope and a chance in a number of valuable special gifts.

Tickets Obtainable in Hall Only

SPORTS CARNIVAL
Saturday, May 20
AT THE NORTHCOTE PARK
at 3 p.m.
Schools' athletic championship, footrunning, cycling, national dancing, display by the Fire Board Gymnasts and Band, selections by local bands. Many other attractions and novelties. Obtain a Souvenir Button, which also admits to Carnival.

GRAND GALA NIGHT
AT NORTHCOTE THEATRE
Wednesday Evening, May 24
Seats reserved at Theatre and Town Hall. Popular prices.

Northcote Jubilee Celebrations

IN connection with the TOUR OF THE CITY, arranged for the benefit of former residents who are returning to Northcote for the Jubilee Celebrations, an APPEAL is made to all local CAR OWNERS to place cars at the disposal of the Committee for this purpose on TUESDAY AFTERNOON, 23rd MAY. Will those willing to assist kindly notify the Town Clerk, Town Hall, Northcote, as early as possible.

A. H. OLDIS, J.P., Mayor,
Chairman.

Northcote Jubilee Celebrations

PICTORIAL SOUVENIR

A SPLENDID souvenir of the City's Jubilee, in the form of an illustrated booklet containing 36 pages, has been prepared showing the remarkable progress of the Municipality, and containing interesting historical information and photographs. The Souvenir will be on sale as from 15th instant at the remarkably cheap price of Sixpence per copy, and may be obtained at the Town Hall, Public Library, "Leader" Publishing Co. Pty. Ltd., and all newsagents throughout the City.

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PICCADILLY Palais, David St., Preston.—EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT, Palma Waltz Competition. Judge and popular votes, silver cups. Mildren's Band. Adm. 10d.—A. Dominick, M.C.

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SELECT OLD TIME DANCE
SATURDAY, MAY 13
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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE, PRESTON

6 MASSED BANDS 6
CRAMER STREET PARK, 3 p.m.
PRESTON CITY HALL, 8.30 p.m.
Sunday, May 14

Bands will march from various points of the city, arriving at the Park at 3 p.m.

Community hymns, sacred band music and combined choirs will be given at the evening session.

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Mrs. N. STICK, Organizer.

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NORTHCOTE TOWN HALL
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SATURDAY, MAY 20, Mortgagees' Auction on property at 3 p.m., 79 CLARKE ST., N'COTE, 2min. Merri Station, min. tram, shops, close school.
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G. T. BOURKE, 70 High St., Westgarth, JW2810.

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NOTICES

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NORTHCOTE (Head Office): 209 High Street, Northcote. Phone JW1048 Private JW4156
PRESTON (Branch Office): 422 High Street, Preston (opp. Town Hall).
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Many Brilliant Functions During Jubilee

THE PROGRAMME

The following is the programme adopted by the executive committee.—

Friday, May 19
All Day.—Special shopping display day for bargains in all shops. Bigger, better, and brighter than ever.
12 noon to 2 p.m. — Town Hall, community singing session arranged by W. W. Mecol.
3 p.m.—L.E.B. Town Hall.
7 p.m.—Carnival Town Hall, Lucky Envelope Bazaar. Stalls aside - shows and novelties.

Saturday, May 20
2.15 p.m —Procession, accompanied by bands, commencing in High street from Penders street, and travelling to Northcote Park via High street and Separation street. Decorated vehicles in the procession on Saturday, May 20 will start from the corner of Dundas street.

Full list of visitors will be published next issue. Order Your Copy.

Dundas and High streets (motor vehicles) and the horse vehicles and pedestrians will join in en route to the park. Pedestrians will start from Dennis street.
3 p.m.—Monster Carnival at North Park. Cycle racing, footrunning (men and women), School's Athletic Championship, pole valut, javelin throwing. Physical culture display by Metropolitan Fire Brigade members. Fire Brigade Band, Highland and National dancing competition. Sideshows &c.
7 p.m—Bazaar in Town Hall continued.
2 to 5 p.m.—Social afternoon at Fairleigh College. Former Collegians are invited by the Principal to visit their old school.

Sunday, May 21
Morning and Evening.—"Back to Northcote" church services. Special services and music at all churches throughout the city.
3 p.m. Pleasant Sunday Afternoon at the Town Hall. Programme arranged by Northcote and District Choral Society. Address by Hon. J. G. Latham, P.C., K.C., C.M.G., M.P., Attorney-General and also former resident of the city.

Monday, May 22
3 p.m.—Town Hall. An organised welcome to visitors participating in the celebrations under the auspices of the Mayor and Mayoress and Councillors.
6.30 p.m.—Jubilee Council meeting at which all available former councillors will be invited to be present. During the meeting a gold mayoral chain, donated by former mayors or representatives of their families, will be presented to the council by the Lieutenant-Governor Sir William Irvine, K.C.M.G., L.L.B., K.C.
8 p.m.—Reunion dance and cards by St. Vincent's Auxiliary.
8 p.m.—Gwalia Lodge U.A.O.D. re-union meeting, Dispensary Hall.

Tuesday, May 23
10.30 a.m.—"Back to School" day at Helen street and Wales street State schools. A school session for all one-time scholars.
Arrangements for the "Back to Schools" are going ahead with vigor, and it is expected that the schools will be well attended by "come-backs" to Helen street and Wales street schools.
2 p.m.—A specially conducted tour of the city that former residents may see its progress.
8 p.m.—Civic reception, re-union and conversazione at Town Hall, at which all former residents are invited to renew friendships.
8 p.m.—Northcote A.L.P. re-union social, Rechabite Hall.

Wednesday, May 24
2.15.—Town Hall. Card party arranged by ratepayers and charitable committees of the city.
8 p.m.—Gala night at the Northcote Theatre.
8 p.m.—Re-union smoke night arranged by the president of the Northcote Cricket Club to former officials and players.
8 p.m.—Town Hall, jubilee concert and dance arranged by Northcote and Preston Scottish Society.

THE "LEADER"
Despite the fact that this issue consists of 36 pages, a number of our usual features have had to be held back owing to the unexpected rush of Jubilee matter and illustrations. It is the biggest issue ever published in suburban journalism and except for the illustrations and photographs, was wholly produced in the office.

8 p.m—Irish National Foresters' re-union at Rechabite Hall.

Thursday, May 25
(Anniversary of Inauguration of City as Separate Municipality)
8 p.m.—Jubilee ball at Town Hall
8 p.m.—Northcote I.O.R. re-union social, Rechabite Hall.

Other Functions
Northcote and Thornbury Bowling Clubs.—Special games will be arranged and all former members and visitors are invited to visit the greens on any or every day, between 2.30 and 5.30 p.m.

Northcote F.C. Dance
The Northcote Football Club held another of their enjoyable dances at the Masonic Hall on Wednesday night. There was a good attendance and all the dancers enjoyed themselves up to the limit. The next dance is on June 14.

JUBILEE FESTIVITIES

Great Preparations for Gala Week

THE Jubilee Celebrations have commenced. In the celebration of the passing of the Jubilee Milestone, the citizens of Northcote, headed by the Jubilee Committee, have left no stone unturned to make the occasion both pleasurable and profitable.

The High Street Traders have cooperated in the decorating of shops with special posters, and flags: many have made special displays, whilst strings of bunting, and festoons of colored lights add to the gay appearance of the city. The Northcote Town Hall is a centre of attraction. At night it is gully illuminated, festoons of colored lights being used to outline the buildings; whilst in massive figures composed of lights appears the legend "1883—1933" Another feature which has attracted a great deal of attention is a gaily decorated and lighted tram, which throughout the week has been travelling High street. It is exquisitely decorated with flags, and on the sides of the car appears the coat of arms of the Northcote City Council. The services of this tram were obtained by Councillors Jones, Jones, Mrs. Jones, Jones, Jones,

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NORTHCOTE NOTES

Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary

At the monthly meeting on Wednesday in the Dispensary Hall, Mrs. D. H. Mott (president) was in the chair. Two new members were enrolled. Arrangements were made for flag bridge on June 7 and a euchre party and dance early in June. Working bees to stock a stall at the opportunity shop in the city in November were discussed and arranged. Reports were received from the different committee convenors.

Northcote Silver Star Band

On Thursday the band will hold its monthly dance and euchre at the Soldiers' Memorial Hall. A balance sheet will be published and any band boys not making an effort to assist the financial side of the band will not be eligible to be equipped with a uniform. Tickets for the dance and euchre party are 1/1 including supper.

Northcote Town Hall Illuminations

The illumination of Northcote Town Hall for the Jubilee Celebrations was carried out by Mr. T. W. Hawthorn, A.M.I.E.E. and his staff of the Northcote electrical department. Mr. Hawthorn and his son, Mr. W. T. Hawthorn designed the scheme, in which is embodied nearly 600 lamps. The result achieved reflects credit on those responsible for it.

New Company

Peelshiy Pty. Ltd. manufacturers of bakers and brewers' requisites, &c.—Solicitors' office: 186 High street, Northcote. Capital: £5,000 in £1 shares. Directors: Cecil Albert Groves and Reginald William Wollmer.

Leg Broken in Bicycle Accident

Turning on a bicycle from Woodhouse street into Arthurton road, Northcote, on Tuesday morning Mr. Victor Cowle, of Hutton street, Thornbury, collided with a motor cycle. Suffering from head injuries and a broken leg he was admitted to St. Vincent's Hospital.

Port Melbourne-Heidelberg Boulevard

Plans for a boulevard from Port Melbourne to Heidelberg to mark the centenary of Melbourne were discussed by the Centenary Construction Committee. Drawings were placed before the committee, and it was decided to inspect the proposed route and meet again next week. The proposal embodies the construction of a new bridge either at Williams road or Grange road to carry the boulevard over the river.

Re-Union

In connection with the Jubilee Celebrations on Saturday at 5 p.m. a "Back to Rich Street Methodist Church Re-union social" will be held. All past and present adherents of the church are cordially invited.

On Sunday night there will be special Jubilee services in the morning at 11 Rev. J. W. Rowse, who was the first resident minister of the church will be the preacher. At 7 p.m. at the special musical service the preacher will be Rev. R. E. Hooper, an old Northcote boy.

Westleigh College

Former collegians are invited by the principal (Mrs. L. Flynn) to a social afternoon at Westleigh College, at 2 p.m. on Saturday to celebrate the Jubilee of Northcote.

Epiphany Branch C.E.M.S.

The monthly meeting took place on May 11 with Rev. Dynon in the chair. General business was dealt with and arrangements made for the Corporate Communion Breakfast on Sunday June 4 when the Archbishop is to be present. Next meet with Bishop Green. The syllabus item was impromptu speeches by members. Supper concluded the evening.

Little Girl Robbed

Lily Marsden, a schoolgirl, of Good street, Thornbury, was sent a message by her mother on Saturday, and when she was returning along Good street a man intercepted her, took a packet of matches and 1/ in money, and walked quickly away.

Opportunity Gift Shop

During the Jubilee Celebrations an Opportunity Gift Shop has been opened in High street, Northcote, opposite the Town Hall. Shops will have to be purchased and any elderly citizen visiting Northcote for the Celebrations is welcome to partake of free hospitality here and rest in comfortable chairs. The shop is being run in connection with the Jubilee and those of the older residents of Northcote are befriending the cost of the afternoon tea.

Northcote Local Temperance Legion.

On May 20 a dance dress social was held in the Presbyterian Sunday school hall where a number of members and adults were entertained. The evening was spent in games and items after which supper was served. The results of the grand parade were as follows:—Best dressed: Norma Crossi; best temperanced finder set: Gabrielle McQuire; best restrained character: Doris Smith; most original: Lily Mayo; most humorous: Mavey Luck.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

"Soul and Body," will be the subject of the lesson sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, Sunday May 21. The Golden Text is from Romans 12; 1. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people." (2 Corinthians 6; 16).

The Lesson Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The material body and mind are temporal but the real man is spiritual and eternal. The identity of the real man is not lost, but found through this explanation; for the conscious infinitude of existence and of all identity is thereby discerned and remains unchanged."

Bronze Medal Awarded

Mr. Thomas Knox, nightwatchman, of Russell street, Northcote, has been presented with a bronze medal by the Donovan Trust (Sydney) for discovering a new comet in December 1927. Mr. Knox has already received £10 10 from the Trust which was founded in 1923 for the purpose of rewarding those making new astronomical discoveries.

PRESTON PARS

Robbery at Preston

JOHN Henry Brown, of Mason street, Preston, upon returning home at 11 p.m. on Friday night heard a door slam and then saw a car drive off. It was found that thieves had stolen jewellery and clothing worth £60.

Thieves Active

MRS. Jane Nichol, Harold street, Preston, was the victim of a bag snatcher on Friday night of last week in Plenty road. The bag contained £4/-. The thief escaped in a car similar to one reported stolen Mr. A. Michael of Heidelberg road Fairfield, earlier in the evening. The stolen car is valued at £400.

A Decision Reversed

AT the meeting of Preston Council on Monday evening a notice of motion moved by Cr. Jones that the council rescind a motion that the council's representative on the Municipal Association be instructed to support a resolution of the City of Oakleigh protesting against any increase in the rate of the M. and M. Board of Works. There was a good deal of discussion and Cr. Jones said that at present there was no move to increase the rate. If proposals were made for an increase he would advise the council.

Preston's Finances Improve

CR. JONES, at Preston Council meeting on Monday said that the council's financial position was now £10,000 better off than it was six months ago.

"Gilbert E. Robinson" Park

AS a mark of appreciation of the services of the late Cr. Gilbert E. Robinson, the Preston Council, on Monday night agreed to change the name of the High street Park to the Gilbert E. Robinson Park.

City of Preston Rates

RATEPAYERS are reminded by advertisement elsewhere in this issue that rates must be paid before the 20th of June 1933 to secure enrolment on the municipal roll and avoid the payment of six months' interest. If ratepayers would endeavour to pay these rates during May, it would considerably assist the Town Hall staff.

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MASSED BANDS' PERFORMANCE AT PRESTON

PROGRAMME IN CRAMER PARK

ON Sunday afternoon there was a Massed Bands performance at Cramer Street Park. The weather was not favorable, thanks are due to Cr. Jupp, and Messrs. Patterson, Pike and Rogerson for assisting in the arrangements. A number of enjoyable selections were rendered and the final item a massed band parade, was a spectacular. About 150 bandsmen took part. Mr. Eaton acted as marshall. The collection amounted to £5/13/6.

Concerts and Community Singing

In the evening at the City Hall, community singing, band selections, &c. were presented. The Mayor (Cr. A. Newton, J.P.) presided and thanked the bands and all who had helped. The programme proved highly enjoyable. The item "Abide with Me" by the Preston Service Band and the Boy's Band proved a gem under Conductor B. Bancroft.

Cr. G. H. Mott gave an explanation of the aims and objects of the Public Assistance Committee and asked for public support for this most worthy endeavour. He thanked the Mayor, Revs. Bremer and Stewart and the organiser, Mr. W. Ward for their fine work. Cr. Swain also spoke in support. Other fine items were "The Glory Box," and the anthem "The Heavens are Telling," and "King of Kings." The Preston Boys' Band, under the leadership of Mr. Henry Hollings and the Preston Service Band took part. The collection amounted to £3 5/7.

Rev. F. C. Bremer, on behalf of the Ministers' Fraternal, announced another such gathering would take place on Sunday evening, June 18. The doxology ended a very enjoyable evening.

PRESTON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE

Jika Cricket Association and Preston Diggers' Cricket Club will hold a dance in the old Town Hall on Wednesday, May 24.

Preston Mayoress' Guild will hold a charity ball in the new City Hall, Preston, on Wednesday, June 7.

The Ministers' Fraternal will hold community singing in the new City Hall, Preston, on Sunday, June 18, at 8.30 p.m.

Preston Football Club will hold a concert in the new City Hall, Preston, on Wednesday, June 14, at 8 p.m.

Mahoney's Lane

Preston Council has authorised its engineer (Mr. Ben Johnson) to discuss with the shire engineer of Broadmeadows a proposal to improve Mahoney's Lane from the Merri Creek to Thomastown, the work to be done by unemployed labor and material to be obtained from adjoining lands.

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Mr. J. A. THOMSON, L.I.C.A.

Town Clerk of Northcote since 1924. He succeeded Mr. W. G. Swift, from whom he received his training. Mr. Thomson is regarded as one of the most efficient town clerks in the metropolis. He not only controls the council's business with dignity, but is also associated with all charitable movements of the city, and with almost all the social events. Mr. Thomson is one of the joint secretaries of the Northcote Jubilee Celebrations Committee.

Mr. H. C. FERGUSON

Assistant Town Clerk of Northcote city has been in the service of the Northcote City Council for some 20 years, and is a fully qualified Town Clerk. A few years ago Mr. Ferguson was appointed Acting Town Clerk to the City of Brighton for a period of six months during the time the town clerk of that city was abroad. From that position Mr. Ferguson acquitted himself with credit and distinction. In years past he has been associated with the sporting bodies of the city, and for a term was secretary of the Northcote Football Club. Mr. Ferguson is one of the joint secretaries of the Northcote Jubilee Celebrations committee.

Mr. V. J. A. BRADLEY, C.E.

Shortly after Mr. Bradley became qualified the then engineer (Mr. Hewitt) resigned. The Northcote Council appointed Mr. Bradley as engineer on six months' probation, and at the end of that time the members of the council were unanimous in confirming his appointment. He is a most energetic officer, a capable organiser and is ever on the look-out for improved methods. He drew up the plans for the reconstruction and beautification of St. George's road, and supervised the work; the west side of High street was constructed to his plans and specifications; he designed the plant for making slabs for Northcote footpaths, and also the hot-mix plant used in the preparation of materials for modern heavy duty roads. The last mentioned plant is capable of producing the finest quality surfacing materials at a price far cheaper than the council could purchase on the open market. Recently Mr. Bradley passed the examination which qualifies him as a town clerk.

Mr. T. W. HAWTHORN, A.M.I.E.

Mr. Hawthorn is electrical engineer to the City of Northcote. He was appointed in 1926, and has seen the Northcote electric light undertaking grow rapidly. In 1926 the change over from single phase to the three phase system was carried out under

Mr. T. W. HAWTHORN, A.M.I.E.E.
Electrical Engineer to the City of Northcote

his supervision. His foresight in planning extensions and his close supervision has been responsible for the best service to the ratepayers compliment system was carried out under economy.

NORTHCOTE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Its Development and Activities

THE Northcote Symphony Orchestra was founded in 1928 by Basil Farrell, a young Northcote musician, and at its first public performance, early in 1928, consisted of 15 to 20 performers. The orchestra grew rapidly and on December 17, 1929 the first orchestral concert was given at the Northcote Town Hall with an orchestra of 50 players. Outstanding numbers on this programme were the overtures—to "William Tell" (Rossini) and "Raymond" (Thomas) and the "Peer Gynt" Suite (Greig). Since this date the Town Hall has been the scene of five more orchestral concerts.

In 1930 concerts were given on July 1 when the outstanding features were the "Barber of Seville" (Rossini) and "Merry Wives of Windsor" (Nicholi) overtures "Nell Gwyn" Suite (German), Pomp and Circumstance (Elgar) and the symphonic poem "Finlandic" (Sibelius) and on November 11 when the orchestra presented its first symphony Schubert's beautiful Symphony in B minor, commonly known as the "Unfinished," Other items were the overtures to "The Marriage of Figaro" (Mozart) and "Rosamunde" (Schubert). Three dances from the music to Henry VIII (German) and "Mock Morris" and "Shepherd's Hey," by the popular Australian composer Percy Grainger.

In 1931 came the greatest effort. Prior to this the orchestra consisted entirely of amateur players. Mr. Farrell, realising that if the orchestra was to continue progressing, and present the symphonic works of the great masters in the current manner, it would be necessary to engage the services of professional musicians, the result being the concert presented on July 21, 1931 by an orchestra of 65 performers. This was an undoubted success as was proved by the wonderful appreciation shown by the audience, and the mere fact that a suburban orchestra could successfully perform a programme which included such items as Symphony No 5 in C minor (Beethoven); violin concerto (Max Bruch) "Hungarian March" (Berlioz). "Praludium" (Jarnefelt) and "Hungarian Dances" Brahms), proved the orchestra's stability for many years to come.

Last year two concerts were given —one on June 1 and the other (which took the form of a charity orchestral concert, the entire proceeds going to the local Unemployed Committee) on August 10. Both proved big musical successes.

The orchestra has not yet commenced its 1933 series, but announcements will be made in the near future and the programme of the opening concert will consist mainly of works by Mendelsohn; prominent among which will be the "Italian" Symphony, the Violin Concerto in F minor, and "The Midsummer Night's Dream" Suite.

The orchestra has not bound its entire activities to its own orchestral concerts but has always been ready to assist in any charitable entertainments outstanding among which is "A Pageant of World History" held at the Melbourne Town Hall in 1929 which had a cast of over 300 performers, being the most gigantic performance of its kind ever given in Australia.

The conductor and founder, Basil S. Farrell commenced his musical education in 1910, at the age of 9 years, and, studying under Mr. J. North, was successful in winning the University Examination Board's Exhibition. He was at this time only 14 years of age, and was the youngest student to have had the honor of holding this scholarship. At the end of three years' study at the University he was successful in gaining his Diploma in Music, completing his course in 1927 at the age of 17 years.

Mr. BASIL S. FARRELL Mus. Dip. Melb. Uni.

Realising the necessity and the opportunity of a Symphony Orchestra in Northcote, he made local history by organising a symphony orchestra with no small success.

Mr. Farrell received his orchestral training under such well-known conductors as Professor Bernard Heinze, Mr. J. B. North, the late Mr. Alberto Zelman, Mr. Percy Grainger, and Professor W. A. Laver.

NORTHCOTE'S POLITICAL REPRESENTATION

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

From 1856 to 1881 Northcote formed part of the South Province which was represented for the period indicated by the following members:

Donald Kennedy 1856-64; Thomas Herbert Power, 1856-64; William John Turner Clarke, 1856-61 and 1862-70; Thomas McCombie, 1856-9; John Barter Bennett, 1856-93; GideonRutherford, 1859-60; William Degraves, 1860-74; Joseph Sutherland, 1861-2; John Pinney Bear, 1863-78; William Taylor, 1864-66; William Henry Pettett, 1864-71; John Sherwin, 1866-68; William Arthur Callander, a'Beckett, 1868-70; Frank Stanley Dobson, 1870-82; *Thomas Ferrier Hamilton, 1871-81; James Balfour, 1874-82; James Buchanan, 1876-82; *Sir William Clarke, 1878-81.

*At the redistribution of seats in 1881 T. F. Hamilton and Sir W. J. Clarke were assigned to the Southern Province and continued to represent Northcote as members for that Province.

From 1882 to 1903 Northcote formed part of the Southern Province which was represented for the period indicated by the following members:—

Thomas Ferrier Hamilton, 1881-84; Sir. William John Clarke, 1881-97; (see above note re these two). Donald Melville, 1882-1901, and subsequently represented Melbourne North Province; Thomas Henty, 1884-87; Charles Henry James, 1887-90; Thomas Brunton, 1890-1904; Sir Rupert Clarke, 1897-1904.

From 1904 to present time Northcote has formed part of the Melbourne North Province which has been represented for the period indicated by the following:—

Donald Melville, 1904-19; Frank Stuart, 1904-7; William John Evans, 1907-14; William James Beckett, 1914-31; Esmond Lawrence Kiernan, from 1914 (still a member); Herbert Horace Olney, from 1931 (still a member).

NORTHCOTE'S FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE

Cr. S. DENNIS, J.P., M.H.R.

Federal Member for Batman. He was elected in December 1931. One of his outstanding achievements since his entry to the Federal sphere, has been to obtain a substantial reduction of telephone ground rents at Preston.

ALTHOUGH water mains were laid through Northcote territory in 1857 it was not until May 1869 that reticulation mains were laid in Northcote. The service passed along Bennet's road to High street, thence to Clarke street. In June of the same year further extensions were made. This was the start of the service which replaced the "parish pump," on the Sumner Estate, which had been the source of water supply before that time.

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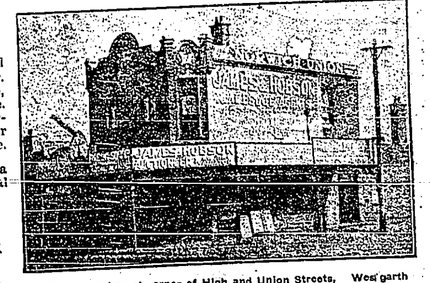

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—Inserted by her loving husband, V. Tidd, daughter and son-in-law, Ivy and Jack Johnson.

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FRIDAY, MAY 19, 1933.

THE CITY ON THE HILL

It is not quite a hundred years since Victoria was an almost unknown land, untrodden by the foot of the white man, except for one of two of the earlier explorers. Then came Batman, and the signing of his treaty with the blacks. The founding of Melbourne followed, and soon there was a steady influx of settlers into the new land. Land was made available to the newcomers and settlement commenced, but as the years passed development became accelerated, especially during the gold-digging days, when immigrants came, not in hundreds, but in thousands, lured by illusory dreams of easily-won wealth. By the great majority their dreams were not realised, and they instead settled down at their trades, or took up land. The gold days brought misery to many, gains to few, but they gave a big fillip to land settlement. After the constitution of Victoria as a separate colony, roads boards were constituted, and later municipalities.

The present Northcote municipality was proclaimed on May 24, 1883, and few of those into whose hands the guidance of the new borough was given, could have realised, even in their wildest dreams, what a glorious future lay before it!

The Borough was totally undeveloped, without roads, drainage, lighting facilities, water supply, sanitation, municipal offices, footpaths, travelling facilities, schools—in fact there was nothing. The pioneer councillors had a big task before them, and they tackled it with big hearts, confident in their zeal to serve their fellow citizens. And so it has been through the years. Councillors have come and councillors have gone, but ever have they striven to improve the municipality. Mistakes have been made, but to every councillor must be given his due—that he gave of his best. Often and truly has it been said that those who have never made mistakes have never made anything.

Development and progress were slow at first, as it necessarily must be, for of finance, the handmaid of development, there was always a shortage. Much effort was required to accomplish little. But as they had come to serve, the city fathers, through disappointment and defeated hopes, still carried on in the hope that one day their objective might be achieved.

Slowly, drainage schemes were carried out; streets made; water services obtained; a lighting scheme installed; gas mains laid; schools built; municipal offices erected; travelling facilities obtained, business people established themselves, and in fact everything that is required in a well-ordered city. None of these have been obtained without a large measure of sheer and dogged hard work.

As advancement was made, more so in regard to travelling facilities, the progress became accelerated through the ever increasing population. To-day, Northcote, the "City on the Hill" is the finest city in the metropolis in which to reside.

But what of the future? Who is there among us who, having studied the progress of the city from the year 1883 to the present day, that can visualise the progress of the next fifty years—who can fathom the future of the City Yet to Be?

RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT

A Brief Review by Councillor W. Olver, J.P.

The Jubilee not only provides a justifiable time for retrospection, but an opportunity to view a period in its true perspective. In following the "common round, the daily toil," we are liable not only to get a distorted view, but oftimes none at all. We do not see the forest for the trees. This celebration provides a hilltop from which to gaze back over the road upon which we have travelled, to mark the success or failure of the journey, and view, definitely can be set down as contributing to the final results.

In the very early days Northcote, because of its magnificent building sites, attracted many citizens of substance, and bade fair to become the home of the aristocracy of that time; but transport development on the south side of the Yarra, and, later, the discovery of suitable brick-making clay, with the subsequent establishment of brickworks, attracted an industrial population.

The first years after 1883 seem to have been occupied in founding the many services—social and other—which are the essential birth throes of any municipality. Thence onward, the phenomenal advancement of Northcote can be traced to several wise enactments, which served to stimulate the progress and directed the development along orderly lines. Chief among these was the adoption of a private street construction policy, which aimed at the production of roads and paths which, though a little more expensive in the first instance, would be substantial and lasting. This, with the system of deferred payments, entailed a minimum of hardship on the ratepayers; and, by combining with this a minimum area of subdivision, ensured that there would not be the congestion which was such a marked feature of several of the inner suburbs, tending to the creation of slum areas.

Business and factory zoning has protected residential areas from the incursion of undesirable shops and factories, and inspired a pride of possession in home builders who were attracted to Northcote by transport facilities and splendid building sites.

The purchase and development by the council of the quarry, hot mix, slab and concrete plants ensured that these essentials to a bold street construction policy would be provided at minimum cost.

The installation of the Electric Light Department on May 27, 1914, marked a new era in the progress of the city. While private street construction was dependent on settlement, the possession of the electric light undertaking enabled the council to give street and house-lighting to areas in which, for financial reasons, it was not then possible to construct streets and paths, and thus an impetus was given to building. Electric current could be supplied at cheaper rates, and the profits assisted in the purchase of park and playing areas, and health centres, and also provided other social services impossible to acquire out of revenue—and loans would have meant a tremendous repayment burden on the ratepayers.

The impetus thus given accelerated an unprecedented business expansion. High street has become one of the busiest thoroughfares in the suburbs. Facilities for amusement are second to none, and a social life has been created among our citizens which not only makes for good fellowship and comradeship, but has placed Northcote in the forefront of charitable and philanthropic endeavour.

Here, then, we have unexcelled building sites, well-constructed, wide private streets, embellished with trees and palms and concrete paths; excellent arterial roads, adequate transport facilities, good business centres, well ordered public gardens and parks, playing areas, sporting clubs and musical societies, city baths, health centres, ample educational facilities, an up-to-date civic centre and a comprehensive social and philanthropic life.

What is the future of a city so endowed? It must, of necessity, develop along the well defined and successful lines of its past progress. The inner suburbs will gradually become purely manufacturing and industrial areas, but our city will continue to attract to itself "the salt of the earth," the ambitious artisan desirous of acquiring his own home, and of having ample scope for his social, civic and philanthropic activities.

Woods' Great Peppermint Cure
For Coughs and Colds, never fails.

The Week's Social Gossip

Mr. Stanley Smith, of Preston, has returned from Bendigo where he attended the Baptist Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Horsley, of James street, Northcote, are enjoying a holiday in Sydney.

A pleasant evening was spent on Tuesday, May 9, at the Central Hall, Preston, on the occasion of Ron (eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Shepherd) "Wahroonga," 73 King street, Regent, attaining his majority. About 80 friends and relations assembled and enjoyed dancing, games, musical and elocutionary items. During supper the *usual toasts* were honored when all present wished Ron the best of good things in the future.

Crazy Whist.—Members and friends of Danella Tennis Club attended a "Crazy Whist" evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Ross, of Oakhill avenue, Preston on Saturday in aid of the club. A most enjoyable time was spent. The prizes were won by Mrs. Winning and Mr R. Manuel. A vote of thanks was moved by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Willis for the hospitality of the host and hostess.

Mrs. P. J. Kean, of Dennis street, Northcote, and Mrs. W. Dickson, of Christmas street, Northcote, have returned home after spending an enjoyable holiday in Sydney.

Mr. J. Lamb, of the following staff of the E.S. & A. Bank, who resides at "Varilla," Penders street, Thornbury, has been appointed to Gordon, and with his wife, will leave to take up residence there within the next couple of weeks.

Ex-Cr. W. J. Hemburrow, of Collingwood, was entertained at luncheon by his fellow members of the *Smith street Traders' Association* on Tuesday before his departure with Mrs. Hemburrow for a tour of Europe. On behalf of the association Mr. Biggs presented Mr. Hemburrow with a wallet.

JUBILEE ACTIVITIES

For the candidature of Miss Mavis Jones a beautifully dressed doll was disposed of, the lucky winner being Miss Rae Dent, 145 Clarendon street, Northcote (4,710). The doll was dressed by Mrs. Byers, 231 St. George's road.

The Mayor and Mayoress of Northcote

COUNCILLOR AND MRS. A. H. OLDIS

On Saturday, May 13, at "Sylvetta" the home of Mr. and Mrs Les Sharp, committee members of the Northcote Social Club met to wish "bon voyage" to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Young who are leaving for England by the "Moldavia" on May 23. Cr. W. Olver, in happy manner, presented Mrs. Young with a beautiful travelling clock, also Mr. Young with a pair of leather slippers in a leather wallet. Mr. Young suitably responded. Mr. and Mrs. Sharp, who have hurriedly decided to accompany Mr. and Mrs. Young on the trip, thought they were keeping this a secret, but the wireless bird whispered the news to Mr. Jim Ross (the president) who presented Mrs. Sharp with a beautiful travelling clock, also Mr. Sharp with a silk dressing gown and a pair of leather slippers in a wallet. Both were greatly surprised, but after some good advice about the boat Mr. Sharp was able, in his usual witty manner to thank those present. Mrs. Sharp, in a few words, thanked all for the handsome gift. The trip will take about seven months and will include the Continent, with the return via America. Those present were:—Mr. and Mrs. J. Ross, Cr. and Mrs. W. Olver, Mr. and Mrs. H. Dyte; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. P. Young, Cr. and Mrs. S. Pinkney, Mr. and Mrs. G. Keech, Mr. and Mrs. G. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. W. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. H. Kinnard, Mr. and Mrs. E. Scott and Messrs. H. Hayden and G. Hamilton. Apologies were received from Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Horsley (who are in Sydney) and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Goold.

A baby show was held on Saturday in the Northcote Town Hall to assist Miss Mavis Jones (Queen of the North). The function proved a great success and winning babies were.—Section 1: Lionel Benson (Brunswick); Section 2: Frank Hilbert, (Preston); Section 3: Bonnie Baillie (Fitzroy). The only twins competing were allotted a prize, they were Linda and Beatrice Weaver (Thornbury). Judging was in the capable hands of Matron Reynolds and staff of the After Care Home. The organisers and helpers were more than satisfied with results.

Monday evening saw Mesdames C. Thomas, T. Love, L. C. Stick and G. Hart hostesses at Normanby Hall to aid the Queen of the North (Miss Mavis Jones). Euchre and dancing sped a pleasant evening and supper was dispensed. The hostesses are to be congratulated on their effort.

At their home "Varilla" Pender's street, Thornbury on Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. J. Lamb gave a house party in support of Miss Mavis Jones (Queen of the North). A pleasant evening was spent at whist and bridge. The awards were gained for whist by Mrs. Crowe (highest), Master N. Glanville (lowest); bridge Mr. McMullin. During the evening Mrs. Murry sang a solo, and Cr. W. H. Turner obliged with a humorous song, and mouth organ eccentricities. Among those present were Cr. and Mrs. M. C. Jones, Cr. W. H. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. A. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. W. Goodwin, Mr and Mrs. J. C. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Page, Mr. and Mrs. E. Nixon, Mr. and Mrs. Waters, Mr. and Mrs. Progitt, Mr. and Mrs. C. Glanville, Mr. and Mrs. R. McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. McHugh, Mr. and Mrs. A. Murrey, Mesdames Smith, Turner (Sydney), Hart, Hill, Banks, Crowe, Kidd, Whitney, Dillon, Mott, Meates, Murden, J. H. Hayden, McMullin, Eastwood, Thayer, Marriott, Kidd, Jackson, Dalton; Misses Mahoney, Rao, McKinnon, Mahnke, McKinnon, Dalton, Crawley, Lemke, Smith; Messrs. W. Mott, Anderson, Ross, Glanville, and Thayer. The host and hostess (Mr. and Mrs. Lamb) were thanked by Cr. Jones and Cr. Turner, and a happy evening concluded with "Auld Lang Syne."

On Sunday afternoon the Town Hall was crowded when a P.S.A. was held to aid the Queen of the North (Miss M. Jones). Cr. W. Hayes J.P. presided and apologised for the absence of the mayor. An excellent programme was provided by Miss Emily Hoad ("Spy" of the Winner), Mr. R. P. Turnley, The Royal Quartette and Miss May Dixon (songs), Miss Mavis Kruger and Mr. W. Oates (recitations); Mr. W. Bowcher (violin solo); and Miss M. Jackson (mandolin); and the Northcote Citizens' Band rendered selections. Harp selections by Signor Cerbasi were an innovation and were much appreciated. Cr. W. Olver moved a vote of thanks to the artists and Cr. Jones supported. Mr. Turnley replied. The financial results were about £12.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Tulloch, of St. George's road, Northcote, who, with their family, have been spending a holiday at Selby, have returned.

Dr. E. Rosanove, of Northcote, and his wife, Mrs. Joan Rosanove, returned on Monday after a tour abroad. Whilst away Dr. Rosanove did post graduate work at Vienna. They have with them Judith Ann, their younger daughter, who was born whilst abroad.

Mr. R. Prowse, Clerk of Courts at Preston and Northcote, resumed duty on Thursday after having spent an enjoyable holiday at Warragul.

The bowl awaits within the Cedar's shade
As Sunset's golden glories slowly fade
And where we gather while the shadows fall
May Allah's Blessing still abide with all.
Behold the Feast is spread for I and Thou.
And, lo! the Bulbul chants upon the Bough.
Pour out the Juice! and ye who cannot endure
Infuse with Woods' Great Peppermint Cure.—Advt.

PRESTON COUNCIL

MONDAY, MAY 15.

The monthly meeting of the Preston City Council was held on Monday. Present: the Mayor (Cr. A. E. Jay, J.P.) and Crs. E. F. Norris, Newton, J.P.) and Crs. E. F. Norris, H. Swain, J. W. Adams, E. H. Mott, H. Swain, J. W. Adams, G. P. Jupp, L. Jones and H. P. Zwar, M.L.A.

New Councillor Welcomed

Cr. Jones introduced Cr. Jupp, the newly-returned representative for the West Ward. Cr. Jupp had had experience as a member of a neighbouring council (Richmond). The Mayor (Cr. Newton) extended a warm welcome to the new councillor, and hoped that his term in the council would be pleasant to himself and profitable to the ratepayers. Cr. Jupp, in reply, said that when he left Richmond he was no longer a ratepayer and had retired from that council. Now an elected councillor of Preston he would do his level best. (Applause).

Correspondence

Weights and Measures.—Secretary of Weights and Measures Union sought co-operation in urging Parliament to grant representatives to press for an amendment of the Weights and Measures Act, to make *is more effective* in the protection and interests of the public.

Cr. Watt moved that the request be complied with. It was reported to a meeting that if a baker sold bread as a "fancy bread," there was no restriction on the weight the loaf should be.

Cr. Jones said the council should tread warily and it should see that they did not lose control of the Weights and Measures Act.

Motion carried.

Water Mains.—M. Board of Works advising that it had been decided to lay a 6-in water main on the west side of High street, Preston, from Bell street to Oakover road.

Cr. Jones said the new main would be a 4-in main.

The Mayor congratulated Cr. Jones on his getting the larger main.

Unemployment.—Reservoir Unemployed requested that a deputation be received to discuss the question of providing additional work for persons drawing sustenance so that such persons will be in receipt of the maximum income receivable in order to allow them to continue to receive full sustenance.

Cr. Swain said the councillors were in sympathy with these men, and no harm would be done in hearing the deputation.

Cr. Zwar said that the sustenance would not keep body and soul together. It was pitiful to hear of some of the cases of dire distress.

Cr. Adams said the council was doing its utmost, and it had not the money to spend. A lot of work was needed, but it was a matter of finances.

Matter referred to the committee of the council on the motion of Cr. Swain.

Street Construction.—Ten ratepayers of Nyowee street and 30 ratepayers of Bartlett street, requesting estimate for the construction of those streets.—Referred to P.W. Committee.

Bands.—Acting secretary Preston Boys' Band offering its services as a city band.—The Mayor said there were a number of bands and the sooner a conference was called and one or two decent bands were formed the better.—Consideration was deferred.

General

No action is being taken to pass a by-law to control unauthorised parking attendants as requested by the R.A.C.V. and Municipal Association.

The use of Preston Town Hall has been granted to Preston Football Club at £2/10/ per Saturday night until September 30 on dates that are available.

An agreement for a loan of £4,000 at 4½ per cent. for 20 years for cemetery unemployed relief works has been entered into between the council and the State Treasury.

E. G. Pryor and W. H. Roughsedge have been appointed temporary clerks to assist the registrar at the sustenance office, Preston.

A tender of £390/18/2 for the Home Pipe Co., has been accepted by Preston Council for supplying reinforced pipes for Bell street underground drain.

£200 is to be spent in the installation of a pre-mixing plant for road materials.

Application is to be made for water extensions Chaleyer street; and to houses of 16 persons on Balmoral Park estate.

The council has agreed to pay £50 to the Civil Ambulance Society with an intimation that in future the council will not pay for transport of indigent cases.

Committee Reports

Electric Light committee accounts £2,881/4/ were paid.

Finance committee accounts £4,224/15/6 were paid.

Ordinary Business

Cr. Adams moved that Cr. Jupp be appointed to the Electric Light committee.—Carried.

Cr. Jupp said there was need for better lights in Plenty road.—Referred to E.L. Committee.

Cr. Jupp said a crossing was needed in Gilbert road near Mr. Rea's house.—To be put in under usual conditions.

Cr. Swain said Robeson street, south of Bell street, was in a very deplorable state.—P.W. committee.

Cr. Adams moved that attention be given to footpaths Hotham street —P.W. committee.

Cr. Zwar drew attention to footpath, High street, from Tylor street north; slate in High street south of this point needed attention — P.W. committee.

Cr. Adams said that the Oakover road tip was now in splendid order, as he had learned from several inspectors. The hole was being filled rapidly.

THANKS!

In the compilation of this Jubilee issue, we are indebted to many Northcote citizens for ready and willing co-operation in the compilation of Special Articles, for supplying information, and co-operation in other ways. A perusal of the issue will show that the information contained therein has been obtained from a great many sources, and in every case the greatest care has been taken to ensure the accuracy of statements made.

To Cr. Olver, Cr. J. O. Hughes, the Town Clerk (Mr. J. A. Thomson), City Engineer (Mr. V. J. Bradley), the assistant Town Clerk (Mr. H. C. Ferguson), Mr. T. W. Hawthorn (Electrical Engineer), Ex-Cr. C. A. A. Schwacbel, Messrs. W. S. Stott, H. Mitchell, W. Waddell, D. Medhurst, J. P. Kelly, J. S. Whalley, Mrs. R. Thompson, Mrs. S. Dennis, Mr. Cyril Stevens, and others we desire to convey our thanks for assistance on the literary side; the announcements of the principal business people in each avocation will be found in our advertising columns and these we thank for their co-operation which has enabled us to produce so comprehensive an issue on this auspicious occasion. This issue, we understand, is the greatest achievement of any suburban newspaper to date and we feel it is an achievement of which Northcote has every reason to be justly proud.

The whole of the work, with the exception of the making of the process blocks and the photography has been carried out in our own office by our own staff.

NORTHCOTE COURT

TUESDAY, MAY 16

Before Mr. W. J. Clarke, P.M. Messrs. B. E. Johnson, P. Carney, and Mrs. A. A. Glanfield, J.'sP.

Unlighted Vehicle

John McNamara, Edward street, Reservoir, charged that on March 30 he drove an unlighted horse vehicle at Westgarth, was fined £1.

Disobeyed Maintenance Order

Isabel Gaskin, Westgarth street, Northcote, brought action against her husband, Henry Gaskin, Hoddin street, East Melbourne, calling upon him to show cause why he should not be imprisoned for failing to find a surety of £25 that he would comply with a maintenance order.

Mrs. Gaskin said that since the order was made in December last, for £1.a week, only £3 had been paid.

An order was made that Gaskin be imprisoned until a surety be found.

Debt

Dr. S. Crawcour sued W. Wilson of Hillside avenue, for £11/0/6. Defendant admitted owing £10/0/6, and said that he could not see any way of paying it.

The P.M.: That is another thing (Laughter).

Defendant: No particulars were given only just work and labor done." Plaintiff might only have administered a couple of aspros or something and send in a bill for £11.

The P.M.: Surely you don't expect the doctor to show how many pounds of energy he expended in his treatment (Laughter).

The Defendant: Don't you think it is outrageous for a doctor to charge £1/1/- for ten minutes' work these hard times?

An order was made for £10/0/6 and £1/6/ costs.

Defendant: I don't think that its justice.

The P.M.: If you go on like that you may be dealt with. If you become obnoxious I'll have you removed.

Adam Smith, for whom Mr. H Marsland appeared, obtained an order against Robert Turner and Francis Turner, Hotham street, Collingwood, for £5/5/ and 17/6 costs.

An order in favor of Adam Smith was made against Mervyn Godfrey, Livingstone parade, Ivanhoe, for £6/10/ and 17/6 costs.

Henry Simmons, for whom Mr. A. E. O'Connor appeared, obtained an order against James Murray and Ruby Murray, for £6 and 17/6 costs for rent of premises, Hutton street, Thornbury.

J. Christie, for whom Mr. A. E. O'Connor appeared, obtained an order against W. Hobbs and Mrs. Hobbs, of Westgarth street, Northcote, for £13/19/ and 26/ costs in respect of rent of a home in Charles street, Northcote.

Q. Jaegur, for whom Mr. A. E. O'Connor appeared, obtained an order against C. S. P. Macguire and R. E. Macguire, Arthur street, Fairfield, for £8/3/6 and 7/6 costs in respect to premises Gillies street, Fairfield.

Ejectment Orders

C. H Burnham, as agent for the owner, obtained an ejectment against C. H. Sandford, Station street, Northcote.

Wife Secures Maintenance Order

Lilian Clapham v Raymond Eugene Clapham, a claim for the maintenance of his wife and two children.

Mr. A. E. O'Connor appeared for the wife.

Mrs. Clapham said The marriage took place in August 1926 at Clifton Hill and there are two children. My husband last supported me and gave me £2 when we were living in Darebin road, Northcote. My husband left the home on April 14 and was away for several days. After a day he went away for another week. He did not tell me where he had been. When he came home again he took away all his things and his father's car. I did not see him again until last Friday—after a summons was served.

When he returned last Friday he did not offer to give me any money or to provide a home. The only time I spoke to him was when I complained of his foul language.

The P.M.: Did you ask your husband the reason for his conduct?—We have not been on speaking terms for 18 months.

The P.M.: You were living together?—Yes.

Defendant: My mother has been giving you 10/ a week and groceries —Yes.

My sister also gave you money?—Yes; one sum of 10/.

Your brother also gave you money?—Yes, but he is no longer helping me.

Continuing, the wife said The first cause of the trouble was that I learned my husband was going out with other girls.

Chaplin said: I am living with my mother. I am unemployed at present. My mother has been helping my wife, giving her 10/ a week and groceries, and my sister also gave her money. One of the children is with my mother.

Mr. O'Connor: When you returned last Friday the bailiffs were removing your wife's furniture?—Yes.

An order was made that Chaplin pay his wife £1 weekly for herself and 10/ weekly for the support of one child. He was also ordered to find a surety of £25 that he would comply with the order and pay £2/12 costs.

A Case Dismissed

Arthur Edward Cosier, Clarke street, Northcote, was charged that on May 12 he had in his possession a picture suspected of having been stolen.

Constable Saunders, of the motor cycle patrol, said: At 1.5 a.m. on May 12 I saw Cosier opposite the Methodist Church. He had a picture under his arm. As we approached he threw the picture into a doorway. He denied that he had had the picture in his possession, and later said he had picked it up at the back of a friend's place. When intercepted Cosier appeared to have been drinking.

Mr. Gray: What would be the value of the picture?—I could not say.

Would you make an offer for it?—Certainly not.

Cosier said: I had been so see a man named Chapman at Ethel street Thornbury. We had some liquor. On leaving I picked up a picture in a lane.

Martin Henry Chapman, Ethel street, Thornbury said: Cosier was at my home on the day in question.

Henry Reed, St. George's road, Thornbury, previously at Benjamin street, Thornbury, said: When I was moving I threw a picture out into the lane.

The P.M. said the bench felt there was no "mens rea" about the possession of the picture. No man in his senses would steal a picture of this kind.

Case dismissed.

Senior Constable Matthews said that if defendant had only made his explanation at the time he would never have been charged.

Mr. Barnett asked that the warrant be withdrawn.

The P.M.: For what reason?

Mr. Barnett: There was an agreement between the parties, the informant and the defendant which is very wide.

The P.M. said that under the circumstances the court would allow the warrant to be withdrawn.

Successful Students at Thornbury State School

THE head teachers and staff of a school, who impart knowledge to the scholars in their care, cannot, by reason of the number of pupils who pass through their hands, follow the careers of individuals. It is the aim and object of every teacher not only to impart knowledge, but also to mould character, in order to fit the children to undertake the responsibility of useful citizenship. Where pupils are outstanding, it gives pleasure to their earlier teachers to learn that they have won laurels in higher fields. Among the scholars who have attended the Wales Street State school are:—Clarence Collins, who became a musician and now in Europe; Frank Bartley B.D.Sc. (now in business in High street); Richard Jones, B. Ag. Sc (now with New South Wales Department of Agriculture); F. Hubert Osborne, B.C.E. (still living in Northcote). Miss Rene Warren, is an assistant at Thornbury school; Mr. Joe Delaney is a well-known singer; as is Miss Cora Hosking; Hector de Lacy, is a sports writer for the "Herald"; Edward Boreham has been *successful in business;* Stan Ingalls is doing well in business at Preston; and Milleon, is a master builder; Norman Bartley, B.A., Dip. Ed., is headmaster of the Higher Elementary School at Camperdown; Fred Fontaine, now at Wesley College, is known in the cricket world; L. Seeger and Gilbert Latta entered upon an engineering course at the Workingmen's College, and the latter has since become a clergyman; Ivy Ross and Mrs. Olver (nee Bamber) were pupils at the school. Among recent pupils is Keith Olver (doing law at the University).

NORTHCOTE TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

FROM 60 TO 3,000 SUBSCRIBERS

AT first telephone subscribers in Northcote were connected to the Brunswick exchange. There was continuous agitation for the establishment of an exchange at Northcote, and in 1916 an exchange was installed in portion of the Town Hall (upstairs), above the post office which then occupied the southern end of the High street frontage. At first there were only about 60 subscribers to the now exchange, and only a day service was provided. Residents were quick to realise the benefits, and soon the business had increased to such an extent that when a request was made for a continuous service there was little difficulty in obtaining it.

The installation at this exchange was carried out by Mr. E. Henderson of 74 Collins street, Thornbury. The switchboard had a capacity of 100 line subscribers, with a trunk panel of five lines to Brunswick, two to Heidelberg and three to Central. The initial cost of installation at the exchange was only a few hundred pounds, and as additions were required Mr. Henderson and his staff manufactured extra subscribers' panels.

In December 1928 a new exchange equipped for automatic telephones erected at a cost of approximately £60,000 at the corner of Bayview and High streets, at the rear of the new Post Office building, was opened, and the change over from manual telephones took place without a hitch.

The number of subscribers connected with the Northcote exchange is now under 3,000 in addition to about 700 extensions.

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Around Northcote's Churches

Northcote Salvation Army

The opening of the Northcote Corps took place on November 12, 1892. It is the oldest Corps in the vicinity, as Thornbury Corps and Preston Corps were outposts from it a few years ago, and recently Northcote East Corps.

Captain Otway and Lieutenant Tecon were the first officers appointed. The work was started with 38 soldiers attached, in the Wimble Hall in Wimble street. The present building was purchased in 1902-3 from the Primitive Methodist connection and the meetings have been held continuously ever since. The following officers have been stationed at Northcote.—1893: Captain Head was appointed, but was promoted to Glory in W.A.; 1894: Captain G. H. Jarrett and Lieut. Anderson; 1895: Captain Houghton; 1896: Captain A. S. Breen and Lieut. Veitch; 1897: Adjt. J. Reeves and Adjt. C. Norris; 1898: Adjt. Dawkins; 1899: Ensign Gollen (promoted to Adjt. while here); 1900: Capt. Martin (now Brigadier); 1901: Capt. Pennell (now Brigadier) and Adjt. Shaw; 1902-3: Adjt. T Berry and Adjt. Drew; 1904: Capt. Jerram and Adjt. Shepherd; 1905: Adjt Thomas; 1906: Adjt Grant; 1907 Capt. Hooper; 1907: Capt. M'Lintock; 1908: Capt. M'Lintoch; 1909: Staff-Capt. Whitchurch; 1910: Adjt. Kennewell; 1911-12-13-14: Staff-Capt. Rundle, now deceased; 1914: Adjts Feltham and Lamberton; 1915: Ensign Doran and Capt. Canty

People whose lives were interesting in that they stood up to the ridicule are Sister Holder, Brother Sharwood and Brother Elliott. The first Divisional Commander was Staff-Capt. Bruntwell and Colonel Shara was for years in charge of the Melbourne Central Division. Adjt. Jarvis (now Brigadier) followed.

The first band was formed in 1902 and the first bandmaster was Brother Clark, who is now resident at Ringwood and will return to the old Corps for the "Back to Northcote" programme on May 25. Lieut-Col Birkenshaw was also another old Divisional Commander here in the days gone by. The Young People's hall was destroyed by fire in November 1930 and on May 24 a new up-to-date Young People's hall was opened by the present Chief Secretary, Colonel Sutton, assisted by the Melbourne Central Division Commander and staff, Lieut-Col and Mrs. McClure. A fine work is going on among the young people in charge of Sergeant-Major Lowe, the present Sergt-Major.

Commissioners Hay, Richards and Commissioner and Mrs M'Kenzie have paid visits to the Northcote Corps at different times. The senior hall was set alight in December 1932 and the rear portion badly damaged, and instruments and furniture destroyed. This was re-built also a new bandroom

The present Sergt-Major is Brother Lemin, secretary Brother Ken Jamieson and treasurer Brother Stevens, bandmaster: Brother West, under whom the band is doing well.

The officers who have been stationed in Northcote latterly have been: Commandant and Mrs. Parsons; Commandant and Mrs. Butler; Commandant Johnson and Ensign Rivers: Ensign and Mrs. Somerville; Commandant Teece and Adjt. Baldry Adjt. and Mrs. M'Manis; Commandant Bartlett and Capt. Swale; Ensign and Mrs. Quantock; Commandant and Mrs. Wilkinson; Adjt and Mrs. Healey. The present officers are Adjt. and Mrs. Wishart and the work is going along nicely and the soldiers roll stands at 108. The attendances at the meetings are improving and a great work is being carried on.

Some of the greatest workers in Northcote have been: Sister Spencer sen.; Sister Munday; Sister Mrs. Thompson and Sister Davis. Brother Belcher and these are responsible for the present standing of our Northcote Corps.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN NORTHCOTE

In the late 'seventies and early 'eighties the Catholics of Northcote were attended from St. Patrick's Cathedral, and those of Preston from Heidelberg. In 1889 Clifton Hill was made a separate parish from St. Patrick's with Northcote and

REV. FATHER J. J. GALLIVAN, P.P. St. Joseph's Church, Northcote

Preston attached. Father Collins, now Monsignor Collins, of South Melbourne, was the first parish priest About the end of 1889 Father Collins built a church at Preston where the Sacred Heart Church now stands —the old one being transferred to Reservoir.

Father Collins also built, at Arthurton road, the wooden church which was used as a church and school until St. Joseph's Church was built in 1916 and the school in 1918.

In 1893 Northcote and Preston were made a separate parish from Clifton Hill, with the late Father Jrazil as the first parish priest. In 1898 he built St. Joseph's presbytery

In 1916 Father Murphy built St. Mary's, Thornbury, St. Joseph's, Northcote, and in 1918 St. Joseph's school in James street. In 1919 Preston was severed from Northcote and became a separate parish with Father O'Grady as first parish priest.

In 1923 St. Mary's, Thornbury, was separated from St. Joseph's and Rev. M. A. Vaughan was the first parish priest. In the same year, the Rev. J. J. Gallivan was made parish priest of St. Joseph's, Northcote.

Catholic Education.— Until 1904 the Sisters of Mercy from Nicholson street, taught in the Catholic school Arthurton road. In 1904 the Sisters of the Good Samaritan, of Lawry street Convent, took charge of Catholic education in Northcote. Now St. Joseph's has 550 children on its roll.

A splendid modern High School is in course of erection in the spacious convent grounds. For the past 15 years Mr. J. E. O'Brien has efficiently fulfilled the duties of parish secretary of St. Joseph's.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Thornbury

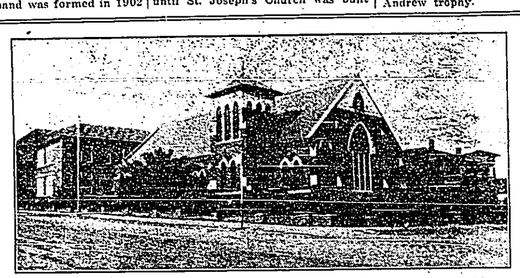
A few short years ago the Catholic population of Thornbury was so sparse as to be necessarily merged in the older settlement of Northcote, but with the phenomenal expansion of Melbourne and the advancing tide of population, Thornbury has leaped into prominence as a thriving centre.

In 1914 a large and enthusiastic meeting, under the chairmanship of Rev. Fr. J. Murphy, resolved to erect two churches, one at the northern end and the other at the southern end of the city. The site for the Thornbury church was selected by the Very Rev. Dean McCarthy and purchased for £827; whilst the site selected for the other church was a block in Westbourne grove, backing on James street.

The Thornbury church was erected in 1915 and formally opened by the late Dr. Carr in February 1916. Seven years later the rapid progress of the district warranted its separate existence and in May 1923, Our Lady's entered into her inheritance as a parish of the Melbourne Archdiocese. Father Vaughan was installed as first parish priest. An old wooden building removed from Arthurton road to a site behind the church, served as first school. The number of children then in attendance was 56. A magnificent school costing £10,000 with furnishings and fittings, was then erected and the attendance has increased to 570.

The education is in charge of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan and how successful have been their efforts is seen in the number of past pupils who fill prominent positions in the business and professional world

A new presbytery was erected in 1930 and completed a group of buildings which are an ornament to our city. In the immediate future it is proposed to erect a hall and clubrooms to serve the social side of the parish. Land has been purchased at each end of the parish and when the occasion demands, buildings worthy of our city will be erected.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES, THORNBURY (St. Mary's Church)

ATHLETICS

PRESTON AND NORTHCOTE A.A.C.

The 2 miles unpaced was held at East Preston on Saturday. Results: J. Hogben 11min 21sec 1; J. Lacey 11min 33sec 2; A. Appleby, 11min 45sec 3; E. Hogben 12min 20sec 4; V. Kirkland 12min 23sec 5. All starters stated their times before the race and V. Kirkland ran nearest to his time. A cup is given to be competed for annually, by Mr. A. Gallagher for both of these events.

Next Saturday the club has a one mile handicap at the Northcote Carnival and members are requested to report to the secretary outside at 3.30 sharp.

On June 3 the club will have another relay to Cranbourne. Any members wishing to take part please forward names to Mr. C. Thorne.

GOLF

HEIDELBERG CLUB

To meet the demands made upon it by a regularly enlarging membership roll, the Heidelberg Course has been extended to a length of 6,141 yards and the Victorian Golf Associa tion has fixed the scratch score at 77. The membership list stands at around 400. Frequently 120 or more take out competition cards for the Saturday afternoon event. By means of using the 1st and 10th tees as starting points the whole field is away by 2.30 p.m. The booking system obviates any unnecessary waiting about as well as irritating crowding on the course. There must be a limit to membership and shortly the list will be closed and a "waiting list" instituted.

The extension of the second, sixth, seventh and a new eighth hole will provide a champsionship course which aspiration will surely be realised shortly. On May 27 a mixed foursomes event will commemorate the opening of the extended course. Assistance will be given to those desirous of obtaining partners if names are left with the hon. secretary. The afternoon will be followed by a high tea provided by the ladies and later on there will be bridge and dancing for those whose fund of energy has been but lightly taxed. Associates are especially invited to keep this date free from other engagements.

Saturday's Scores — C. Kingsley Trophy—65 entries:

1 up, A. Norris 11; 1 down, R. Cornish 12, L. Jaques 11, W. Bell 10; 2 down, A. E. Appleton 4, R. S. Thomson 11; 3 down, A. A. Chisholm 5, N. F. Matthews 11, J. H. Chandler 7, V. Bell 5, C. Holt 8, T. Hitchcock 6, F. S. Renn 7; 4 down, L. R. Dowell 11, A. McIntosh 11, C. Kingsley 8, D. Stone 12, J. Harvey 16, F. O'Neill 5, S. C. Gonzales 15, G. Hanger 11; 5 down, D. Fraser 15, R. H. Gee 8, F. Edwards 12, A. Moore 8, C. Medcalf 6, L. C. Lumley 10; 6 down, M. Burke 14, C. Sinclair 15, G. R. L. Rimington 10, H. Ferguson 14, W. Broderick 15.

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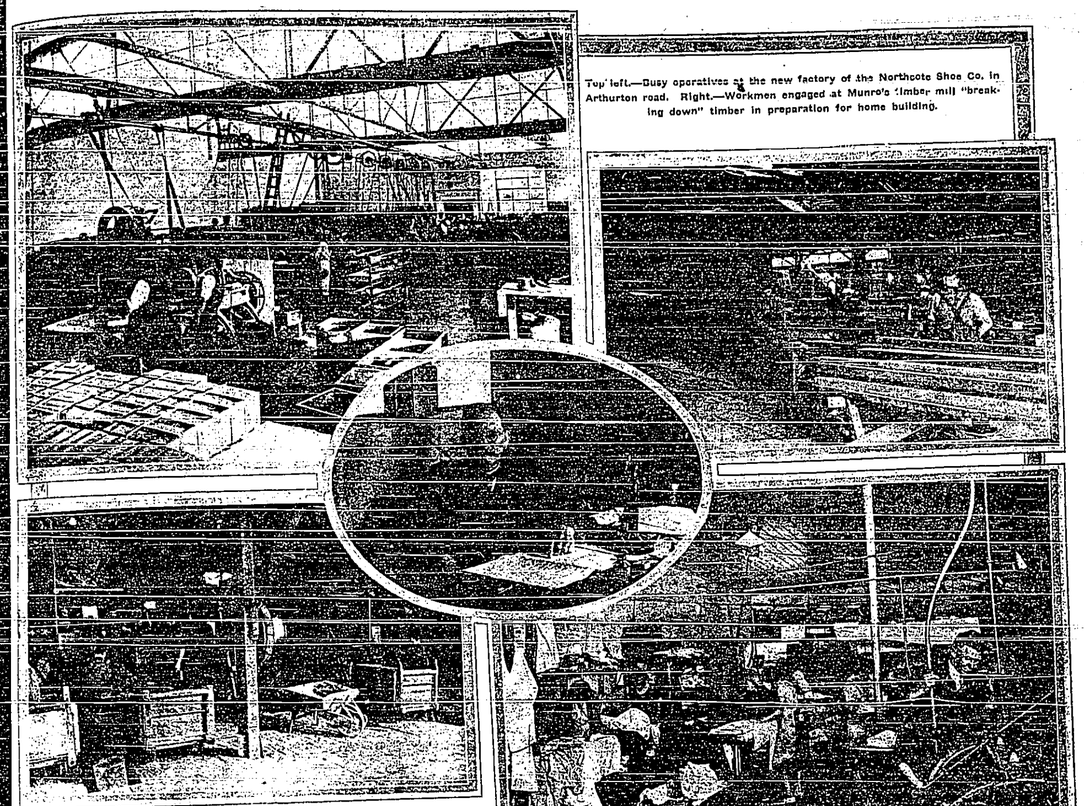

Top left.—Busy operatives at the new factory of the Northcote Shoe Co. in Arthurton road. Right.—Workmen engaged at Munro's timber mill "breaking down" timber in preparation for home building.

Bottom Left.—View taken at the Glen Iris Brick Works. Presses are seen moulding bricks, which are loaded into trucks. Centre.—Mr. J. W. Adams, J.P., manager of Glen Iris Brick Works. Right.—Washing operations at Maz's Steam Laundry, High street.

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Northcote's Political Representatives

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Northcote's earliest representatives in the Legislative Assembly (from the time of the establishment of responsible Government in Victoria) were Robert Bennett and Angus A. Greaves, who represented East Bourke in 1856. Since then the representatives in the parliaments of following years have been:—East Bourke Boroughs: Richard Heales, 1859-60; Hon. Richard Heales, 1861-2; Edward Cope, 1866-68; William T. N. Champ, 1871; George Higinbotham, 1873; William M. Cook, 1877-78 and 1880-1; Charles Pearson 1883; Hon. Chas Pearson, 1886-9; Sir Graham Berry, 1892-4; John Hume N. Cook, 1897; David Methven 1900; Frank Anstey, 1902; David Methven 1903.

At this stage the electorate of Jika Jika came into being, and the representatives from then on were:—Harry G. Beard, 1904; James G. Membrey, 1907-8-11; Hon. James G. Membrey 1914; John Cain, 1915-20; Hon. John Cain, 1924-27.

In 1927 Northcote electorate was constituted and it is still represented

HON. H. H. OLNEY, M.L.C.

by Hon. J. Cain. Portion of the South of the municipality is included in the electorate of Clifton Hill, the representative being Mr. M. Blackburn.

Among the other representatives were Mr. J. Hume Cook and Mr. Frank Anstey, who later entered Federal Parliament.

HON. J. G. MEMBREY

Mr. J. G. Membrey succeeded Mr. H. Beard as the representative of Jika Jika on March 20, 1907, and retained the seat in the Legislative Assembly up to October 24 1917, when he voluntarily retired from political life on account of ill health. When Mr. Membrey won the seat there was considerable jubilation, inasmuch as he was the first resident of Northcote to become a member of Parliament.

Frequently it has been acknowleged that his work for the constituency could not possibly have been excelled. During its attachment to East Bourke Boroughs, the entire electorate had been woefully neglected, but with the advent of the resident member that was quickly and wonderfully changed. Through the instrumentality of Mr. Membrey the City of Northcote in particular, reaped material and lasting benefit. Large grants of money were obtained from the Government for drainage works, schools, parks &c. and due entirely to his indefagitable exertions a bill was put through Parliament authorising the construction of the St. George's road to Preston electric tramway. In connection with the carrying out of that important local undertaking, Mr. Membrey was accorded the honor of laying the foundation stone of the bridge over the Merri Creek at St. George's road, and at the opening of the line his daughter, Miss Membrey, cut the ribbon for the first electric car to inaugurate a tram service which has proved of signal advantage to both Northcote and Preston.

In 1910 Mr. Membrey was honored by the Government of the day in being appointed a member on a Royal Commission to investigate the desirability of the conversion of the railways from steam to electricity and the tramways from cable to electric traction.

On July 20, 1910, Mr. Membrey was elected an honorary minister in the Peacock Government and on his retirement from Parliament the Cabinet showed their regard by presenting him with a gold watch as a

HON. J. G. MEMBREY

token of appreciation for his splendid services. While the Great War raged Mr. Membrey took the public platform for the cause, addressing recruiting meetings throughout the State. His own son was one of the gallant volunteers who laid down his life in France as part of the price paid for the liberty we enjoy to-day.

On retiring from Parliament, at a meeting of representative citizens from every portion of the electorate, called together for the express purpose of raising a substantial sum as a testimonial to their late member. Mr. Membrey, together with his late wife, declined to accept any presentation at a time when Australia was in the throes of a world-wide war conflict of life and death. From the municipal councils embraced in the Jika Jika electorate, a handsomely framed and illuminated address was received by Mr. Membrey as a memento of the good he had wrought for the ratepayers.

During the 49 years Mr. Membrey has been a resident of Northcote and district his one aim and object has been for the betterment of the people as a whole, and in the development of Northcote he has played a most important part. Not alone for our local electric trams have the people much to thank Mr. Membrey, but also for the application of the railway line from Clifton Hill to Preston—a work that has been of incalculable advantage in the progress of the district. Likewise, Mr. Membrey was responsible for the duplication of the railway line from Westgarth to Alphington which has greatly benefited our neighbouring municipality. The youth of Northcote and surrounding districts have every reason to gratefully remember Mr. Membrey, for during the 10½ years he was the member for Jika Jika over £20,000 was expended by the Government on the schools in the electorate.

Fortunately Mr. Membrey is still with us, and although he has relinquished the office of a member of Parliament, his life is still devoted to the public service of the community in discharging the duties of a member of the Tramways Board, a trustee of the Exhibition buildings and chairman of the Hospital for Infectious Diseases at Fairfield, chairman of the Edith Cavell Trust, vice-president of the Zoological Council, treasurer of the Royal Park Trustees. He is, as he always has been, a courteous, able, and unostentatious gentleman, whose friendship is valued as one of life's privileges.

Despite many requests to re-enter public life in State and Federal spheres, Mr. Membrey has, on account of health, always been compelled to decline.

In the "History of Northcote" and the Northcote Jubilee Souvenir reference is made to the duration of Mr. Membrey's term in Parliament. Mr. Membrey informs us that he was returned as a member of the Legislative Assembly in 1907, and retired on account of ill health in 1917, thus completing a continuous term of almost 11 years service.

HON JOHN CAIN, M.L.A.

Mr. John Cain has represented this district in the Legislative Assembly since 1917, and was a member of the Northcote City Council from 1915 to 1927, when he resigned on account of the pressure of work in connection with his Parliamentary duties. He was originally elected for the constituency of Jika Jika which included Northcote, Preston, Heidelberg, Alphington, Ivanhoe and North Fitzroy, which constituency consisted of over 60,000 electors and was one of the largest in the State of Victoria.

Under the 1926 Electoral Districts Bill Northcote was made a separate electorate, including the whole of the Northcote municipality with the exception of portion of the South Ward south of Union street, and the railway line between Westgarth and Fairfield boundary, which is now included in the electoral district of Clifton Hill represented by Mr. Maurice Blackburn, M.L.A. Mr. Cain has been a very diligent representative. During the time he has represented the district much progress has been made. A new High School has been erected in St. George's road, a State school on the land originally obtained by the Education Department in Clarke street has been constructed, now known as the Dennis State school, and two other schools have also been erected in the district, one at Pender's Grove and one at Station street Northcote. Additions have also been made to the Hutton Street State school. These schools now have large attendances, which is some indication of the growth of the district during the last 20 years. A new Court House was recently constructed in Westbourne Grove adjoining the Town Hall, which is an addition to the fine municipal block of buildings.

Mr. Cain also took a very prominent part in the construction of the overhead railway bridge at High street on the Clifton Hill boundary, the expense of which was borne by the Railway Department, the Tramways Board and the local municipalities, and has been a distinct advantage to the city and also to the travelling public. He has been a member of the three Labor Governments during the last 10 years, and was Minister of Railways and the Minister in Charge of Electrical Undertakings in the last Labor Ministry. He is at present the Deputy Leader of the State Parliamentary Labor Party.

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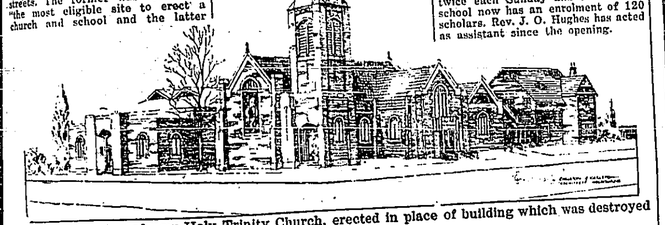
THE ANGLICAN CHURCH IN NORTHCOTE

Adherents of the Anglican Church in the very early days of settlement attended Wesleyan services, as there were not sufficient Anglicans to form an independent church. However, as the population grew "services according to the form of the Church of England" were held in private houses or in the lodge room of the Peacock Inn. A definite move for the erection of a church was made in 1857 when on June 5 a meeting was called in the Inn. These promoters of the Church of England in Northcote appointed a committee comprising Messrs. H. Hastings, J. L. Grundy, J. W. Jones, E. James, J. May, E. Townsend, R. Duff, C. B. Demaine, R. Capper, and T. Mitchell.

On October 2 the committee reported that after 14 meetings and several deputations they had succeeded in obtaining land from the Government consisting of two half-acre blocks—one facing Plenty road (near High street) and the other at the corner of Cunningham and Rowe streets. The former was considered "the most eligible site to erect a church and school and the latter than the city itself. The present vicar, the Rev. A. Constable, was appointed in 1930. For many years the parish extended to Epping, and included the whole of Northcote, Fairfield, portion of Clifton Hill, and part of Brunswick. Progress was rapid, however, and Anglican residents in the northern portion of the borough soon felt the need of a separate building. Accordingly a meeting was held in March 1887 in a house occupied by a Mr. Brierly, situated at approximately 52 Darebin street. The Rev. J. A. Priestly was curate of All Saints' Church then and proposed to conduct a Sunday



Artist's drawing of new Holy Trinity Church, erected in place of building which was destroyed by fire.

and the curate in charge was the Rev. Payn-Lewis. This was the Church of the Epiphany. Services were held in the parish hall at the rear of the vicarage in a building known as "The Alpines" but now named "Riches' Hall."

The Church of the Epiphany became a separate parish and proposals were discussed for the erection of a brick church and vicarage. The Rev. H. R. Potter, the second minister, was succeeded by the Rev. T. Cole. During the latter's regime a commanding brick church and vicarage have been built. Epiphany Church, in a comparatively short time, has made excellent progress spiritually and socially and is familiarly known as "the church on the hill."

The Rev. C. W. Wood, having inspired the formation of the Pender's Grove and Epiphany churches, was succeeded by the Rev. J. H. Raverty who remained as vicar until December 1930. He was succeeded by the present vicar, the Rev. W. H. Chamberlain, during whose ministry the most momentous event in the history of Anglicanism in Northcote occurred. In January 1932 the properties were all destroyed by fire. Three magnificent brick buildings were built, the official opening taking place on December 10, 1932. The church of Holy Trinity is now considered one of the chief points of interest in this city, especially as its history is so intimately connected with other parishes in Northcoe.

In 1928 St. Aidan's Church was built in Victoria road and opened by Dean Aikin. It is a mission church, controlled by the Church of the Epiphany, and under the supervision of the Rev. T. Cole, in whose absence abroad at the present time Rev. G. Tymms is in charge. Services are held twice each Sunday and the Sunday school now has an enrolment of 120 scholars. Rev. J. O. Hughes has acted as assistant since the opening.

the vicarage." By that time £290 had been subscribed and Bishop Perry had approved of the project. The trustees appointed were Messrs May, Mitchell, Grundy, Jones and Captain Clarke, M.L.A. The latter succeeded in securing the land free of cost and a grant of £500 from the Government.

The early settlers were greatly given to discussion and considerable delay ensued while plans were considered and re-considered. It was not till 1859 "that definite steps were taken for the erection of a church." On January 4 Mr. E. Bastings' motion "that the church should be known as All Saints, Northcote" was adopted, and concrete proposals were made for a building.

On January 11, Sir Henry Bartley K.C.B. laid the foundation stone. A marquee was erected in the church grounds and as a writer of the period has it "the day being tolerably fine a banquet was held to celebrate the event." The first service was held on August 26, 1860, the first supervising minister being the Rev. C. P. M. Bardin, of Brunswick, and the first preacher being Bishop Perry. The inscription engraved in Latin and English which was placed beneath the foundation stone, with the usual papers and coins, is of interest. Among other things it states that "the Right Rev. Father in God, Lord Bishop of the Diocese of Melbourne, Charles Perry, D.D., R. C. Sewell, D.C.L., representative of the districts of Northcote and Brunswick in the Church Assembly of Victoria," and "Nathaniel Billing, architect" were present at the laying of the stone.

The first adjoining building was of rough bluestone and is generally believed to have been erected by a parochial working bee, it was used from 1860-90 as the official police office for the district. A second building was erected, the foundation stone being laid by Lord Brassey, the Governor of the State, on August 3, 1886. The Rev. Bardin was succeeded by the Rev. W. Hall, M.A., in 1866 and after that there were frequent changes viz. 1867: Rev. J. Carlisle; 1869: Rev. W. Floyd; 1870: Rev. C. Booth; 1883: Rev. M. F. Cahill; 1885: Rev. D. M. Berry, M.A.; 1888: Rev. C. P. Thomas; 1898: Rev. Canon Ford; and in 1901 the Rev. A. C. Kellaway, M.A., was appointed and was vicar until 1930 and during his ministry assisted the movement which resulted in the spread of Anglicanism throughout the district.

All Saints' Church is the mother church of Northcote and is even older

METHODIST CHURCHES

Northcote Methodist Church

Early in 1854 Wesleyan services were conducted at the homes of Messrs. Lord and Belcher. In the same year a building of bluestone was erected on the east side of High street and here services were held by Rev. Wm. Hill. More accommodation was needed so in 1869 £3,000 was raised and the present bluestone church was erected at a cost of £1,400. Bishop (Callinic) Taylor laid the foundation stone. Transepts and an organ loft were added in 1885 and the accommodation increased to seat 650. In this building all denominations held services until halls or churches were erected for their own use.

In 1870 the first resident minister was Rev. J. W. Rowse and the present superintendent minister Rev F. J. Jennings was then a student at the Mitchell street Primitive Methodist Church. Later other Methodist Churches were erected in the district, but the beauty of the mother church never wanes and Rev. Jennings, with his inspiration and sincerity and sympathy, is always ready to minister to his flock. The Sunday school attendance is splendid and each year the anniversary is well worth attending to see and listen to the singing of hundreds of happy children.

Croxton Methodist Church

The site at the corner of St. George's road and Shaftesbury parade, on which the present church now stands was purchased by the Clifton Hill Circuit in 1909. The following year a small wooden structure was erected, and the first service held in October 1910.

Immediate success attended the opening of the church, and within two years the increase in Sunday school scholars and congregation made further accommodation essential. The trustees purchased a weather board hall in High street which was used as a Methodist Sunday school. After its removal and renovation this building was opened for service in August 1912, and is still being used.

In 1925 a move was made to raise funds for a new structure. As a result the foundation stone of the present beautiful brick building was laid in July 1929, and the new church (erected at a cost of approximately £4,000) was opened six months later by the late Rev. Alexander MacCallum, D.D.

The present minister the Rev. E. G. Lechte, who has just commenced his work at Croxton, was appointed by the recent annual Conference of the Methodist Church.

St. George's Road Methodist

This church was begun in a small way in 1891 and Rev. Chas H. Ingamells was its first minister. It then formed part of the Clifton Hill and Northcote Circuit and two of the pioneer trustees, Messrs. Chas Lugton and Bredin, are mainly responsible for its success. About 1918 the church was turned to face Clarke street, to accommodate the St. George's road electric tram and in 1920 an extra 20ft. was acquired for extensions. Now the church belongs to the Northcote Circuit and is under the care of Rev. F. J. Jennings. Associated with it is a fine Sunday school of 150 scholars and the kindergarten has a roll of 60. Christian Endeavour is represented by sections for Young People, Intermediate, and Juniors; the Girls' Guild is well attended and a Women's Auxiliary draws the older members into closer contact.

Prince of Wales Park Methodist Church

The minutes of a committee of the Prince of Wales Park Wesleyan Church held on July 4, 1891 show that a piece of land at the corner of St. David and Fenwick streets was bought for the purpose of erecting a church, at £3/5/ per foot. On November 2, 1891, a wooden church was opened.

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HISTORY OF THE CHURCHES

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In June 1903 land was bought at the corner of St. David and Speight streets and the church building was removed and enlarged and re-opened on the new site on the first Sunday in December 1903. Twenty years later the present new brick church was opened and the old church was then used as a Sunday school building. The foundation stone of the new church was laid by Mrs. A. E. Pizzey on December 2, 1922 and on June 16, 1923, the church was opened by the President of the Conference, Rev. T. S. B. Woodfull, taking the morning service.

The first resident probationer minister was Rev. T. C. Carne, B.A., who was appointed in 1912 and the first resident married minister was Rev. F. E. Blyth in 1917. The church now has a membership totalling 230 and 170 junior members with about 300 children in the Sunday school.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES

The earliest records show that the first Presbyterian service held in Northcote was during the year 1867 by the Rev. Adam Cairns in a Primitive Methodist Chapel, High street, near the place where the National Bank now stands; after this, Rev. Allan McVean, of Brunswick, conducted an afternoon service for a period. It was not until 1869 that Rev. Duncan Fraser, of the Heidelberg and Janefield charge, started preaching once a fortnight in the same building in High street.

Rev. D. Fraser found that three acres of land were reserved by the Lands Department in Northcote South for church purposes, 1½ acres situated at the corner of Westgarth and Ross streets, and 1½ acres in Cunningham street, west of High street.

In 1874 a brick manse was built, at a total cost of £786/15/4 on the Ross street site, where (with improvements) it still stands but is no longer church property. This was the residence of the minister of the Heidelberg parish, which extended from the Edinburgh Gardens, North Fitzroy, to Janefield, or South Morang; and from Merri Creek to the Yarra at Heidelberg, which district has now eight separate charges and two mission districts.

In 1876 a weatherboard church, with shingle roof, was erected in Cunningham street and next year was enlarged to seat about 150. Evidently there was a Sunday school as a journal says that on April 18, 1880, Mr. William Brown was appointed by the minister to try and re-organise the school. In 1886 the evening service was held in the Albert Hall, Clifton Hill; but this move did not prove a success.

A move was made in 1890 to the Northcote Town Hall, the congregation having acquired a block of land in James street at a cost of £11/10/7 per foot. The Rev. D. Fraser himself secured £750 towards the cost of the new church, but, owing to the collapse of the "Boom," building operations were suspended. In January 1892 the Rev. D. Fraser resigned the church at Northcote, which was then constituted a separate charge. The flourishing Sunday school then numbered 65 scholars.

In December 1893 the Rev. Hector Ferguson was appointed for three months; he proved so successful that his call and induction followed early in the next year. The roll at this time consisted of 60 members and 10 adherents. Under Mr. Ferguson the congregation rapidly increased and on February 24, 1894, the foundation stone of the present church was laid. Several gentlemen recognising the need of a school building, defrayed the cost of removing the old wooden church from Cunningham street to the rear of the church, where it was opened on November 11, 1896. There it remained until 1906.

On April 22, 1899 the Rev. H. Ferguson left the Presbyterian Church together with most of the congregation and formed an independent congregation. The remaining members, totalling 20, continued and in May 1900 were strong enough to call the Rev. W. Goyen. In July 1903, Rev. W. Goyen was translated to the charge of Bulla, leaving a growing congregation to the Rev. R. W. Rock, who received a unanimous call in December 1903, was inducted on February 6, 1904. In 1906 a school hall was erected at a cost of about £600. The church was extended in 1911 and the transepts erected at a cost of £1,000.

In 1919 the Rev. R. W. Rock closed a fruitful ministry of 15 years by accepting a call to Ivanhoe. He had a hall 40ft x 25ft was built costing £250 and vestries were added by voluntary labor. The first annual report showed 50 communicants, 80 adherents, 130 scholars. The present numbers are 200 communicants and 250 scholars.

In 1914 the hall was extended at a cost of £130 and a further frontage of 25ft purchased. A brick kindergarten hall was built in 1917 and extended in 1919, the cost of which was £300.

The brick church was built in 1924 and with furnishings cost £3,000, the whole amount of which was raised in the years 1921-31.

It is impossible to over-eulogise the character and work of the founder, Rev. Geo Carson, M.A. Aided by his wife and successive exit students he labored indefatigably, undauntedly and with infectious cheerfulness and was loved by all

The first minister as a separate charge was the Rev. J. H. Hewitt, M.A., who was in charge during the difficult War years. The honor roll of 60 soldier heroes bears witness to the response of our youth.

Rev. F. L. Heriot, 1921-25 had been an assistant to the Rev. G. Carson in 1914. During his pastorate a worthy house of worship was erected

The Rev. W. J. Harris (1925-30) with the church and after 44 years resigned to accept the position as secretary to the Baptist Union of Victoria. Rev. Archibald Jolly, during a short period, exercised a successful ministry, Rev. Donald McNichol, of Tasmania, was then invited and the present minister, Rev. S. E. Dorman, has for five years exercised a fruitful ministry. He is National President of the Christian Endeavour movement throughout Australia.

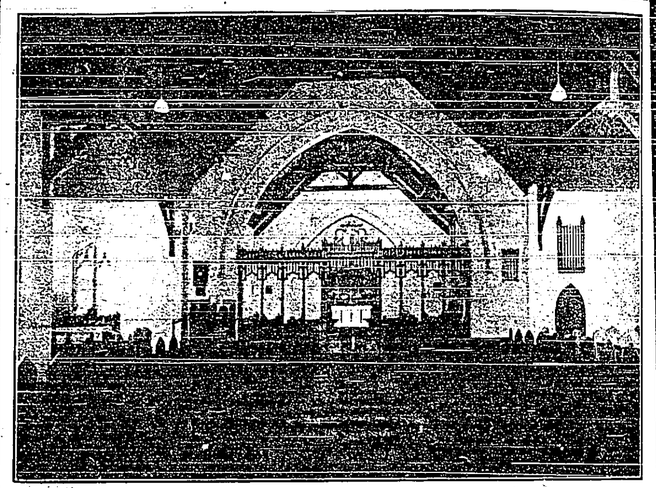
The Northcote church has been instrumental in some part in the establishment of Baptist Churches at Ivanhoe, Fairfield, Regent, Westgarth, East Northcote and West Preston.

The church is in an ideal position, possesses a valuable property on the main street in the midst of a thickly populated area. Equipment is up to date and with a large Sunday school and numerous organisations, and a history and heritage to be justly proud of, the future is bright and hopeful

Westgarth Church

The Baptist Church at Westgarth came into being by the joint action of the neighbouring Baptist Churches of Fairfield, Clifton Hill, and Northcote, under the guidance of Rev. H G. Schofield at Fairfield.

It was found that Westgarth, in the vicinity of the Dennis railway station was not provided with any



Interior view of chancel and altar of the new Holy Trinity Church, Thornbury. (Letterpress appears on previous page). (Cyril Stevens photo)

will ever be remembered for his activity, courtesy and earnestness. The Rev. A. Heathcote Fletcher conducted a successful ministry for 6 years and was followed by the Rev. J. H. Bates. The present minister, Rev. A. T. Jones, has occupied the pulpit for the past 3 years and is upholding the standard of efficiency set by his predecessors.

Thornbury Church

Founded in 1910 by the efforts of the late Rev. Geo Carson M.A., of Preston, the initial services were held in an acution room near the tram terminus and later in a small hall at the rear of the Junction Hotel Buying 66 feet in Rossmoyne street consolidated the work of his predecessors and in his term the debt was paid off.

Rev. S. C. Hadley, the present minister, by his eloquence and earnestness, is proving his worth as a preacher and pastor and is carrying on the work, and facing the changing world situation with vigor and courage.

BAPTIST CHURCHES

Northcote Church

Baptist Church work was started in Northcote in 1905. Dr. Wilkin as superintendent of the Baptist Home Mission Society, was responsible together with the late Rev. J. Carson, of Clifton Hill. Opening services were held on July 8, 1905, in the Friendly Societies' Hall in Wimble street. After meeting here for a short period services were removed to the Kimberley Hall at the corner of St. David and Darebin streets which was unsatisfactory.

During the first two years, Rev. H. A. Horsfall, then a student in college, was in charge and in 1908 Rev. Thomas Nichols was appointed pastor. The church was constituted by Dr. Wilkin on May 20, 1906, with seven foundation members, three of whom are still in membership. The first Deacons appointed were Messrs. A. Rees, R. S. Moore, S. McDougall, and L. G. Smith, two of whom are still in office.

In 1906 the Sunday school was started with three scholars. One is now the organist at the Baptist Church, Canberra, the second is a deacon and Sunday school Superintendent in Queensland, and the third is a Sunday school teacher at Ivanhoe. The Sunday school has grown until now it is the third largest Baptist Sunday school in Victoria.

It was a great day when the Church building was opened in December 1909. Rev. F. C. Spurr (now of Birmingham, England) was the first preacher. During the pastorate of Rev. T. Nichols the church was built, at a total cost of £1.250, the land having cost £375. Rev. G. J. Mackay was succeeded by Rev. B. Hewison who after six years, accepted service abroad as a military chaplin.

Rev. Frank Robinson, as pastor, was beloved by everyone associated

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CHURCH HISTORY

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some having removed to other parts whilst others have been called to Higher Service.

The first preacher was the late Mr. A. Millis, of North Fitzroy, but the preacher in the Rechabite Hall last preacher in the Methodist Church was Mr. C. Anderson, who also was the first preacher in the new chapel building.

Of the many preachers who have rendered valuable service to the church the names of a few might be mentioned i.e. Mr. J. D. Lang, Preston; Mr. T. Hagger, Sydney; Mr. C. Garnett, M.A., United States of America; Dr. W. H. Hinge, Thornbury; Mr. J. C. F Bidman, Brunswick; Mr. A. E. Illingworth, Adelaide.

In addition to usual church work and activities there are in varying degree of education and training for future service a kindergarten, Bible class, Young Worshippers' League, Junior, Intermediate and Senior Christian Endeavour Society, a Young Men's Training Class, Girls' P.B.B. Club, and Boys' K.S.P. Club. In these various departments good citizens of Northcote are being moulded with the ultimate of "Citizenship in Heaven."

SALVATION ARMY

Thornbury Corps

The Thornbury Corps was opened in 1913, the present brick Citadel which seats 250 being erected for the opening upon the site at the corner of High and Gooch streets. Later a brick Sunday school was built adjoining, while there is now a separate Primary section and officer's quarters have been purchased in Smith street. Colonel H. Sharp, then Divisional Commander for the Metropolitan Area, now living in retirement at Preston, took great personal interest in the new opening and came to live in the district as soon as the buildings were erected and his children were among the first soldiers of the newly-formed corps.

Steady growth has been maintained during the first two decades, and Thornbury is now a well organised unit with a crowded hall every Sunday night, a splendid band, a Home League with a weekly attendance of nearly 100 women, a branch of the Life Saving Guards, a Chum Brigade, and a growing Sunday school work which occupies the three buildings in the afternoon. Outposts have been opened through the years at Thornbury East, (Wilmoth street), Thornbury North (Newcastle street) and West Preston (Mitchell street). The two latter are within the municipal boundary of Preston. Two of these are now organised as separate corps, with officers of their own.

Through the years a number of young people have passed through The Army's Training Garrison and become officers from Thornbury. These include Captain and Mrs. Blake (Wonthaggi); Captain E. Marshall (The Haven Maternity Home, Fitzroy); Mrs. Captain Southwell (Golden Square); and Captain and Mrs. Jewell (Daylesford).

Mr. A. E. Jewell, of Darebin street is the Corps Sergeant-Major and senior (unpaid) local officer; and his wife and four grown-up children are all uniformed Salvationists. Mr. John Teague is the treasurer, and Mr J. J. Berry the bandmaster. Mrs. Begbie is the Home League secretary, and Mrs. E. Buckingham the Young People's Sergeant-Major; Mrs. Major Dale, Corps Cadet Guardian, Major J. T. Carnell is the present commanding officer.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

A Dream Come True

Congregational activities date back to 1890 when a small but enthusiastic band of worshippers began meetings in the Darebin Hall in Darebin street. On June 8, 1892 the Prince of Wales Park Congregational Church Northcote, was formed, the Rev. George Chapman, who was called to the pastorate on August 5, 1892, presiding. Recognition services were held on August 7. In August 1894 the church furniture was removed to the new church, which apparently belonged to Dr. Bevan, on a site on the west side of Armadale street, midway between Darebin and Martin streets. Rev. Falkingham ended his ministry in December 1897. Rev. Isaac was called in April 1899 and resigned in September 1904. For a year from August 1905, the leadership was in the hands of Mr. Otho Bryant during his collegiate course and he introduced cricket and football and other social clubs. Mr. J. A. Burton came from Tasmania in March 1908, but was only 15 months in charge.

The Rev. A. R. Bunton was called in 1910, and remained for more than seven years. The decision in June 1910 to purchase the land at the corner of Armadale and Martin streets where the existing buildings now stand was fruitful. Gas lighting was introduced but a reserve of candles and lamps was kept against unforseen failures of the supply, while planning a new church, the old one was removed to the present site where the first service was held on October 5, 1913. Mr. W. Pickering, still a deacon, acted as secretary to the trustees and shouldered the inquiries about a new building. On January 31, 1914, the foundation stone of the brick building was laid by the late Rev. H. S. Joyce. The seal displayed by the late Mr. and Mrs. Rees Miller in connection with the finance and a new organ is on record.

The dearm of Northcote Congregationalists came true on Saturday, April 25, 1914, when the present brick church was opened. The old wooden structure was used as a Sunday school but soon a kindergarten room became necessary. This was opened on June 23, 1917. After the resignation of Mr. Bunton Mr. (now the Rev.) F. Forward was temporary pastor. The Rev. D. J. McOmish took charge in December 1919, and resigned in February 1924 by the Rev. Edwin Webb, who was succeeded in July 1930 by the present minister, the Rev. Duncan E. Reeves, who has been tackling his work with increasing vigor.

Progressive methods now include the "zoning" of the district for visiting and publicity purposes, a recruiting and special organised Sunday school, and special work among the young. At the last Communion Service 64 members and prospective members were present.

ELECTRIC LIGHT UNDERTAKING

Early Opposition

There were stormy times in the Northcote Council during the time the council was considering the establishment of an electric light scheme. The scheme was "fathered" by (as he was then) Cr. Ernest Lees, who made a study of it. In 1909 Cr. Lees installed an engine and generator at his shop premises (now 250 High street) and lighted his shop, the footpath outside, and had a lamp or so on the other side of the street. Members of the Northcote, Preston, and Heidelberg Councils were invited to inspect the scheme, and most of the Preston and Heidelberg councillors attended. There were present from Northcote only about nine of the City Fathers. The demonstration lasted over a week, and people came from all directions to see and wonder at the new illuminant.

Scheme Decided Upon

In the following year (February 23, 1910) the council gave considerations to the installation of a scheme in Northcote, and the easiest method seemed to be to do what other municipalities had done — to hand over the lighting to private enterprise Cr. Lees, aided by a few others, in season and out, urged the council to retain control of its scheme, and in the following year Crs. Lees, Hayes, Schwaebach, Dennis and Smith were appointed an electric light committee, for the purpose of obtaining data for the installation of a scheme.

A good deal of spade work was done in the next year or so, in the preparation of plans, &c., and Mr. W. H. Ashman was appointed consulting and supervisory electrical engineer. The first scheme was to cost £4,000, but this was finally merged into a larger scheme to cost £7,000 and at the end of 1913 a loan for that amount was raised at 4½ per cent. The area to be served was the full length of High street, with extensions in all side streets, east and west. The wisdom of deciding on this area can be readily appreciated, for it covered the most thickly populated areas of the town. At the time the council was not blessed with any vast surpluses—in fact the financing of the growing municipality was difficult — and expenditure had to be scrutinised carefully.

Current was purchased from the Melbourne Electric Supply Co. there being a meter house near the southern boundary. At the same time an arrangement was entered into with Preston, whereby current was carried by a main through Northcote along High street. This enabled Northcote to buy at a cheaper price from the supply company, and at the same time a slightly advanced price was charged to Preston so that Northcote benefited both ways.

The Opening Day

It was a proud day for Northcote when on May 24, 1914, on the occasion when Northcote became a city the then Mayoress (Mrs. S. Dennis) switched on the light and the scheme came into being.

As extensions were required, — and they soon were—further mains were erected, until to-day consumers number 10,509, and there are 14 sub-stations where there were only *three at first.* Some idea of the progress may be gauged by the fact that in 1924 there were 6,724 consumers. Figures at the end of the last financial year show that there are 1,310 individual street lights; 2,915 poles carrying wires and units sold numbered 4,358,251.

When the Melbourne Electric Supply was taken over by the State Electricity Commission, Northcote's source of supply became the Yallourn scheme. The current at high voltages reaches Northcote, and it is broken down by means of transformers to be distributed at 230 volts for lighting and 400 volts for power.

Mr. T. W. Hawthorn, A.I.M.E.E., the present electrical engineer, was appointed in 1924, since when rapid strides have been made. In 1926 the Northcote scheme was changed over from single-phase to three-phase at a cost of £15,000, this being done to give better and more even voltage (or pressure). A "ring main" has been installed in which the current is fed either way. Any section of this main may be opened for repairs without affecting the other sections.

Low Charges

Charges for electricity in Northcote are the cheapest in the State, with the exception only of the City of Melbourne. Changes from time to time have been: May 1914 to August 1921, light 5d. a unit, power 2d (inc. meter rent); September 1921 to December 1922, light 6½d power 2½d (inc. meter rent); January 1923 to July 1926, light 4½d. power 2d; August 1926 to present date, light 4½d. power 2d (no meter rent). In the power charges of to-day reductions are made to consumers on day loads, with large monthly readings.

Two Part Tariff

In 1929 the State Electricity Commission decreed that all municipal councils having their own undertakings, should introduce the two-part tariff. The eight councils objected, expressing the belief that the smaller user would suffer. Eventually the Commission agreed that the introduction of this system should be optional, as far as the councils with their own undertakings were concerned. It is interesting to note that out of Northcote's 10,509 consumers only 233 are under the two-part tariff.

Lighting Schemes

Northcote has a name for being the best lighted municipality in the northern suburbs. The illumination of the rockeries in High street; lighting of St. George's Reserve; illumination of the newly-remodelled Town Hall, were carried out by Mr. Hawthorn and his staff.

Residents of the city have an idea that the scheme is making big profits. Certainly good profits are made, but the council's policy has always been to give the best service at the lowest rate. This is borne out by the above-mentioned fact that Northcote charges for electricity are the lowest in Victoria, with the sole exception of the City of Melbourne.

During the depression many consumers, on account of unemployment have fallen into arrears with their accounts. In ordinary times they would have been disconnected, but now each case is dealt with on its merits. In many cases prepayment slot meters have been installed, which have proved a boon to both the consumer and the department.

Northcote's Main Approach.—Picturesque gardens, with restful lawns and shrubs, make their appeal to the visitor.

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NORTHCOTE, in the gold days, also had its speculation. When everyone had gold fever it was remembered that someone had found a speck or two of gold at the top of Rucker's Hill, so a syndicate was formed to try out the possibilities. A shaft was sunk without results, and the only dividend the members of the syndicate got was a proportion of the £1 apiece they had contributed.

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ROAD CONSTRUCTION METHODS COMPARED

(By V. J. Bradley, B.C.E.)

THERE is no doubt that the road is one of the great fundamental institutions of mankind. We forget this because we take it for granted. It is the road that moulds the destinies of a state. The development from a series of tracks to a well-defined and permanently paved system of highways reflects the true expansion and progress of the Municipality of Northcote.

Prior to the incorporation of Northcote as a borough in 1883 little interest was paid to the paving or drainage of thoroughfares with the exception of the main road referred to in those days as Plenty road (now High street) the extent of which is 21 miles. Steady progress, however, has been made during the past 50 years in developing the district. In the year 1890 when Northcote was raised to the status of a town many subdivisions of land had taken place with the consequent provision of private streets, and thus increasing the mileage of roadways to about 80.

The first comprehensive survey of the town was prepared at this time by Mr. G. B. Blake. Only a small proportion of this 80 miles of roadway was formed and constructed and the drainage provision was of a low order

To-day we find Northcote with 92 miles of roadways, 72 miles of which have been constructed.

Early Methods of Construction

It is only of recent years that all trace and evidence of Northcote's primitive modes of road-making have been destroyed, although apparently some of the original contours have been preserved. In the reconstruction of roadways, sections of corduroy planks over boggy areas have been unearthed; and in other cases deep ruts and wheel tracks filled with brick-bats, scrub, boulders and debris to provide a bottom, were the order of the day. One can almost hear the comments of the residents as expressed by Robert Burns, who after experiencing great difficulty in reaching his home wrote the following lines:

"I'm now arrived, thanks to the gods
Through pathways rough and muddy
A certain sign that modern roads
Have not yet come to Lincoln study."

These primitive methods gave way to macadamising. Strips of metal broken by hand were laid down and blinded with loam or soil procured close at hand. The Northcote flats provided a bountiful supply of basalt which was readily transformed by hand breaking into suitable metal.

Private Street Problems

As development took place following the creation of new streets within the many new sub-divisions, the council was faced with the problem of constructing the highways. The financing of such extensive works became such a burden that finally the whole cost of such works was made a charge on the abutting owners Until as late as about 1914 all private streets were made with pitched gutters and a narrow strip of metal down the centre of the road, leaving the earth formation between the metal and the gutters. One can imagine that, due to the muddy shoulders on the roads in wet weather many a good pair of moleskins were ruined, when a tradesman slithered from the metal to the gutter.

Paths were tar paved or coated with cinders or gravel according to requirements and the council's finances. Up to this time consolidation of metal on roads was effected by the use of a horse-drawn roller, in conjunction with the traffic.

A Big Forward Step

The year 1914 marks a big advance in the history of road construction in the district, for it was about this time that the first heavy motor roller was purchased, and the municipal quarry and crushing plant was established on the banks of the Darebin Creek. Before this the road-metal was broken by hand, or purchased in limited quantities from

MR. V. J. BRADLEY, B.C.E.,
City Engineer

contractors. The council's road-making policy was changed to full width construction, metal being spread full width between the gutters. There were signs that the council had intended to proceed with a comprehensive scheme of street construction but the intervention of the war delayed progress temporarily. The War over, the street construction policy was further amended, concrete channels were laid down in lieu of pitchers; concrete slabs took the place of tar paving; road surfaces were tarred or bitumen surfaced; and trees and palms were included to transform each street into an avenue In addition to this improved policy of street construction, an earnest attempt was made to grapple with the heavy traffic on main thoroughfares, and with a view to permanently reconstructing such roads, large loans were raised and expended. The good surfaces of the majority of the Northcote roads, particularly of the main roads, bears testimony to the efforts of the civic fathers to provide arteries worthy of a fine city.

Quarry and Plant

The quarry, which was developed and in full working order by 1914 has cost up to date £19,588, money raised by loan. Approximately 400,000 tons of crushed stone has been produced since that date and in addition to the metal broken by hand and purchased from contractors it is estimated that over half a million tons of crushed stone has been distributed over the roadways of the city. This plant has provided continuous work for upwards of 80 men and was redesigned on modern lines about 1920. The deposit of stone is sufficient to provide for the needs of the city for the next 50 years. The council has conserved the interests of the ratepayers by purchasing a reserve on each side of the quarry to prevent habitation encroaching too close to the workings.

A modern asphalt plant has been established adjacent to the crusher enabling the production of modern mixtures at the cheapest possible cost. An up-to-date concrete slab and products plant has been established at this depot. The saving effected by the operation of each plant has more than recouped the total capital expenditure involved.

Northcote can claim the distinction of being the first municipality in Victoria (expcat the City of Melbourne) to establish a Hot Mix Plant and to introduce many innovations and methods which have greatly assisted in producing better results than municipalities with greater incomes.

"Our doubts are traitors
And make us lose the good we oft might win,
By fearing to attempt."

Municipal Depot

A large depot has been established in the centre of the municipality in Frederick street, at the rear of the Fire Brigade Station, in Mitchell street. The general store, workshop for general repairs, garages, roller sheds, broom making plant, bitumen preparation plant, storage tanks and a comprehensive assortment of road making gear and apparatus are accommodated at this store yard. Prior to the establishment of this depot a small store yard operated at the rear of the tram sheds depot in Martin street.

It is interesting to note that in 1884 the council's working plant was valued at £121. To-day the plant which includes bitumen distributors, motor trucks, four road rollers, &c. is valued at over £30,000.

The annual expenditure of day labor in 1884 was £472. Of latter years £400 to £500 is the approximate weekly expenditure—so that in 50 years day labor has increased 50 times.

Drainage Systems

The extensive network of underground sewers and tunnels to cope with storm water has involved the municipality in an expenditure of many thousands of pounds, for which large loans have been raised. There is over 20 miles of underground tubes, ranging from 2 feet and up to 7 feet 9 inches in diameter, and when one considers that it would be possible for a man to ride a bicycle through at least 6 miles of this system some idea of its extent can be gauged. This drainage system places Northcote amongst the best drained areas in the metropolis.

Park Lands

Great care and attention has been paid to the provision of recreation reserves, play grounds and breathing spaces for the convenience of the ratepayers and residents. In 1884 the only public recreation reserve (14 acres) was situated in Westgarth street and is now known as the Northcote Park and Football Ground. To-day the total area of parks, reserves &c., amounts to 108 acres. The council have expended some £18,760 for the freehold in addition to several thousands for improvements. A steady system of tree planting and improvement has been pursued. Schemes have been prepared for the layout and beautification of saws, swings and sundry apparatus for the amusement of the children and it is gratifying to notice the improvement from year to year in the care and respect meted out by juvenile users.

The yearly maintenance cost of parks and gardens has increased from £33 in 1884 to £570 in 1914 and £4,000 in 1932.

Reclamation of Waste Lands

The reclamation of low-lying land filling in of clay holes and levelling of waste areas has received the attention of the council. The Mem Park was raised from three to four feet over an area of about 9 acres It is proposed to complete this park by top-dressing with soil as soon as labor and material are available. The eastern section of Mayer Park has been levelled and a quarry area in Separation street is being filled at the present time. Several clay holes and quarry sites have also been filled and transformed into valuable sites.

Laboratory for Testing

An up-to-date laboratory fully equipped to enable the production of economical and scientifically prepared pavements has been established to supersede the old-fashioned and wasteful rule of thumb methods.

Keen Interest of Councillors

The various councillors devote a keen and intelligent interest in the public works of the city giving up much of their time to inspections and investigation of new and improved methods. In this way the ratepayers' representatives are gratuitously conducting the council business, as an energetic board of directors would conduct a company, and are rendering a yeoman service ensuring the very best for the inhabitants of the "City on the Hill."

'Small service is true service while it lasts
Of humblest friends, bright creature scorn not one:
The daisy, by the shadow that it casts
Protects the lingering dew-drop from the sun."

Wordsworth.

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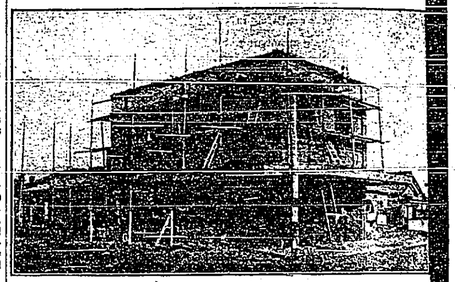

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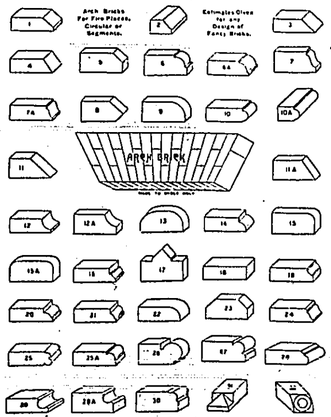

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THE BATMAN TREATY

A DOCUMENT THAT WAS NOT RECOGNISED

What was probably one of the strangest events in the history of this country occurred on the afternoon of June 6, 1835, when John Batman signed his famous (or infamous) treaty with members of the Dutigalla tribe of aboriginals on a site which is now generally believed to be within the borders of the present municipality of Northcote. The British Government however refused then and since to recognise the treaty, and the "purchase."

Early Life of John Batman

John Batman's father arrived in Sydney in 1797, and there built up a business. John was the eldest of three sons, and had been apprenticed as a blacksmith, but he soon felt the "call of the bush," and was a constant companion of Hamilton Hume, the famous Australian explorer.

At 21 John Batman went to Tasmania, then called Van Diemen's Land where he obtained a grant of some thousands of acres on the banks of the Esk river. It was too thickly wooded and too rough to be of much use for sheep, but having some 12 square miles, he soon became prosperous.

The times, too, had their excitements, amongst these being hunts for bushrangers, and battles with the aborigines, who were of a much more hostile character than the Australian blacks. Batman won some renown by capturing single-handed one Brady, a bushranger who had eluded the limbs of the law for a number of years,—and that capture was effected after Batman had trailed the desperado for a considerable distance over rough country.

Batman sympathised with the blacks, and it was his invariable practice to treat with them rather than fight. Attacks on white settlers, however, became so frequent that a war of extermination was agreed upon, and in one of the expeditions three women were captured. Batman and his wife won the confidence of these unfortunates, and soon after a number of aborigines placed themselves under his protection.

First Visit to Victoria

It was in 1824 that Batman first heard, through Hume, of fine sheep lands in what is now Victoria, and in 1827 he applied for a grant of 4,000 acres at Westernport, where the Sydney Government was trying to form a settlement. The settlement was soon abandoned on account of the unsuitability of the country, or it may have been faint-heartedness, and Batman's application was not granted.

Two years later Captain Sturt, through his successful voyage, reawakened the enthusiasm of Tasmanians towards these "fine sheep lands," and in 1834 eight gentlemen applied for areas of from 5,000 to 20,000 acres apiece, offering about 5/ per acre. The application had to be made to London, and in the meantime Batman and his friends decided to act, whilst awaiting the Government decision. Batman was selected to go ahead and reconnoitre. In May 1835 the "Rebecca" sailed from Launceston with the pioneering party aboard. Held up by fierce gales, the River Tamar was not left until May 18, but still the winds were contrary and the little vessel had to seek shelter. May 28 saw the vessel make yet another start and two days later the party landed at Corio Bay.

The country was found to be heavily grassed, and was evidently a grazier's paradise. Moving into Port Phillip the "Rebecca" was anchored for the following night, and Batman saw campfires in the distance. Making an early start next morning he reached the camp to find the fires still burning, but the aborigines were gone. Aided by several Sydney blacks which the party had brought with them, the whites set out to overtake the mainland aboriginals. Overtaken, the party was found to consist of women, most of whom had small children, and by means of a parley it was learned that their menfolk were absent on a hunt. Batman made friends with the women and gave some looking glasses and others gee-gaws. After further exploration the "Rebecca" sailed to the mouth of the Yarra, and anchored. A party headed by Batman, set out to look for the aborigines. A day or so later Batman's party overtook a family party, who showed no fear of the white men, explaining by signs that they knew how well the women had been treated. After the bestowal of some gifts, the man offered to conduct Batman to where his tribe was encamped on the banks of the Merri Creek, and the offer was gladly accepted. Whilst on their way the party became the centre of the attentions of a war party of natives, but through the guide hostilities were avoided and all were soon on a friendly basis Shortly afterwards the main party, consisting of some 45 or 50 natives were met on the banks of the Merri Creek.

Some hours having been spent in "explaining" to the chiefs his desire to purchase the tract of land over which he had passed, an agreement was drawn up, and signed by eight of the aborigines who appeared to be chiefs, and John Batman; with the names of three of Batman's party as witnesses.

The wording of the document is in the legal phraseology of the day and is as follows:—

"Know all persons that we three brothers, Jaga Jaga, Jaga Jaga and Jaga Jaga, being the principal chiefs and also Cooleelock, Bungarie, Yan Yan, Moowhip Monnarmular, being the chiefs of a certain native tribe called Dutigalla, situate at and near Port Phillip, called by us Iramoo and Geelong. The above-mentioned chiefs being possessed of that tract of land hereinafter mentioned for and in consideration of twenty pair blankets, thirty knives, twelve tomahawks, ten looking glasses twelve pair scissors, fifty handkerchiefs, twelve red shirts, four flannel shirts, four flannel jackets, four suits clothes, and fifty pounds flour, delivered to us by John Batman, residing in Van Diemen's Land, Esquire, but at present sojourning with us and our tribe, do for ourselves our heirs and successors GIVE enfeoff and confirm unto the said John Batman his heirs and assigns ALL THAT tract of country situate and being in the Bay of Port Phillip, known by the name of Indented Head, but called by us Geelong, extending across from Geelong Harbour about due south for ten miles more or less to the head of Port Phillip taking in the whole neck or tract of land and containing about one hundred thousand acres as the same hath been before the execution of these presents delineated and marked out by us according to the custom of our tribe by certain marks upon trees growing along the boundaries of the said tract of land TO HOLD the said tract of land with all its advantages belonging thereto unto and to the use of the said John Batman his heirs and assigns forever TO the intent that the said John Batman his heirs and assigns may occupy and possess the said tract of land and place thereon sheep and cattle YIELDING and delivering to us, our heirs or successors the yearly rental or tribute of fifty pair blankets, fifty knives, fifty tomahawks, fifty pair scissors, fifty looking glasses, twenty suits of slops or clothing, and two tons of flour."

The document was signed by the eight chiefs before mentioned, and Batman, the witnesses being James Gunn, Alexander Thompson and Wm. Todd.

The area of land bargained for, and which Batman thought he had secured was about six hundred thousand acres, and the value of the yearly "rental or tribute" (in the currency of the time) about £150 to £200.

It is recorded that the chiefs were "highly gratified and excited" at the goods they received. A copy of the document was left with the natives and Batman's party crossed through what is now Brunswick, Royal Park, lower Flemington, and after an adventureous walk the "Rebecca" was regained.

A party left Indented Head to hold the ground, and Batman returned to Tasmania. The treaty was reported to Governor Arthur, who advised the adventurers not to spend any money on taking sheep to the new colony until the views of the English Government had been ascertained.

At the time Wakefield had, since 1829, been endeavouring to bring about some definite scheme of colonisation. England was suffering from a dire depression (the aftermath of the Napoleonic wars) and there was much unemployment and suffering. Wakefield was continually urging the Government that colonisation should be undertaken, but that at the same time lands should not be parted with except as a "sufficient price," so that gentlemen with capital should be able to secure land, and then have sufficient means to take out servants to work it. These matters were receiving consideration by the House of Commons, when advice was received of John Batman's treaty After consideration the English Government would not recognise the treaty.

Opinions expressed at the time show that it was felt that John Batman and his associates were not properly treated, and were in fact the victims of official indifference. The Colonial Office of course at that stage did not realise that John Batman was the founder of what was to become a very rich colony, and some of the criticisms made were hardly just. In later years several thousand pounds were granted to Batman and his association to repay their actual outlay in preparing for settlement, and it was then considered that with that amount they had every reason to be satisfied.

Batman's Treaty with the Blacks

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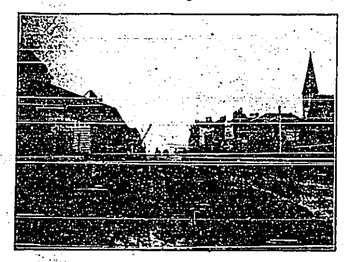
Outstanding Events in the Progress of Northcote

A HISTORY IN RETROSPECT

THE following statistics give a brief resume of the district of Northcote over the last 98 years, and give some idea of the rapid growth since Northcote was first settled. Details are condensed, yet there there is little need to elaborate on them here, as they tell their own story.

1835
Batman treaty signed on Merri Creek (not recognised by the Government).
1839
First Government land sales. 1712 acres sold at from 22/ to 90/ per acre, the price paid £3,632/8/.
Plenty road (now includes High street, Northcote) surveyed. Toll gates operated in following year.
1840
Second Government land sales. 1019 acres sold from 63/ to 195/ per acre, total price paid £5,916/9/.
1848
First "shops" located in tents amongst the gum trees in the vicinity of what are now 319 and 358 High street.
1849
Beginnings of business community.
1850
Land sales of first township of Northcote.
1850
Pilgrim Inn (now Croxton Park Hotel) erected. At the rear the Croxton racecourse was later situated. In 1878 deer hunts were sometimes started from the back of the hotel into the country towards Preston.
1850-56
Victoria separated from New South Wales. Roads outside Melbourne and Geelong were maintained by the Government.
1853
First private subdivisions of land. Roads Act passed and roads boards constituted.
1854
Local Government Act for establishment of municipalities(Amended many times since).
Epping Road District created. (Northcote was added to this in 1864 as part of Preston).
First religious services conducted by Wesleyans. Church erected in following year (site now 250 High street). First school held same year in Wesleyan schoolroom (now 253 and 255 High street). Average attendance that year 42.
Name "Northcote" bestowed by Sir Andrew Clarke after survey of Government township. At this time the Northcote Park, Westgarth street was set aside as a reserve, and is the only government reserve in the municipality.
1857
First Church of England services. Land grant obtained corner High and Walker streets and All Saints' Church erected in 1859. (Parish embraced Epping, Northcote, Fairfield, portions of Clifton Hill and Brunswick).
1860
First gas extensions from Collingwood gas works to All Saints' Church Extensions further north came in the following years.
1861
Northcote Cemetery (1 acre) established in Separation street(then known as Cawdortown).
1862
Mails first sent to Northcote. First post office at shop of Mr. E. Bastings 1868.
1864
Sumner's weir erected on Merri Creek, providing a crossing, a watering place for cattle and also water for irrigation. (Floods have since washed away the banks on Northcote side, but wall still remains on the Brunswick side).
1865
This is probably the last year in which an aboriginal corroboree was held in Northcote on the site in the present vicinity of the Town Hall.
1869
First water obtained from Yan Yean supply. (Mains laid in St. George's road 1857).
1869-70
Erection and opening of new Wesleyan Church, High street.
1873
Road districts of Epping, Upper Plenty (or Morang) and Woodstock amalgamated in Shire of Darebin. (valuation £20,140; revenue £11,000 Area 124 square miles).
1871
Darebin Shire divided into six ridings—Northcote, Preston, Gowerville, Epping, Morang and Woodstock
Southern portion of Shire of Darebin severed to become Shire of Jika Jika. (Ridings, Northcote, Preston and Gowerville). Valuation £16,800: revenue £8,000: rate 1/ in the £; ratepayers enrolled 500.
1873
First brick making on site east of Carter's Arms Hotel. Kiln erected in

HIGH STREET IN 1885



High Street, from Mitchell Street, looking south.

1877. Northcote Brick Company took over in 1882.
1874
Helen Street State School opened teachers being Mr. and Mrs. Tobin.
Postal Department granted two mails per day.
1875
Merri Creek bridge erected (cost £8,000).
1876
Star of Northcote I.O.R. established.
Presbyterian Church erected Cunningham street. (Manse provided a c. corner High and Westgarth streets 1874).
First bank established (Commercial Bank of Australia). Closed 1879 owing to fear of depredatons of bushrangers.
1879
Northcote proclaimed a police district.
1880
Permanent omnibus service started by Melbourne Omnibus Company.
This and following years were the years of beginning of the development of the district. Many subdivisions.
1883
Northcote severed to become a separate borough.
Population of new Northcote Borough 1,700; valuation £21,412; revenue £1,947. Assessments 660. Ratepayers enrolled 376; area 2¾ square miles; approximately 300 houses.
1884
First Northcote loan of £6,000 at 5 per. cent. This to buy land for municipal offices (cost £720) and for drainage works.
1886
Many subdivision sales. Borough valuation had nearly doubled.
Merri Creek bridge, High street. built. Cost £3,000, met by Fitzroy Council, Government, and public subscription, one-third each. Northcote Council built the approaches.
Bridge built in Arthurton road, land being given and £1,000 raised by public subscription.
First step in beautification of High street from Westgarth street to Merri Bridge.
Railway built from Alphington to Clifton Hill (not connected with other lines). One carriage operated by gas engine gave service between 1886 and 1888.
First Court of Petty Sessions met in Wesleyan schoolroom.
1886-7-8
Feverish activity in land. Estates such as Heart of Northcote, St. George's Park, Royal Derby, Mitchell's Corner, Prince of Wales Park, Rossmoyne Park, and others sold.
1887
'Bus service from Melbourne to Clifton Hill operated by Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Co., replaced by tramway.
First building regulations passed by Northcote Council.
Holy Trinity Church began at a house at Darebin street. Building erected after some time in St. David street. (Transferred to Shaftesbury parade in 1907).
Branch of London Chartered Bank opened.
Northern Gas Co., laid mains in St. George's road, through Preston.
1888
Clifton Hill to Northcote and Preston Tramway Company formed Rucker's Hill roadway widened. Tram engine house built 1889. First tram run on January 13, 1890. Following bursting of Boom company went into liquidation in 1893. Subsidised service run from 1894 to 1897. Northcote Council took over tracks, rolling stock &c. in 1900 for £3,500. Renovations cost £12,285. Service subsidised for six months by council, and tramway was then leased for a seven year period for £250 per annum. Tram leased in 1908 for five year period for £1500 per annum and for a further three years for £1,825 per annum. Tram then run by council from 1916 to 1920, when is was taken over by Tramways Board.
Rateable valuation had risen to £69,740. Rate increased from 1/ to 1/4 in £ producing £4,649 revenue.
Railway line extended from Victoria Park to Clifton Hill, giving a service between Alphington and Victoria Park.
Council loan of £12,500 for widening Rucker's Hill; erection of municipal buildings, drainage &c.
Northcote "Leader" established.
1888-89
Erection and opening of first portion of Northcote Municipal buildings.
1889
Railway from Reservoir to Spencer street opened in October. Line completed to Whittlesea in December of same year. Stations then provided were Northcote (now Merri), Middle Northcote, Croxton and Thornbury.
First section of building for Little Sisters of the Poor erected.
Establishment of volunteer fire brigade.
Site for Wales Street School acquired. School erected in 1891, being opened in October of that year.
1890
Old Presbyterian Church transferred to James street, when new church was erected.
Northcote municipality subdivided into five wards. £20,000 loan for drainage, Northcote bridge widening &c.
Section of Town Hall including council chamber and stairway undertaken.
On September 8 Northcote was declared a town. Mayoral allowance fixed at £100. Revenue was over £13,000 a year.
1891
First meeting held in newly-erected council chamber (Mayor Cr. C. H. Plant). It was in this year also that the Mayor was invested with the office of Chief Magistrate.
Post office transferred to municipal buildings.
Census showed population to be 7,458. Municipal valuation reached apex, £102,637.
Northcote and Brunswick councils jointly erected bridge in Arthurton road.
Outer Circle railway completed providing a connection between the Heidelberg and Whittlesea lines.
St. Joseph's Church and school opened in Arthurton road. Removed to Westbourne grove in 1916 when new buildings were opened in 1917 Foundation stone of new school in James street laid in 1919.
1892
Northcote library and reading room opened in municipal offices.
Relief works undertaken at collapse of land boom. Rate of pay 4/ per day. In April 1893 several banks suspended payments. Valuations fell to £87,000—a decrease of £15,597 in one year. Rate increased to 1/10. Many of the population left for the Westralian goldfields.
1893-6
Municipal valuations fell yearly £15,597 in 1893; £15,364 in 1894; £13,944 in 1895; and £4,373 in 1896.
1896
Rate increased from 1/10 to 2/2 in £. Increased another 1d to 2/3 in following year.
1898
End of depression years of land boom. Valuation was then £52,326. the land boom deflation period having taken off £50,361 in six years.
1901
Railway land between Alphington and Clifton Hill subdivided and sold from 44/6 to 15/ a foot.
Census showed population 9,677—an increase of about 2,000 from 1891 Valuation £57,528.
Railway line through Collingwood to Melbourne opened.
Renovated tram service in High street re-opened.

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A HISTORY IN RETROSPECT

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1902
Rockeries and trees established in High street.
Northcote South, through efforts of Northcote South Ratepayers' Association.
1903
Masonic Lodge formed. New Temple erected in Bastings street in 1922.
1905
Petition of northern residents for separation of area of Upper Northcote, which they desired formed into a borough of Thornbury was not accomplished owing to a defect in the documents, and no further action was taken.
1906
State Savings Bank erected corner High and Mitchell streets.
Northcote bowling greens opened.
1907
Storm water drain constructed between Pender's grove and Merri Creek.
Present site of Batman Park secured by council for £815. In the same year council purchased 5 acres for Pender's Park for £1,000.
Thornbury Bowling Club formed.
First sewerage main laid, and reticulation sewers constructed in 1908 in the area between the creek and Westgarth street.
1910
Telephone exchange established (Day only at first, but a continuous service was soon provided as the subscribers increased).
Valuation had risen to £102,507.
1915
Hutton Street State School opened
Henderson Park purchased, two acres, cost £1,340.
54th Regiment of cadets paraded and dedicated, at inagural ceremony
1917
Council granted permissive occupancy of 9 acres at rear of Inebriate Retreat. Council purchased 3¼ acres for Merri Park for £350.
Electric Light undertaking showed a profit of £3,078; cable tram profit (run by council) £3,498.
1918
Honor portal erected at Town Hall
1919
Influenza epidemic. Cost Northcote £3,225.
New marish Church of England named Epiphany. Present church erected 1927.
1920
Northcote cable tram taken over by Metropolitan Tramways Board. St. George's road electric line taken over by Board and opened for traffic in 1920. Construction of electric line, including buildings and rolling stock during the Trust's time cost £127,510.
Population 30,519. Rateable valuation £216,295.
1921
Baby Health Centre established.
Electrification of Northcote and Preston and Heidelberg railway lines.
Separation street cemetery vested in council.
1922
Memorial Hall erected and furnished at a cost of £6,000. Broken Column unveiled.
Town Hall offices remodelled and improved, the portions used by the post office and court house being taken in.
New Court House erected, the council taking over the old buildings
1926-28
New post office and automatic telephone exchange built on corner of High and Bayview streets.
1927
Eastern side of High street reconstructed to withstand heavy traffic.
1926-27
Population 39,376. Valuation £432,845 (increases for five-year period—population 8,922, valuation £167,915).
St. George's road constructed in concrete—the first works of their kind in Northcote. Loan of £57,000 raised for the purpose.
1927
Baby Health Centre building erected in Clarendon street.
In re-distribution of State electorates Northcote became a separate electorate: the southern portion of the city being included in Clifton Hill.
1928
First sod turned beautification St. George's road, at Bent street.
1929
Northcote Creche opened. Baby Health Centre transferred to new building Bastings street. New court House opened (November).
1930
Remodelling offices &c., Town Hall completed. Outer Circle Bridge, Fairfield opened to road traffic.

CENTRAL NORTHCOTE

In recent years many changes have taken place in High Stree t. The above shows as a contrast to another picture on the opposite page taken in 1885.
(Cyril Stevens Photo)

1911
Population 17,519; 291 new houses were erected in this year.
Thornbury Picture Theatre opened; Lyric Picture Theatre opened.
Mr. Andrew Carnegie donated £3,000 towards a Free and Lending Library. Council provided site at the corner James and High streets. Building erected same year.
Negotiations with Railways Department brought about Arthurton road level crossing.
1912
Council contributed £4,652 towards drain from east end of Mitchell street to Yarra river to drain east side of Northcote.
Northcote Picture Theatre erected
Foundation stone of additions to Town Hall laid.
1912-15
Proposals for construction of an electric tram along St. George's road First proposals abortive as Northcote objected. Finally agreed. Proportions were, Fitzroy 27 parts; Northcote 15; Preston 23. 3 First meeting of trust in 1915. New bridge in St. George's road built in 1917. First sod turned September 1918 in south section.
1913
Establishment of council quarry.
Glen Iris Brickworks commence operations, despite council's opposition.
Rise in valuation £12,030. Population 21,167. New houses erected 418. Valuation £138,028; total houses 4,891; municipal revenue £21,066.
East Ward (now Johnson) Park, 5 acres, bought for £1,250.
1914
Proclamation of Northcote as a city. Electric light undertaking officially opened on same day, May 27.
1914-1918
The war years. Activities by Red Cross Society, Soldiers' Welfare bodies &c. Many Northcote volunteers
1914
592 new houses erected—a record.
Bridge over Darebin Creek in Darebin street.
Darebin street tramway proposals
City valuation £313,674, revenue £38,354. Accounts for the loan closed with a credit of £43, the first credit for many years.
1923
Public baths erected and opened.
1924
Dennis station opened.
Clarke street (Westgarth State School) opened. Pender's Grove school opened.
Proposals for a direct line to city via Fitzroy. Nothing achieved.
Tram strike. 'Bus routes were developed alongside.
New Presbyterian Church erected Rossmoyne street.
Unimproved capital rating proposals defeated at a poll.
1925
Northcote cable system linked with the Clifton Hill lines to give a through service without the necessity of changing.
Northcote Scout Gunyah opened in Arthurton road.
1925-26
Grandstand erected Northcote Park
1923
Regent Theatre erected at Thornbury.
St. Mary's school erected at Thornbury.
Overhead railway bridge at Clifton Hill replaced old level crossing. Cost £30,000.
Council purchased 13 acres in vicinity of Woolton avenue and the creek for £2,500. Now known as Mayer Park.
1926
St. George's road electric tram linked up with Lygon street tram so that passengers could go to the city and St. Kilda without changing.
Northcote District High school started. Northcote and neighbouring councils contributed £3,000 towards the cost of school which was erected in St. George's road and opened in 1928.
Seven acres in Eastern portion of Pender's grove purchased for £2,600 and named Hayes Park.
1931
Northcote Younger Set formed. St Vincent's Younger Set formed.
1932-33
Main Town Hall renovated and redecorated.

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The Schools of Northcote

REMARKABLE FIGURES SHOW CITY'S PROGRESS

THROUGH the educational facilities in a city, it is easy to gain a very accurate idea of that city's progress. In the decade just passed the facilities for education in Northcote have grown apace. Schools have been erected, and almost before they were completed they were overcrowded, necessitating immediate additions. The march of progress continues, and the schools of Northcote are carrying on their traditions of not only imparting education, but in building the character of those who will some day be the citizens of the future.

The progress of Northcote has been exemplified in the growth of its schools. No less than six large State schools have been erected within the bounds of the city, and in addition Northcote District Boys' High School, in St. George's Road near the Merri Creek, has been the culminating point *in the educational facilities that now exist.* In addition to the State schools there are St. Joseph's school (Northcote) and St. Mary's (Thornbury); and Westleigh College.

THE SCHOOLS HELP

The Northcote schools have been to the fore in assisting all worthy causes. During the War they contributed towards Soldiers' Comfort funds and Red Cross efforts. In normal times they raise funds and hold efforts for the hospitals; and assist in all charitable efforts.

The First School

The first school in Northcote was in a private house in Separation street, being conducted by Mr. Schwerkolt. The next was the denominational school in the old Wesleyan school room, which occupied a site now known as 253-255 High street, and was opened in 1854 with an average attendance of 42 pupils. As time went on the attendances increased, and after the passing of the Education Act the teacher, Mr. Richard Tobin, was appointed head master of the first Helen Street State school No. 1401 on May 1, 1874. He remained as the foundation head master until October 31, 1892, teaching with much skill and kindliness. Many of his pupils acquired distinction. The head masters who have held sway since, and who ruled the destinies of this Northcote's first State school were:—Alfred H. Thurlby, 1/11/92 to 31/12/94; Edward C. Bishop 10/7/95 to 31/3/1912; Richard Rall, 1/7/12 to 8/2/15; Charles Phillips, 1/7/15 to 16/3/16; James Bromilow, 1/5/16 to 14/12/27; Alex W. Perry, appointed 8/1/28 and is now the present head master.

Each of these head masters has left his individuality on the pupils who came under his jurisdiction, and constantly assisting was Mr. Duffy, who, as first assistant, was a member of the staff for many years. Another well-known and highly-respected member of the staff for a long period was Miss Meehan, who was especially noted for her untiring activities in promoting school concerts and displays.

Upper Northcote—Wales St

This school first came into being as an annexe of South Preston No. 824 and on July 1, 1913 it became a separate entity, when Mr. George H. Hardress was appointed head teacher. He retired on June 30, 1918, and was succeeded by Mr. John H. Osborne, who was head teacher until January 15, 1930, when he was succeeded by the present head teacher, Mr. Raymond Vick. Each of these head teachers was known for his ability, Mr. Hardress for his devotion to the welfare of his children, and Mr. Osborne for the strength and force of all his organising work.

Hutton Street School

In 1915 another school was opened in Hutton Street. Mr. James. O. Hughes being the foundation head master. He was in charge until his retirement in 1927 when Mr. W. E. Hall the present head master took over. Mr. Hughes was a great favorite with the children and showed great organising ability. An outstanding feature of the school's activities was the raising of £600 by public effort, with which to endow a scholarship in the name of J. O. Hughes, the foundation head master. It is typical of Mr. Hughes that since his retirement, he has continued to reside in Northcote, and he is still performing public service as a member of the Northcote City Council, and he has been ordained a minister of the Church of England, and is in charge of St. Aidan's, Victoria road.

Two Schools Opened on One Day

November 19 1927 was an occasion to be remembered in the school life of Northcote for on that day two new State schools were opened — Westgarth State School in Clarke street, with Mr. H. Shugleton as head teacher, and Pender's grove, with Mr. J. Bethell in charge. These were the dates of the actual openings of the schools, though the official openings were not performed until a few weeks later.

The Station Street school (known as Fairfield North) was opened on September 9, 1928 in charge of Mr. E. O'Donnell..

Increasing Attendances

The increasing attendances at Hutton Street and Westgarth schools (averaging over 1,100 children) is some indication of the settlement that has taken place.

Latest Types of Schools

All the recent schools are of modern types, and only recently the parent school in Helen street has been remodelled and brought completely up to date.

The State schools, in common with all present-day schools, have shown the wonderful advance and improvement in the methods of education and instruction, and have always shown unceasing activity in promoting the social well-being of the children.

Outstanding Scholars

Some of the scholars who received their early education at the State schools of Northcote have become outstanding. Northcote can claim to have produced Rhodes scholars in Ross Mackay Campbell, of Thornbury, J. Eccles, son of Mr. W. J. Eccles. Both these men received their early education at Thornbury State school. From Helen street Mr. Latham, a son of the Hon. J. G. Latham, went on to become a Rhodes scholar.

Other well - known Thornbury scholars are Ross McOmish, who is now at Ormond College, and Allan L. Hughes, who is now a member of the legal profession. In its comparatively short career Wales Street has sent along some brilliant scholars, among them being the two sons of Mr. W. J. Bartley, who recently retired from the position of head master of the West Preston State school.

Denominational Schools

St. Joseph's School was first founded in Northcote in 1891 on a site in Arthurton road. After a number of years it was found that a larger school was required, and the present school was erected in James street in 1916. St. Mary's, Thornbury, was erected and opened in September 1925 and it is a fine piece of architecture. *This building is on the most modern lines,* and represents all that is the latest and best in the matter of buildings and equipment. The schools are conducted by Sisters of the Good Samaritan, and work of a sound character has been and is being performed

Westleigh College

Westleigh College was founded at North Fitzroy in 1886 by Miss I. M. Westgarth, who was joined later by her two sisters, Misses Jessie and E. Linton Westgarth. Increased attendances led to the erection of new premises in Michael street within the next two years; and in 1900 the college was transferred to larger grounds in Clarke street, Northcote. Some years later the site of the present Church of the Epiphany was used, until the retirement of the Misses Gresham in 1917. During these 31 years the college was conducted as a secondary school and many students were successfully presented for University examinations. During the period some 1,500 scholars passed through the school and notable among them are Madam Evelyn Scotney, Rosa Pinkerton and Dulcie Cherry, in the musical world; Stella Parker, vice-president of girls' school at Colombo; Olga Parker (Mrs. Warren) lecturer at Melbourne University; Estelle Rayment, the late co-principal with Miss K. Gresham.

When the Misses Westgarth retired in 1917, the Misses Gresham succeeded them as principals, and in 1919, Miss Elsie Rayment joined Miss Kate Gresham in conducting the school. In the following 10 years the present fine school rooms were added Many who attended the school have distinguished themselves in art and science, amongst them being Thelma Scott, a fine dramatic performer; Joyce Warren, and Annie Hooper, who gained University degrees.

In 1929 the school met a severe loss in the death of Miss Elsie Rayment. In the following year Mrs. Flynn, who had been senior class mistress on the staff for nine years, purchased the goodwill and management of the college, and assisted by a good staff, has maintained the high standard set by her predecessors. A branch for junior pupils has been established at the Preston Methodist school hall and it is likely that a senior division may be enrolled at an early date.

Northcote District High School

With increasing attendances at all primary schools, and by reason of the fact that there was a desire of parents that their children should continue on to obtain a higher education, the pressure on the State schools became very great, until the establishment of a High School, within easy reach, became a necessity. Members of the Northcote Council took the matter up, and calling a conference of neighbouring municipalities, it was agreed that a site be secured and offered to the Education Department upon which to erect a school. A site was secured and offered, but nothing was done by the Department. The late Cr. Robinson, of Preston, was particularly active in the movement to secure the High School, and he did not let the matter rest. At last, after much negotiation, in which assistance was given by Mr. J. C. Lowry, B.A., District Inspector, the Education Department decided to erect a school. The High school was started in the Methodist Sunday school hall under the guidance of Mr. Kilton in 1926, there being 140 pupils. During this year the school was transferred to a temporary building in St. George's road. The present modern school was erected and was opened in 1929 with over 500 pupils. The present enrolment is approximately 450—a remarkably good enrolment under the new scheme.

The school has prospered and in educational work, sport—cricket football, and athletics, it has held pride of place among schools of its own class. The principal is Mr. F. W. Johnson, B.Sc., and there is a staff of 20 highly trained and enthusiastic men.

Many Extensions in Thriving Local Industries

BUSY MANUFACTORIES

NORTHCOTE is known as an industrial suburb, and has many industries within its borders. Perhaps it would be truer to say that Northcote was more an industrial residential suburb, for the bulk of its residents follow their occupations in other suburbs.

Be that as it may, Northcote has a number of industries, which find employment for many thousands of citizens, and it is a very hopeful sign that even in these days of depression a number of these industries are enlarging their premises and extending.

Northcote Brick Company

The oldest, and perhaps one that helped to put Northcote on the map, was brickmaking. In 1873 in a field east of the Carter's Arms Hotel in a paddock then owned by Mr. John Roberts, was *located a depost of clay* suitable for brickmaking, and soon afterwards a Mr. Roberts erected a horse-driven pug mill.. Clay was puddled, bricks were made by hand, and burned in a primitive kiln. After a couple of years a Mr. Groom took over the works, and erected a modern kiln and factory. In 1882 the Northcote Brick Company took over the undertaking, and has conducted it ever since. The original field has now disappeared. In the boom times it was nothing unusual to see brick barries stop outside the Peacock Hotel where drivers would pour water on the load to prevent the lorry catching fire. In normal times the company's output is nearly a million bricks a week, and the wages to workmen and carters about £1,000 a week

Messrs. Joshua Pitt Pty. Ltd.

From very small beginnings the business established by the late Joshua Pitt has grown to be one of the largest of its kind in the State. The business is now carried on by Joshua Pitt Pty. Ltd., in the management of which two sons of the founder, Messrs. George and Bert Pitt are executives.

The firm specialises in the manufacture of leather belting, taking it through all processes of manufacture from the hide to the finished article. Many important installations have been carried out by the firm, notably the whole of the belting required at the Yallourn Briquetting Plant for the State Electricity Commission; whilst many South Australian and Victorian railways and Government contracts have been held for years.

In addition to leather belting, the firm manufactures leather welting (for the boot trade) whilst the stuff cutting section of the works is the largest in the southern hemisphere. (Stuff cutting covers every piece of leather required for the manufacture of boots and shoes). The company has its own bark mills at Hamilton (Victoria) to ensure regular supplies of tanning bark. Up to 200 employees are on the payroll.

Messrs. Angus & Co.

This firm, the principals of which are Messrs. J. Angus and J. Thorpe, first came to Northcote in 1914, transferring from North Fitzroy. A bottle works and factory was erected in Arthurton road near the creek, and though not now in use the bottle works is still a landmark. The company manufactures ink, gum and paste, showcard colors, and office requisites, and their output last year totalled over 234,000 bottles and 200 gallons in bulk. Two years ago a branch factory was opened at Redfern (New South Wales).

Messrs. W. S. Neelands Pty. Ltd.

Though the firm of Messrs. W. S. Neelands Pty. Ltd only came into being within comparatively recent years, the business it acquired in 1929 is one of the oldest in Northcote being formerly conducted by A. Thurratt Pty. Ltd. Neelands have a fine building, timber yard and joinery works in Arthurton road, near the Northcote station. Department upon which they handle timber, joinery, hardware, paint, galvanised iron, cement &c.—in fact everything required by the building trade. A branch shop conducted at 529 High street, Preston, handles crockery, glassware, general hardware &c.

No-thcote Tile and Pottery Co.

Thirty-five years ago Mr. George Westmoreland commenced a pottery on land in the vicinity of Victoria road, between Clyde and Clarendon streets. Since then the business has grown rapidly, and though perhaps many know the works as the Northcote Tile and Pottery Works, a still greater number remember it as "Westmoreland's, where we used to play as kids."

Eighteen years ago the scope of the business was widened to include the manufacture of tiles, and it was then that the firm's name was changed. Pottery of all descriptions, chimney pots, flower pots, terra cotta tiles, &c., are the products.

Australian Broom Company

"Small beginnings make big endings," saith the old quotation, and Mr. Fred Wilkes began to manufacture brooms in a very small way in the year 1920, and since the product of his factory has been worth something like £200,000. Factory extensions have been carried out from time to time, the manufacture of broom handles, mops &c. undertaken, and now Mr. Wilkes contemplates the erection of a new factory.

The firm manufactures millet brooms of all descriptions, mop oils, feather dusters, dowels &c. and the factory's "A.B.C." trademark is well known throughout Australia. The factory is conducted on co-operative lines, Mr. Wilkes, his four sons, and four of the older employees holding shares.

Northcote Ice Works

One of the industries that has made rapid growth in past years, and which is still expanding is the Northcote Ice Works, in Arthurton road. Established some ten years ago the company's operations have reached gigantic proportions: whilst the factory itself covers an area of 240 ft. by 320 ft. The ice making plant is of the most modern type, and three sets of ice making tanks have a capacity of 75 tons. The dairy sec-

A view of portion of Messrs. Harris and Wrights' Modern Hygienic Library.

tion, equipped with sterilising, bottling, and cooling equipment, can handle 2,000 quarts an hour, and meets with all the requirements of the milk regulations in force and projected. Over 46,000 feet of piping (8½ miles) is used in the refrigerating rooms, and the horse-power (electric motors and Diesel plant) used to operate the refrigerators &c. totals something like 620 The object is to ensure regularity and uniformity. The clay is then loaded into a large truck, hauled to the pit surface and delivered to a pulverising and mixing machine. Hoppers carry the powdered clay to a height of about 20 feet, where it is automatically delivered to the various machines.

Bricks nowadays are machine pressed and a number of press units are employed by the Glen Iris on the regular building brick. A recent addition to the plant is a machine designed by the manager Mr. Adams for the purpose of making fancy bricks. So great is the demand for this class of product he deemed it advisable to construct a unit for this special purpose. In this machine the shaped brick is delivered as if from a sausage machine in lengths. It is lubricated through the intricate moulding processes by the addition of water. The lengths are wire cut by a semi-automatic cutter and de-

matic machines, tools for plumbers' brasswork, steam fittings, electric fittings, brass founder's work &c. The company also specialises in the manufacture of high class limit and standard gauges, fixtures and other labor saving devices for the speedy and accurate measurement of all machine work. The company quadrupled its factory accommodation in 1925-26, and is now transferring to much more commodious premises in High street, Northcote South.

Northcote Shoe Company

The Northcote Shoe Company, manufactures high-grade women's machine-sewn and comfort shoes, which are marketed under the well-known "Northcote" brand. The company commenced operations in 1920 in Eastment street, and since then has expanded to such an extent that twice additional accomodation had to be secured, and now the company has just taken over a completely new factory at the corner of Helen street and Arthurton road. The progress has been steady, due to the fact that the company markets a high grade product at prices which place the shoes within reach of all.

Glen Iris Brickworks

Northcote's oldest and best known industry is brickmaking — in fact there are many who describe it as Northcote's backbone. Brickmaking conjures up in the minds of many a vast clay hole, clanking machinery and workmen puddling clay. These are visions of bygone days. Brickmaking is to-day a highly skilled and scientific industry, and one in which

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livered for further pressing. By the use of this machine many thousands of bricks with V shaped ends, are shapes and a variety of designs are produced daily.

This work is by no means at an end when the bricks are moulded. It is then that various treatments are given to secure different colors and finish. One process consists of dipping in a special prepared solution, which gives a beautiful glowing red appearance to the finished product. For certain classes of work a "sanded" finish is required. It is before the brick is baked this is applied Any color, or design, modernistic, variegated, sand colored, fire brick color, even deep chocolate can be achieved by treating the formed bricks.

Perhaps the most important process is the brick baking. This is done in a huge kiln, with several compartments each self-contained. The method of procedure is to fill a compartment with bricks, a process calling for skill as a certain procedure must be adopted to allow the feeding of the fires. To do this spaces are left at various intervals, some go to the grounds, others half way to the roof, and so on. This allows the coal to be fed from above either to the bottom or at a varying height. The amount of baking required is determined by the shrinkage, and this is accurately measured every one or two hours, and the feeding of the fires is carried out accordingly.

Besides making the regular lines the Glen Iris works specialise in fancy bricks. This covers a wide range of something like 200 different designs. It includes tapers tapered arch, flutes of various kinds, moulding and coyle designs, dovetail, &c. Any new designs called for are also made.

Twelve and a half acres comprise the activities and give employment to 140 local men, the output of bricks at the Northcote works being 10 million yearly, whilst at Oakleigh 9 million yearly is the output.

The manager, Mr. Adams, has had 47 years' experience in brickmaking and 34 as manager. Much of the success of the Glen Iris can be attributed to him, and his foresight in so systematising the plant. Each man and machine is literally a cog in one big easy-running machine. Mr. Adams is also an experienced engineer and has several patents dealing with brickmaking to his credit. Even nowadays he has a weakness for the engineering shop where the turning and planing and general repairs of the works are carried out. He is an enthusiast and has certainly mastered the task to which he in earlier life set him self.

NORTHCOTE STATISTICS

FROM 1883 TO 1931-32

The following tables trace in figures Northcote's expansion during the last forty-nine years—from the time the municipality was first formed until the end of the last financial year:—

Year	Population	Houses	Valuation	Amount from Rates	Revenue
1883	1,700	360	£21,812	£1,000	£3,500
1890	6,243	1,072	101,177	6,745	13,200
1892	6,308	1,890	102 687	8,845	11,000
1898	8,080	1,872	52,540	5,237	7,300
1900	8,960	1,925	57,428	6,401	7,500
1908	13,960	3,203	88,273	9,930	15,000
1909	14,778	3,346	92,316	10,453	15,000
1910	15,976	3,628	99,725	11,213	16,300
1911	17,210	3,919	110,157	12,391	15,400
1912	19,206	4,383	125,998	14,172	19,000

In the foregoing table a distinct falling away is noticed after 1932, due to the aftermath of the land boom, when the whole of the State suffered. The recovery was gradual at first, but became accelerated as the years passed.

In the following table it will be noticed that the steady increase has been maintained until 1929-30, which was the peak year with a revenue of £30,630, and was also the first year with a 2/9 rate. In the two following years there has been a decrease, more marked in 1931-32 because the rate was reduced to 2/7.

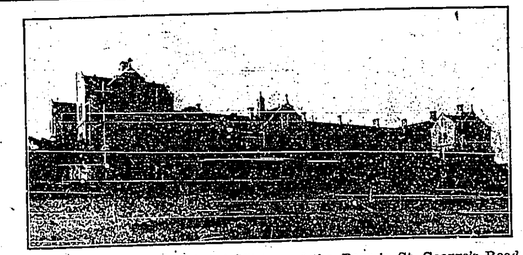
Year	Population	Houses	Valuation	Rate	REVENUE General Account	Electric Light	Streets
1913-14	21167	4839	£138029	2/3	£23500		
1914-15	22983	5463	158564	2/3	25280	£2100	£800
1915-16	24633	5720	163746	2/3	25280	5375	3180
1916-17	25115	5950	171371	2/3	26600	6900	3500
1917-18	25896	6142	178637	2/3	30488	8761	3837
1918-19	26394	6337	185391	2/3	30100	10053	6040
1919-20	27280	6524	193533	2/3	34000	13120	7866
1920-21	28726	6957	216336	2/3	34500	17080	5520
1921-22	30454	7238	264530	2/6	44450	24190	7951
1922-23	32433	7717	307732	2/6	53311	28908	9469
1923-24	33872	8440	342034	2/6	56000	27147	10863
1924-25	36129	9109	379880	2/6	60734	32535	20000
1925-26	38192	9447	409071	2/6	65556	42900	15691
1926-27	39371	9822	432737	2/6	85085	44488	25515
1927-28	40808	10090	473811	2/6	96294	46868	32443
1928-29	41805	10351	484429	2/6	91537	49937	34045
1929-30	41659	10365	484334	2/9	96630	51807	35597
1930-31	41384	10446	485705	2/9	80323	50000	26405
1931-32	41904	10453	451352	2/7	71882	51871	19932

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

THE work of the Congregation of The Little Sisters of the Poor began in France during the last century, and Australia was the fifth continent in their field of work. The Mother House is still in France, and there are over three hundred daughter houses in various parts of the world.

The Sisters of the Poor commenced operations on a site which was then known as Kinsella's farm in 1884. The sum of £950 was raised with which a temporary building was erected and connected with the farm buildings. The foundation stone of the present structure was laid in 1889 by Archbishop Carr and within the past 13 years the magnificent buildings on the site in St. George's road have been completed, and an average of 250 old folk have found sanctuary there ever since. Twenty-four sisters under the leadership of the Superior, Sister Aldegonde de St. Stanislaus, carry on the work of this huge institution, and one can easily imagine the amount of toil and self-sacrifice entailed.

The only qualifications necessary for entering the home are to be destitute and over 60 years of age.



Magnificent building of the Little Sisters of the Poor in St. George's Road.

Cr. S. DENNIS, J. P., M.H.R.
(South Ward)

Cr. J. O. HUGHES
(West Ward)

Cr. J. SUTCH, J.P.
(Central Ward)

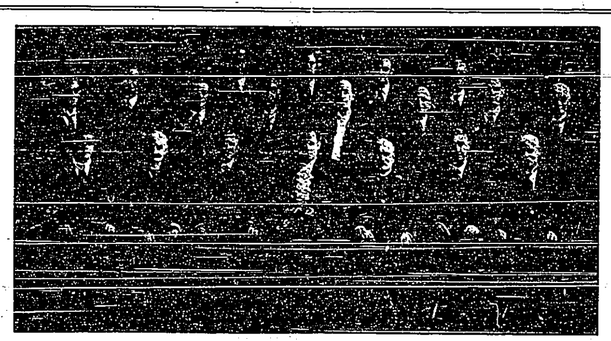
Cr. W. GLANFIELD
(East Ward)

Cr. S. PINKNEY
(South Ward)

NORTHCOTE CITY FATHERS

"GIVE credit where credit is due" is an old saying, and in things municipal it can be said that the men who give up their time in the service of their fellow men by becoming councillors usually are given but little credit for the work they do. It seems to be the nature of the average ratepayer to growl when dissatisfied—a very human trait; but on the other hand very rarely is heard a word of praise for a duty well and faithfully done.

Northcote has five wards—South, Central, East, West and North—and in the old days when money was available council meetings more or less resolved themselves into a struggle by the various ward representatives to obtain a fair share—and more, if possible—for their respective wards. As years have passed, and the South, East and Central Wards (particularly the latter) have become well developed, the ward feelings have changd, and councillors now look upon questions more from the city standpoint rather than from the parochial ward attitude. The effects of this can be seen when it is remembered that the needs of the lesser developed wards—the North and West—are greater than those of the other three, and even more so because of the fact that these two wards, by comparison with the others, are vast tracts.



Present Councillors :

1st Row : (Left to Right) Crs. W. H. Turner, J.P.; W. Hayes, J.P.; S. Dennis, J.P., M.H.R.; A. H. Oldis, J.P. (Mayor); B. E. Johnson, J.P.; W. Glanfield; J. Sutch.

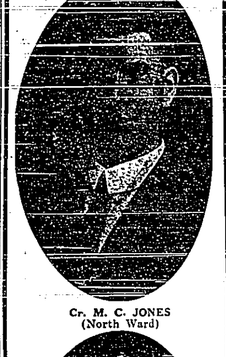
2nd Row : Crs. A. J. Cornish; M. C. Jones; J. H. Green, J.P.; C. J. Bradley, C.E., A.M.I.E. (City Surveyor); J. A. Thomson, L.I.C.A. (Town Clerk); W. Oliver, J.P.; S. W. Pinkney; J. O. Hughes; (Electrical Engineer).

Back Row : H. C. Ferguson (Asst. Town Clerk); Crs. A. V. Peters; A. G. Bird; T. W. Hawthorn, A.M.I.E.,

Fifty years have passed since the Northcote Borough was launched to work out its destiny, to stand upon its own, and the foundation councillors of the newly-constituted Borough of that time could not, in their wildest dreams, have conceived what the fifty-year span would bring to the municipality, the destinies of which had been placed in their hands (for the time being). As the years passed councillors were elected and defeated, and some passed away in harness; but it can be said almost without exception that each and every one was stimulated by a desire that his activities should make the municipality a better place in which to live.

Pictured here are the men who are the "city fathers" of to-day, and of them Cr. S. Dennis, J.P., M.H.R., enjoys the distinction of being known as the "Father of the Council."

Cr. W. H. TURNER, J.P.
(West Ward)



Cr. M. C. JONES
(North Ward)

Cr. A. PETERS
(Central Ward)

Cr. W. OLVER, J.P.
(North Ward)

Cr. B. E. JOHNSON, J.P.
(East Ward)

Cr. W. HAYES, J.P.
(North Ward)

Cr. A. BIRD
(West Ward)

Cr. J. H. GREEN, J.P.
(South Ward)

Cr. A. J. CORNISH
(Central Ward)

Chats with Some of the Pioneers

Mr. E. Shade is a gentleman who is proud to claim Northcote as his birthplace. He owns up cheerfully that this event occurred 74½ years ago in High street. Now he is a resident of Separation street, where he and his good wife share a cosy old-fashioned home, having as company a yerky Pomeranian, a couple of parrots in a well-aired cage, an aviary containing love and other birds, and in a back yard a family of healthy, happy-looking fowls. A nicely-kept flower garden and ferns add to the home-like surroundings. Mr. Shade was one of the first scholars at the Northcote State school 59 years ago, Mr. Tobin being headmaster. Mr. Shade is a member of the Methodist Church, and has never had any hankering for taking part in public life. He is well known in the local ranks of the M.U.I.O.O.F., having been associated with that body for 50 years. His mother and father were pioneers of Northcote, the latter being engaged in business in High street, which was carried on in a tent. The particular business was ironmongery. Mr. Shade is keenly interested in sport and for many years acted as secretary to the Northcote Star, and Zingari Cricket Clubs. Rev. Joseph Dare was one of the early day Methodist ministers in Northcote and he labored with much success in that suburb. The mother of Mrs. Shade did not officiate at the wash-tub, as was the general custom of the day, but carried the household linen &c. to Darebin Creek and gave it a good sousing in the rippling and pellucid waters, and carried the garments home to be ironed with a good old box iron fed with glowing cinders

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One of the real old school is found in Mr. Chas Broadhurst, who is approached in pleasant surroundings at his weatherboard villa in Victoria road, Northcote, around which vegetables thrive and flowers abound and a 50-year-old cockatoo accords the visitor a shrill shriek of welcome. Mr. Broadhurst is a cheerful, optimistic citizen, a native of Northcote, and was born in Vauxhall road. He celebrated his 76th birthday last December and is still hale, happy and hearty. He owns up to being the father of 15 Australian natives, is grandfather to 23 thriving youngsters, and the number of great-grandchildren is set down at 6. For 30 years Mr. Broadhurst was a municipal employe in Northcote and a while back when he gave active work best he was presented with an honorarium of £25 by Northcote Council for having been one of the first employes. What Mr. Broadhurst knows about Northcote highways, byways and bridges would fill columns of the Jubilee number of the "Leader." The first surveyor under whom he worked was Mr. Morton Goodwin and the first school he attended was on the present site of the National Bank in High street. Mr. Dunkley was the headmaster and Mr. R. Oates also one of the teachers who instructed Mr. Broadhurst in reading writing, and arithmetic, with occasional applications of the stick. Mr. Broadhurst is a member of the A.O.F. cult, and for 50 years has been a Free Gardener. He well remembers John Green, the first cabdriver in Northcote, when he plied for hire between Oxford street and the city. Sunday was a harvest time for John Green, who, according to Friend Broadhurst, did a thriving business driving the "toffs" from Melbourne to Northcote to witness bulldog fights &c. On that day the number of visitors would be something like 300 and sometimes more, with a goodly collection of local sight-seers. He speaks with clear recollection of bulldogs having a "go" at each other and male members in the fowl line, picking, pecking, and doing their best to kill one another. Cabdriver Green trained the dogs and "Tommy Ellis" (Crompain was his proper name) the birds. These contests took place on land adjoining the Peacock Inn.

Mr. Broadhurst recollects eating part of a steak cut from the bullock which was roasted on the occasion of King Edward's marriage. Some of the bullock, said Mr. Broadhurst, was underdone, and some overdone. The carcase presented a queer appearance when the inner man and inner woman had done their respective duties at the feast of bullock and flow of ale.

Sixty years ago there was only one house to be seen between the junction and Robb's parade. Now, how many domiciles are there At the age of 7 or 8 the Broadhurst boy was proud as he drove a load of vegetables to what was then known as Paddy's Market in the city and drove the empty vehicle back to Northcote, after which he proceeded to school. The lad had a fine time at the market grubbing among the sawdust underfoot for coins dropped by purchasers. On occasions he returned home from the market with a pocket well lined with 3d pieces, occasional sixpences, halfpennies and pennies. The youthful Broadhurst worked hard in the early days and later when in the sere and and yellow leaf stage can look back with pleasure to the days he spent in Northcote and he is still satisfied to think and talk of them as the years roll on. Mr. Broadhurst may be classed as one of the many hard-working sturdy, honest citizens who has assisted in his day and generation to give Northcote a worthy place on the map of this State.

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Mr. John Thomas Harry, of Westgarth street, Northcote, made his bow to the world 76¼ years ago, his place of birth being Northcote when there were about five houses to be seen. For 40 years Mr. Harry has been a resident of Westgarth and is passing the eventide of life in quiet retirement. In the early days, of which Mr. Harry pleasantly chats, there were three churches—Wesleyan Primitive Methodist and Church of England. On week days the buildings were used as day schools for the rising generation. Long since the buildings referred to were converted into business premises. In youthful days Mr. Harry's fancy turned to the saddlery trade and for a period of 50 years he was in the sole employ of Henry Sanders, Lonsdale street, City For 32 years he occupied the position of foreman, being in receipt of a weekly wage of £4. During the first year of his apprenticeship the remuneration amounted to 3/6 each week, and work began at 6 a.m. and ceased at 6 p.m. Saturday was a sort of gala day, when employes were at liberty to "down tools" and go home. Passengers paid 1/ for the privilege of being driven to the city in a cab and many people "footed" it to and fro rather than pay. Each boy and girl paid 1/6 every week for schooling and it was necessary for them —or their parents—to provide the books required. Mr. Harry was a pupil at Dunkley's school, held in the Primitive Methodist Church and Oaken's school (carried on in the Church of England). The price of commodities was much lower than those ruling at the present day, and Mr. Harry tells of the time when a full bucket of pilchards could be purchased for the modest sum of 6d. Mr. Harry was a keen cricketer and footballer and took the field on behalf of Carlton in the years 1875 and 1876. For 26 years he carried out the duties of umpire under the old V.C.A. During one season Mr. Harry captained Northcote Football Club, also the Cricket Club, and he has many pleasant recollections of happy days spent on the respective sporting fields. He was one of the two appointed to umpire at (then) international cricket matches, his services always being readily given, and he is still interested in sport. Onlookers at football were not called upon to pay any entrance fee, and the players provided their own uniforms, boots &c. Dressing-rooms were unknown on the grounds. Those taking part in the game donned the uniform at their homes and walked to the grounds wearing overcoats. Mr. Harry has very clear recollections of the old Croxton Hotel (then the Red House). This place was used for all sorts of sports—pigeon, shooting, football, cricket, rabbit coursing &c. People flocked from Melbourne and suburbs to witness and enjoy the various sports carried on. All sorts and conditions of vehicular traffic were called into use in order to convey sightseers to and fro. One layer of metal was laid down in the centre of High street.

Blackfellows were in the habit of assembling at Northcote, and indulged in all sorts of high jinks, to the delight of youngsters, who, however, took care not to approach too closely to the colored gentry.

Wild bullocks were driven through the town on route for slaughter at the abattoirs in Ramsden street. One very memorable and auspicious occasion was when King Edward (then Prince of Wales) took unto himself a wife. Then Northcote residents rose to the occasion and celebrated the event by roasting a bullock at a blazing, open fire, on Rucker's Hill.

Mr. Harry now whiles his spare moments away in the cultivation of dahlias, of which he has many varieties, including a special one known as Garth Harry. He has been a most successful exhibitor at horticultural shows and is the proud possessor of 200 prize-winners' cards.

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THE planting of the elms in High street south was commenced in 1886, and the rockeries came later. The wisdom of such men as Mr. George Clauscen, and Mr. H. Cornwell, through whose efforts the beautification came about, may be appreciated to-day, and Northcote has a fine garden entrance to its city.

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MR. W. G. SWIFT, who was appointed to the Northcote Council in 1885 was for some 38 years "guide philosopher and friend" to the councillors who sat during that time. He proved a very able man, and one who progressed with the times. He retired in 1923, and in 1927 compiled the "History of Northcote" at the request of the council.

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THE Northcote Cemetery in Separation street was acquired in 1861 and was known as the German Cemetery. It was purchased for £10 and was vested in trustees. At that time most of the people living in the vicinity were of German nationality or extraction, and the settlement was known as Cawdortown.

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NORTHCOTE first became Northcote when it was so named when the Government survey was made of the township in 1854. The name was bestowed by Sir Andrew Clarke, the then Surveyor-General.

Mr. J. A. THOMSON, L.I.C.A.
Town Clerk

Mr. W. G. SWIFT
(For 38 years Town Clerk of Northcote)

Mr. H. C. FERGUSON
Assistant Town Clerk

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TWO lots situate in Walker street and purchased by the late W. H. Dennis in 1856, are still in the hands of the family. The prices paid for them were £22 and £26 a lot.

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THORNBURY was named by Mr. Job Smith, who in 1864 purchased 187 acres in the south-western portion of the present municipality. He called it Thornbury after his birthplace in England. The price paid by Mr. Smith was £2,737, and during the land boom he sold his holdings for £46,000.

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IT is probable that the last aboriginal corroboree held within the present boundaries of Northcote took place somewhere on the top of Rucker's Hill in 1865.

The Leader

PRIOR to the year 1866 Northcote had no local newspaper, and the district had to rely upon the service of the Fitzroy "Mercury" and the Collingwood "Observer."

In that year, however—five years after the inauguration of the borough—the Rev. Henry Richardson established the "Leader" the first office of which was on the east side of High street, close to where the National Bank now stands, Mr. Richardson conducted the paper for two years, when it was purchased by the Messrs. Whalley Bros., who had had experience on two important country newspapers.

Their beginnings were small, the paper having no great circulation and little advertising support. With all the energy and ability they could command the new proprietary set themselves out to improve and popularise the paper, and it was not long before they had the pleasure of seeing their efforts bear fruit, as first the Northcote Council, next Preston, and then Epping made the "Leader" the official organ of their municipalities.

I was the aim of the proprietary to make the columns of the "Leader" a reflex of all the activities of the many districts throughout which the paper circulated. There was scarcely a function of any importance whatever at which the "Leader" was not represented, either by one of the proprietors or by a member of the staff, and while this was so, special attention was given to reporting the proceedings of the municipal councils. In this latter work the endeavour was always to report not merely fully, but with absolute fairness and as the "Leader" used often to be referred to as "The Northcote Hansard" it showed that this aim was fairly well realised.

The proprietary wrought hard to serve the public, whose response was so generous as to enable eventually the claim to be made that the "Leader" circulation was six times that of the average local paper.

For a period of 34 years—from 1890 to 1924—Messrs. Whalley Bros. conducted the "Leader." They then disposed of their interests therein to Messrs. D. H. Mott and Sons who have since conducted the business with marked success. Practically a new plant has been installed with all the latest labor and time-saving machinery and appliances (including two of the very latest linotype machines). In order to meet the changing conditions this step was rendered imperative. A branch office was also opened in Preston.

In 1928 the business was transformed into a proprietary company. Later on the copyright and goodwill of the Preston "Progress" was purchased and this was incorporated with the "Leader." The business still continued to progress and it was found necessary to double the size of the office accommodation and considerably extend the factory.

In conclusion it may be stated that whatever success has been achieved is due undoubtedly to the splendid foundation upon which the "Leader" was established by the Messrs. Whalley Bros.

As to the future, the proprietors are determined that nothing will be main undone on their part to worthily carry on the traditions of the "Leader" and that no expense or effort will be spared to maintain and improve it possible the position which the paper is universally admitted to hold—that of being the leading suburban newspaper in the State and also the most widely circulated. At the same time its motto "JUSTICE TO ALL" will be as ever rigorously carried out.

NORTHCOTE'S BANDS

THE NORTHCOTE CITIZENS' AND SOLDIERS' BAND

DURING the past 50 years Northcote has always had a band of some sort, under various names and committees. Bands have come and gone but nevertheless they have done their part in building up the traditions of the municipality. These bands have had many ups and downs, their prosperous periods and their lean, and it is to the credit of the bandsmen that have come and gone that in nearly every cycle they have given of their best. During the period 1919-20 the Northcote Citizens' and Soldiers' Band was at a very low ebb and though it was led by a capable bandmaster (Mr. Winslade) bandsmen were continually being lost through lack of instruments and uniforms. At last a conference was held and bandsmen agreed to make a monthly contribution,—a move which was a great success until the depression.

The band has played in the parks on Sundays and in High street on Friday nights; it has been ever ready and willing to assist at charitable appeals and in any movement for the good of the city; and it has also visited numerous hospitals to stage "cheer up" programmes. For a time everything went swimmingly and then the bandmaster was unable to continue. Mr. W. H. Gore was induced to take over the baton, and placed the band in a better position than ever before. Mr. Gore passed away and the baton was taken by his son, Mr. W. H. Gore, jun., who, following on the lines set down by his father, brought the band through with flying colors to win the C Grade Championship in 1928. On Boxing Day 1931 the band won the grand aggregate at Williamstown. At Maryborough on New Year's Day the band repeated their aggregate success, and at Shepparton on A.N.A. Day the band annexed all there was to be won.

The present secretary (Mr. C. Sweetland, of Edwards street, Westgarth) has been indefatigable in his efforts to advance the band. He has seen 50 years of service.

CROXTON STUDIOS

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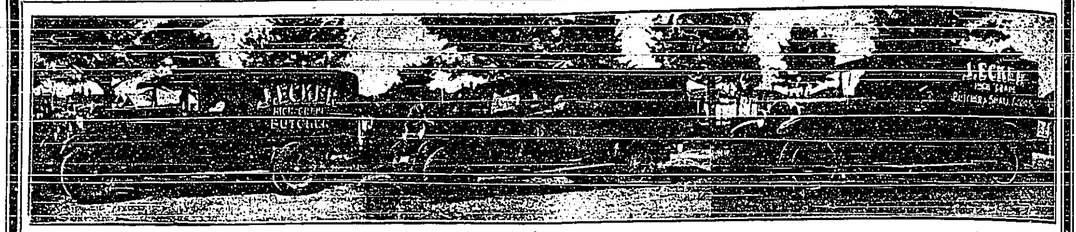

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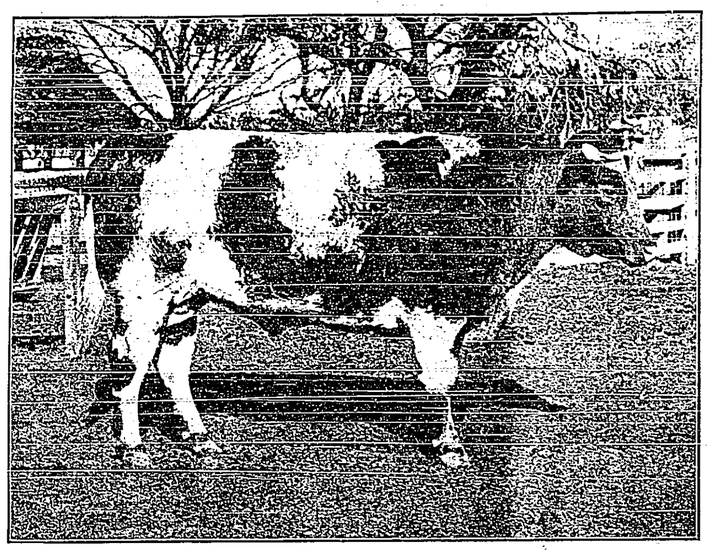

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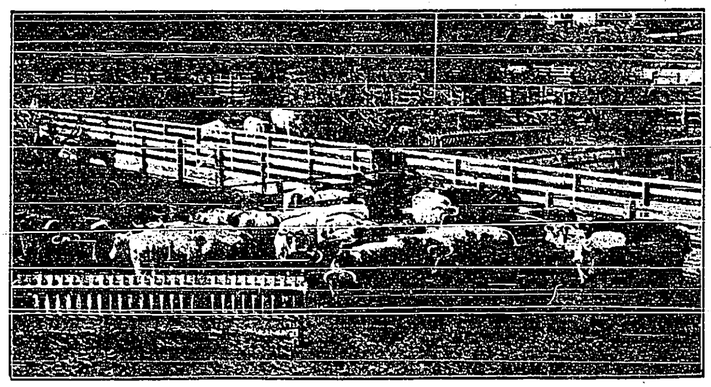

A pen of prize heavyweight show bullocks from Sydney, recently purchased by Mr. J. Ecker and to be retailed at his Northcote shops.

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WHERE QUALITY PREVAILS

The Romance of Northcote's Cable Tramway

EARLY HISTORY RECALLED

A SURVEY FROM 1888 TO THE PRESENT DAY

THE Northcote Cable Tramway was in the first case a product of the Land Boom Times, but how it came to serve the people of Northcote and how it passed into the control of the Northcote Council reads like a romance.

In the year 1888, when the land boom was at its height, a number of far-sighted men visualised the fact that if Northcote were served by a tramway, and if in that way the real-estate were given a means of easy transport, there would be great profits for the owners of the tramway, and for wise speculation, there was money to be made upon land dealings.

£30,000 Capital

A syndicate approached the Northcote Council, for the purpose of obtaining the right to lay down tracks, and operate a tramway along High street, between Clifton Hill and Preston, and with the assistance of the council, an order-in-council, as required by the Tramways Act, was obtained. The council had power to delegate its right to construct to a company, and this it did, the company being the Clifton Hill to Northcote and Preston Tramway Company, one of the conditions being that the company should construct the tramway and operate it under lease for 30 years. The company had a capital of £30,000 in £1 shares, and the company promoters were G. C. Clausczen, T. Barnett, A. Kozminsky, B. J. Fink, D. Clifton and G. Shaw.

Land Values Boom

As soon as the public got wind of the proposal for the construction of the tramway, there was a forward rush to purchase land on the High street frontages. Land prices varied from day to day, but always with an upward tendency. Those interested in the Tramway Company entered largely into the speculation, and soon there was comparatively little land in High street which was not held by speculators, or over which they did not have an option. Prices soared, and rises of from £5 to £10 per foot are recorded within the short space of a week. It must be remembered however that the land boom was then at its height, and everywhere the public was feverishly speculating in land, buying and selling at almost fabulous prices. Possibly there was what might be called "added land madness" in the case of the High street speculations, for there was a big possibility of vast increases in land values.

Construction Begins

In 1889 Messrs. Verso and Knott, two Northcote residents, who were the successful contractors, began the construction of the tracks. The foundation stone of the engine house was laid on May 16, 1889 by Sir W. J. Clarke, M.L.C., before a large assemblage of Northcote citizens, and the occasion was later celebrated by a banquet.

Rucker's Hill Roadway Widened

As the roadway leading up Rucker's Hill was then only about half its present width, it became necessary to widen it to accommodate the tram tracks, and towards this the tramway company contributed £1,500. The retaining wall was erected at this time to hold the necessary embankment. About the same time the bridge over the Merri Creek was also widened at a cost of £7,000, the cost being borne jointly by the Government, the Tramway Company and the Northcote and Fitzroy Councils.

Completion of Tracks

The construction work was completed in the early part of 1890, the work and equipment having cost the company £77,998/1/11. Of this sum £35,023 was for the permanent way; £23,003 for road construction; engine house £4,933; plant £3,633; land £3,849; and rolling stock £2,550. These figures should be borne in mind, in view of later developments.

First Tram

It was a gala day for Northcote when the first tram ran on February 13, 1890, the fare being 3d. each way for the full journey. At last Northcote's long cherished ambition to have a tramway within her borders was achieved. Children were given free rides to accustom them to the novelty, and the land speculators were happy in the belief that the era of fabulous profits upon which they reckoned was near at hand.

Break of the Boom

The years 1890 and 1891 saw the land boom at its height, and in 1892 the collapse came. In that year the Tramway Company closed its books with a deficit of £4,238 brought forward from 1891, the total loss to the end of 1892 being £6,176.

Company Ceases Operations

The company continued to maintain its services until July 1893. Liquidation followed, and the engine house, plant and rolling stock passed into the hands of the E.S. & A. bank.

Soon the tram tracks got into a serious state of disrepair, and proved a source of nuisance and danger to users of the road.

Tracks Forfeited to the Council

The company ceased to operate the trams, and under the contract the council took over the tracks. In 1894 Mr. P. Kelly approached the council with a proposal that if it would allow him £200 a year towards the maintenance of the tracks, he would operate the trams.

After much consideration the council agreed to the proposal and the tramway was opened to the public on April 7, 1894. Many of the older residents will remember the incongruous spectacle of the cable dummy only being used, and in inclement weather this was shielded by canvas blinds, earning the vehicle the high-sounding title of the "Mutton Truck." Stoppages were frequent on account of the fact that second-hand cable was used, until at last, though cable was used, until at last, though the tramway was supposed to be running, the time for repairs owing to breakdowns, was almost equal to the actual running time. That could not last for ever, and at last in November 1897 the trams stopped altogether for lack of repairs and maintenance.

Electrification Proposal

In the following year the British Insulated and Helsby Cable Co. made a proposal to electrify the trams, and lodged a deposit of £500. Later they intimated that they did not desire to go on with the proposal and after a good deal of discussion withdrew forfeiting half their deposit.

Silent Trams

Another spasm of silence as far as the trams was concerned reigned until 1900, but in the interim there was a tremendous argument in the council, a proposal having been made that the council should take over and operate the trams itself. Those were the days when hours were spent arguing the proposals, and many were the nights the councillors sat until one and two a.m. discussing the pros and cons The matter was finally decided on the casting vote of Mayor Hastings.

At last negotiations were opened with the bank, and finally in July 1900 the council, for the sum of £3,500, became the possessor of the engine house, plant and rolling stock (with all faults, if any).

A New Lease of Life

The decision of the council to acquire the trams and operate them not only gave the trams a new lease of life, but at the same time provided a means of communication that was sorely needed.

The sum of £13,285 was spent in effecting repairs and renovations to the tram tracks, rolling stock, and in overhauling the power plant, and in order to test the wisdom of its move the council decided to lease the trams for a six months trial period. The trams became mobile once more in March, 1901. Messrs. Dynan and Goldsworthy took over the operation, but at the end of six months they decided not to carry on. Tenders being invited Mr. S. I. Dorum was successful with a bid of £250 a year for a seven-year period. He carried through, and gave a good service, which pleased the public and proved profitable to him. The reason for this is not hard to find. It was in these years that Northcote began to make strides once more after having recovered from the depression years of the boom, as a glance at the statistics of the municipality will show. In 1900 the population was 8,960 and the valuation £57,428. In 1903 the figures were: population 13,960, and the valuation £88,273. There is little doubt that the fact that the trams were running had a lot to do with the increased population and another factor was the linking of Northcote with the city by the railway in 1901.

Tenders were again invited for the operation of the trams for a five-year period, and this time Messrs. Meakin & Thomas were successful, their offer being £1,560 for the first five years, and £1,825 for the balance of the period to June 30 1916. It is interesting to note that the takings for the first month under these lessees was at the rate of £200 per week, and in December, 1915, £402 per week.

First Municipal Tramway

From July 1, 1916 the Northcote Council directly operated the tramway, and it was the first municipal tramway in Victoria to be so operated. The value of the concern will readily be appreciated when it is shown that in the first quarter a profit of £1,906 was shown. In 1917 the gross takings of the tramway were £20,806 of which £3,406 was nett profit. By the conclusion of the war years the accumulated profits had grown to £10,646, and of this amount £2,500 was passed into the municipal account.

The Advent of the Tramways Board

In 1918 the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board was appointed by Act of Parliament, to take over and control all tramways operated in Melbourne and suburbs. A scheme was provided whereby all loans of municipalities in the metropolis were to be dealt with under a re-construction scheme, excepting loans for specific purposes such as electric light undertakings, which were classed as trading concerns.

Under this heading Northcote's loans amounted to £65,109 at the time, and an amount of £29,907 was allotted to Northcote. The tramway passed to the Board in 1920.

And so the cable tramway which had proved so disastrous to the original company, and such a profitable one for the Northcote Council, passed to the control of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board. Under an agreement the Board had to submit a balance sheet showing the profits (if any) of the Northcote tramway to the Northcote Council for a period of ten years, and the council was to be entitled to a proportion of those profits. The balance sheets always showed a loss, and instead of paying anything to the council, the Board's attitude seemed to suggest that the Northcote Council should shoulder some of the losses.

It is amazing that the profits should have vanished like they did — even though the Board used better rolling stock, and provided a more frequent service. Northcote Council has a name for economical management, and this perhaps has something to do with the matter.

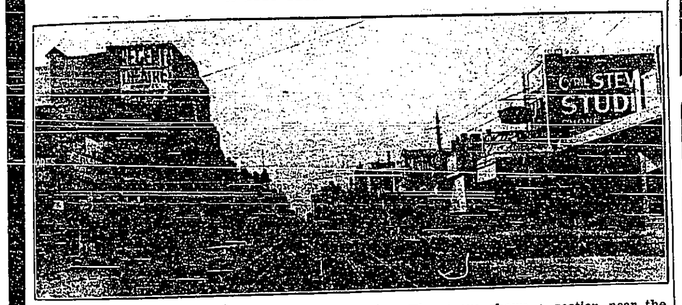
Up to 1925 the Northcote cable tram way remained a separate line from the Clifton Hill line,—in other words city bound passengers had to change cars at Clifton Hill. After many requests that the lines should be linked up and cars through-routed, the Board agreed provided the Northcote Council waived its right to having a balance sheet (as before mentioned) submitted every twelve months. After some discussion the council agreed, and in April the Northcote line was linked up with the Clifton Hill line.

There have been proposals from time to time that the Northcote line should be electrified, and although the matter has been taken up with spirit by the Northcote Council, the M. & M. Tramways Board has on every occasion given an assurance that no money is available, and a promise that the Northcote line will be electrified at the earliest opportunity.

It has been said that one of the original cars is still in use on the line. Possibly that is so, and if it is true it reflects great credit on the original manufacturers who supplied the cars.

And so ends the romance of the Northcote Cable Tram. Perhaps if it had been electrified ere this, the story would not have had such an appeal.

A BUSY SECTION AT THORNBURY



Thornbury has become a busy centre in recent years. The above shows a section near the tram terminus (looking north.) (Cyril Stevens Photo)

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NORTHCOTE RECHABITES

THE HISTORY OF A PROGRESSIVE ORGANISATION

Some Interesting Facts and Figures

ONE of the oldest friendly societies in Northcote is the Star of Northcote, I.O.R., and at the end of this month that body will celebrate its 57th anniversary. The names of the pioneers of the Rechabite movement in the district are very familiar to-day, for their descendants are numbered amongst Northcote's leading citizens. It is interesting to note that in membership the Star of Northcote Tent has the greatest in the Commonwealth.

At the present time, when the city of Northcote and its inhabitants are proudly proclaiming the completion of fifty years as a separate municipality, memories of the old days are being recalled, and the history of old identities, institutions and organisations are being reviewed with a view of bringing before present-day citizens the wonderful progress made over the last half-century.

First Meeting in 1876

In the mid 'seventies the District Officers of the Independent Order of Rechabites in Victoria saw in the growing population of Northcote an opportunity for opening a branch, or tent, to extend its activities, and, mainly through the efforts of the late Bro. W. H. Dennis, after the usual preliminary preparations the Star of Northcote Tent, No. 217, came into being on May 30, 1876. The meeting place at its inception was the Wesleyan school room, in High street.

Among those present at the opening were Bro. Robertson, D.T.; Bro. Wm. Bell, D.S., and Bro. S. P. Carney. There were twelve members initiated, as follows:—Bros. J. Hislop, J. Molloy, W. Toby, W. J. Dennis, G. W. Smith, F. Walker, J. Toby, J. Thompson, S. Wolstenholme, B. Toby, J. W. Johnson and W. H. Dennis. These, therefore, constituted the foundation members, of whom Bro. W. J. Dennis alone survives, and he still takes an active interest in the tent.

Largest Tent in the Commonwealth

Little did these pioneers, imbued together in the cause of temperance, realise that at that meeting they were laying the foundation of what was to become the largest tent numerically in the Commonwealth, for that is the present position of the Star of Northcote Tent to-day.

From the outset the enthusiasm of the members waxed strong, and as the years went by the membership steadily increased, with a corresponding growth in the finances of the tent. At no time during its existence has the tent ever shown a decrease in either funds or membership over the previous year. An idea of the rapid strides made since the inception of the tent up to the present day may be gained from the following figures:—

Year	Members	Funds
1876	12	Nil
1886	51	£230
1896	107	818
1906	216	1,829
1916	450	4,150
1926	566	7,735
1933	660	10,578

Apart from the usual activities connected with a friendly society, the Star of Northcote Tent, true to its principle of "total abstinence," has always been to the fore in temperance work in the city. As was only to be expected, opposition was met with from certain quarters, but this only resulted in still greater efforts being made by the "sons of Reclab" in the cause of temperance; and that they have been successful is shown by the fact that Northcote at present has fewer hotels than practically any other municipality in the metropolitan area. And what is more, the temperance movement in Northcote to-day is stronger than ever.

Formation of Junior Tents

Two years after the establishment of the I.O.R. in Northcote another important event occurred, as far as the Star of Northcote was concerned. The members recognised the advantage of instilling into the young minds the ideals and benefits of total abstinence, and also saw in the establishment of a junior tent a recruiting ground for the adult tent. Therefore, the Hope of Northcote Junior Tent was opened in 1878. The early members of this tent included many of the present well-known personalities, the first chief ruler being Bro. E. Johnson, a present member of the Northcote Council. As superintendent of this tent Bro. W. J. Dennis rendered valuable service over a period of 15 years.

That the formation of this junior tent was justified was amply proved as years went by. The membership grew to such an extent that some years later another tent was formed at Croxton, with equally fine results. Then in 1926—the jubilee of the Star of Northcote Tent—to celebrate the occasion three more junior tents were opened. These were the Dennis, John Vale and Samuel Mauger. The first-mentioned was so named as a mark of respect to the late Bro. W. H. Dennis (first C.R. of the Star of Northcote) and his two sons, Bros. S. and W. H. Dennis, all untiring workers in the order for many years. The John Vale Tent was named after the late Bro. John Vale, a former District Secretary; while the third was so designated as a compliment to the present District Treasurer, Bro. Samuel Mauger, one of the most outstanding men in the public life of Melbourne at the present time, particularly in regard to temperance and social work.

The total membership of the six junior tents (including the Pride of Thornbury Girls' Tent, under the control of the Pride of Northcote Women's Tent) is approximately 600, and the value of the junior movement may be gauged from the fact that 50 per cent. of the members admitted to the adult tents come from the junior ranks. The work of controlling these junior tents and teaching the boys and girls the principles of total abstinence devolves upon members of the adult tents, who give their time and service in an honorary capacity as superintendents. That there is seldom a dearth of volunteers for this work is a tribute to the enthusiasm of the members of the adult tents.

Tent Known as Prince of Wales Tent

It is not generally known that at one time another Rechabite Tent existed in Northcote. This was called the Prince of Wales Tent, and the first meeting was held at a house in Salisbury grove, Northcote, on July 11, 1889. The foundation members were Bros. C. Sparling, J. H. Sharp, J. Northey, F. Marriott, W. E. Clapham, F. Cocle, E. Sparling, C. J. Stewart, A. H. Andrews and Sisters C. F. Stewart and M. Stewart. The first chief ruler was Bro. Edwin Sparling, and the secretary Bro. C. J. Stewart. This tent, however, for various reasons, made very little progress, and after an existence of little more than a year, permission was obtained from the District Officers to amalgamate with the Star of Northcote. This event came about in September, 1890.

Women's Tent Established

When the Star of Northcote Tent was established it consisted of male members only, and this condition existed until 1891, when the first lady member was initiated. This was Sister C. Thompson; and to mark the occasion she was presented with a satin collar of the order.

The admission of female members gave rise to the opinion that the organisation could be better served by the formation of a women's tent, and this was put into effect when the Pride of Northcote Women's Tent was opened on October 20, 1905, by Bro. Latham, P.D.C.R. The first secretary was Sis. J. C. Newnham, followed by Sis. S. Dennis, who resigned the position about three years ago after 20 years' service. The present secretary is Sis. E. Wildsmith. Although, as may be expected, this tent is not as strong as the Star of Northcote, it is making good progress amongst the womenfolk of Northcote.

Hall Erected

Another important step in the advancement of the Star of Northcote Tent was the building of its own hall. By 1900 the funds had increased considerably, and the members considered it time they had a meeting place of their own. There was a difference of opinion as to where the hall should be built, two sites being advocated—one in Westbourne grove and the other in High street. However, the supporters of the former site won the day, and in 1901 the present hall was erected at a cost of £455 (including the land), the builder being Cr. W. Hayes. In 1927 additions were made and renovations effected at a cost of £900.

Tent's War Record

When the war broke out many of the members responded to the call. Altogether 89 saw active service, of whom eleven gave their lives, and a beautiful honor roll has been erected in the hall to serve as a lasting record of the service and sacrifice of these brethren. A memorial tablet was also placed in the hall as a mark of respect to Bro. F. G. Dau, who was killed in the South African War in 1901.

Jubilee Celebration

In 1926 the tent celebrated its jubilee with a round of festivities and functions, including a church parade, united tent meeting and banquet. It was a great occasion, and what it should have been, in view of the wonderful progress the tent had made during the half-century of its existence.

To mark the occasion a fine respect board to past chief rulers was unveiled. The names inscribed thereon are as follows:—1876, R. Burrows, R. Burrows; 1877, W. S. Dennis, R. Burrows; 1878, J. W. Moore, W. J. Dennis; 1879, W. H. Hoghton, A. Wickens; 1880, W. H. Hoghton, W. J. Dennis; 1881, W. J. Dennis, W. H. Hoghton; 1882, G. B. Smith, W. Hutton; 1883, W. H. Hoghton, J. Lafty; 1884, F. Walker, W. J. Dennis; 1885, J. Rose, A. Watson; 1886, W. Leadbeater, J. Rose; 1887, W. Harry, W. Leadbeater; 1888, W. H. Aird, S. Dennis; 1889, R. Atkinson, W. Leadbeater; 1890, W. H. Hoghton, W. J. Dennis; 1891, B. E. Johnson, J. Tulloch; 1892, W. Membrey, W. Robillard; 1893, S. Dennis, G. T. Newnham; 1894, B. E. Johnson, B. E. Johnson; 1895, J. G. Membrey, F. W. Chambers; 1896, H. Bastings, F. Crossley; 1897, D. M. Greer, O. Schwaebsch; 1898, T. H. Harris, J. L. Mason; 1899, C. E. Lacey, J. C. Newnham; 1900, G. Carter, L. Cogle; 1901, A. Wilkinson, W. J. Dennis; 1902, S. Dennis, W. H. Kay; 1903, J. Holland, H. Allen; 1904, W. Clark, J. Bastings; 1905, W. H. Gray, J. G. Membrey; 1906, T. Stenhouse, J. Alder; 1907, T. Hansen, W. L. Barker; 1908, R. Horsley, J. A. Thomson; 1909, J. Gray, A. Gray; 1910, W. E. Findlay, H. Morris; 1911, O. Neumann, A. Fillingham; 1912, H. Angus, T. F. Harris; 1913, W. Barkway, S. J. McClure; 1914, C. Clark, J. Angus; 1915, A. J. Prentice, R. J. Pemberton; 1916, F. Biddiscombe, L. Shattel; 1917, S. Knight, A. D. Reed; 1918, W. Williams, J. G. Membrey; 1919, G. Greenland, J. E. Hillman; 1920 R. J. Falconer, L. R. Reid; 1921, G. Whittaker, J. A. King; 1922, P. R. Davies, J. A. Maker; 1923, J. Williams, A. G. Hamilton; 1924, F. Mitchell, W. Walker; 1925, T. Williams, G. McWilliams; 1926, A. D. Reed W. J. Dennis; 1927, J. C. Newnham, H. L. King; 1928, A. Fillingham, J. P. Kellett; 1929, T. W. Lafty, H. Angus; 1930, R. H. Lobbe, E. J. Youl; 1931, T. McWilliams E. Webb; 1932, C. P. Creighton, S. Chanter.

Since the inception of the tent the following in turn have carried out the secretarial duties:—J. W. Johnson, F. Johnson, F. Walker, J. Buttler, R. Burrows, W. H. Hoghton, W. F. Chambers, W. Kruger, —. Tharratt, G. Newnham, W. H. Robillard, J. G. Membrey, W. E. Aird, J. C. Newnham (15 years), J. Gibson, J. C. Newnham and Bro. W. E. Findlay. The latter was elected to the position in 1920 and has held it ever since.

Prominent Members

The tent's membership roll contains the names of many past and present citizens who have taken and are taking an active part in the civic, business and social life of Northcote. Several have gained prominence in the political world, notably Bro. J. G. Membrey, who was the member for Northcote in the Victorian Legislative Assembly from 1907-1914; and Bro. S. Dennis, the present member for Batman in the Federal Parliament. In addition, Bro. Dennis is a District Director, taking a very active part in the administration of the affairs of the Victorian headquarters of the order. Bro. J. G. Membrey has also occupied the position of P.D.C.R of the Victoria District.

Other members again have been outstanding in matters of local government, and on looking at the members' list will reveal the names of many who have held seats on the Northcote Council. In fact, at the present time five of the sitting members of the council are members of the Star of Northcote Tent.

Despite the wide range of professions and occupations in which the members are engaged, and the fact that they are men of all classes, creeds and colors, a strong feeling of brotherhood prevails. They realise they are bound together and are all working for a common cause, which they believe is one which will ultimately be for the lasting good of mankind—the abolition of the drink traffic.

Social Side

On the lighter side of the tent's activities several members have gained prominence, especially in regard to sport. For years the tent has had its cricket team, which has achieved a fair measure of success, having won premiership honors on several occasions.

But it is at indoor bowls that the tent has gained most notoriety. In recent years Northcote has won the I.O.R. teams championship seven times, and has been runners-up on several occasions. In individual play since 1921 members of the tent in Bros. H. T. Morris and O. Neumann have both won the championship on two occasions.

The social activities of the tent are well-known. Parlor games are available to members after meetings, while social evenings, lectures and other events for the entertainment of members and their friends are conducted regularly by an enthusiastic social committee.

The Present Officers

The present officers of the tent are:—P.C.R., Bro. J. Rawady; C.R., Bro. E. Schneider; D.R., Bro. M. Carthew; treasurer, Bro. G. Neumann; secretary, Bro. W. E. Findlay; assistant secretary, Bro. L. R. Reid; W.S., Bro. J. King; M.S., Bro. E. Webb; levite, Bro. A. Toms; guardian, Bro. G. Gange; auditors, Bros. W. Clarke and J. Woodgate. The tent trustees are Bros. B. E. Johnson, J. G. Membrey and S. Denils.

This, then, is a history of the Star of Northcote Tent. Much has been written, much yet remains to be recorded. Suffice to say that by its activities, both as an organisation and individually, over a period of 57 years, the tent can lay claim to having assisted, if only in a small degree, in the wonderful progress of the City of Northcote.

During the Celebrations

In conclusion it may be well to mention the tent's function during the Jubilee celebrations. This will be a "Back to Northcote" Tent meeting next Thursday, May 25, and will take the form of a P.C.R.'s night and reunion smoke social. All present and former members are extended a cordial invitation to attend and renew old acquaintances; whilst any members of other Rechabite tents visiting Northcote during the celebrations will be assured of a fraternal welcome.

IN the second year of the Borough (1884) the Northcote Council raised a loan of £6,000, of which £720 was utilised in purchasing the site where the Town Hall now stands. The first section of the municipal buildings was erected in 1888.

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The business in Northcote has continued to grow, having commenced in a small shop near the Town Hall. This shop was soon enlarged, but did not meet with the requirements of the firm, and so the adjoining shop was secured and occupied. About eight years ago it was again found necessary to extend, and so a property having a frontage of 75 feet, in the central part of High street, was secured, and thereon the best-equipped and most commodious shop in the district was built. The surrounding districts were also provided for by the establishment of branches at High street, Thornbury, Station street, Fairfield, High street, Preston, and Heidelberg road, Ivanhoe. In each case the firm's business is conducted in the largest premises in the respective districts.

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EARLY NORTHCOTE REMINISCENCES

(By D. Medhurst)

In Australia transport is the controlling factor in the start and development of new settlement. The very birth of new enterprising and populous city of Northcote may be attributed in some measure to the decision of the authorities responsible for Melbourne's water supply to construct a reservoir at Yan Yean.

As far as Northcote is concerned it is a mystery why the route now known as High street, Northcote, was selected as a highway when it was remembered that apart from Sydney road, Brunswick street was the main outlet to the north of the city and that an easy grade via what is now High street, Preston, to the Yan Yean road was available. The road was surveyed in 1854 and the wonder is that the early road users put up with the drag up Rucker's Hill instead of seeking an easier route to Yan Yean. The fact that the hill was since been cut down and the grade eased. The transportation of huge quantities of material for the construction of the Yan Yean reservoir gave an impetus to business enterprise along the route with the result that the inevitable public house, blacksmith's shop, general stores &c., were established at various points along the route and formed a nucleus for future settlement.

In a short time wood carting to the rapidly developing City of Melbourne and suburbs became an important industry. Gradually as the forest was cleared off and the country opened up farms were established and business centres came into being. Three cities of Northcote and Preston began on the same lines and at this juncture it may be interesting to briefly refer to a few of the first pioneers of these two cities.

The great reservoir scheme was inaugurated, a toll gate was established near the creek in the 'fifties and was later removed to a point where the Westgarth street road intersects High street. The embankment now known as Rucker's Hill was formed. The hill was cut through to continue the road of the gravel from the excavations being utilised to form the approach thereto and from the following description the reader may visualise the road as it appeared in 1857 viewed from the box seat of a Cobb and Co's coach carrying passengers and Her Majesty's mails, en route to Yan Yean and intermediate settlements.

Starting one Saturday morning from the "Bull and Mouth" Hotel in Bourke street about 7 o'clock on a beautiful spring morning we pass the old "Paddy's Market" in full activity. The sheds full and the open gutter in Bourke street from Russell St. to the White Hart corner in Spring street lined with vehicles and vegetables, fruit, eggs poultry—in fact all the products of the farm, orchard and garden—spread out for inspection and sale along the pathway. Proceeding we turn the corner round the Halfway House Hotel to the top of *Brunswick street with the Belvedere* Hotel and a biscuit factory on either corner. Just opposite, about where the Eye and Ear Hospital now stands, was an immense iron tank with a capacity of 150,000 gallons, supplied by a pump on the Yarra which was a great improvement on the old water cart, and prior to the completion of the Yan Yean reservoir this constituted Melbourne's water supply conveyed from the tank by mains which were afterwards utilised when the larger scheme finished.

Down Brunswick street, at that time well supplied with business places, past the Labor in Vain Hotel with its high brick wall in protection from surprise attacks by the natives, on past Kimpton's flour mill and across the open Reilly street drain into the Heidelberg road and along past the gas works and the rifle butts at the end of Smith street; post and rail fences at each side of the road.

Turning to the left at the junction we cross the Merri Creek, on through the toll gate to the foot of Rucker's Hill. At the foot on the west side was a large weighbridge. In those days before cars this climb was an arduous undertaking. Commenting on the holes and ruts made by the heavy traffic, the humorist of that generation frequently designated it, embellished with lurid adjectives "Muck-ers Hill." Arriving on top and through the cutting, we have passed on our right the conspicuous mansion of the day built and occupied by Mr. W. E. A. Rucker, after whom the hill was named.

We pull up to deliver the mail bag at Dusting's general store, P.O. and hay and corn store. Opposite, on the corner of a lane stood the Peacock Inn, kept by Geo. Plant, a true replica of an old-time rural innkeeper. In the upper room of this hostelry was a forum where all the weighty and burning questions concerning the village were ventilated. These two businesses were founded in 1854 and according to custom the P.O. was also the debating ground for all local municipal and social questions.

After this breathing spell for the horses we proceed merrily down the hill, passing Mitchell's butcher's shop with several carcases of sheep and sides of beef hanging on hooks under the verandah. An ironmongery store, kept by F. G. Smith, the McIntosh's bakery and general store on the present site of the E.S. & A. Bank. Old records state that McIntosh's business premises were the first in Northcote to be illuminated with gas from the Collingwood Gas Works. We also passed the old Wesleyan Church about opposite the present church built in 1866.

On the corner of Separation and High streets was a chemist's shop "Turner's" There was also a public house on the present site of the "Leader" Office. At the foot of the hill we stopped to get a horse shod by Mr. Watson's blacksmith and wheelwright. This establishment adjoined a large bush paddock owned by Pender Brothers. Then some years after Penders planted a grove of wattle trees along the full distance in High street and this was known as Pender's grove. As the reader can see for himself all this area now known as Pender's grove with its modern up-to-date streets, paths drainage and sewerage, electric light system, schools, institutions and business places of every description and a large population housed in modern dwellings, is in itself a very striking commentary on the wonderful development of Northcote.

On the opposite side from Watson's we observe a small blue-stone shop and dwelling and there being no pathway the path ending at Arthurton road the dwelling lay embowered in climbing roses and other greenery. This has lately been demolished to make room for shops. Further on, about where Moran and Cato's shop now stands, was a set of slip-rails leading into Job Smith's dairy farm. The post and rail fence continued right up ton another famous hostelry. Originally it was known as the Pilgrim's Inn. A weather-beaten signboard depicted a very dejected looking old wayfarer leaning heavily on a stout staff. Later this business was sold and renovated and a race-course laid out. The hotel was painted vermilion and was known for many years as the "Red House" and later still the Croxton Park Hunt club made this their headquarters and meeting place. As settlement rapidly increased the title was again changed to the Croxton Hotel.

I must again apologise. The present has so crowded in on the past that it is difficult to place events in their proper sequence. Continuing our journey we pass the entrance to Pritchard's slaughter yards, used in conjunction with his wholesale and retail butchering business in the early days of Smith street, Collingwood. We have now reached the northern boundary of Northcote and at the junction of the Plenty and Epping roads is the Junction Hotel. On the opposite corner of Plenty road was a long wooden structure, Watson and Paterson's bacon factory. Under a verandah running the full length of the building, suspended on hooks were hanging scores and scores of pigs recently slaughtered. At little lower down on the corner of a lane was a small brick grocery store run by a Mr. Mitchell.

We are now in the bush proper with small clearings here and there with cultivation right up to the post and rail fences. On down a steep hill and across the Darebin Creek. On the left a dairy farm and then on both sides of the road huge paddocks, that on the right now known as Mont Park, that on the left became the property of Mr. T. B. Smith, racehorse breeder. Later on at the village of Bundoora, with the inevitable blacksmith's shop, Brown's post office and store ("Emm'e"); a small Wesleyan Chapel opposite and several old cottages homesteads along the Greensborough lane. On the west side of the Plenty road a large blacksoil paddock extended right across to Thomastown, and formed in later years to become the site of one of the many failures in Government village settlement schemes. Up the hill we arrive at Janefield, the paddock on the right known as Carver's, evidently the site of the Janefield sanatorium.

Still onward through red gum country, through the scattered settlements of Morang and south Yan Yean chiefly composed of wood cutters and then Yan Yean with its huge reservoir covering 1,350 acres and containing 5 billion 400 million gallons of water. The work was started in December 1853 and was completed with aqueducts and mains and formally opened in December 1857.

In these early days the village of Northcote benefited to the extent of having a standpipe, erected on the edge of the path outside the Peacock Inn, where water could be obtained at so much per barrel. There was an other standpipe at the northern end of High street, outside the Junction Hotel. Prior to this the residents used water from tanks and wells, whilst on washing day and in summer there was often a shortage, necessitating periodic visits to the creek.

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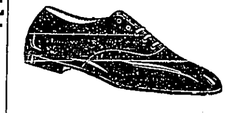

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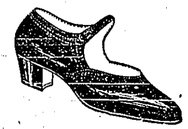

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NORTHCOTE'S PARKS

WHEN the Borough of Northcote came into being in 1883 there was within its borders but one public park—the Northcote Cricket Ground, in Westgarth Street, which was permanently reserved when the township of Northcote was surveyed in 1854. This area was close to the original township area, which was located towards the Creek, and it was but natural that the reserve should be close by. The later development, however, has taken the heart of Northcote right away from that vicinity, with the result that the park, which is almost on the extreme south-eastern boundary, is little availed of by residents of the north and western areas of Northcote.

In the early days there was any amount of vacant lands which were used for sporting purposes, and as the districts were not thickly populated, and as the council's finances did not permit, it was some years before serious thought was given to the acquisition of park lands, which in these days, when the population has become dense, are termed the "lung spaces of the community." In later years far-sighted members of the council realised that the open spaces were being subdivided and sold, and made a move to acquire lands for the use of the public.

Over a period of years the following areas have been acquired:—Johnson Park (Hastings street), 5½ acres; Batman Park (Arthurton road), 4½ acres); Pender's Park (St. David street), 4½ acres; Merri Park (St. George's road), 12½ acres; Henderson Park (Murray street), 2½ acres; McDonell Park (Victoria road), 21 acres; Mayer Park (Leinster grove), 13 acres; Hayes Park (Flinders street), 6½ acres; Pearl Reserve (Shaftesbury parade), 12 acres. In addition there are children's playgrounds on small reserves in Separation street, Smith street, Rathmines street, Ronnie street, etc. The total cost of acquiring these areas was borne by the council, and the cost was £18,760.

Not only have these areas been secured, but many of them have been improved, notably Johnson Park and Batman Park, which are laid out with lawns and gardens. Improvements have been effected to other areas, but on account of the large capital cost works can only be undertaken as finance is available. At Mayer Park a fair amount of grading has been done; at Merri Park and McDonell Park gardenettes have been planted. Various allotments acquired for drainage purposes have been laid out as children's playgrounds and beautified, and in almost every instance a marked improvement has been made. Not a great deal has been done to Pender's Park as yet, but in the course of the next few years this park, known as "the Cinderella of the North," should become a thing of beauty.

In these areas, with the exception of those which are purely parks and gardens, ample scope is provided for sporting bodies. The cricket ground has been equipped with a fine pavilion and a commodious grandstand, whilst the playing area for cricket and football is equal to any in the metropolis. Cricketers and footballers are catered for at Merri, Mayer, McDonell, Pender's and Hayes Parks and various reserves.

ST. GEORGE'S RESERVE

Those returning to Northcote after a lapse of ten years will not be able to recognise the "no man's land" which they knew in St. George's road in years gone by.

At a cost of some £14,000 the strip of land comprising the pipe track has been beautified. It is an amazing change from the eyesore which used to exist there. Prior to the improvement scheme this strip of land was nothing but a source of great annoyance to all who lived in, or had occasion to use, St. George's road. Many regarded the area as a rubbish tip, and acted accordingly, and on windy days the dust and papers were things to be avoided. Further, the road on the eastern side was in a very bad state.

What a difference now! The strip has been laid out in lawns and gardenettes, maintained by the council under an agreement with the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works (owners of the land). The dust and rubbish nuisances are things of the past; the unsightly valve houses have been removed and replaced with buildings in tone with the rest of the scheme; the eastern roadway has been laid down in concrete, and the footpath on the same side has been laid down in slabs. Instead of being a drawback, this street is now one of the finest show thoroughfares in the metropolitan area. Further work has been carried out to the western roadway, and when the programme in hand and contemplated is carried to its conclusion St. George's road, with its central reserve, will be a road of which any city would have every reason to feel proud.

The cost of the beautification was borne jointly by the Northcote City Council and the Board of Works, and the Northcote City engineer (Mr. V. J. Bradley, C.E.) prepared the plans and supervised the work.

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THE NORTHCOTE FREE LIBRARY

SOME facts concerning the early efforts in Northcote which first led to the founding of the Northcote Library, and then the Northcote Free Library, towards which Mr. Andrew Carnegie, the American steel king millionaire, contributed £3000 under certain conditions, will be of interest to the thousands who make full use of the Library.

The library movement started in Northcote in a very small way in 1889 three well-known residents—Messrs. R. Tobin, J. G. Johnson and Rev. Duncan Fraser, assisted by a few others, made an endeavour to establish a library but after a good deal of effort it became apparent that the time was not ripe. Two years later, the movement was revived, and this time the council became interested in the project. The funds available totalled £136, made up of £10 from the extinct Health League; £10 from the sale of old fire brigade material; £25 from Mr. Peter McCracken and £10 from sundry subscribers. The council placed at the disposal of the Library Committee a room 20ft x 10ft in the municipal buildings. The first president was Ex-Cr. Candy, the library being opened in August 1892, with about 30 subscribers. Funds were small, the only revenue available being obtained from subscriptions, and from entertainments &c. held. By sustained effort some £600 was raised to purchase books, and with an increasing membership the institution progressed.

As time passed it became apparent that if the library was to be of the greatest use to the community as a whole, more accommodation would be necessary, and the committee made great efforts to achieve their ideal.

The Government was approached, and provided £100; the council intimated that a site was available in High street, near the municipal buildings, and to encourage the committee in its work, promised £250 towards a building fund.

It was at this time that Mr. R. J. Whalley, the indefatigable secretary (since the foundation) conceived the idea of getting into touch with Mr. Andrew Carnegie, who had endowed free libraries in many parts of the world. A reply was received, and after full information had been supplied by the library committee to Mr Carnegie, as to Northcote, its population, the efforts of the library committee in the past, the committee was overwhelmed with joy to receive an intimation that Mr. Carnegie would provide the sum of £3,000, under certain conditions. These were in the main that the library should be free to all who desired to use it; and that it should be maintained by the council.

On February 22, 1911 the foundation stone of the new library building was laid by Cr. Ralph Archbold, J.P., Mayor of Northcote, and on August 21 of the same year Sir John Fuller, the Governor at that time, dedicated the newly-erected building, equipped with some 14,000 books, to the people.

It will be readily conceded that the library is one of Northcote's finest institutions, and judging by the great use made of it, it is quite apparent that the general public as a whole value the privileges it affords.

Beginning with 300 volumes in 1898, the total of the books now available has reached approximately 15,000, and this covers a vast range of books of all classes — fiction, works of reference, educational, travel, political, science, history, biography, religion, philosophy, poets, drama, and in fact volumes are available on almost every conceivable subject. There are spacious reading rooms, well lighted and ventilated, in which the newspapers and periodicals are available; whilst bound files of newspapers are to be had for enquiry.

Some idea of the great use made of this institution may be obtained from the fact that last year some 84,000 volumes were taken out for home reading—something like 250 a day; whilst good use is made of the reading rooms before mentioned.

The present Library Committee is Cr. W. Hayes (president), Crs. W. Oliver, A. Bird, Messrs. E. Lees, W. S. Neelands, R. Thompson (treas.) and R. J. Whalley (secretary). Mr. Whalley is the only member of the original committee who is still a member of the present committee, and he was the foundation secretary and still carries out the duties pertaining to that office.

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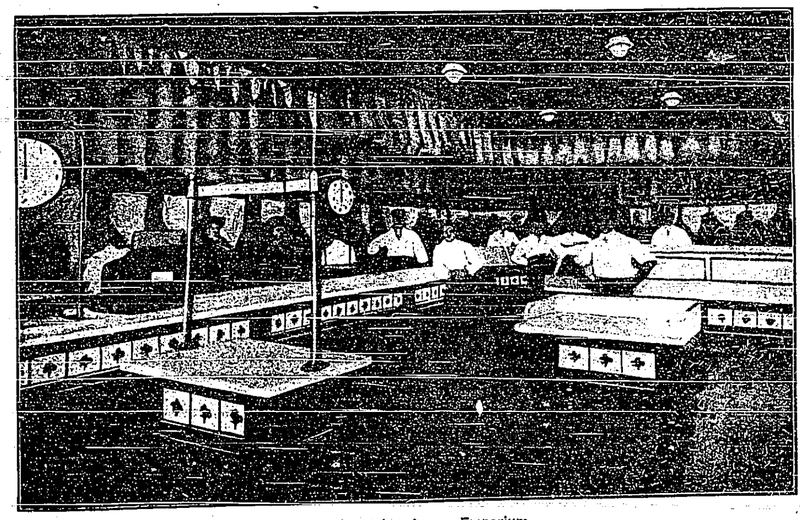

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Early Councillors of Northcote

(By W. G. Swift)

Edwin Bastings the first Mayor of the Borough, was an enterprising business man. He conducted a general bakery and hay and corn store in the bluestone building in High street opposite the Peacock hotel and his customers ranged as far out as Whittlesea, Morang and Diamond Creek. In addition he was postmaster and the shop was the hub of the district. He was a member of the first land syndicate for the subdivision of the Thornbury Estate, including Hilton, Harold Smith, and Balmoral streets, from High street to St. George's road. He was a born wit and his interjections during discussions at meetings were always humorous and frequently when feeling was inclined to run high created a laugh and removed the tension.

In committee, one night a councillor feeling a draught from a fanlight above his head, put his hat over the ventilation, as chairman, was directed to this infringment, when he naively remarked "Oh never mind, he is like most of us just now. He is suffering from an overdraft."

His keen interest in all matters of benefit to the municipality and his optimism and foresight helped greatly to push and develop the district. It was by his casting vote that the council decided to purchase the cable tramway.

Hon. F. E. Beaver, M.L.C., representative of the North Yarra Province in the Legislative Council was a city financier interested in shipping and marine insurance. A fine type of English gentleman, and his influence was very valuable in Parliamentary and financial matters. He took an active part in securing the construction of the railway to Whittlesea and other improvements to the borough.

Mr. J. Morris was a member of the firm of Morris and Meeks iron merchants, a very large concern in Melbourne, in which he had a wide business experience. His residence was on the site on which the Epiphany Church has been erected. Having sold the property, he and his family left early in the life of the borough.

Mr. J. W. Plant was proprietor of the only newsagency—opposite the site of the present municipal buildings. Later he removed to the premises now occupied by Harris and Wright. He left Northcote to take up mining in Tasmania.

Mr. C. J. Jackson was also a city business man of a quiet retiring nature; a fine sportsman with gun or rod, and an expert amateur horticulturalist. At his residence in Clarke street his hothouse and garden contained many beautiful specimens of all kinds of plants and flowers.

Mr. R. Weaver was the proprietor of the first newsagency and stationery business (subsequently taken over by Mr. W. J. Plant previously referred to). He resided opposite to the Town Hall but did not remain long in the council as he entered into a timber venture in the city.

Mr. A. McIntosh conducted for many years a general store and bakery on premises situate where the E.S. & A. Bank now stands. The coaches used to stop there and take on supplies for Whittlesea Morang and other districts. He was an excellent councillor, keen in judgement, and his influence had a steadying effect on the council. He was a leading supporter of the Presbyterian Church

Mr. C. J. Verso was the youngest member of the council but exercised good influence as he had a genial manner and was very much liked by his colleagues. In partnership with Mr. Knot he carried on at premises near Cunningham street in High street the business of architect and builders. They erected the tram engine house, and many private residences, and he was a leading shareholder in the Clifton Hill to Northcote and Preston Cable Tram Co. After the collapse of the Land Boom of the nineties he carried on an orchard at Hurstbridge. He was the first representative of the borough on the Metropolitan Board of Works

Mr. W. H. Dennis (father of Cr. S. Dennis, M.H.R.) was one of the representatives for the Northcote Riding in the Jika Shire and a good practical member. He was always on the Public Works Committee in which he was in his element as he had a large snedling works at Fairfield. A solid debater and firm in his opinion of what was best for the municipality. Later on he was the council's representative of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

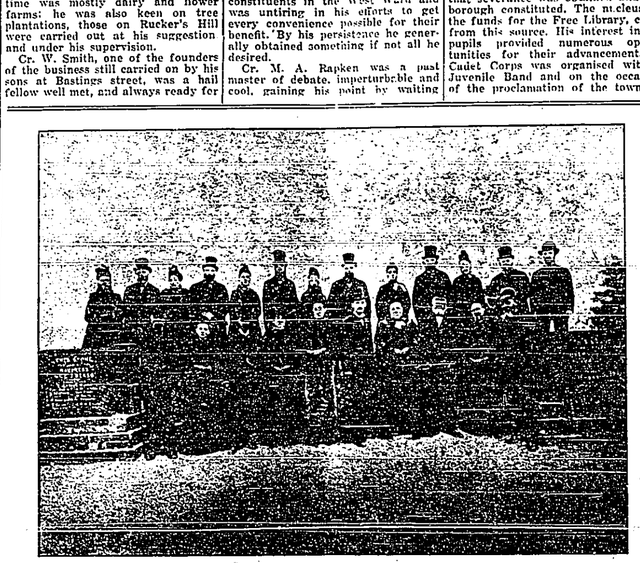
Later Councillors

Cr. E. C. Yeomans was a most able financier. His speeches were always short and to the point. During the troublous times of the depression of the 'nineties his advice was very valuable. For a while he had an agency in High street, but later he became secretary to the County of Bourke Building Society, which he carried on with great success. He also for a period was a representative on the Board of Works.

Cr. R. Sandy, solicitor (still in practice) was a tactful, keen administrator who always desired the business of the council carried out expeditiously, and had a particular dislike to late meetings. His legal knowledge was always appreciated. He was the first president of the Library Committee.

Cr. E. R. Boothby was a typical Englishman of a genial and kindly nature who was anxious for works, particularly in the East, which at the time was mostly dairy and flower farms: he was also keen on tree plantations, owning on Rucker's Hill very extensive ones. The work was carried out at his suggestion and under his supervision.

Cr. W. Smith, one of the founders of the business still carried on by his sons at Bastings street, was a hail fellow well met, and always ready for



Councillors and officers, with ladies, taken at the laying of foundation stone, Town Hall, 1888.

a joke. He was excitable but showed no ill feeling. He also was a strong advocate for the East improvements as well as generally for the district. During his mayorship on an occasion when feeling was a bit warm and several councillors rose to speak at the same time he said "Gentlemen one fool at a time please." Needless to say it upset them all and order das restored

Cr. W. Taylor was a builder and contractor and on the works branch of the council's business his experience and advice were valuable.

Cr. T. Clapham came in to champion the requirements of the northern portions of the town, which at the time began to develop. He was a very fluent speaker and having been previously a member of the Fitzroy Council, was well versed in municipal affairs. His persistent and able efforts considerably helped to push on the necessary works in which he was keenly interested, having a fine business in that locality.

Cr. G. H. Plant father of Ex-Cr. F. J. Plant) owned and conducted the Peacock Inn for many years He was a bridge and road contractor and carried out many works in the district and other parts of the State He was the first mayor to wear robes which were his gift to the Council as well as the gown for the Town Clerk.

Cr. G. C. Clauscen was a city business man and having been Mayor of the City of Fitzroy was well up in the practices of municipal councils. He was one of the promoters of the cable tramway scheme and assisted greatly in advancing the interests of the district. At his residence "The Alpines" he entertained liberally and his hospitality was appreciated by a wide circle of friends.

Cr. W. Pearl entered the council fired with ambition to push the northern wards, particularly the West, and persistently fought for the construction of private streets without charge to abutting owners, but it was not possible for the council to find the money for the works so he was not successful. He also was a strong advocate for the construction of a railway through Fitzroy in place of Collingwood, to give Northcote a direct route instead of via Royal Park. His advocacy, with the help of his colleagues, gained much better consideration for the Wards they represented.

Cr. T. H. McLean conducted a large tannery and leather works on premises at the corner of High and Dennis streets, which, at a later date were destroyed by fire. He also was a strong supporter for better facilities for the north.

Cr. W. Hutton also was a northern champion and a good general councillor. He was a most energetic man, and always urging for improvements to be undertaken; very excitable but good-hearted and genial.

Cr. J. G. Thompson, a keen financier was a valuable member of the finance committee, well versed in business, being a city merchant. A good logical speaker and debater, who, at all times, endeavoured to assist in the guidance of the council on safe lines.

Cr. D. Marks for many years sergeant of police in charge of the district. As a councillor he was the general agent of the whole of his constituents in the West Ward and was untiring in his efforts to get every convenience possible for their benefit. By his persistence he generally obtained something if not all he desired.

Cr. M. A. Rapken was a past master of debate, imperturbable and cool, gaining his point by waiting until his opponents had expended their force when he, unruffled, clinched his argument, and frequently got authority for works in his ward.

Cr. G. H. Parsons was secretary to the New Northcote Brick Co., and a financial adviser of ability. He strongly supported the claims of the northern residents for a greater share of the council's expenditure and being of a genial nature, was on good terms with his fellow councillors whose support he, as a rule, obtained.

Cr. W. Harry, a native of the town and a member of the Northern Progress Association (known as the axe-grinder) was a strong supporter of improvements mainly for that locality, but also a good councillor. He was a builder and contractor.

Cr. F. J. Plant, also a native of the town, held the office of mayor for five years in two periods—one of two years, and one of three years. He devoted a great amount of time to the business of the council and in the lengthened and heated arguments on the private street question, strongly opposed the late Cr. Pearl, mainly on the basis that the council could not possibly finance the proposal. His late wife, was a daughter of the late Cr. C. J. Jackson.

Cr. C. Mitchell, whose father was a representative of Northcote in the Jika Shire, was an uncle of Ex-Cr F. Mitchell, so municipal matters run in the family. He was representative on the Metropolitan Board of Works and being a judge of cattle, his knowledge was of value as a member of the Farm Committee. As a councillor he never made long speeches but put his arguments in a nutshell.

Cr. C. R. Jamieson, a member of the firm of Maddock Jamieson and Lonie, solicitors, did not have long service, but was an active and enterprising councillor. He with Mr. R. J. Whalley, as hon. secretaries, ran two series of musical and elocutionary competitions, which were the means of raising a large amount in aid of the Northcote Free Library.

Cr. A. E. Tharratt was an excellent chairman and during his mayorship he endeavoured to have the business conducted with dispatch. Being the proprietor of a large works his aim was to carry on the council's affairs or business lines. He also was in the private street battle, being satisfied that it could not be financed.

Cr. W. Williams was a fluent speaker and gloried in debate. As a business man he kept a keen eye on the finances and endeavoured to keep the expenditure within proper bounds

Cr. A. B. Mason during his term did a tremendous amount of work in connection with the activities inaugurated during the trying years of the Great War and assisted in the many functions carried out for the purpose of raising funds for the various war organisations. He was a good and sincere councillor.

Private Citizens

Mr. R. Tobin and Mrs. Tobin were the first head teachers of the Helen Street school. On the passing of the State Education Act their private school, which they had conducted for some years, was merged into the Education System. Mr. Tobin was always taking an active part in the town affairs. He was secretary of the local Health League and it was owing to the energies of this body that severance was obtained and the borough constituted. The nucleus of the funds for the Free Library, came from this source. His interest in his pupils provided numerous opportunities for their advancement. A Cadet Corps was organised with a Juvenile Band and on the occasion of the proclamation of the town by the late Lord Hopetoun formed a squad for the Guard of Honor. He gave lantern lectures on many occasions, illustrating electricity, science, and literature, and was a prominent member of the Library Committee. At one municipal election he nominated but was not elected, as canvassing was repugnant to his nature. Many of his pupils have taken prominent parts in professions, and business, and the influence of his training has been appreciated by numerous old pupils.

The Hon. J. G. Latham, K.C. M.H.R., married the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tobin and they commenced their married life in the town

Mr. J. G. Johnson resided at Beaumont (now the Northcote Creche, Bastings street). He was a city financier and with Mr. Tobin an active member of the Health League of which he was treasurer and acted with him in the handing over of the funds in hand to the Library Committee.

Mr. J. McMahon resided at Thornbury in the house erected by one of the pioneers (the late Mr. Job Smith) He was a member of syndicates which subdivided a large proportion of the West, South and Central Wards. Being a member of the Fitzroy Council he was well up in municipal matters and also keenly supported the proposed railway through that city to Melbourne.

Mr. W. Wimble resided in Bastings street until recently in the fine garden estate of Mr. W. S. Stott He was secretary of the Lands Department and of great assistance in all departmental matters; but did not generally take an active part in political or public movements, but joined in the work of the Health League and the creation of the borough.

Parliamentary Representatives

Prior to 1904 Northcote was portion of East Bourke Borough and was always outvoted by Brunswick. During that period this district was of secondary importance but good work was done by Professor C. H. Pearson, who was very much interested in the town. Also Messrs. J. Hume Cook, D. McElwyn, F. Anstey and Sir Graham Berry, all gave fine service.

From 1904 Northcote has been a separate electorate during which time there have been only three representatives, viz. the late Mr. H. Beard the Hon. J. G. Membrey and the Hon. J. Cain. Mr. Beard was the earnest and genial supporter of the Labor movement and paid great attention to his constituency. Mr. Membrey and Mr. Cain are both well known and both have worked very hard to advance the district and have gained many concessions and grants for works.

Cr. T. E. Redmond was intensely earnest in his efforts on behalf of the North Ward, having memorands of works which he desired to be undertaken at each meeting; many of these he obtained by continuous efforts. His main aim was the improvement of his ward, but he was also a good general works supporter

Cr. R. Archbold was a northern member and was strongly supported by the Progress Association, their aim being to get the area opened up by means of roads. He was a strong advocate for better lighting. He was a finance member, being a city business man.

Cr. H. Bastings (grandson of the late E. Bastings) a partner in the estate agency of Stott and Bastings was keenly interested in subdivisions and the development of the town. He represented the municipality on the Metro. Board of Works for a period and as a member of the finance committee gave good service.

Cr. E. Bailey represented the South Ward for a lengthy term. He gave splendid service to this ward and the city as a whole, being an energetic business man and an excellent supporter of all things for the betterment of Northcote. Ex-Cr. Bailey now resides at "Worthing" High street, Northcote.

Cr. W. Wallis, 1883 to 1886, was the proprietor of the first timber yard in the borough. As a councillor he did not take part to any extent in discussions but was a keen business man and exercised keen judgement in all matters.

Cr. E. Lees represented the South Ward and it is to his credit that the electric light scheme was established. He was a most ardent advocate in urging the council to found this undertaking, and his foresight is shown in the fact that the undertaking has not only given splendid service to the city, but has been a great source of profit to the council.

BUILDING A LIBRARY

What are the essentials of a good library? This was the question Messrs. Harris and Wright asked themselves when they decided to build in Northcote a library equal to anything in Melbourne or its suburbs Starting operations a little over three years ago the library was established as part of the business conducted at their newsagent's shop in High street Space was hired them, but the builders soon rectified that. The builders have been rectifying it ever since, for during the last three years they have scarcely been off the premises. They are still there to-day, but this time the limits of their boundaries will be the limit of the building.

Commencing with a few hundred good books the library has progressed rapidly and to-day boasts of 18,000 new and well-cared for volumes. Believing that the public were the best judge, the pulse of popular demand was felt and Northcote people can point and in reality say "We chose these books for ourselves." This is probably the secret of their great success.

Messrs. Harris and Wright were the pioneers in the district of a system of fumigation which assured that books could not be germ carriers from one house to another.

Carefully displayed, in proper sequence are the most popular authors of fiction, biography, travel and history present an inviting appearance at the library which occupies 3,000 ft. of floor space. New books are being added weekly and the objective is 25,000, but those who know the enterprising proprietors know they will never stop at that.

THE site of the Northcote Council depot in Frederick street was, in early days, the location of Pimm's brickyard. When the clayhole fell into disuse it was a source of annoyance to the adjoining residents until the council acquired and filled it.

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THE Peacock Inn was erected in 1854 by Messrs. H. and W. Bastings and was conducted by them until taken over by Mr. George Plant in the following year. The hotel remained in the hands of the Plant family until 1920.

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THE Northcote Baths in Frederick street, were first discussed in 1910 when £100 was set aside by the council. In 1917 the site was acquired for £250 and in 1920 the sum of £5,000 was provided and the baths were built.

GLIMPSES OF THE PAST

BEGINNINGS OF HIGH STREET BUSINESS CENTRE

(By D. Medhurst)

Certain experiences in life remain for ever as green spots in the memory and one or two events identified with the early history of Northcote may be of interest at this later date:—

RUCKER'S HILL

Sixty or seventy years ago most settlements outside a five-mile radius of Melbourne were regarded as country villages and Northcote in those early days was so countried that the original Rucker's Hill was a favored locality for holding Sunday school and other picnics. The present generation have no conception of the wonderful outlook from the summit of the hill. Old identities will remember that the original formation was somewhat in the shape of a huge mound, with a few acres of comparatively level table top, the sides sloping down at all points of the compass.

From the top, some 50ft. above the present road level, a beautiful panorama extended further than the eye could reach, embracing the settlements (now cities) of Collingwood, Fitzroy, Brunswick, Carlton, Richmond and even across Melbourne to the bay. Also the bush covering the future sites of some of the now populous cities south of the Yarra. Looking north-east on a fine day could be seen Mount Macedon on the left, the lofty ranges, Mount Monda at Warburton and the miles of forest country in between.

If this hill had been left intact it is safe to say it would have become a famous resort, but as in so many other cases, the utilitarian prevailed of the aesthetic and for years after this hill of gravel was dug out and sold for top-dressing footpaths in Smith street, Collingwood and main street footpaths in other suburbs and was for a long period one of the staple industries of Northcote.

The summit was well grassed, with open spaces among the blue red gum trees, the home of numerous 'possums and native bears, and almost up to the time of which we write this hill top was a favored spot for holding native corroborees. The glare of the fire and the noise associated with these functions could be seen and heard for miles away. An incident connected with picnics here is a significant commentary on Northcote's past and present conditions, viz. the method of procuring water for making the tea and for drinking purposes through the day. To the delight of the youngsters the menfolk had to go across to the Peacock Inn, outside of which was a standpipe from which Van Yean water was supplied at 3d. per bucket. Another incident that is impressed on the memory was the trip to town and back on the one public vehicle Northcote at one time possessed—the old "Albert" two-wheeled cab, driven by a noted character, Dinnie Hayes. This individual, arrayed in corduroy breeches and a hunting coat, as he drove through the cutting down the hill, blew a bugle almost continuously until out of sight and hearing.

The fare was 6d. each way to Melbourne or back. The passengers sat back to back and if, as sometimes happened, the horse stumbled, the front passengers were shot out in a more or less dignified manner over the horse's back, whilst if the scotch band cot loose, the shafts went up and the passengers at the back, usually ladies, were deposited more or less gracefully out on to the roadway.

BASTINGS

General Store, Post Office, and Corn Merchant

This is another reminiscence identified with the early history of Northcote, but of a somewhat later date than that of Rucker's Hill. Between times Northcote has grown apace. The Land Boom had set in and so inflated land values in the older suburbs that very many secured cheaper land and built settled in localities further out. Northcote at once became popular. Brickmaking had become an important industry; population was rapidly increasing and enterprising tradespeople soon established businesses of all descriptions to cater for the needs of a rapidly growing community.

Certain names at once occur; in this regard Burrows, draper; Brice, bootmaker; Saunders, tailor; Hetherington, fruiterer; Tharratt, timber merchant; as the most prominent. Bastings, grocer, and McIntosh, baker had moved with the times and of these two last-named the writer has one or two vivid recollections. Working for a carrying firm it became my duty one evening in autumn to go to the old Queen's Wharf and put on a load of chaff for Bastings, of Northcote. The "Edina" from Geelong was late and by the time the chaff was unloaded on the wharf and 100 bags transferred to my lorry and tied on, it was 6.50 and quite dark. This sidelight on the industrial conditions of that day may be of interest to people of to-day. It was a common experience to load up at wholesales in the City just before closing time (5 o'clock)) and then deliver the goods to shops in the suburbs. The reader may or may not know that in those times every shop in all suburbs remained open till 9 o'clock every night and on Saturday night till 12 o'clock, midnight, so that burning accidents, there was a chance of getting to Northcote before closing time.

There is no need to distress the reader with details, but please remember this was before the advent of the Country Roads Board. The towering load had been put on hurriedly and when negotiating Rucker's Hill as it then was the result of heavy brick and wood carting traffic the load began to cant over and every few yards it became more pronounced. However, the ropes held and just as the wheels got into the gutter in front of the shop the load reclined against the telegraph post. The time was 5 minutes past 9. The shop assistants had gone home and my reception "Well, well, you are rather late. I was just going to say my prayers and go to bed." no more This has forever enshrined Mr. Bastings in my memory as a true gentleman.

McINTOSH, BAKER

Another reminiscence two in connection with Mr. McIntosh. Our carrying company handled a large amount of flour for this tradesman and the writer has had many amusing experiences therewith. I do not remember any occasion on which after unloading my two-horse load of flour which the old gentleman always superintended and counted the tally, after which this formula was observed "That's right and here's sixpence," but if some of the loads were only simple horse teams 3d. each was the allowance. On one occasion during a long spell of fine weather my two-mullin was not carried and when on my way to Northcote with a load of flour I was overtaken by a heavy thunderstorm. With fear and trembling I drove into the yard expecting trouble. Mr. McIntosh at once put my mind at rest by remarking "It takes a long time for moisture to soak through into flour" and had the flour emptied at once into the bins—and the saxpence was forthcoming.

NORTHCOTE 1933

And now—fifty years after—in fact yesterday whilst seated outside the Northcote Free Library, memory went back to the time when bullock drays were the chief means used for heavy transport. When the possession of a spring cart by a local farmer denoted prosperity; when a four-wheeled American express waggon stood almost in the same category as the limousine of to-day, and then viewing the procession of trams, motors, private and commercial. From the fact that five lines of motor buses have their termini in High street from outlying districts one realises that the very magnitude of the transport involved in local business transactions indicates most convincingly the sound development of Northcote from a small insignificant village to an important residential, business and industrial centre.

GUIDING IN NORTHCOTE

GIRL Guides prove an asset to any community as the aim of the movement is citizenship, developed under the headings of health, intelligence, handicraft, and service. The Northcote guides are no exception and are trained to act and think practically and with precision; and to help others to the utmost of their ability.

August 1924 saw the inauguration of the first company, the 1st Northcote (Epiphany) under the leadership of Captain Ethel Batten (who is still in office) with Mrs. P. J. Slater as District Commissioner.

Next year the 2nd Northcote (Holy Trinity) Company was formed with Miss M. Russell as captain. On her resignation Miss Meates took charge to be followed by Misses South and Curtis and now Miss Jean Johnston holds the position of captain.

3rd Northcote (Baptist) came into being in June 1926 under Mrs. Quinton. Later Miss Winter took over and now Miss Warren leads the company.

Commenced in October 1931 4th Northcote (All Saints) was under Captain Baygrove, on whose resignation Miss Page came into office.

Miss Durston captains the 5th Northcote (Methodist) company which began in June 1932.

Brownies

Northcote District Brownie Pack was begun in April 1926 under Miss Cerutty and later Miss Grover became the Brown Owl.

June 1930 saw 3rd Northcote Brownies attached to the Baptist Guide Company under the leadership of Miss Hawksford.

Miss Cerutty left the Northcote District Brownies to begin the 4th Northcote Brownies in October 1931 and so formed the third pack of Brownies in the district.

Rangers

Captain Russell, from 2nd Northcote Guides, began a Ranger Company in August 1927, which is still flourishing under its first leader.

Service

In the district there are now 200 Guides, Rangers and Brownies in training and many more who have passed through the different companies have either left the district or taken up other duties.

Among their services rendered to the community the Rangers have paid visits to the surgical ward of the Children's Hospital, taking books and soft toys made by themselves; knitted babies' singlets for the Queen Victoria Hospital; and made socks, slippers, singlets, dresses &c., for the Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society.

The Guides help in a smaller way and have knitted singlets for the Ladies' Benevolent Society, donated gifts to the Lord Mayor's Fund for unemployed and visited baby homes

Even the little Brownies have paid visits to the Children's Hospital taking gifts made by themselves.

Badges

For efficiency in any branch a badge may be won and among those attained by members of the several companies are ambulance, sick nurse, child nursing, cooking, domestic science, health, gymnast, thrift, bookbinder, music, embroidress, needlewoman, and knitter.

Recently Miss M. Russell was appointed District Commissioner for Northcote, and with the aid of a good local association, hopes to carry on this splendid work.

NORTHCOTE R.S.S.I.L.A.

At the conclusion of the war the Returned Sailors' and Soldiers' Imperial League was formed; and to day Northcote has a strong and active branch. It is an organisation composed of ex-service men and women banded together to perpetuate the close and kindly ties of friendship created by service in the Great War; to maintain a proper standard of dignity and honor among all sailors and soldiers; and to set an example of public spirit and noble-hearted endeavour; to inculcate loyalty to Australia and the Empire, and secure patriotic service in the interests of both.

The Northcote sub-branch of the League operates at the Memorial Hall; one of the most impressive buildings of its kind in Victoria and certainly a building that creates great interest to visitors to Northcote. The officers conducting the activities of the branch are men highly respected in the city. The president (Mr. H. S. W. Marshall) who is serving his seventh year in that office, is a foundation member of the branch. He represents No. 3 District on the Victorian State Council, is a member of the State Executive and a member of the Victorian State Repatriation Board. Mr. J. A. Hogan, the hon. secretary, has held that office for a number years and is recognised by headquarters as one of the League's best branch officers. Both Mr. Marshall and Mr. Fagan have stood by the branch through the years, and to them all credit it due for the dignity and respect in which the branch is held in the city. Present officers are.—President: H. S. W. Marshall; vice-presidents: W. Coulthard and A. Alfie: treasurer: S. McColl: hon. secretary: J. A. Fagan: assistant-secretary: M. Decker; committeemen: R. Edwards, A. Clewley, G. Poulter, F. Tyler and Rowe.

The branch conducts three important functions during the year—viz. Children's Christmas Treat, President's Night (at which the Mayor and Councillors attend), and the Anzac morning Commemoration Service, which is broadcast by station 3LO. The branch is noted throughout the State for its social activities and in these the ladies play a prominent part. There is an up-to-date tennis court attached to the rooms, an electric wireless set is installed and a fine billiard table is freely used by members. The various activities of the branch are conducted by sub-committees—viz. social, billiards, cricket, bowls, &c. The branch has recognised the services to ex-service men of the following citizens by presenting life guest gold badges to Messrs. E. Fellowes, Phil Mayer, John A. Thomson and T. Werrey. Mr. Werrey also holds the League's certificate of merit—the only citizen in Northcote to hold this award. The branch holds general meetings on the second and fourth Mondays in the month and the social committee consisting of Messrs. W. Coulthard, Allie, Groves. Clewley, Emmerson, Johnson, Peterson, and Rogers and Mesdames Marshall, Coulthard, Clewley, Raine, Emmerson and Higgins arranges functions for the first and third Mondays.

The branch co-operates in all charitable appeals and any movement for the advancement of the city During the jubilee celebrations the officers of the branch will be pleased to show interested visitors and residents over Northcote's Memorial Hall

Northcote and District Choral Society

Brilliant Achievements

COMMENCED in February 1930 under the baton Mr. J. G. Neilson the society had twelve members. Numbers grew rapidly and during that year two concerts were given in the Northcote Town Hall.

In 1931 two choirs went to Bendigo to enter the competitions and returned victorious with first and second places. Two more concerts were arranged in the Northcote Town Hall which proved entirely successful; also that the city in general appreciated the choral efforts of this energetic society.

At the Bendigo Competitions of 1932 more prizes were carried off by the two choirs which competed, this time first and third. Another concert again proved convincingly the worth to Northcote of the choir and then a performance of the "Messiah" in conjunction with the Northcote Symphony Orchestra in the Northcote Town Hall came as a climax. During this year also a 60-voice choir competed in the Choral Championship of Australasia for the first time and were rewarded with second place, a wonderful effort. At the Empire Day demonstration at the Exhibition members took part and in October at the Melbourne Town Hall a Massed Choirs' Concert the society was well represented.

With a membership now of 75, the conductor has planned two concerts, with the possibility of a trip to compete in the Sydney Competitions as the 1933 programme. Foundation members were Messrs. J. G. Neilson, A. Edge, J. Adcock and W. Arnold, strong. The present office-bearers are President: the Mayor of Northcote (Cr. A. H. Oldis, J.P.); vice-presidents: Messrs. W. S. Neelands and L. Lavender, secretary: Mr. G. Lewis; treasurer: Mr. E. Monkhouse; librarian: Mr. C. Wright: and conductor: Mr. G. Neilson. Under the capable leadership of the conductor who is possessed of personality and enthusiasm and with marked musical ability at his command, the choir has placed Northcote high in the musical world and the standard of choir concerts has been kept up by their achievements in outside circles.

INTERWOVEN with the early and present-day history of Northcote there are some outstanding names Cr. G. Plant was a member of the Epping Roads Board; he was a representative in the Darebin Shire. He was followed by his son Cr. F. J. Plant, who was six times Mayor of the Town. Cr. F. Mitchell was followed by his son (Cr. Chas. Mitchell) and in turn by a grandson (Ex-Cr. H. F. Mitchell). Cr. E. Bastings, first Mayor of Northcote Borough, was followed by his grandson (Cr. H. E. Bastings); Cr. W. H. Dennis was succeeded by his son (Cr. S. Dennis, M.H.R.). The name of Dennis is synonymous with municipal activities in Northcote, for the total length of service by father and son (with a small break of a few months) is some thing like 60 years, first in the Epping Roads Board, and later in the Shire of Darebin, Shire of Jika Jika, and then in the Borough, Town and City of Northcote.

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Reminiscenes of Northcote from 1872

(By F.H.M.)

I think that the most trying time of a boy's life is the first day he goes to school. At all events it appeared so to me when my brother Tom took me to the late Mr. Tobin's school (which was then where Mr French's shop is now in High street) My sister, Polly, was then a pupil teacher. I would persist in calling her by her Christian name, when Mr. Tobin would give me a severe lecture for doing so. But it was no use, I kept on and eventually had to be taken from her class to another one.

Somehow the boys seemed to me to be very much bigger then as there were fellows up to 15 and 16 years of age attending. It was then called a "Common School" and you had to pay 1/ per week for each child. The main feature of the school seemed to be the *drilling exercises as Mr.* Tobin was very partial to that part of our education. I remember Mr. him say ing "Now left, left," and so on. He used to take us up and down High street and seemed to be very proud of the marching ability of the boys. There would only be about a couple of hundred scholars all told. At the school speech days I think almost every person in the district turned out to hear the boys and girls recite and sing. It appeared to me to be wonderful—how they remembered all they knew. How proud was Mr. Tobin ! But few of those (now old men and women) are alive today. If there are any they would surely recall the practicing, the finiching touches, and the ultimate success of their efforts. And weren't the mothers proud too !

I was only a little fellow then, but what impressions those early events make on youthful minds. Then there were the exams. I recollect that on one occasion the inspector (Mr. Perrition) was riding his pony (They had no ride in those days, as there was no other way of getting to the school except walking). One of the boys (Arthur Johnson) called out "look behind, pony !" It was the first of April and let me tell you, he got something from Mr. Tobin for daring to say such things to one so high in the Education Department ! Often on a Friday afternoon—the day for exam drill—when we were supposed to march in the back door, two or three boys would drop out from the end of the line and cut for their lives. But woe betide them should they be missed. And the fine stories Mr. Tobin would tell us on Fridays. We thought they were simply wonderful. He had a nice way of telling them. Don't I remember the day we left our old school and marched over to the Helen Street State school where there was plenty of room for Mr. Tobin to display his prowess as a drill instructor.

Those who went over, were looked upon as paupers—I did not remain long at this school, leaving to go to Carlton College. I remember Mr. Tobin would often say that he wouldn't be surprised to see some of the boys Members of Parliament—especially Jimmy Glew. There were plenty of the fellows who became professional men—Dave Herald, Alf Demaine and others I can't think of *Lots of others, too, have made good* as business men.

In Northcote in those days there were some strange old characters both men and women. Of course everybody knew everybody else and all seemed to be one large family, besides there was no hustling or hurrying as there is now. If a customer came into a shop, he or she (especially children) might have to wait until the shopkeeper finished his yarn with anybody he was talking to and that might take about a quarter of an hour or so. There were only two butcher shops in those days—Oliver's and Mitchell's and about three grocers, who were also the bakers.—Bastings'. McIntosh's, and Weaver's. Mr. Bastings' old shop is still in existence (where Mr. Shewan grocer, is now).

We, as boys, (girls were not allowed out much then) used to play at night time by tapping people's windows with a piece of cotton and a button. It was great fun to us to see the old man or his wife come out to see who was knocking. We would be hiding and then when they went in again more knocking occurred until we got tired of it. But there was an innocent fun. Mr. Hellwig (Herman's father) kept a boot-repairing shop in High street (It is still there next to Gribble's). He had his gas meter under his counter and it was reckoned a great trick among the boys to turn off the gas and watch the fun from the other side of the street. Mr. Hellwig used to work up till 11 o'clock at night. Most shops remained open till 10 or 11 p.m. and on Saturday nights till 12 o'clock. Many other innocent boyish tricks were played. There was no fear of policemen as they were conspicuous by their absence at night time.

There was a toll gate at Westgarth street; kept by Mr. Maher. You had to pay 1/ to go through with a vehicle or 6d. on horseback. After school we would go down to Saunders (near the Westgarth Picture Theatre) to ride their donkey which would buck you off. That used to be great fun. There was a circus where the E.S. & A. Bank stands now and when it came to riding the donkey by anyone in the audience the proprietor was willing to give £1. Mick Pender, one was a long-legged lad and a great rider, stuck to the donkey. But the donkey, when he found he could not get Mick off, lay down and rolled on top of him and that was the last trick We thought Mick had earned the £1 but it was claimed that he had not ridden the donkey, so he got nothing The next item on the programme was Dick Turpin's ride to York on Black Bess. Oh the excitement when the mare cleared the hurdles and *rushed through the gates and* jumped the toll gate. Then Black Bess knocked up and lay down. Dick dashed to her and kissed her but she could not rise. We all cried and went home highly delighted. After going to a Biondin (tight-rope walking) exhibition one of the fellows turning a somersault, strained his back, and I think died. This happened at the old hay and corn store kept by Mr. Brstings — where the fruit stall is now, near F. W. Stott and Son's.

In High street the dust was terrific The shops would have to close their doors. It was caused by the wood drays and palling carriers. Sometimes the line of carts would reach from Elm street to past the Town Hall without a break. I don't remember any water carts; in fact they would have been useless to keep the dust down When Davey Marks, Senior-constable came to Northcote it was funny to see him chasing the carters for being on their wrong side. He was considered the terror of the district being known from Whittlesea to the sea-shore with his "Keep to your right side." One could scarcely venture out at night after nine o'clock without him being after you saying "Go home; it is time you were in bed." He lived at the back of Stott and Bastings.

At the corner of Robb's parade there was a slip panel and the Pender boys would jump their horses over the fences to their home or the Darebin Creek near Dundas street, to save going right around down Dundas street. In the conchin days to Whittlesea from Melbourne it was good to see the old coach with four horses and little Williams and McMillan with their long whips going at a fast trot. They changed horses at the Junction Hotel, starting from Bourke street (The Albion Hotel).

In those days the boys used to be great swimmers in the Merri Creek (down under Sumners) and the old log hole below the St. George's road bridge. The creek was always running then and the water was fit to drink. My brother Charley and I often went fishing for eels in the creek. It was a very pretty spot with the willows and high banks.

There used to be some good racing at the hotel grounds (now the Croxton Park Hotel) but it was called the Red House then and afterwards the Pilgrim. On one occasion when a horse known as "Canary" had got over a stiff steeple it was seen she had a broken fetlock and had to be destroyed. She must have gone fully a hundred yards with her foot hanging by a bit of skin.

Traffic consisting of hansoms buggies, and carts of all descriptions and men on horseback created quite a stir. The track ran across Woolton avenue over the hill to the west near to St. George's road. Then there some great pigeon matches, shooting from the traps. Of course there was no tote then but lots of bookies and plenty of money. The little "pill box" houses which operated in the district were one horse affairs and very rough to ride in. They started from the bridge and went as far as Elm street every hour. You could almost race them to the bridge. We then caught a two-horse 'bus which went by way of Brunswick street to Spencer street, changing horses at the corner of Johnston and Brunswick streets. Here were the 'bus stables Can't I hear Paddy Moylan and his "Get up Mary Ann." It took over half an hour to go to the city. There were no stoppages except to pick up and let down passengers. If you missed one you had to wait about 15 minutes for the next. The women then wore crinolines and it was funny to see how they manipulated them in the 'bus. The greatest trouble they had was when they had to walk up Rucker's Hill, when the wind was blowing from the west. It was very awkward to keep their dresses from blowing up, besides they had to stick tight to their hats.

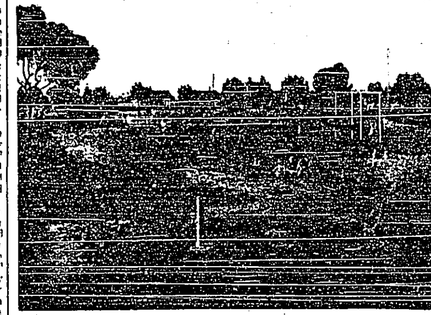
There were only two churches—All Saints' and the Wesleyan. All Saint: having about an average of nine and the Wesleyan about 20 of a congregation. The Presbyterian also had a little place somewhere about Cunningham street, which was afterwards moved to James street. The Rev Booth was the minister at All Saints He and Mrs. Booth were very big people and were very charitable. Rev Duncan Fraser was the Scotch minister.

One night my mother took us to a pantomime in Melbourne. We missed the last cab for Preston which started from Lonsdale street. A stray cabby said he would not go up Rucker's Hill for £10, but eventually took us to the bottom of the hill for 7/6 after having first demanded 20/.

Land was very cheap at this time Mr. Plant (Frede father) bought Walton's paddock from the Wesleyan chapel to Hawthorn road and back to Helen street. About 30/ per foot was wanted for the High street frontages and the corner of Hawthorn street was £2/10/ a foot. There were few buyers and some allotments in Helen street were sold for a few shillings.

Among the residents I recollect were Mr. Wimble, Secretary for Lands; Mr. Bickford, curator of gardens; Mr. Stout, secretary for a building society; Mr. Robinson, shop walker at one of the big city drapers Mr. Fletcher, Walker street; Bob Smith; Mr. Herald, accountant at James Service and Co.; J. G. Johnson, and Samuel Johnson. Some of the private houses had big pieces of land, some as many as 5 to 10 acres. Separation street was known as German Lane because there was a German settlement there. Northcote was poorly represented in Parliament There was a member named Cook (not Hume Cook) who was in for about 14 years and was only known to have seconded a motion once, never having spoken previously. We were linked up with Brunswick and they outvoted us. Northcote and Preston were one shire and it used to take all the rates to maintain the main road. Therefore the back roads were almost impaseable.

There were bonfires on the 5th of November on James' Hill. Didn't we put in some work getting logs, boughs and all sorts of stuff that would burn. On one occasion we had a very large heap of material but some one got in the night before and set fire to it ! However we went to work with more energy than ever and the bonfire was a great success. The spot



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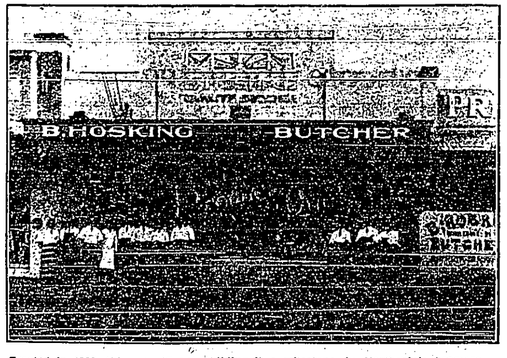

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Northcote's Activities in the Sporting Field

(By C. A. A. Schwaebsch)

TO describe sport and pastime of Northcote back as far as the year 1858—25 years prior to the inauguration of Northcote as a separate municipality—and to be assured of the fidelity and accuracy of the narrative in each scene portrayed, needs a good deal of preparation to obtain the special features, which admit of attractive narrative, embodying genial anecdote, and pleasing in memory of those events that have called forth the most interest, curiosity and admiration; also to bring into relief the prevailing spirit of excitement of the period marked by their occurrence.

For those advanced in years this will bring freshly to their minds those occurrences with which they were familiar in their youthful days, and to those who are just coming into active duties of life will be a reminder of the past, the deeds, the acts of men who were most prominent in *building up the sports and pastimes of* a bush town, to now a great city; those examples stand as a perpetual encouragement and incentive to the young sportsmen of to-day.

A Bush Outing

According to records available Northcote appears to have been the hub of most sporting activities of the metropolitan area, with the exception of racing held at Flemington, and coursing at Sunbury and Diggers Rest, from 1860 to about 1880. In the greater part of this period Northcote was merely a small bush town, on a hill nestling in heavily timbered country, with delightful surroundings The Merri Creek, a most picturesque stream of crystal water fringed with native shrub, and tree fern, abounding with fish, and wild duck. The swampy lagoons on the eastern side in season teemed with wild fowl. The sombre grandeur of the red, blue and white gums, and in spring the beautiful wold flowers, the harsh screech of cockatoo, parrots, the metallic note of the magpie, or the cachinnations of the kookaburra were always big attractions for picnic parties and excursionists. Sportsmen found rabbits, hares, quail, plover, and other game in plenty.

Sports in Vogue

Members of the sporting fraternity indulged in bulldog fighting, and ratting—which latter pastime might need explaining. Rat pits were provided at different centres where proud owners would support their dogs to kill a specified number of rodents within a certain time for a sweepstake, or cash prize up to £20 in one instance. One case recorded is that of 100 rats killed in 7 minutes 40 seconds. A dog was classed according to his "avoirdupois" the maximum being 20lb and the minimum 7lb.

Skittles and quoits also had their little following.

Pigeon shooting soon became the chief sport and some wonderful records were achieved by the "knights of the tube." Superseded later on by horseracing and trotting was the establishment of a local rendezvous at Croxton Park then called the Red House grounds in 1865. Supplemented by strong programmes of pedestrian events our township was booming in the field of sport. Weekly or fortnightly sports were conducted during the season, attendances varied from 1,000 to 7,000 or 8,000 according to the "bill of fare" Northcote's population of 553 could not fill the grounds, the bulk of the patrons coming from the metropolis in all manner of conveyances. Two wheel (Albert) cabs, waggonettes, Irish jaunting cars, carts of all kinds and saddle horses.

Imagine the stream of traffic on a narrow, rough, dusty bullock waggon road, more especially after an afternoon's sport, when everyone wanted to be home first. Up to 1878 this traffic had to pass thorugh and pay at the toll gate at Merri Creek, where a year's revenue amounted to £1,692.

The promoters of the local sports in those days were the owners of the two principal hotels, Mr. George Plant, of the Peacock Inn, and Mr. Goyder, of the Red House (Croxton Park Hotel). Plant's paddock where the Northcote bowling green is now situate, was the scene of many a wonderful contest both with gun and quoit. The Red House grounds, adjoining the other hotel, became next to Flemington, the racecourse of the period.

On April 10, 1858 at Northcote Arms Hotel a pigeon match was conducted by the proprietor, Mr. Sam Brownlow. Conditions 7 birds each, 21 yards rise, 80 yards boundary, no gun beyond 13 gauge, 1½oz shot, and each man shall pull his own traps. As this event was more or less a hurried affair, several noted shots failed to put in an appearance and there was not just the attendance at the liberal and hospitable board spread by the worthy Sam, that the meet justified, but the whole thing was so well conducted, and so satisfactory that the success of future efforts was assured. The results were :—Mr. C. W. Lewis, 7 kills, 15 sov 1; Mr. J. J. Blake, 6 kills, 10sov 2; Mr. W. Nuttall, 6 kills, 5sov 3. There followed Mr. W. Greenaway, 6, Mr. Hamilton 6, Mr. Fisher 5, W. Wiseman 5, Mr. Hyde 5, J. Greenaway 4, Mr. McGregor 4.

On August 21, 1858 on a course prepared on Plenty road (High street) "between Batts and Plummers, half a mile from the Preston Arms Hotel" and *barely half a dozen* miles from town our neighbours Preston, conducted a race meeting with the following officials. — Stewards: Messrs. E. Row, J. Tonkins, J. Youlden; judge: M. J. Henderson; starter: G. Watson; clerk of course: Mr. Hamilton.

In 1865 at Plant's Peacock Inn, several pigeon matches were conducted, chief amongst which was a contest between teams of 10, chosen by Mr. Clarson and Mr. Jackson. The prize was a sweepstake of 10/ each and a supper. During the course of the match several persons who wished to try their skill as gunmen at the missed birds, became a bit overanxious and then encroaching on the area resulted in one at least having his nose rebuilt. This match was won by Jackson's team with 42 kills to Clarson's 41.

In September of the same year a grand championship match was staged by the same promoter and was thrown open to All Australasia. Although rather disappointing from the viewpoint of inter-colonial contestants. the prize-money was quite considerable namely :—First £40; second £24; third £12; fourth £4; the conditions 10 birds each. Mr. Clarson proved the winner on this occasion killing all his birds.

This meeting was followed by one other to close the season, teams of 14 captained by Messrs. Walton and Baker took the field; Mr. Baker's crew won with 68 kills to 62.

CROXTON PARK RACES

The first Northcote races were held at the Red House grounds on Saturday, October 28, 1865. Officials were:—Judge: Mr. W. Lewy; starter: Captain Scott; clerk of course: Mr. Tattersall; secretary: Mr. J. Goyder. The grounds were described as situated four miles from Town, just outside the township of Northcote, on the left hand side of the road, to be set apart for racing, pedestrianism, pigeon shooting &c. At the opening some 2,000 or 3,000 persons paid one shilling *ea*ch the gate and as many more got through the wire fence for nothing. A small grand stand was well filled above with patrons, and below with liquor. The trons, and below with liquor. The course, 1,200 yards round, was narrow, and for steeplechasing the neighbouring paddocks were incorporated, making a circuit of about one and a half miles. An unpleasant day of high wind, dust, and rain. Sport commenced at 3 p.m. and finished at 5 p.m. during which period a steeplechase, hurdle race, trotting race, and a hack race were run; and in addition an impromptu hack race —so that there were no dull moments In addition to the appended results "Monkey" won the extra race. Stakes were paid over on Tuesday evening following the races at the Hunt Club Hotel. Results :—

Handicap Steeplechase. — Three miles: Mr. Robertson's Barrister (Wakefield) 1; Mr. Bullen's Poacher (Horner) 2; Mr. Hoyt's Squatter (Harden) 3; other starters Excelsior Emu, Grey Blossom, Canary, Fawn, Salem.

Hurdle Race — Two miles: Mr. Dickson's Langley (Dalrymple) 1; Mr. Robertson's Bones (Brabham) 2; Mr. Robertson's Kettledrum (Howard) 3; only starters.

Trotting Race. — One mile: Mr. Hoyt's Dusky (Hoyt) 1; Mr. Wartman's Tommy (Wartman) 2; Mr Cleeland's Pop (Cleeland) 3.

In the Hurdle race Bones did an extra circuit of the track as the jockey did not think the other horses had completed the course. Conditions were three times past the judge's box.

On Boxing Day of the same year (December 26. 1865) a grand pedestrian programme was put on with the following results :—

100 yards Maiden Plate: J. Colgan 1; J. R. Best 2. Time 11 2-5.

Quarter Mile Handicap. — J. G. Harris (scr.) 1; N. Barfoot (10 yds) 2; J. R. Best (20 yards) 3. Time 58sec.

Two Miles Walk. — Geo. Moore (scr.) and — Archbold (2800 yds) 1. Dead heat. Time 16min 30sec.

Half Mile Handicap. — — Higgins (scr.) 1; — Pardoe (scr) 2. Time 2min 28sec.

Quarter Mile Hurdle.—J. G. Harris (scr) 1; W. Mannallack (15 yds) 2. One Mile Handicap.—R. Hunter (30 yds) 1; — Pardoe (scr) 2; M. Roberts (30 yds) 3. Time 5min 10 sec.

A protest lodged by Pardoe in the half mile handicap against Higgins on the ground that Higgins was not legitimately entered for same and that neither the judge nor handicapper was aware of his intention to run. Great rivalry and bitterness between these two "peds." for months prior to this meeting.

SPORT IN THE SIXTIES

Ratting &c.

One George Striko announces that his bitch "Rosey" is matched against "Father Time" for £10 a side to kill 100 rats in 8 minutes at a suburban rat pit. At that time Northcote had not entered much into such sporting notoriety.

In February '66 a great walking match of one mile was arranged at the Red House Grounds between Thos. King and James Wills, the former to receive 50 yards start for a stake of £20, but evidently both fearing for their amateur status the prize was altered to a trophy won easily by Wills. Again on February 24 '66 under the direction of a sporting newspaper, a race meeting was conducted at the same rendezvous, resulting in wins for such horses as Powell's Della and Watson's 'chaser Zanzibar. Northcote suffered at this time from an acute visitation of P's —ponies, pigeons and pedestrians. Scarcely a week passed without one or other of these sports being held at either the "Crox" (Red House) or the Peacock grounds.

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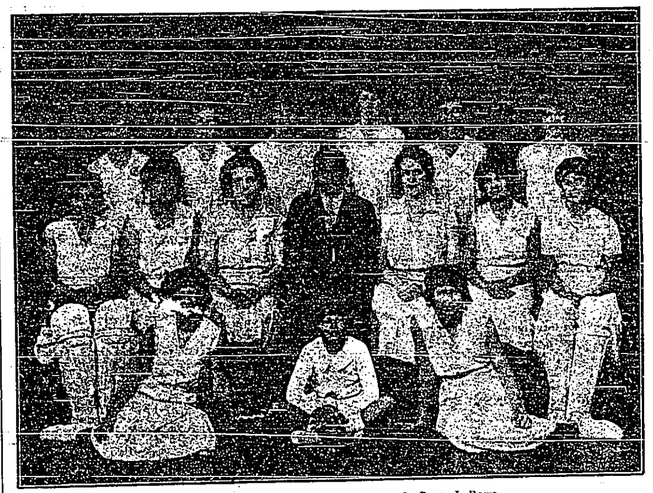

Back Row.—Misses A. Gray, G. John son, C. Freeman, T. Thompson, L. Co x, J. Rowe. Centre Row.—Misses G. Higgs, S. Wil son (capt.), M. Brewer (scorer), Mr. A. Horne (asst. coach). Misses V. Hilliard (vice-president), M. Cacobb (vice-capt.), J. Mann.

Front Row.—Misses R. Hannaford, U. Paisley, N. Williams. Photo by H. Pullan Cooke Studios, Croxton Park.

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First Northcote Sales

The first sales of land took place in 1839 and 1840 the areas being sold by the acre. In the first sale 1,712 acres were disposed of at prices ranging from 22/ to 90/ per acre the total being £3,632/8/. Among the purchasers were Michael Pender, 256 acres at 27/; G. S. Brodie, 284 acres at 22/, and 258 acres at 31/; F. Wigan, 143 acres at 41/; P. M. Walsh, 148 acres at 63/; S. J. Browne, 254 acres at 24/; T. Ritchie 187 acres at 90/; and J. Smith, 182 acres at 73/.

In the 1840 land sale 1,019 acres were sold for a total of £3,916/9/, and among the purchasers who have left their names behind are G. Urquhart, 106 acres at 85/; A. Walker 114 acres at 63/; W. H. Rucker, 128 acres at 150/ and 134 acres at 195/; P. Cunninghan, 139 acres at 168/. The range of prices was from 63/ to 190/ per acre.

Township Allotments

When Northcote Township was laid out and land sales were held in 1854, at which the upset price was £12/10/ a lot. In the following years other sales were held, and amongst the purchases were two by W. H. Dennis of allotments in Walker street for £22 and £26 per lot; a block of 66ft x 132ft at the corner of Cunningham and High streets, brought £27 in 1855. Lots in Cunningham street each 66ft by 165ft realised £20, £21, and £27 per lot. The Government land sales of 1839-and 1840, followed by the Government sales of township allotments, covered the whole of the land in Northcote, and all sales thereafter were made by private subdivisions. Up to 1880 most of the sales were in 5 and 10 acre lots.

The Boom Time

Then in the 'eighties came the land boom and large areas in East Northcote were cut up and sold. Among the most sensational subdivisions was that known as Mitchell's Corner. This area, which was at the corner of High and Bastings streets, ran from No. 250 High street to the corner, thence along Bastings street to Wimble street. A syndicate purchased it for £12,000 and in October 1888 it was put under the hammer. The site where the Northcote Picture Theatre now stands realised £70 a foot and the adjoining High street lots from £39 to £42 a foot. Bastings street frontages brought from £9/10/ to £14 a foot; and Wimble street from £5/10/ to £7 a foot.

Feverish Buying

The year 1888 saw the land boom at its height. Coupled with the rush by everyone to buy land in advantageous positions at high prices, came the proposals to build a Northcote cable tramway. This intensified the rush, although the speculators who were "in the know" had got in early, with the result that they had either purchased or had options over nearly all the land by which the cable tram would pass. High street frontages were rushed, and it is recorded that in some instances there were rises in prices of £5 to £10 per foot in the short space of a week.

When the boom burst, prices, which after all were not true values, fell to nothing. The Northcote Picture Theatre corner was sold for £8 a foot in 1910, and when it was purchased by the Northcote Theatre Co. the price paid was £20 a foot. To-day the value of the land would be about the price for which it was sold in the boom days.

As Northcote has become closely settled land values have increased, and this time the increase was justified as there was some chance of obtaining a return on the outlay by reason of the advantage of site. In the era of prosperity immediately preceding the present depression there was a fair amount of speculation in land,

Subdivisional sales were taking place on every hand, and in unmade streets, away from travelling facilities prices of residential allotments ranged from £2/10/ to £5 and £6 a foot. In land dealing in High street the highest price ever recorded was paid by Mr. O. Gilpin when he purchased the site of his present shop from Mrs. Oliver for over £200 a foot.

Since the depression has come land has been very difficult to sell, although there is better inquiry but the prices offered are considerably lower than they were four years ago. In most cases where land is purchased now it is for the purpose of erecting either dwellings or shops, and there is little or no speculation. At present the outlook is brighter than it has been for some time.

THE old toll house which had stood at the corner of High and Westgarth streets was, on the abolition of toll gates, removed to the Northcote Park where it did duty as a caretaker's residence. It was pulled down to make room for the present grandstand.

SPORT IN NORTHCOTE

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Park and came under the direction of a Mr. W. Sayers, who formed the Croxton Park Racing Club with His Excellency Viscount Canterbury as its patron and its rapid rise to popularity became most marked.

In March '71 a large and influential meeting of ratepayers was held at Poole's Junction Hotel to consider the action of the Shire Council in reference to the expenditure of money in the erection of a Shire Hall at Epping, (Northcote then being a riding of the Epping Shire) A strong Vigilance Committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs. P. E. Beaver, J.P. (chairman), Messrs. Wood, Campbell, Savage, Mitchell, Capper, Watson (2), Smith, Hooper, Weavec, Clnch, Hutton, Jeffrey, Beicher, Mcintosh, Revecley, Foley, Jones, Walters.

Easter Monday and Tuesday 1871 were gala days at Croxton when a two days' sports meeting was conducted. Horse racing, footrunning, wrestling were the principal items of contest and it is interesting to note that Mr. W. C. Yuille consented to act as judge.

Goats!

The population of the township was at this time being harassed by an influx of goats from Brunswick and one early morning a drive being held, resulted in the impounding of 143 of these beasts, before break fast, and it is recorded that the owners were so upset about the loss of their "kids" that only 10 were claimed and released at 5/6 per head

In March '73 the Victorian Coursing Club was formed with Mr. G. Bowen as patron, Mr. W. J. Clarke president; and at the inaugural meeting held on Mr. Clarke's property at Sunbury a Northcote hotelkeeper, Mr. G. Plant, of the Peacock Inn, won the big event, the Sunbury Stakes, with his dog Nicodemus, who defeated Pell Mell and "wound up the first genuine coursing meeting in Australia."

In 1876-7-8 on the beautiful, picturesque grounds of a Mr. Lepke, now the site of the Northcote Brick Co., but at that time heavily wooded, green and shady, was held the German picnic. Seven thousand people attended these outings and they became one of Melbourne's noted "days out." Dancing, footracing, and hurdling; gymnastic displays by the students of Mr. Peter Beyer made these functions as much anentertainment as a social gathering, and not the least interesting feature was the vast and varied assortment of vehicles commissioned for transport.

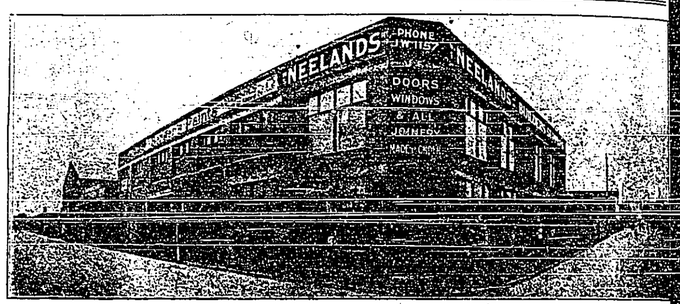
In 1877 on April 14 at Sunbury Mr. G. Plant had another brilliant success with one of his large string of coursing dogs Simon Peter, winning the Derby Stakes

THE BOWLING CLUBS

Northcote has two bowling clubs —Northcote and Thornbury—and both have greens and appointments second to none.

The Northcote Club is just 25 years of age, it having been laid down on portion of the Railway Paddock subdivision. The land was at first leased from the Railways Department, but it has since been purchased by the club. The first president was Mr. W. S. Stott, and the present president is Mr. T. Pollock.

Thornbury greens were laid down in 1909 by Mr. Oliver Gilpin as a private green. After a couple of years the Thornbury Club was formed, acquiring the property. Cr. W. Hayes was the first president, and the present president is Cr. W. Olver J.P.



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CLIFTON HILL AND NORTHCOTE U.F.S. DISPENSARIES

SOME thirty years ago the Friendly Societies of the district considered the time opportune for the establishment of a Dispensary, and after several meetings of representatives it was decided to establish a Dispensary at Clifton Hill. The institution was opened for business on September 12, 1904. The number of members on the lists at that date was 583 from sixteen affiliated societies.

It was decided that a representative from each order or society be appointed as an executive committee to manage the association, and the following officers and committee members were elected:—President, Mr. Thos. Wanless (U.A.O.D.); treasurer, Mr. F. P. Kelly (H.A.C.B.S.); secretary, Mr. W. J. Ditchburn (I.O.O.F.); trustees, Messrs. W. T. Mather (I.O.O.F.), J. Peterson (G.U.O.F.G.), C. Williams (U.A.O.D.); committee, Messrs. H. P. Batten (A.N.A.), J. S. Crawford (P.A.F.S.), Mrs. Corbett (A.W.A.), Messrs. Chas. Hopkinson (O.S.T.), W. H. Kay (I.O.R.), F. Ludlow (U.A.O.D.), and R. White (G.U.O.F.G.), to whom the Association of to-day is deeply indebted for their untiring efforts and the laying of the sound business basis which has largely contributed to the great success achieved.

At the beginning great care and attention were required, the only source of revenue being the fees paid by members, supplemented by debentures taken up by societies, and loans and guarantees given by members. The balance sheet for the first 12 months showed the revenue from all sources was £519/9/2, and the expenditure £618/1/7, leaving a deficit of £98/12/5, with assets amounting to £136/13/6, a balance in the bank of 14/9, and liabilities totalling £236/9/8. However, affiliated societies had increased to 29 and the membership to 1301, and the number of prescriptions supplied to members was 16002 at a cost of £268.

In a few years evidence of the progress of the Dispensary was not wanting. In May, 1910, owing to the limited accommodation and inconvenience to members and staff, it was decided to erect a building on land purchased the previous year for the purpose in Queen's parade. In the meantime action was taken by the Northcote societies to have a Dispensary opened in their district, and in November, 1910, at a conference of representatives of societies in Northcote and Preston, it was decided to urge representatives to support the Clifton Hill executive committee to establish a branch at Northcote. Particulars supplied by lodge secretaries showed there were 474 members on chemists' lists and 1262 on the Dispensary lists. The executive committee recommended to the general committee on February 25, 1911, that authority be given for the opening of a branch at Northcote, which was adopted.

At the same meeting it was decided to hold over the erection of the new building until the branch at Northcote had been firmly established, as the lowest tender received for the building, according to the plans and specifications prepared, was £500 more than estimated. At this period the total membership of the Dispensary was 2970, to whom 42,656 prescriptions were supplied during the year. The revenue received was £1126, and the expenditure £1005, there being a credit to the management account of £361, and an accumulation of capital of £217.

NORTHCOTE DISPENSARY

In proceeding to arrange for the branch opening at Northcote difficulties occurred which were not anticipated by the members of the executive. Rules had to be altered and finance arranged, and other obstacles overcome. A special meeting of the general committee was held on June 17, 1911 under the presidency of Mr. S. Dennis, our present Federal representative, when rules were altered to permit final arrangements being made for the opening of the Northcote branch, which took place on August 28, 1911, with 884 members on the lists.

Steady progress was made, and on May 25, 1912, authority was given to *proceed with the building at Clifton Hill*, which was completed and occupied in September, 1914, there being 3269 members on Clifton Hill and 2346 on Northcote—a grand total of 5615 members. Progress further proceeded during the next few years, so much so that the executive committee had on several occasions to have the accommodation at Northcote increased to provide facilities to meet the expansion.

In the meantime the dispute with the British Medical Association as to doctors' fees arose. The local doctors who were members of that association refused to attend members of the friendly societies excepting under conditions the societies would not accept. It was then decided by the general committee at a special meeting held on December 15, 1917 that medical attention be provided for the members, and at the same meeting authority was given the executive to proceed with the building of new premises in Gooch street when satisfactory arrangements for finance could be made. The name of the Dispensary was altered at the meeting of the general committee held on March 13, 1918, by the addition of "and Medical Association."

Difficulty for a time was experienced in arranging finance for the Northcote building owing to the financial institutions having to provide for war loans. Eventually, through Mr. W. E. Findlay and Mr. E. J. Jones, J.P., representatives of the Star of Northcote Tent, I.O.R., on the general committee, negotiations were opened up with the I.O.R. Victorian District trustees, who agreed to provide the amount required (£7500). Arrangements were then made to proceed with the building under the supervision of the trustees and executive committee. The building was completed and opened for business on June 23, 1923, the membership then being Clifton Hill 4765, Northcote 2368—a grand total of 7133, who were supplied with prescriptions totalling for the year 28,277 (Clifton Hill 15,609, Northcote 12,668). The number of societies affiliated had increased to 103

Subsequently, in 1926, it was decided to open another branch at Fairfield, where premises were purchased in Station street, and opened on November 23, 1926, with 628 members.

Further evidence need hardly be given to show the progress attained and the great benefits derived by the members of friendly societies in the district through the careful and benevolent management and business methods adopted by the members of the executive committees from its inception together with the co-operation of the staff during the period, except to add that the present officers and staff are carrying on in the footsteps of the past under very difficult circumstances.

Nevertheless good progress is still going on. The year just ended shows a further increase of members over last year. Notwithstanding the economic difficulties being experienced by a large number of the members our records now show a membership of 9,321 who were supplied with prescriptions totalling 135,315 during the year, costing £1,854 in addition to which members purchased £2,616 worth of medicines durgs, &c., an indication of the benefits they derive from membership.

The financial position is now sound. The capital account shows a credit of £8,716, management account a credit of £3,590 whilst the assets stand at the following:—Land and buildings, £11,855; furniture, and fittings &c., £851 and stock of drugs and chemicals, £1,936; against a liability of £2,881.

The head dispensers are—Clifton Hill: Miss Friiay; Northcote: Miss R. McDonough; Fairfield: Mr. Bickerton.

The present executive committee are—President: Mr. H. R. Dennis (Tramway Benefit Society; vice-president: Mr. F. Evers (Australian Natives' Association); past president Mr. Shelton (U.A.O.D.); treasurer: Mr. H. J. Mills (A.N.A.); trustees: Messrs. T. Wanless. (U.A.O.D.); E. J. Jones, J.P., (I.O.R.); G. Underwood (O.S.T.); committee: Miss R. Sheriff (A.W.A.); Messrs. J. M. Dunbar (A.O.F.); Towers (G.U.O.F.); R. Russell (G.U.O.F.); J. McEntee (H.A.C.B.S.); J. Couper (I.N.F.); A. J. Grigg (I.O.O.F.); Mr. E. Gillett (M.U.I.O.O.F.); H. Griffiths (O.S.T.); J. Smith (P.A.F.S.); secretary: J. P. Kelly.

There are two connecting links between the first and above executive committee. Mr. T. Wanless, who held the position of president for three consecutive terms and now trustee; being selected as such in 1910; and J. P. Kelly, the first treasurer, and now secretary, being elected as such in 1914.

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NORTHCOTE'S PIONEER LODGE

ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS

On May 28, 1867 the Ancient Order of Foresters in Victoria opened a branch of the order in Northcote district under the name of Court Pride of Northcote No. 4843 and this was the pioneer lodge of the community. During the 66 years of its existence a great many of the leading citizens of Northcote have, from time to time, occupied various offices and now it has a very large membership, there being some 600 persons connected with the Court. Of the older members of the lodge was in an upstairs room of the Peacock Inn, facing High street, where the meetings were conducted until a transfer came about to the Wimble Hall. The next step was to the small building on the south side of the Town Hall and now meetings are conducted in the Lodge Room of the Town Hall proper.

Of the older members of the odge mention should be made of the sterling efforts of the late Bro. Henry H. Hansen, who for 33 years, was the secretary of the Court. During that time he was largely instrumental in the advancement of the lodge from a small beginning to one of large proportions and approxiately £5,000 in assets. Bro. Hansen was perhaps one of the most widely known citizens of Northcote conducting as he did his own business in High street and his demise was a loss to the community generally. In conjunction with the late Bro. Hansen valuable services have been rendered to the Court by the acting-treasurer (Bro. J. Richmond) who, for more than 20 years, has filled this most difficult office with honor.

Should any past or present member of the Court desire to get in touch with a member with whom he has lost trace the present secretary (Bro. W. G. McKeon, 27 Cunningham street, Northcote) will be only too pleased to provide addresses as far as possible from the original records of the lodge, which are still intact. The lodge is open to anyone who wishes to join and there is no entrance fee. The tables charged by the Court are the lowest of any friendly society in Melbourne, and the benefits are numerous.

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Inspection of New Factory

On Saturday afternoon last an official inspection of the new factory in High street, Northcote South, of the Sutton Tool and Gauge Manufacturing Co. Pty. Ltd. was made by the Mayor (Cr. A. H. Oldis), members of the Northcote City Council, and a number of prominent citizens, numbering about fifty.

Mr. William Sutton, managing director of the company, received the guests, and assisted by his two sons, demonstrated to the visitors the uses of various units of the plant. Very favorable comment was passed on the fine commodious factory and the completeness of the equipment installed. At the conclusion of the inspection the guests were entertained with refreshments during which the Mayor congratulated Mr. Sutton on his enterprise. Cr. S. Dennis, M.H.R., Cr. W. Hayes, Mr. Norwood (Australian Trade Manufacturers Journal), and Mr. T. Pollock (president Northcote Bowling Club) joined in wishing prosperity to the Sutton Tool Co. Responding, Mr. Sutton intimated that prior to the war, American manufacturers held 95 per cent. of the Australian trade in the manufacture of machine tools and gauges. That had now been materially altered, and approximately 75 per cent. of the Australian trade in these necessities was now being supplied by Australian manufacturers (App.).

FOR the upkeep of roads prior to the days of municipal councils, toll gates were established at various points, so that those who used the roads should contribute towards their upkeep. One such toll gate was operated on the Clifton Hill side of the creek, but it was found that travellers often forded the stream to avoid tolls. The toll house was later shifted to the corner of Westgarth and High streets, and remained there until toll gates were abolished in the "eighties."

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Northcote Benevolent Society

In the early days of foundation, 1888, meetings were held in the Wesleyan school room. Mrs. McIntosh was the first president, Mrs. F. L. Tobin secretary and Mrs. W. G. Swift treasurer, and the Northcote Town Council was a patron. Now, after forty-four years of service and help to the community in visiting and distributing to the poor and needy, the society handles hundreds of garments and cases each year. Donations have yearly come from the Northcote Council, Ed. Wilson Trustees, and Alfred Fenton Trustees, and interested citizens and these have materially helped the society.

For the past 16 years Mrs. R. Thompson has held the office of secretary and for a number of years Mrs. J. A. Thomson as treasurer. The present president is Mrs. A. H. Oldis and in appreciation of service, Mrs. W. G. Swift and Mrs. J. Chirgwin were made life members. Mrs. Swift was a foundation member and the first treasurer. The Mayoress each year is ex-officio the president.

During the past year £707/0/1 passed through the society's hands, the bulk of which was spent on provisions, viz. £436/9/10 and a balance of £130/16/11 was left to face the new year. Members meet at the Northcote Town Hall on the first Monday of each month.

Dorcas Society

Aid and sympathy for the needy was a characteristic of the Biblical Dorcas and so the society formed in 1897 at the instigation of Mrs. R. Tobin, assisted by Mrs. John McKinnon, was called the Dorcas Society. Meetings were held in the Methodist school hall and with Mrs. Taylor as president, Mrs. R. Tobin as secretary, and Mrs. Temby as treasurer, a band of workers came together to minister to the poor. A sewing class of 21 met weekly to make up clothes and distribution was conducted by several members.

During the War years, the members disbanded and joined the Red Cross to work for the soldiers. After the War Mrs. W. J. Gray was elected president and worked with Mrs. S. Dennis as secretary and Mrs. Tulk as treasurer and representatives of the various churches formed the committee. A room at the Northcote Town Hall became available and the society met there. The Mayoress then became president and ever since each mayoress has held this position. At present Mrs. Tulk is treasurer and Mrs. S. Dennis is holding the office of secretary. Another energetic member is Mrs. Carah, who has cut-out many thousands of garments.

For the past two years the Dorcas has attended to the distribution of clothes for the Central Relief Committee and sometimes has distributed up to 200 at one time. Over 1,000 infants' sets were given away during the past year.

The society meets at the Northcote Town Hall on the third Tuesday of each month, has an executive of 12 and a large membership of workers who give donations of service, cash and kind.

Northcote Auxiliary for Blind Institute

To help forward the noble work of the Royal Victorian Institute of the Blind, an auxiliary was formed in Northcote in November 1932. With a membership of over 110 functions have been arranged and already in its first year the auxiliary has met with splendid success. The president is Mrs. W. F. Brownell; treasurer: Miss Holden; and secretary: Miss Ettie Johnson. Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at the Northcote Town Hall.

Northcote Younger Set Auxiliary

The Mayoress (Mrs. J. H. Green) early in 1930 drew many of the youth of Northcote together to form a Younger Set to work for any charity or special appeal in Northcote. With a membership of 80-odd the auxiliary was backed by enthusiasm and raised large sums for the Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind, and the Northcote Mayor's Unemployment Relief Appeal. Dances and an entry in a Queen Competition proved unqualified successes and each Christmas toys have been donated to the children of unemployed parents. Under the able guidance and firm practicability of Mrs. Green as president, members were kept together and energies were directed into the right channels. The secretary, Miss Gwen Olver, proved her worth in arranging functions and the treasurer, Mr. Max Dunn, with his genial smile, is a popular member. The latter still holds office, although within the last few months both the president and secretary did not seek re-election and now Miss Ettie Johnson, as president, and Miss Myers, as secretary, fill those positions.

Northcote Red Cross Auxiliary

In September 1922 a meeting was held to revive a branch of the Red Cross in Northcote to work for the Melbourne Hospital and Soldiers. The first president was Mrs. P. J. Slater; vice-presidents: Mesdames W. Glanfield and McKinnon; treasurer: Mrs. R. Thompson; and secretary: Miss. F. McIntosh. After six months the latter resigned and Miss Neelands finished the first year as secretary. At the first annual meeting Mrs. R. Thompson was elected secretary and has held the position ever since. At the same election Mrs. J. J. Ryan took the treasurership which she still retains. Each succeeding Mayoress takes the position of president and Mrs. A. H. Oldis is now in the chair.

During the year quarterly visits are made to the patients at the Bundoora Mental Soldiers' Hospital and concerts and cheer provided. At Christmas a high tea is supplied and these visits form a welcome break for the soldiers.

In the year 1924-5 a wireless set, at a cost of £66/16/0 was installed at Mont Park for the entertainment of the soldier inmates.

Funds are handed in to the Melbourne Hospital for maintenance, a Nurses' Training school was furnished and this year a diathermy machine (at a cost of £40) and a start on the endowment of a bed (£500) will be undertaken. Linen, made up goods, eggs, and Christmas cheer are sent annually to the hospital, and a birthday league, with Mrs. W. Ferguson as secretary, has been commenced. Receipts last year amounted to £113/6/9 and from an effort £16/2/6 was forwarded direct to the Children's Hospital for their special appeal.

Northcote Creche and Kindergarten

Headed by Mrs. S. Dennis a band of enthusiastic ladies decided to form a creche where children could be left by mothers who were forced to go out to work to support them. This scheme matured in 1923 when Mrs. B. E. Johnson (then Mayoress) opened the upper storey of the building, corner of Hastings street and Gillies avenue for a creche.

Under the efficient Matron Eddy the children thrive and prosper and the judicious handling of finances and management by the Board of ladies in control has provided an institution for which many mothers of Northcote are thankful. Under kindergarten teachers the children are amused, taught, and kept happy and most of the work done is honorary.

The Northcote City Council are beneficent patrons and the trades people help generously.

As the first president, Mrs. R. J. Bennetts will always be remembered for her ever-ready sympathy. Mrs. Gerald Davern was the first treasurer and as secretary since the inception Mrs. S. Dennis has proved her energy and capability and still holds office. Mrs. J. Corrish is now president and Miss Grenfell treasurer. A birthday scheme under Mrs. W. H. Gray was inaugurated and is rapidly increasing in membership.

Northcote Women's Hospital Auxiliary

Founded on October 24, 1928 by Mrs. Herbert Brookes, this auxiliary works for the Melbourne Women's Hospital and with the foundation president, treasurer and secretary still holding office, enjoys a large measure of success. From seven members at the beginning the membership is now 36 and these ladies send to the hospital yearly about £60 worth of garments; £25 to endow a bed and other amounts for the management funds.

For the first year £79/13/2 were the receipts; in 1930 the amount was £109; and for 1933 £75/10/6. This year from an effort £12 was donated to the Northcote Mayor's Unemployment Relief Appeal. Working quietly yet assiduously this small band is only one of the charity workers who give their time and donations to such worthy yet needy causes. The president is Mrs. S. Dennis; treasurer: Mrs. H. S. Ackary and secretary: Mrs. A. W. Harley.

Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary

At a meeting called at her home in Pender street, Thornbury, the Mayoress of Northcote of 1927 (Mrs. P. H. Mayer) assisted by Mrs P. J. Slater, formed the Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary to work for the Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital and the Children's Hospital. Later this was found impracticable, and so the object became solely to assist the former hospital. There were 19 foundation members, with the Mayoress as president, Mrs. W. Olver treasurer; and Mrs. E. B. Scott secretary. The receipts for the first year were £95/12/4.

Membership increased steadily, until now there are 80 members and the auxiliary supports a ward of seven beds. Besides this, money for maintenance is handed in, an egg day is held annually, preserved fruit, and Christmas cheer are supplied and linen and other necessities are sent to the hospital monthly. During the past year many social functions were organised and loyally supported and the balance sheet showed gross receipts of £283/7/7; £100 of this went to buy an electrically heated dinner waggon. A Birthday League was commenced and now has 300 names which brought in £22/4/8 in the past year. Members from time to time, are conducted over the Q.V. Hospital, which is run wholly by women and is one of the most up-to-date among the metropolitan institutions. During the past three years efforts for the Northcote Mayor's Unemployment Relief Appeal have been organised and each has been an unqualified success.

The office-bearers at present are President: Mrs. D. H. Mott; treasurer Mrs. H. A. Bean; and secretary: Mrs. E. B. Scott, who is entering on her seventh year of office.

St. Vincent's Hospital Auxiliary

Northcote and Thornbury Branch

The above auxiliary was formed on June 24, 1929 at the residence of Mrs. J. Carew, Gladstone avenue, Northcote by Mrs. G. D. Bowcher, Secretary of the Central Executive. The foundation officials were Mrs. J Carew (patroness), Mrs. J. J. Ryan, president; secretary: Mrs. J. F. Cooper; treasurer: Mrs. J. Gorey.

In 1930 Mrs. W. Jowett replaced Mrs. Gorey as treasurer, this being the only alteration in the executive officials. In 1931 Mrs. L. Roberts replaced Mrs. J. F. Cooper as secretary and in 1932 Mrs. Kenny took over the office of secretary.

To the end of June 1932 over £500 was raised by the auxiliary for charitable purposes, the major effort being £450 which was donated to St. Vincent's Hospital; £30 was donated to local Unemployed Relief Funds.

St. Vincent's Younger Set Auxiliary

(Thornbury)

Through the success of fourteen young hostesses in conducting a dance for the Northcote-Thornbury St. Vincent's Auxiliary, a suggestion was made and these fourteen young ladies formed themselves into a Younger Set to help St. Vincent's Hospital. The first office-bearers—Miss Beryl Roberts, president; Miss Ronny Gorey, treasurer; and Miss Molly Carew, secretary; were elected in 1931 at a meeting called at the home of Mrs. Carew. A donation is at the end of each half year—sent at the end of each half year to the hospital, raised by social functions. Combined efforts with the senior auxiliary have been made for the Northcote Mayor's Unemployment Relief Appeal. Now the membership of 25 meets monthly at the home of one member and is governed by Misses Beryl Roberts and Kath. McNamara, joint presidents; Miss Alma Wheeler, treasurer; and Miss Kathleen Mahoney, secretary.

Thornbury Youngor Set

Formed in November 1931 the Thornbury Younger Set decided to work for the Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital. Entirely under the management of young people entertainments were held and well-patronised a band of enthusiastic young folk gave of their energy to help this worthy cause. Office-bearers now are.—President: Miss J. Clack; treasurer: Mr. Archbold; and secretary: Mr. Alan Kidd.

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The present club was originally formed in 1886 under the name of the Northcote Star and has been very successful. It has played on hard wickets, matting and turf. In the season 1890-91 it won the Alliance Trophy given by the Hon Samuel Mauger. In the season 1893-4 they won the Sports Depot Trophy. In 1894-5 runners-up for Sports Depot Trophy. In 1896-7 runners-up for Boyle and Scott Trophy. In 1906-7 competed in District Second Grade under V.C.A. and were successful and thereby entitled to compete in District Cricket and full membership of V.C.A. In 1910-11 runners-up; 1911-12 Champion team, having beaten every team; 1923-24: Runners-up; 1917-18: won Wednesday Cricket Competition, played under V.C.A.

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CHURCH NEWS

St. Mary's Church of England

The vicar (Rev. F. Parsons) preached the sermon last Sunday morning taking "Is Christianity a Failure" for his discourse. The evening service was taken by members of the church, the address being given by Deaconess Minna Johnson, of the Mission of St James and St. John.

Next Sunday Empire services will be held, the Preston City councillors and officials have notified their intention of being present at the evening service.

Holy Trinity, Thornbury

The garden fete last Saturday was adjourned to the kindergarten hall on account of the rain. £16 was raised.

On Sunday special services in connection with the Jubilee celebrations will be held. The vicar will officiate.

Ascension Day services on May 25.—Celebration of Holy Communion will be held at 6 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. Evensong will be sung at 3 p.m.

Flag bridge afternoons are held with success in the parish hall on Tuesdays under the direction of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

The first patronal festival in the new church will be celebrated on Trinity Sunday, June 11. Special arrangements are being made for this festival.

Northcote Congregational Church

Co-operating with the city in its Jubilee Celebrations the above church has made special arrangements for next Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday night a reunion social has been arranged to which past and present members and friends of the church have been invited. An excellent programme has been arranged, including such well-known artists as Messrs. Kingsley and MiltonParkes, and Messrs. Barkell and Davey. On Sunday there will be appropriate services morning and evening. The evening service will commence at 6.30 and there will be a special musical session at which Mesdames Collin Gardiner and Frank Lowery and Mr. James Fraser will be the soloists. The preacher at both services will be Rev. Duncan E. Reeves and in the evening his subject will be "Oh What City Art Thou ?!"

Prince of Wales Park Methodist

The Sunday school anniversary was concluded on Wednesday night, when the school hall was filled with interested people. Mr. S. C. Hemming took the chair. A fine programme was presented by the children and heartily applauded. Rev. Indian moved a vote of thanks.

Church of Christ, Northcote

On Friday the K.S.P. held a social evening and installation service. Mr. H. Campbell, State Scribe, conducted the installation, and Mr. J. A. Fisher spoke on "Mother." Items were rendered by Misses Ivy and Rita Holyoak, Dorothy Steer and Hilda Drakeford.

Mr. S. Neighbour preached at the morning service and Pastor Saunders in the evening gave a message on "Mother's Day." The church was daintily decorated by the Girls' Club and the J.C.E. distributed white buttonholes.

St. Aidan's Church Northcote

The Masonic Lodges of Northcote visited on Sunday at Evensong, when an address on "Charity" was delivered by the Rev. F. H. Burridge, of the Mission of St. James and St. John. There was a full church. Bro. Ben Hobby was the soloist.

St. George's Road Methodist

Last Sunday was observed as "Mothers' Day." Sister Edith preached in the morning. Special hymns and a solo were sung.

James Street Presbyterian

Sunday was observed as "Mothers' Day" Rev. A. T. Jones preached at both services. Special anthems were sung, the soloists being Mr. Harvey and Mr. H. Lewis.

On May 11 about 100 attended an afternoon in the school hall in aid of church funds. A fine programme was rendered and a flower competition was won by Mrs. Hales. A dainty afternoon tea was provided by Mrs. Geo. Reid.

Croxton Methodist Church

The preachers on Sunday were the Rev. E. Lechte, in the morning, and in the evening the Rev. F. J. Jennings.

In aid of church funds a queen carnival began last Monday evening with a social evening. The collection was divided among the three queens.

Rev. E. C. Lechte spoke at the Y.M.M.I.S. meeting on Sunday afternoon on John Wesley.

Thorpbury Presbyterian

On Sunday "Mothers' Day" the Scouts paraded, and the Children's Choir assisted with the singing. Miss Dorothy Wilson sang "Mother." An address from Rev C. E. Hadley was appropriate. The Scouts furnished white buttonholes.

At the monthly meeting of the Men's Club the speaker was Mr. Sholl, a Rhodes scholar.

Memorial Service

A memorial service to the late Cr. G. E. Robinson will be held in the High street Methodist Church, North Preston, on Sunday, June 4. Rev. Bremer will conduct the service.

Civic Service at High Street Methodist Church

At High Street Methodist Church, Northcote, on Sunday morning next a civic service will be held at which the Mayor of Northcote (Cr. Oldis) and councillors and their wives will be present.

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PERSONAL

At the Church of Christ, Gore St., Fitzroy, competitions finalised last week, Nancy Town, of Thornbury, gained first prize for humorous recitation, 13 and under; second prize for recitation, 13 and under, and hon. mention for serious recitation, 13 and under. Eileen O'Dempsey, of Reservoir, was awarded accent prize for open Australian recitation. Both are pupils of Mrs. H. V. Ransom, L.T.C.L., L.L.C.M., of 134 Beconsfield parade, Northcote.

Horace, the eldest son od Adjutant and Mrs. Wishart, of Northcote is at present an inmate of the Salvation Army "Bethesda" Hospital at Richmond. He is suffering with pneumonia and his many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. John Green an dhis daughter Hazel, have arrived from Childers for the Jubilee Celebrations.

Mrs. George Fell, of Gilbert road Preston, recently underwent an operation from which she is making a good recovery.

Mrs. Roy Kendall, of Preston, is making speedy progress after her operation at "Strathmore" private hospital, a few days ago.

Mr. A. J. Watkins, Joffre street, Preston, is making good progress towards recovery after an operation, in St. Vincent's Hospital, for appendicitis.

Mr. D. Black, first assistant at Tyler street State school, is relieving at Ascot Vale.

Mr. Lang, stationmaster at Bell, will resume duty on Monday next. Mr. Bowden is in charge until then.

Mr. Robert Baker, headmaster at the State school at Pleasant street, Ballarat, has been appointed to take charge at Reservoir.

Sister Holland has written in a letter to Mr. Ben Johnson, Town Clerk, Preston saying her health has improved since visiting Portarlington. She hopes to return to duty at Preston Baby Health Centre at the end of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Macdonald, Gilbert road, West Preston, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

The death occurred on May 14 at his residence, Fulham road, Alphington, of Mr. Herbert Arthur Smookes (Ruth). He leaves a widow and a daughter Rebecca. The funeral took place on Monday, the interment being made at the Heidelberg Cemetery. The funeral arrangements were in the hands of Mr. Henry J. R. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McEntee, of 604 High street, Preston, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary on May 13. They were married at St. Joseph's, Collingwood, the bride being before the wedding Miss Carrie Poole.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Kirk, of Garnett street, Preston, a little daughter (Alma) has made her advent.

Feeling references were made at the meeting of the Preston Council on Monday evening in regard to the death of Cr. G. E. Robinson, J.P. and many comments were made as to the splendid service he had given over a period of 16 years. The council resolved to record a minute of appreciation of his services, and as a mark of respect adjourned for half an hour.

Wedding Bells

BLAIR—WAY

ON April 20 the marriage of Mr. Gules G. Blair, younger son of the late Mr. A. Blair, of Frecburgh, and Mrs. Blair, of Hannan street, Williamstown, and Miss Ruby E. Way second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Way, Aberfeldy, McCracken avenue, Northcote, was celebrated at Northcote Methodist Church by Rev. Jennings. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a frock of wine velvet, with toque and shoes to match, and a stone marten necklet (gift of the groom). She carried gindioli and dahlias. The bridesmaid, Miss Dorothy Way (sister of the bride) was attired in grey velvet, with wine trimmings, grey toque, snakeskin shoes and wore a gold wristlet watch (gift of groom). Her flowers were gladioli and dahlias. Mr. Roy Schilling was best man. The wedding breakfast was held at the reception dance of the bride's parents where Mrs. Way received the guests in a smart frock of black georgette. Mrs. Blair was gowned in black marocain The honeymoon was spent at Lakes' Entrance.

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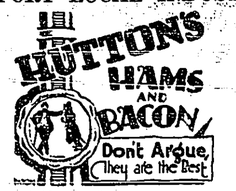

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NORTHCOTE HIGH SCHOOL

The headmaster (Mr. F. W. Johnson) has been successful in obtaining employment for a number of boys who have left the school. Old pupils who have not obtained a position are advised to interview or to write to Mr. Johnson, who may be able to assist them.

Football.—Practice matches have begun. Inter-school competitions will commence next term. Northcote won the cup last year.

Tennis.—Three tennis matches have been played during the last few weeks—two against Coburg, and one against Williamstown. The first was won by Coburg, by three games, each team winning two sets. The return match also resulted in a win for Coburg. Northcote High School defeated Williamstown by 4 sets to none.

Examinations.—The first term examinations have just finished, and the school breaks up for a ten-day vacation on May 19. Such a break will be most welcome after a hard term's work. Excluding the Leaving Certificate forms, the following pupils gained the first places in their respective forms:—

C1: J. Marriage (81%); C2: F. Withers (77%); C3: G. Cowell (75%); D1: H. Hardy (82%); D2: K. Gillespie (75%); D3: H. Bardwell (80%); E1: J. Osborn (82%); E2: H. Watkins (74%); E. Rom: H. Bowden (85%); F1: F. Walters (81%); F2: V. Hoyle (77%).

—J. Roche, Form B.

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BASEBALL

PRESTON CLUB

A team v Camberwell.—No play.

B team defeated by Glenhuntly 17—8. Best Preston Players: Ford, Duggan.

Team defeated Sandringham, 7—2. Preston's Best.—Allen, Atkinson, and Twomey.

D Team v K.S.P.—No play.

Teams For Saturday

A Team v Malvern at Malvern.—Westcott, Goller, Nelder, Dufield, Thornycroft, Crawley, Stracker, Spoor, Onts.

B Team, v Caulfield at Caulfield.—Jeanes, Murray, Kinson, Hills, Ford, Duggan, Kirkland, Thurgood, Jackson, Pink, Robinson.

C Team, v Ormond Park, at Preston.—Westcott, Allen, Naunton, Nankervis, Soutar, Atkinson, Twomy Dyer, Judd, W. Goller, Deering.

D Team play at Haxby Park at 2 p.m.—Reddan, Morton, Hooper, Dominick, Groves, Kellar, Hargraves, B. Lonsdale, Bagley, Spicer, Setcher, Williamson.

NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON CHURCHES ASSOCIATION

Epiphany v St. George's Reservoir

In rather unpleasant weather Epiphany played St. George's at Merri Park on Saturday. The ground being soaked made good fielding difficult, although Epiphany's fielding was rather good. Special mention must be made of Muir, at third bag, whose throw to first was excellent. Pitching with the wet ball was also difficult, hence there were some hits. Bleach and St. George's and Phillips (Epiphany) each a hit three bagger. Epiphany won by their better fielding and superior knowledge of the game. Scores:—

Epiphany.—7,6,3,2,5,1.—24.

St. George's.—3,4,0.1,2,2.—12.

Team to Play Ballarat Association

The following team has been selected to represent this Association against the Ballarat Baseball Association on King's Birthday:—

K. Gough (catcher); K. Phillips (pitcher); H. Lorimer (first base); J. Thomson (second base); I. Richardson (third base); the shortstop, if available; H. Linton (left field); E. Nichols (centre field); A. Birchdolt (right field); W. Beecher (em. catcher); D. Wood (em. outfield); H. H. Mabbett was elected manager.

The team is required to meet at the Northcote Town Hall on June 5 at 7 a.m. sharp, also to bring own material. Anybody wishing to make the trip please communicate with the manager, Mr. H. H. Mabbett, 551 High street, Northcote N 16.

NORTHCOTE CLUB

A Grade Game Abandoned

Northcote met Kew at the Northcote Park on Saturday, but owing to the heavy rain the umpire stopped the game after about 30 minutes' play. Therefore no points are recorded.

This Saturday's game is against Y.M.C.A. at the Amateur Sports Ground at 1.15 p.m. As both teams are undefeated a keen game is certain. Northcote's line up will be:—Legge (pitcher); Roxburgh, catcher; I. Miller, 1st base; J. Colthrup, 2nd base; F. Aldwell, 3rd base; C. Miller short stop; Beel, Gordon, and Anderson, outfielders.

Second Nine Defeat Ivanhoe

Northcote 2nd IX met Ivanhoe at Ivanhoe Cricket Ground on Saturday and after a very one-sided game ran out easy winners by 22 runs to 1. The battery was H. Gibbs, pitcher; H. Newsome, catcher; and notwithstanding the greasy state of the balls, they kept the Ivanhoe batters down to four safe hits. H. Mabbett played a very sound game on first base and L. Rowe let nothing pass at second. A feature of the game was the powerful batting of the Northcote side, every member of the team getting at least two safeties. More prominent however, were L. Tulk, A. Kellett and H. Mabbett. Scores:—

Northcote—0,4,11,7.—22.

Ivanhoe.—0,2,0,2.—4.

Mr. L. Morgan umpired.

This week's game is against Glenhuntly at Glenhuntly and as these two teams are alone undefeated the result will determine the temporary leadership of C Grade.

Third Nine Defeated by Newport

Playing at Newport last Saturday the local Thirds were soundly beaten by Newport, the F Grade leaders. This side is composed of mainly new players under the direction of B. Bernstein and L. Peterson. As the new players are mostly young players from the Northcote Cricket Club, they should soon mould into a good side. The most prominent last Saturday were L. Little, C. Stevens and H. Thorn. Scores:—

Newport.—0,6,0,1,4,8.—19.

Northcote.—0,2,0,0,1,0.—3.

This week's game is against Ivanhoe I.O.R. at Ford Park, Ivanhoe.

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SOCCER

FIRST ROUND OF DOCKERTY CUP

Preston v Westhaggi Magpies

(By "Centre Half")

In drizzling rain at Westhaggi, Preston trounced the Magpies with the biggest defeat in their history—8 goals to 1, thus entering the second round of the Dockerty cup. From the start Preston dominated the play and Abram, on the right wing, soon put Preston one up. Two passes from J. Gray on the extreme left, flashed across the greasy surface and Abram made no mistake, scoring from both chances, crowning a brilliant display with a "hat trick." Westhaggi heroupon exerted themselves and pressed hard and after Croot, in goal, had made a wonderful save, from a melee in front of goal the Magpies got their consolation. Preston again attacked and McIver added fourth goal.

Then a terrific shot from J. Gray saw the home goalie fumble and McIver, dashing in, did what was necessary, giving Preston at half time a lead of 5—1. During the second half Preston had things their own way and bombarded the home goal and from a perfectly centred corner by J. G. Gray, McIver headed neatly in, once again getting the "hat trick." This makes four times in seven games—a rare performance. Getting through again he netted the seventh. Shortly afterwards Thorpe broke his duck with a beautiful shot, taking the total to eight. The whole team played well, the keeper and full backs having very little to do owing to the form shown by D. Fairweather in the half back line.

On Saturday Preston are at home to South Yarra and a fast game should ensure both teams being level on points but Preston expect to hold their unbeaten record.

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NORTHCOTE'S EASY VICTORY

BRUNSWICK STILL TO "BREAK THE ICE"

WINNERS' FORWARD WORK THE DECIDING FACTOR

(By "Rover")

Northcote demonstrated their superiority over Brunswick last Saturday at Northcote Park in a match which, after the adjournment lost its interest by reason of their lead and the masterly manner in which Northcote handled the greasy ball. Their attack was also strongly supported by clever work by the forwards, whose anticipation and accuracy whilst shooting for goal rammed home the advantage.

THE TEAMS

NORTHCOTE. — Backs: Wilson, Hart, Honig; half-forwards: Ackland Powell, Woods; centres: Cole, Gray, Garrett; half-forwards: Simmonds, Smith, Hamilton; forwards: Brown, Seymour, Williamson; followers: Rowe, Goulett; rover: Ross; 19th: Sharwood.

BRUNSWICK. — Backs: Blackmore, Morgan, A. Gilton; half-backs: Thompson, Woods, Anderson; centres: Foley, Arrell, Bentley; half forwards: Watts, Mutimer, Raeburn, forwards: McNeil, Jones, Dowling; followers: Maynes, Eudy; rover: Fitzgerald; 19th man: Kennedy.

Umpire.—Gregory.

Northcote at the outset kicked towards the grandstand goal, Brunswick, favored by the breeze, were first away but for nine minutes the play was confined to the south-east corner of the ground. As was to be expected, the play was very scrambling, and kicking off the ground was one of the main features.

Play had been in progress for some minutes without a score, when Ackland, marking, sent the home side forward and Seymour, after a neat mark, raised both flags. A Brunswick defender was penalised for kicking the ball out and Smith, from an acute angle, was unlucky to hit the post. Brunswick replied immediately with a goal by Jones. Hart came under notice early for his cool defence. Ross and Simmonds in turn passed to Seymour who was playing next to position, but he missed twice before raising both flags.

At this juncture the game was held up for some minutes while the umpire obtained a new ball.

Away on the bounce Brunswick quickly added goals by Dowling and McNeil. Further attacks by the visitors were rewarded by two goals from Gilmer as the result of free kicks. Ross, who was playing splendidly, sent the home side forward and Cole added seconds after the bell had rung. At the first change the scores were:—

FIRST QUARTER SCORES:

Brunswick.—5 goals 1 behind (31 points).

Northcote.—3 goals 4 behinds (22 points).

Northcote rushed forward on the bounce and Brown snapped a sixer. The strength of the Brunswick defence was tested by the numerous attacks that confronted them. However, they stood up to it well.

Brunswick were now playing good football and quickly added two singles before Jones, after a splendid individual effort, snapped the maximum. Powell, in defence, and Ross, roving, were performing well for Northcote.

McNeil was battling hard in the ruck for the visitors and a long kick landed the ball well down. Eudy snapped a single.

Brunswick were adapting themselves better to the prevailing conditions and were superior in the air. After Northcote had hit the post Ross, who was scouting cleverly, secured the hit out from the ruck and dashed in to goal.

Northcote had now assumed a 3 point lead. Robust methods aided the home team forward and Seymour made no mistake. Northcote were now displaying better form and quickly added goals by Ross and Williamson. Blackmore stopped their next advance on the ball. Despite the fact that Northcote had established a 10 point lead the quarter was evenly contested.

Inaccurate kicking and lack of anticipation nullified Brunswick's efforts. At the long interval the scores were:—

HALF-TIME SCORES:

Northcote—8 goals 9 behinds (57 points).

Brunswick.—6 goals 5 behinds (41 points).

Northcote were quick to find their feet and added a single while at the other end Woods stopped a hot attack. Seymour passed to Simmonds for a single. Complete understanding exists between these two players.

Jones capped a determined thrust by the visitors with full points and Seymour replied for Northcote.

At this stage Simmonds required the assistance of the trainers.

The visitors attacked again and after adding a single Jones piloted the maximum.

A Brunswick player was interfered with and a member of the Northcote team received continuous hooting from the crowd.

A single by Smith followed goals by Williamson, with a long kick; and Seymour, after marking nicely. Northcote were excelling in the crowded play and the scouting of their small men gave the forwards many opportunities.

Receiving a pass from Ross, Smith ran in to goal and Brown's goal that followed placed Northcote with an advantage of 5 goals in a practically unassailable position. Dowling sent the visitors forward and Fitzgerald snapped a single on the bell. With the slight breeze in favor of Northcote for the final term the game seemed as good as over. The scores at the final change were:—

THREE-QUARTER SCORES:

Northcote.—13 goals 12 behinds (90 points).

Brunswick.—8 goals 9 behinds (57 points).

When Smith and Brown goaled in quick succession they placed the issue beyond doubt.

With another sixer by Brown, Northcote had added 8 goals in as many minutes.

Brunswick were not minding men and the home side's task became easy. They were breaking Brunswick everywhere.

Belated efforts by the visitors resulted in two singles before Eudy placed Fitzgerald in possession. He goaled brilliantly from an acute angle.

This burst enlivened Brunswick and they were finishing strongly. Another goal by the same player was the result of an effort.

With both sides adopting vigorous tactics players were sent sprawling everywhere. From exciting play in the goalmouth Fitzgerald snapped a single on the bell. The final scores were:—

FINAL SCORES

Northcote.—16 goals 16 behinds (112 points).

Brunswick.—10 goals 12 behinds (72 points).

Goal-Kickers

Northcote.—Seymour (5), Brown (4), Smith (3), Ross (2), Williamson and Cole.

Brunswick—Jones (4), Mutimer (2), Fitzgerald (2), Dowling and McNeil.

Best Players

Northcote.—Seymour, Smith, Hart, Brown, Powell, Ross and Rowe.

Brunswick — McNeil, Dowling, Jones, Morgan, Mutimer, Fitzgerald, and Blackmore.

TRAINING NOTES

Tommy Corrigan could not take the field against Brunswick, owing to an attack of influenza. He hopes to be right for Yarraville.

Reg Humphries, who sustained injuries in the running field during the summer is showing great improvement. He is expected to commence training shortly, and should soon be able to take his place on the side.

Jack Lyncoln has also been on the injured list, but should soon be ready for action.

Peter Brown is gradually reaching his top. Northcote is indeed fortunate in having two rovers of the ability of Peter Brown and Bobby Ross.

No injuries were reported in the Brunswick match.

"Snowy" Powell proved a veritable "mud-lark" against Brunswick. He handled the greasy ball with unerring judgment.

Frank Seymour looks like having a very successful season. He is marking and kicking with great judgment.

Col Williamson and Len Smith, two young giants, are certain to develop into first-class footballers.

The captain and vice-captain, Percy Rowe, and Ralph Goulett, respectively, are setting a wonderful example to the youngsor players. They play football as the game should be played.

SATURDAY'S ENGAGEMENT

Next Saturday Northcote will visit Yarraville. Both teams have only lost one match and as they are both in their best form a brilliant contest should eventuate. Northcote are confident of their ability to defeat the Yarras.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Yarraville v Northcote.

Oakleigh v Port Melbourne.

Coburg v Prahran.

Williamstown v Brighton.

Brunswick v Preston.

Camberwell v Sandringham.

Played on the ground of the first-named.

UNITED CHURCHES ASSOCIATION

Northcote Church of Christ v Thornbury Church of Christ

Played at Mayer Park. The heavy rain during the afternoon made good football impossible, and the ground was in very bad condition. Northcote won the toss, and had first use of the wind, but failed to take full advantage of it, scoring 1—3 to Thornbury nil. In the second quarter Thornbury, keeping up a continuous attack, gained a handy lead at half time—Thornbury 5—4; Northcote: 1—2. Northcote pulled together in the third term and regained the lead—Northcote 4—4; Thornbury: 3—3. In an evenly contested last quarter Northcote just failed to keep their lead, and were beaten on the bell. Thornbury 4—9: Northcote 4—5. Goal-kickers: Baggott 3, Brinkworth 1. Best Players:—Reece (best on the ground), Baggott, Stabb, Allen, Egan Esmille.

ASSOCIATION SUB-DISTRICTS

Preston District v Carlton

Although weather conditions were against football on Saturday, Preston District and Carlton provided a fine exhibition. Preston backs and wings did not play up to their usual standard. Nevertheless they were the winners by 11 points after a hard-fought game.

Preston.—8 goals 12 behinds (60 points).

Carlton.—7 goals 5 behinds (49 points).

Goal-Kickers: L. Hendrie (2), Armond (2), Johnson (2), J. Dennis W. Dennis.

Best Players. — Dunn, Almond. Williams, Johnson, Beveridge.

Next Saturday Preston will play Footscray at Haxby Park.

West Preston v Brighton

West Preston played Brighton at Brighton on Saturday and despite bad weather gained another victory. Burge (centre half-forward) and McGregor (rover) dominated the game. Although it rained both teams played a fast open game.

Best Players.—Preston: Burge, McGregor, Brooks, Neivandt, K. Dineen J. Ewing. Goal-kickers: J. Robertson (4), Watson (2), L. Harry (2), McGregor, McLaren, W. Cooper.

West Preston.—11 goals 10 behinds (76 points).

Brighton.—4 goals 9 behinds (33 points).

The team was by far the strongest West Preston selectors have chosen this season.

West Preston will play Dennis at Crispe Park on Saturday.

NORTHCOTE FOOTBALL CLUB

(To the Editor)

Sir,—It is to be regretted that the Victoria Football Association is giving consideration to playing the match of the day in the City instead of the home ground. It has to be borne in mind that the football clubs derive their support from inhabitants of the various districts. If the committee of the Northcote Football Club decide to support the Association in this question, then it is very doubtful if the club will receive the support of the local residents. My experience in connection with the Northcote Club is that it took 20 years to bring it to its present prominent position, and now that it is occupying that position, I am afraid that if this movement is carried out it will be a set back to the success of the club. I do not like mentioning my efforts in connection with the Northcote Club, but my support was given in order that the City of Northcote would benefit by having a good football club and that the local ground would be used for its home matches and that the opposing club would play on its own home ground.—Thanking you.—Yours &c. W. S. STOTT.

May 15, 1933.

CYCLING

PRESTON AMATEURS

The club held a 20 mile handicap on Plenty road on Saturday. The wet weather caused the field to be much smaller than usual. The limit men, off the 7min mark, were dispatched about 3.15 p.m. Carey won comfortably from Scholz with R. Bell a long way back third.

Results.—W. Carey 1 (3min 45sec) time 54min 58sec; E. Scholz 2, (3.45) R. Bell 3, (4.45). Fastest Time—F. Gascoyne (scr) 53min 18sec.

YOUNG WOMAN KILLED BY FALL

When the door of a moving car flew open at the corner of High street and Dundas streets, Preston, at about 3 a.m. on Sunday morning, Miss Lily Kelly, 19 years, Darebin road, Northcote, fell and received a fractured skull. She was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital but died soon afterwards. In the car were.—Miss Rose Jacobs and two other young women, and Messrs. Robert Ansell, Fenwick street, Northcote; Jack Wilson, Railway place, Preston; Alexander Wilson, of the same address; and Thomas Digby, Yarra street, Preston. The driver was Mr. Allen Keon, of Hothan street, Preston.

PRESTON AGAIN GO UNDER

CAMBERWELL JUST GET HOME

DISCOURAGING ATTENDANCE VIEWS STIRRING FINISH

Preston were unfortunate to lose against Camberwell in a game which provided a stirring finish. Preston held the advantage at the end of each term, but in the closing stages of the last quarter they were headed by the home team, who won by a five-point margin.

THE TEAMS

PRESTON.—Backs: P. Spargo, McSwain, Morgan; half-backs: Smith, Brewis, F. Spargo; centres: Dowling Davie, Underhill; half-forwards: Cameron, Walsh, Dineen; forwards: Cocks, Hearn, Robinson; followers: Doyle, McEachern; rover: Warr; 19th Bird.

CAMBERWELL.—Backs: L. Williams, Jones, Fyfe; half-backs: Henderson, Dyball, Wallace; centres: Clamp, R. Williams, Pierce; half-forwards: R. Finlayson, Trotter, Andrew; forwards: Mason, Luff, Lasky; Followers: O'Neill, W. Coffin; rover: Boothman; 19th man: C. Finlayson.

Preston had first use of a northerly wind and maintained an offensive for most of the quarter. Although Camberwell occasionally employed attractive passing, the attacks broke in front of goal being frustrated by Preston's solid defence.

QUARTER SCORES:

Preston.—4 goals 6 behinds (30 points).

Camberwell.—1 goal 3 behinds (9 points).

More Even Play

With the change of ends Camberwell took up the offensive. Preston was showing fine dash and a greater measure of combination, and the game proceeded at a good pace. The wind had considerably abated, but Camberwell was making good use of long, driving kicks. Towards the close of the quarter Camberwell, which had been scoring steadily in a vigorous contest, obtained a lead of four points. Before the quarter ended, however, Preston had reversed the position.

HALF-TIME SCORES:

Preston—6 goals 10 behinds (46 points).

Camberwell. — 6 goals 9 behinds (5 points).

Scoreless Play

The third quarter was uneventful. Neither side scored a goal. Preston, however, secured more opportunities for scoring. Play was still vigorous but scrambly, with Preston more often attacking. As Camberwell had last use of the wind the quarter was important for Preston. The scores were still close, and Preston failed to break through with sudden emphasis to establish a decisive lead. At the bell scores were:—

THIRD QUARTER SCORES:

Preston 6 goals 16 behinds (52 points).

Camberwell.—6 goals 12 behinds (48 points).

A Hard Fought Finish

On the resumption of play Camberwell immediately rushed a goal and established a slight lead. Preston replied vigorously and re-established its lead. When it followed with another goal Camberwell's position appeared to be decidedly poor. But a steady refusal to regulate defeat Camberwell again attacked, and within 10 minutes had converted a deficit of 11 points into a lead of 9 points. Preston was by no means defeated, and broke through a score of times, but Camberwell was able to reply effectively. The closing stages were played in poor light.

FINAL SCORES:

Camberwell.—10 goals 17 behinds (77points).

Preston.—9 goals 18 behinds (72 (points).

Goal-Kickers—Camberwell: Boothman (2), Mason (2), Trotter (2), Fyfe (2), Luff and Clamp. Preston: Hearn (3), Robinson (2), McEachern, McSwain, Warr, and Dineen.

Best Players

For its victory Camberwell owed much to the coolness and judgment of Mason in the ruck, and more especially forward, O'Neill (ruck) and Andrew, who occupied this position for a period, both did much to hold Preston in check. H. Jones (full-back) showed splendid anticipation, and his tactics generally proved too much for Hearn, the Preston forward, who played an excellent game Boothman (roving) was dashing, and followed his efforts through with success. Trotter (forward) also played effectively. Luff (forward) was obliged to scout too far toward the centre for the ball. When he succeeded the distance frequently proved too great with the heavy condition of the ball.

McSwain, the Preston captain, was notable for good marking in defence His decision to play in other positions for a time did not prove particularly advantageous. An excellent defence was provided by P. Spargo, while A. Doyle in the ruck and full-back had a useful influence in both departments. One of the most effective forwards was Robinson. Walsh was good in the air, but his placing of the ball could have been more accurate. Davie (centre) was not seen at his usual advantage.

NOTES

Robinson, by his fine display, was awarded the special trophy donated by Mr. E. A. Forster, watchmaker, of High street, Thornbury, for the best player on the day in Preston colors.

Supporters are reminded of the euchre party and dance held every Saturday night at Scout Hall, Town Hall avenue. Cash prizes are offered to euchre winners whilst splendid music is provided for dancers.

The committee makes a special appeal to residents to support the social activities of the club and so keep the club financial.

SATURDAY'S ENGAGEMENT

Preston will visit Brunswick next Saturday when a sturdy game is expected. The Preston men realise that another defeat will make their climb back to the four rather difficult.

COMMITTEE'S DIFFICULT TASK

The paltry attendance at the Camberwell ground last Saturday (gate receipts £15) demonstrates the great difficulty facing the committees in financing the club. Camberwell, at present, is at the top of the tree and yet the gate receipts are meagre This state of affairs is most disconcerting.

HOCKEY

Results of Saturday's Matches

Grade A1.—Fairfield 4 goals, v East Malvern 2.

Grade B1.—2nd Cavalry Signallers 4 goals, d Ivanhoe 2; Fairfield 4, d University 2.

Grade C.—Kew 3, d 57-60th Batt 1.

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Church Notices

ALL SAINTS CHURCH
of England, Northcote
Sunday, May 21
11 a.m. and 7 p.m.—Special Back to Northcote Services.
Former parishioners and friends are cordially invited to join us in worship.
Preacher: Rev. A. H. Constable.

EPIPHANY CHURCH, NORTHCOTE
(Bayview Street)
May 21—Fifth Sunday after Easter
Special Services in connection with Empire Day and Civic Jubilee
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Holy Communion.
7 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Celebrant and Preacher:
Rev. G. Gordon Tymms, Th.L.

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY
Shaftesbury Parade
May 21—Fifth Sunday after Easter.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Matins.
7 p.m.—Evensong.
(Celebrant and Preacher: The Vicar (The Rev. W. H. Chamberlain)
Ascension Day—Thursday, May 25
6 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10.30 a.m.—Holy Communion.
8 p.m.—Evensong.
Celebrant and Preacher: The Vicar.

ST. MARY'S, PRESTON
Sunday, May 21
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10 a.m.—Children's Church.
11 a.m.—Empire Service.
7 p.m.—Empire Service.
The Mayor, Councillors and Officials will attend the evening service.
Rev. F. Parsons, Vicar.

NORTHCOTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
City Jubilee Services.
11 a.m.—Rev. A. Heathcote Fletcher.
7 p.m.—Civic Service. Rev. A. T. Jones.
Special Singing at Each Service
Social Hour after Evening Service

BACK TO HIGH ST. METHODIST CHURCH
Jubilee Services—Sunday, May 21
Revs. J. W. Rowae and R. T. Hooper.
11 a.m.—Civic Service. His Worship the Mayor, Mayoress, Councillors and their wives have signified their intention of being present.
Re-union Social in School Hall, Saturday, May 20, at 8 p.m. Past and present adherents cordially invited.

WESTGARTH BAPTIST CHURCH
Simpson Street.
Special Re-union Services—May 21
Rev. D. S. Harvey, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Soloists—Morning, Mrs. Roy Barrett; Evening, Mr. Ernest Sage.
Wednesday, 24th—Annual Pastors' Day. Re-union Social at 8 p.m.

NORTHCOTE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Cnr. Martin & Armadale Streets

"Back to Northcote"
CITY JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS
SATURDAY, MAY 20
SOCIAL RE-UNION, 8 p.m. Leading artists, including Messrs. KINGSLEY and MILTON FARRES and Messrs. BARKELL and DAVEY.

SUNDAY, MAY 21
SERVICES at 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Preacher, REV. DUNCAN E. REEVES. Subject, "Or What City Art Thou?" Special Musical Session. — Soloists, Mesdames COLIN GARDINER and FRANK LEVENY and Mr. JAMES FRASER.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

FOURTH CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST, MELBOURNE

A BRANCH of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ Scientist in Boston, Mass., U.S.A., holds services in the MASONIC HALL, UNION ST., WESTGARTH, as follow:

Sunday, 11 a.m. and 7.15 p.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 8 p.m. Reading Room in Masonic Hall, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

OPENING SUNDAY, MAY 28
AT NORMANBY HALL
Normanby Avenue, Thornbury.
"Heart of Spiritual Truth"
3.15.—Medium's Circle.
7.15.—Lecture and Messages.
Watch "Leader" next Friday
Mrs. Hull (Leader) will welcome old and new friends.

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This school has turned out some celebrities during its career. Amongst them are—Mrs. J. G. Latham (nee Ella Tobin), Cr. S. Dennis, J.P., M.H.R.; Dr. Bryan Foster; Dr. Amos Bowman; Messrs. W. Jewell, M.L.A.,; Reg Gray, solicitor; Henry Gray, solicitor; Dr. Val Griffith; Rev Frank Woolhouse; Mr. Latham, Rhodes scholar; The present head teacher is Mr. A. W. Perry. Mr. H. P. Duff was first-assistant from 1890-1912. Miss C. Meehan was a teacher for many years. The average present attendance is 890 and the enrolment 1,027.

Municipal Notice

CITY OF NORTHCOTE

Payment of Rates to Secure Enrolment and Avoid Payment of Interest.

NOTICE is hereby given that NO PERSON will be ENTITLED TO BE ENROLLED on the MUNICIPAL ROLL for the respective Wards of the CITY OF NORTHCOTE, in respect of any property, unless BEFORE or ON SATURDAY, the TENTH DAY of JUNE, 1933, ALL SUMS PAYABLE IN RESPECT OF RATES MADE DUE AND PAYABLE ON SUCH PROPERTY shall have been paid.

Notice is further given that INTEREST will be charged on ALL RATES NOT PAID by the TENTH DAY of JUNE, 1933.

The Rate Collector will attend at the Municipal Offices, High Street, Northcote, from the SECOND to the TENTH day of JUNE, 1933, INCLUSIVE (Sunday and Public Holidays excepted), from 9 a.m. till 4 p.m. DAILY; SATURDAYS, 9 a.m. till 12 noon; and also on the NINTH day of JUNE, from 7 p.m. till 8.30 p.m., to receive payment of such rates.

Ratepayers are particularly requested to bring Rate Notices when paying rates, also to give notice to the Collector of any change of ownership or of the Occupier of Properties, in order that the ROLLS may be as complete as possible.

Corporations are also required to take notice that Nominations, under seal, for representatives to be placed on the Rolls, must be lodged at this office not later than 10th JUNE, 1933.

By order,
J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk

Town Hall, Northcote.
11/5/33.

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SECURE enrolment and avoid paying interest by PAYING YOUR RATES BEFORE or ON SATURDAY, 10th JUNE, 1933.

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PLEASE BRING RATE NOTICES WHEN PAYING RATES.

BEN. JOHNSON,
Town Clerk & Engineer.

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

STAR OF NORTHCOTE, I.O.R.

A "BACK to Star of Northcote Tent" Meeting (P.C.R.'s Night and Reunion Smoke Social) will be held in the Rechabite Hall, Westbourne Gve., on THURSDAY, MAY 25, at 8 p.m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all present and former members; also to members of other Tents visiting Northcote for the Jubilee. A fraternal welcome is assured.

E. SCHNEIDER, C.R.
W. E. FINDLAY, Sec.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 24
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113 ARTHUR STREET, FAIRFIELD
Auction Sale of
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SAT., MAY 20.—Mortgagees' Auction, 3 p.m., on property, 79 CLARKE ST., N'cote, 2min. Merri Stn., 4min. Mod. D.F. W.B. VILLA, 4rms., S.O., perfect order, all conv. Land 38 x 130. Easy Terms: £100 dep., bal. about 15/ wkly. Full details from C. H. BURNHAM, Est. Agent, 46 Arthurton Rd., at N'cote Stn., JW1428; or Auct., G. T. BOURKE, 70 High St., Westgarth, JW2810.

AUCTION.—Northcote. 34 EMMALINE ST., MODERN D.F. W.B. VILLA, 5 large rooms, spotless order. Double gate and garage. Few doors Croxton Stn. and St. George's Rd. To be auctioned SATURDAY, MAY 27, at 3 p.m., on property.
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Northcote Jubilee Celebrations
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A SPLENDID souvenir of the City's Jubilee, in the form of an illustrated booklet containing 36 pages, has been prepared, showing the remarkable progress of the Municipality, and containing interesting historical information and photographs. The Souvenir will be on sale as from 15th instant at the remarkably cheap price of Sixpence per copy, and may be obtained at the Town Hall, Public Library, "Leader" Publishing Co. Pty. Ltd., and all newsagents throughout the City.

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NORTHCOTE JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

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12 noon. — COMMUNITY SINGING, Town Hall.
3 p.m.—L. F. BAZAAR, Town Hall.
7 p.m.—L.E.B. & GENERAL BAZAAR
SATURDAY
2 p.m.—PROCESSION from Dundas Street to Park.
3 p.m.—PARK SPORTS PROGRAMME
7 p.m.—BAZAAR, Town Hall.
SUNDAY
3 p.m.—PLEASANT SUNDAY AFTERNOON.
MONDAY
8 p.m.—RE-UNION DANCE. by St. Vincent's Auxiliary. Town Hall.
TUESDAY
10.30 a.m.—BACK TO SCHOOLS, at Helen Street & Wales Street.
WEDNESDAY
2 p.m.—CARD AFTERNOON, Town Hall.
8 p.m.—SCOTCH CONCERT, Town Hall.
8 p.m.—GALA NIGHT at Northcote Theatre.
THURSDAY
8 p.m.—JUBILEE BALL, Town Hall.
WEDNESDAY, 31st.
8 p.m.—CORONATION BALL, Town Hall.
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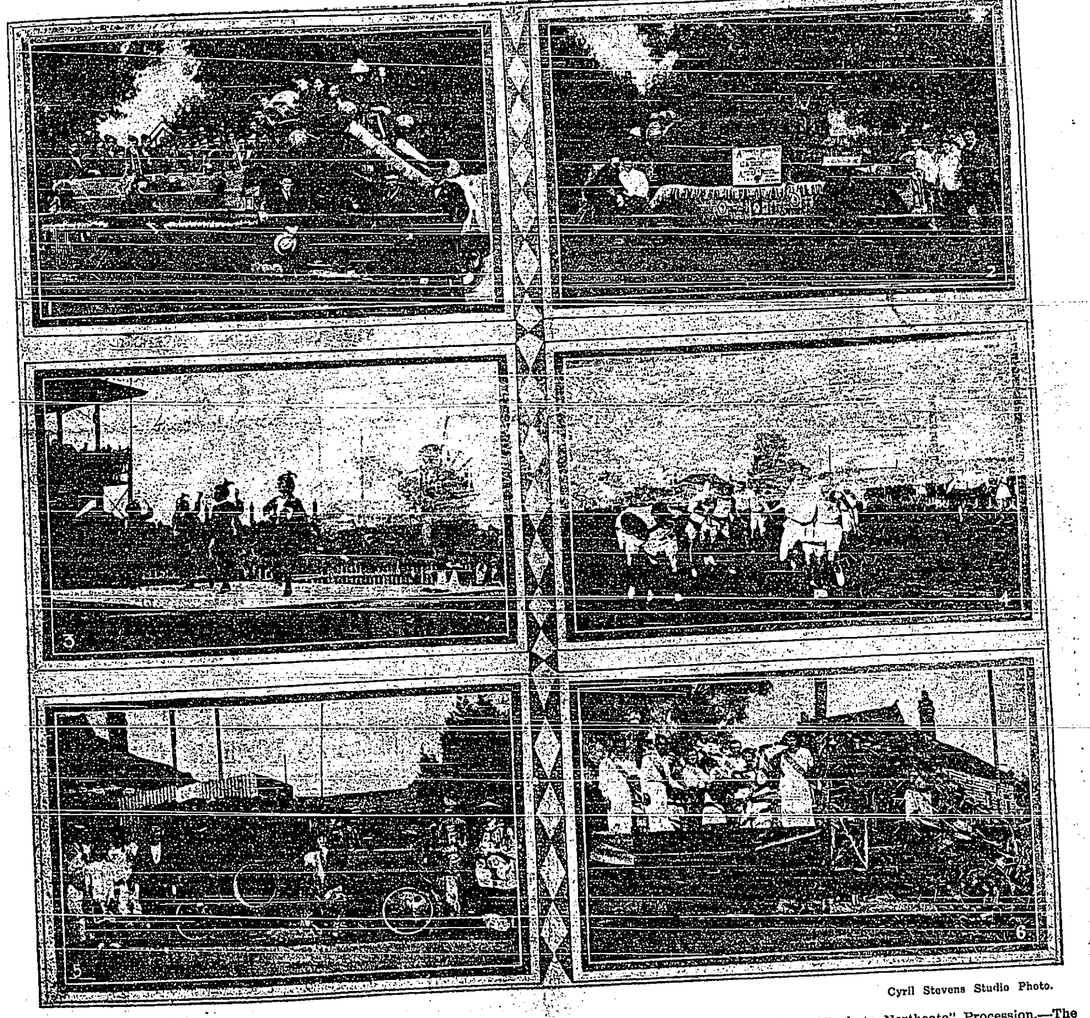

Cyril Stevens Studio Photo.

(1) One of the Boys' Bands which played a prominent part in Saturday's proceedings. Also in the photo is Mr. T. Sparrow, winner of the decorated cycle section.

(2) First Prize in Saturday's "Back to Northcote" Procession.—The photo shows Mr. L. H. Tadich with his two sons and an employe (the latter three in white coats). "A.P." is the slogan—"Advance and Progress."

(3) A delightful interlude in the sports programme at the Northcote Park. Scottish dancers tripping the light fantastic to the strains of the bagpipes (Piper McKerrell). The dancers (left to right) are Gwen James, Betty Tegg, Chas. ——, Florence Twomey.

(4) Breasting the Tape.—The Siamese race is always popular with the boys. The winners, E. Buzza and P. Kavanagh (Helen Street) have just passed the tape.

(5) Honorable Mention in the Procession.—Cornish's Cash and Carry Grocery Store adds its quota. From right to left:—Messrs. F. C. Cornish, W. McArthur, H. Cornish (seated) and F. Pentelow. The Three Bears (in white) are Messrs. F. Hocking, V. Downie and F. Hocking, jun.

(6) Protestant Alliance Friendly Society (Northcote branch), which took part in the procession.

Visit Preston's Busy Whiteway

What Preston People Are Doing

By The Rousebout.

They Say—

THAT Mr. J. F. Rec. headmaster of West Preston State School, timed his Empire Day celebrations on Friday to last 29 minutes, and so well had the arrangements been made that the whole proceedings came to an end exactly at the time named.

That a local non-smoking councillor told his fellow members on a recent evening that his clothing and person generally were so saturated with smoke fumes after attending council meetings that it was necessary for him to indulge in a hot bath upon reaching home.

That Mr. Home, solicitor appearing in the Preston court last week on behalf of the Preston Council, stressed the fact that he was not applying for fines on behalf of council employes who gave material evidence in the case.

That quite an array of municipal talent, including Mr. Ben Johnson (town clerk), Mr. Pike (rate collector) and Mr. J. O. Iles (inspector), testified on behalf of the council. The latter won the day.

That in Preston councillor, on arriving home from church last Sunday evening, was alarmed to see a tall form lurking in the shadows of the house. Upon investigation the form proved to be that of a brother councillor, who had left a parcel of fish for the church-going councillor.

Preston Council

THIS body will not meet in committee until the evening of June 5.

More About Fish

"WE caught them as fast as we could haul them in," said Cr. L. Jones, referring to the last week-end excursion at Mt. Martha, in which ex-Cr. Warr took part. So did Ruth Jones, who forsook her much-loved bike for the fishing rod, and this rod was responsible for the sudden death of 40 fish. In all there was a good haul of five baskets, a portion of which was distributed among the poor people of Preston.

Civic Service

IT was a difficult matter to seat the large congregation which assembled last Sunday evening at St. Mary's Church of England, when a civic service was held. Among the many worshippers who attended were Mayor Newton, Crs. Jupp, Swain, Davis, H. P. Zwar, M.L.A., Mr. L. W. Williams (assistant town clerk), and Mr. Pike (rate collector). Rev. Parsons preached an appropriate sermon, and the musical portion of the service rendered by the choir came in for commendation.

His First Appearance

LAST Monday the newly-elected member for the Central Ward, Cr. A. G. Davis, made his first appearance at a gathering of Preston councillors.

Municipal Representatives

CR. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A., has been appointed representative of Preston Council at a conference between Government scientific officers and members of the Tree Planters' Association, at the Fitzroy Gardens lecture hall on Wednesday, June 7. Cr. J. W. Adams will represent the council at a conference at Melbourne Town Hall on June 8 to elect a representative of municipalities north of the Yarra on the Council of the Victorian Civil Ambulance Service.

Visit To Reservoir

ON Tuesday morning Cr. Swain and Mr. W. Ward, hon. organiser of the Public Assistance Committee in Preston, visited Reservoir and met with a favorable reception from a number of citizens, who agreed to co-operate and organise functions to aid of the unemployed. Mr. Mathieson promised to provide a picture night.

No Invitation To Northcote Functions

SURPRISE has been expressed in municipal circles in Preston at the non-receipt of invitations from its near neighbor, Northcote, to attend any of the Jubilee functions in the latter city. It is half a century since Northcote said an revoir to Preston as a municipality. They were always on the most affectionate and agreeable terms, so far as is known. Just now Northcote is celebrating lavishly the dissolution of municipal partnership, and Preston municipal dignitaries are dusting their eye-glasses as they ponder over the fact that ne'er an invitation to go and be joyful in the near-by suburb has come their way.

Proposed New Works at Preston

ON Monday members of the Preston Council met Mr. Linacre, curator of the Public Works Department, to consider the proposed re-modelling of the gardens at the town hall, removal of the iron fences, and the re-planting of trees and laying out of grounds at Edwardes Park. Mr. Linacre explained the position from his point of view, after which the committee met and decided to approach the Government, with a request for financial assistance in furtherance of the scheme. It is estimated that the proposed works can be carried out at an expenditure of about £1,000, and it will mean a partial solution of the unemployment problem locally.

Bell Railway Station

DURING April the total revenue was £2190, compared with £2376 for the same month last year. The decrease was chiefly due to fewer brigantines, firewood and live stock coming forward in the goods division. The passenger traffic, including workmen's tickets has not shown any decrease.

Charity Ball

TICKETS for the mayoress' charity ball in Preston Town Hall on June 7, are reported to be selling freely. This function may be credited with helping considerably in the sale of £1/1/- badges, which admit to all the Public Assistance Committee's appeals and functions up to March 30, 1934.

Children's Fancy Dress Party

UNDER the auspices of the Preston Public Assistance Committee a fancy dress party will be held in the Preston City Hall on Wednesday evening, June 28. Several prizes are being offered and there is every promise of the event being a success.

Empire Day

ON Wednesday, May 24, the flag at the Preston Town Hall was flown in celebration of Empire Day.

Preston Baby Health Centre

SISTER Dunlop, in temporary charge, reports "Business brisk" at the local Baby Health Centre.

Re-Opening Dance

THE Preston Football Club's social committee is making special preparations for the re-opening dance at the town hall next Saturday evening. Those who have been attending the weekly fixture and requested to note the change of hall. There will be a Monte Carlo and streamers galore, and music will be supplied by Turney's Regent Orchestra. An added attraction is the weekly euchre tournament, for which cash prizes are offered.

South Preston Mothers' Club

THE fortnightly social on May 17 at Monhennitt's Hall took the form of a euchre party and dance. The change in the programme was appreciated, there being far more than the usual number present. Mrs. Latchford and Mr. Owen won the euchre prizes. Preparations are well in hand for the opening of the soup kitchen at the school on Tuesday next.

A Generous Supporter

TO assist the finances of the Preston Football Club a generous supporter has offered a substantial cash prize to the winner of the euchre party in the Preston Town Hall on Tuesday, June 6. This fixture promises to be most successful, as the offer is a big inducement for card players.

St. Vincent's Hospital Appeal

A PUBLIC meeting will be held in the town hall on Tuesday, May 30, at p.m., to arrange to hold a function to raise funds for the St. Vincent's Hospital appeal. The meeting is called by the mayor (Cr. A. E. Newton, J.P.) as announced elsewhere.

Lido Dance

THE Leap Year Club held an enjoyable dance in the Lido, Collins street, City, on May 17 in aid of the Public Assistance Committee. The president (Mrs. S. T. Grey) and secretary (Mr. Gordon Jackson) welcomed nearly 70 guests, all of whom spent an enjoyable time. The novelty items rendered by the orchestra were well received. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. S. Grey, Mr. and Mrs. L. Jackson, Mr. and Matron Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Burland, Mr. and Mrs. T. Rabey, Mr. and Mrs. H. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Rudd, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Smale, Mr. and Mrs. Sier, Misses Gwen Smithers, Evelyn Jones, Ivy Emmett, Jean Waud, Joy Bills, Evelyn Morgan, Nestor Franklyn, Nancy Walker, Joan Culpin, Mavis Trist, Mrs. Blincy, Capt. R. Clarke, Messrs. Smithers, Bills, Jackson, Ken Farr, Broadhurst, Bill Harding, Bill Wilson, Dudley Williams, Willis, Ron Damman, Jack Law, Hubert Osborne.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR

AT the council meeting on Saturday Mr. C. W. Rood, State C.E. Union secretary, urged the N. and P. Union to divide in to two, thus making one union of the Northcote and Preston societies, and another of the societies on the Heidelberg line. The matter was held over till the end of the year.

Arrangements are in hand for an Echo Camp at Diamond Creek on King's Birthday week-end. The cost will be not more than 15/-. Registrations (2/6) must be in the secretary's hands (Miss D. Clark, 12 Gillies street, Fairfield, N20) not later than May 31

To help the hospitals the State Union is organising an appeal for bottles on Sunday, July 2.

"A Bible Cricket Match" was the syllabus item of St. Fairfield Methodist C.E. on May 17, and great interest was created, the pitch being Romans 12. The match, however, ended in a draw.

The Union "Flying Squadron" superintendent reports meetings of high spiritual tone by Endeavourers in different societies throughout the Union. Societies desirous of a visit from this active and happy band should apply at once to Mr. E. Butler, 119 Flinders street, Thornbury, N17.

Unemployment

ABOUT 530 persons are at present receiving sustenance in Preston. During the last few weeks 120 unemployed have been sent to work in the country. Next Monday evening a meeting of the Public Assistance Committee will be held in the municipal buildings to discuss general matters of interest connected with the unemployed problem.

General Monash

THE mayor (Cr. A. E. Newton) has convened a meeting for the evening of June 22 in the municipal buildings, in connection with the movement to erect a memorial to the late General Monash. Mr. Blamey, head of the Victorian police force, and Brig.-Gen. Stewart will deliver addresses.

Memorial Service

ON Sunday evening, June 4, Mayor Newton, councillors and council officers will attend a service in Memorian service to the late Cr. Gilbert Robinson at Tyler street Methodist Church.

Buildings in Preston

THE Myrl Shoe Co., Plenty road, are making additions and alterations to their premises at a cost of £1,400. A four-roomed weatherboard house is being erected in Boldrewood grove.

False Fire Alarm

PRESTON firemen were called to Tyler and Jeffrey streets, Preston, at noon on Tuesday, but once again it was an annoying and expensive false call.

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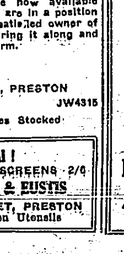
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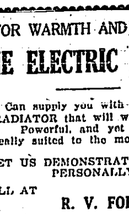
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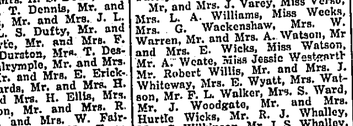
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RE-UNION OF OLD RESIDENTS

A particularly happy afternoon was enjoyed by those who attended the re-union of old residents at the Northcote Town Hall on Monday afternoon. There were present people from far and near, and many old friendships were renewed. Many of those who created friends had not seen them for many years, and sometimes there was a little embarrassment (quickly dispelled, however) when a more man would say, "Hullo, Nellie. I don't know what your name is now, but do you remember ——?" Or, "I knew you years ago as Lizzie ——."

It was a very happy gathering, and there were regrets that it did not last longer. School friends of years ago met to chat over old times and new relations, and it was quite a common thing for someone to say, "I left here about 40 years ago. I wonder if I'll meet any people of that period," and a few minutes later he (or she) would be talking in an excited way with perhaps three or four old friends. The years faded away and many became young again to recall instances and happenings which to a historian would not seem important, yet to individuals have been remembered through the years. It was to many as if they were given a new lease of youth and trouble forgotten, everyone was bent on making the most of it.

Amongst the oldest persons present was Mr. J. Cornish (aged 93 years), of Ballarat, still active, hale and hearty, who was the centre of an admiring group. Two sons (Cr. A. J. Cornish and Mr. Fred Cornish) are themselves old identities of Northcote. Mentioned as amongst the older ones were Mr. Andrew Hodge, K.E.V., and Mrs. Payley, although when it came to the ladies the organisers were rather reticent about mentioning ages.

A hearty welcome was extended by the mayor (Cr. A. H. Oldis). Hon. J. G. Membrey, and Mr. W. G. Swift (for 18 years town clerk), at the conclusion of which a splendid programme was given by Miss Emily Hooke and Mr. Eddy, whose numbers were in keeping with the occasion and embraced many old favorites. Mr. W. F. Roberts (83 years a Northcote resident, but now of Castlemaine) gave a recitation and received an ovation.

As the afternoon drew to a close many were loth to tear themselves away, and altogether this may be regarded as one of the happiest functions of the Jubilee celebrations.

Amongst those present were:—

Mr. and Mrs. B. Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. A. Allen, Mrs. Angier, Miss Angier, Mrs. Alexander. Mr. Cuthbert Bennett, Mr. Samuel Bennett, Miss K. Bennett, Mrs. H. A. Bean, Mrs. H. A. Bolle, Miss E. Bailey, Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. R. Biddiscombe, Dr. Biddiscombe, Mr. and Mrs. P. Blackman, Mr. and Mrs. C. Broadhurst, Mrs. E. Boyd, Mrs. A. C. Bird, Mrs. J. Bainbridge, Mr. and Mrs. R. Broadhurst, Mr. A. Burkett, Miss Boothby, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford, Dr. W. Brownell, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bedford, Miss Bedford, Mr. H. Brice Mrs. C. S. Bray, Hon. J. Cain, M.L.A., Mrs. J. Cain, Mr. John Cornish, Cr. Mrs. J. Cornish, Mr. W. Clarke, and Mrs. J. Cornish, Mr. W. Clarke, Mrs. Coyle, Mrs. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. H. Carah, Mrs. Chadwick, Mrs. Chitts, Miss Chitts, Mr. and Mrs. H. Cirnish, Mr. and Mrs. J. Chirgwin, Mrs. E. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. W. Copperthwaite, Miss Cartmell, Mr. F. C. Cornish, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Candy, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Chapman, Rev. and Mrs. Constable, Mrs. F. Crowe, Mrs. Cr. Sutton Crow, Mrs. H. Carew, Miss Carew, Miss L. M. Cornish, Mrs. Clappison, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. R. Davidson, Mrs. A. Dwyer, Mrs. and Mrs. E. Dunn, Mrs. H. S. Dodd, Miss Mrs. E. Dunn, Mrs. T. Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. C. Devers, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dunlop, Mrs. L. S. Duffty, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Dyte, Mr. and Mrs. F. Dunston, Miss Durston, Mrs. T. Desanides, Mrs. Dalrymple, Mr. and Mrs. N. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. E. Erickson, Mrs. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. H. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. H. Ellis, Mrs. H. C. Fowson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Flewellen, Mr. and Mrs. W. Fairclough, Mrs. K. Ferguson, Mrs. Frow, Mrs. Walter Fry, Mrs. W. Forrest, Mrs. Farr, Mrs. G. H. Fisher, Mrs. Foulungton, Mrs. Nicholson Fletcher. Mr. and Mrs. J. Finlan, Mr. and Mrs. Franks, Mrs. J. H. Green, Mr. and Mrs. A. Glanfield, Mrs. E. Gilchrist, Mrs. G. Gluves, Mrs. J. M. Grant, Mr. James Gill, Mrs. Gray, Miss Gray Mrs. A. Gibbs, Miss Glew, Mrs. W. Glanfield, Mr. and Mrs W. Glanville, Mr. and Mrs. T. Goldsworthy, Mr. W. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. C. Goldsworthy.

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Rev. and Mrs. T. Indian, Miss Iddles, Mrs. B. E. Johnson, Miss E. Johnson, Rev. F. J. Jennings, Mrs. G. T. Johnson, E. T. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Johnson, Mr. Harold Jones, Mr. E. J. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Kelson, Mrs. M. Keith, Mrs. Carva, Mrs. George Kemter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kenney, Mr. and Mrs. E. Lees, Mr. H. Lehrke, Mrs. E. Lehrke, Miss Lily Lancaster, Mrs. Lambley.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Varey, Miss Verso, Mrs. L. A. Williams, Miss Weeks, Mrs. Wackenshaw, Mrs. W. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. A. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Wicks, Miss Watson, Mr. A. Weate, Miss Jessie Westgerdi, Mr. Robert Willis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Whitewing, Mrs. E. Wyatt, Mrs. Watson, Mr. F. L. Walker, Mrs. S. Ward, Mr. J. Woodgate, Mr. and Mrs. Hurtle Wicks, Mr. R. J. Whalley, Mrs. C. Wilkinson, Mr. J. S. Whalley, Mrs. D. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Yewdall, Mr. A. Zerlie, Mrs. A. Zerlie Sen., Mrs. Ziebell, Mrs. Ziebell Jun.

SOME "BACK TO SCHOOL" SCHOLARS ABOUT 1874.

(By Harry Mitchell)

I am quoting from memory, and should anyone be omitted it is done inadvertently. I am also giving the Christian and surnames. It was simply amazing and glorious to come across and once more shake hands with so many former playmates. It is more than likely we will not be able to do so again. Fancy seeing Fanny and Alice Ladams, looking the picture of health; the Schwaebes girls, and old Carl, fresh and hearty; the Heiner's girl, Annie Jones; the Broadhursts, Frank Harmer, Arthur Hurlstone, Abby Watson, George Harvey, Harry Bedford, Con. Connell, Annie Oliver, Bill Kitson. We missed Ben Johnson, Fred Moore, Bob Oliver, George Shade (the evergreen), Ted Shade, Bill McIntosh, Alvena Hellwig, Louie Hellwig, Lizzie Moore, Jimmy Railton, Mary Lord, Jim Gill, Maggie McIntosh, Fanny Railton and Billy Gibson.

Miss N. Candy, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Candy, Miss M. Candy, Mrs. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Caroiane, Cedric R. Candy jun., Mrs. Cameron, Miss Cameron, Miss Cook, Mr. and Mrs. G. Coglin, Mr. and Mrs. W. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. R. Cox, Mrs. F. Crowe, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crowe, Mrs Cochrane, Miss F. Cheel,

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morris, Mrs. B. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. J. Murray, Miss Mackinnon, Mr. H. S. W. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. T. Munro, Miss Munro, Mrs. T. Macfarlane, Mr. and Mrs. C. Meates, Mrs. W. Monson sen., Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Mason, Miss Jean Mason, Mrs. Moon, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Metcher, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. E. Miller Mrs. J. Matthews, Miss Moore, Mrs. A. G. Membrey, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. A. Main, Mrs. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. W. Meeklin, Mrs. Matthews, Miss Hazel Mason, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. McBride, Mr. W. McIntosh, Mrs. Angus McDonald, Miss Flora McDonald, Phil McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. McAdam, Mr. and Mrs. Tom A. McCann, Mrs. G. McLean, Miss Margaret McKay.

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CIVIC RECEPTION

ON Tuesday evening at Northcote Town Hall there was a very large attendance at a representative reunion and civic reception. Among those present were some who had come from far and near. A welcome was extended to all by the Mayor (Cr. A. H. Oldis), Cr. S Dennis, M.H.R., and Cr. B. E. Johnson A musical programme, to which Miss K. Hocking, and Mr. Ernest Wilson contributed, was enjoyed, and the company was catered for with light refreshments at the conclusion of which a happy time was spent in conversation. Among those present were:—

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Allen, Mr. William J. Aird, Mr. and Mrs. E. Alford, Mrs. A. Anthony, Mrs. P. Aldridge, Mr. Aird, Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Brockie, Miss Gertrude Brown, Mrs. T. Bradley, Mr. G. Brockie, Mr. L. Beckett, Mrs. T. H. Blower, Mrs. Brierty, Mr. and Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Bulsat, Mrs. Blunden, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bridges, Miss A. J. Bailey, Mrs. A. Bardsley, Mr. and Mrs. A. Boyd, Mrs. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Bailey, Mrs. Benson, H. Becker, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bolwell, Mrs. Bakett, Mrs. A. Bailey, Mrs. Barry, Mrs. F. and Miss D. Ballantyne, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Barling, Mr. John Cornish, Mr. and Mrs. W. Clarke, Miss L. M. Cornish, Mr. Reg Clayton, Mrs. G. Wakenshaw, Mrs. W. Harry, Mrs. Cook, Mr. J .Cane, M. Clayton, Mrs. Cohen, Miss Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. D. Cohen Mrs. E. Chapman, Miss Clappison H. Hellwig, Mrs Hanson, Mrs. Montgomerie, Mr. D. Imrie, Miss Imrie, Mr. T. J. Inkson, Mr. A. Inkson, Miss Irvine, Mrs. R. Inkson, Misses G. and Cole Mr. and Mrs. E. John

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Mr. and Mrs. E. Kirton, Mrs. Kelley, A Kennedy, Mrs. G. Knights, Mr. Herbert C. Knights, Mrs. Knowles, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kelson, George Kelson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kennedy, Miss Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Knapp, Mr. R. J. Leticq sen., Mrs. E. Hedley Leggo, Miss Lancaster, Mrs. L. Liddell, Mr. H. Lehrke, Mr. Edward Lees, Mr. W. B. Leitch, Mrs. A. L. Leticq.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morris, Mrs. B. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. J. Murray, Miss Mackinnon, Mr. H. S. W. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. T. Munro, Miss Munro, Mrs. T. Macfarlane, Mr. and Mrs. C. Meates, Mrs. W. Monson sen., Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Mason, Miss Jean Mason, Mrs. Moon, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Metcher, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. E. Miller Mrs. J. Matthews, Miss Moore, Mrs. A. G. Membrey, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. A. Main, Mrs. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. W. Meeklin, Mrs. Matthews, Miss Hazel Mason, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. McBride, Mr. W. McIntosh, Mrs. Angus McDonald, Miss Flora McDonald, Phil McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. McAdam, Mr. and Mrs. Tom A. McCann, Mrs. G. McLean, Miss Margaret McKay.

Mrs. E. Noel, Miss Beryl Nicholson, J. S. Nairn, Mrs. Newberry, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Nancarrow, Mrs. J. Nicholson, Miss Nixon, Hon H. H. Olncy, M.L.C., Mrs. Olney, Cr. and Mrs. W. Olver, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. W. Osborne, Mrs. L. Osborn, Cr. and Mrs. S. Pinkney, Cr. and Mrs. A. V. Peters. Mr. and Mrs. J. Poulton, Miss Petry. Mr. and Mrs. W. Pullyblank, Mrs. Roy Phillips, Master Roy Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. T. Pollock, Miss B. M. Parsons, Miss L. Payne, Miss C. Pearl, Mrs Power sen., Mrs. E. Pattison, Mrs. F. J. P

BIRTHS, DEATHS, &c.

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IN MEMORIAM

JACOBS.—In loving memory of my dear wife Martha, and our dear mother, who passed away at Northcote on 25th May, 1923.

Her memory so sweet and dear
We treasure still with love sincere.

Inserted by her loving husband, John F. Jacobs, and family, Preston.

IN MEMORIAM

McPHERSON.—In memory of our loved mother and grandmother, who was called Home on 23rd May, 1931.

Loved, remembered, longed for always.

Inserted by Hilda and Howard Morris, and grandchildren, Jack and Jean, Waterloo Rd., Northcote.

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FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1933.

At the meeting of the Northcote Council on Monday evening reference was made by Cr. B. E. Johnson to the passing of Ex-Cr. W. J. Gray, who had for six years been a member of the council, and was an ex-mayor. Cr. Turner said that he had known Mr. Gray as a colleague in the West Ward, during which time he had accomplished much for the city. It was resolved to forward a letter of condolence to the wife and family.

Miss Freda Northcote, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. A. Schwaebach, of Mitchell street, Northcote, has just returned from Bendigo, where she competed in the "Sun" Arts Competition, and received hon. mention. There were forty-six entrants and Miss Northcote was only four points behind the winner. At the same competitions Miss Eileen O'Leary (a pupil of Miss Northcote) gained first in the sacred solo under 16; champion in the solo under 16, and first in the girls' and boys' solo under 16.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Howe and Mrs. Sinclair, returned to Preston on Sunday after having put in a good time at Mildura where bowls were the order of the day.

Whilst visiting Northcote last Saturday morning with the object of being present at the Jubilee celebrations, Mr. W. E. Davies, of Gower street, Preston, a former Northcote resident, was knocked down by a motor car going in a southerly direction. The driver rendered as much assistance as possible, taking Mr. Davies to the doctor, who inserted ten stitches in a wound in his leg. Fortunately no bones were broken, though Mr. Davies was considerably bruised. The patient is making satisfactory progress.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bray and family, of Butler street, Northcote, suffered a sad bereavement on Thursday when their youngest daughter, Thelma, passed away suddenly at Warragul. The deceased was the wife of Mr. J. S. Brown and has left two small daughters. Mrs. Brown was only 28 years of age, and much sympathy is felt for the family in their great loss.

Northcote Jubilee Re-unions.

Throughout the week of the celebrations many of the public schools and churches have held re-union socials, to which old residents who were former members were invited back and entertained.

Robbery at Normanby Avenue

Thieves broke into the home of Mr. E. B. Scott, Normanby avenue, Thornbury, on Wednesday night and stole articles to the value of between £70 and £100. Mr. and Mrs. Scott had gone out for the evening, and when they returned they found the house thoroughly ransacked. The thieves found the keys of Mr. Scott's safe and opened it, spreading papers all over the place. A number of articles which had been got ready for removal had been abandoned, and it is thought the intruders must have been disturbed.

Westleigh College

The new term at Westleigh College (Northcote and Preston) will commence on Tuesday, May 30, and new pupils are now being enrolled.

Mrs. Phillips, confectioner, of High street, Northcote, has sold her business to Mr. Guest, of Footscray, and is spending some months with her brother at Kerang. She wishes to thank all customers for their past patronage.

Two can live as cheap as one with the aid of Hosking's Meat Emporium in High St., where you get satisfaction at a bargain price. This weekend they offer Legs of Mutton at 1/11 ea.; Fores Veal at 1/6 ea., and Loin Chops at 8½d. lb.

Woods' Great Peppermint Cure
For Coughs and Colds, never fails.

The Week's Social Gossip

The engagement is announced of Jean, youngest daughter of the late Mr. John Trewalla and Mrs. Trewalla, 40 Wales street, Northcote, to Charles, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lewis, Nickolsdale road, East Camberwell.

The engagement is announced of Inez, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Thorn, "Dorunda," Clyde street, Thornbury, to Stan, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Lyons, Elgin street, Hawthorn.

House Party at Regent.—On Saturday evening, May 13, at the residence of Mr. A. Deacon, Tyler street, Preston, members and friends of the Regent Central Progress Association attended a house party. While half of those present played cards the remainder indulged in community singing, games and competitions. Prize-winners were.—Euchre: Mrs. Naunton and Mr. Naunton, while Mrs. Negri and Mr. Chapman obtained the booby prizes; lucky number: Mr. Day; fishing: Mrs. Evans; memory test: Mrs. Perkins; guessing competition: Mrs. Bryant and Mr. Scholz: cake: Mrs. Perkins. About 50 were present and in addition apologies were received from Mr. and Mrs. A. Bean, Cr. and Mrs. G. Mott, Mr. and Mrs. A. Painter, Mr. and Mrs. A. Middleton, Mr. and Mrs. Chessill, Mr. and Mrs. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson. The evening's effort was to stock the executive's stall at the forthcoming bazaar, and the net result was £3/17/ in moving a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Deacon for making their home available and providing such an excellent evening's amusement. Mr. Chandler referred to the interest Mr. and Mrs. Deacon have in the association; the motion, which was ably seconded by Mr. K. Thompson, was carried with acclamation. Both Mr. and Mrs. Deacon suitably responded.

Mrs. J. J. Cook, of Euroa, and Mr. and Mrs. C. Cook and daughter of Strathbogie, have returned to their homes after having spent a most enjoyable time at the Jubilee Celebrations.

Coming-of-Age Dance. — Mr. and Mrs. Howard White, of "Gladsville" Croxton, entertained 80 guests at Normanby Hall, Thornbury, on Saturday evening, May 20, to celebrate the coming-of-age of their elder daughter, Hilda. The guest of honor looked very charming in a long white satin gown, under a green chiffon velvet cape, while her sisters Gladys and Norma, were long frocks of shell pink ribouldine, and turquoise blue crinkle crepe, respectively: the absence was very much felt of the eldest sister, Phyllis, was was unable to be present. The supper tables were beautifully decorated with Iceland poppies, and a delightful supper was served and toasts honored, and responded to. Mrs. Olorenshaw catered in her usual lavish manner. Mr. C. S. Low acted as M.C. for the occasion and a most enjoyable evening of dancing was spent by all present, until the early a.m. Among those present were:—Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Low, Mr. and Mrs. A. Steel, Mr. and Mrs. S. Thorpe, Mr. and Mrs. F. James, Mr and Mrs. D. Greenhalgh; Misses J. Patrick, K. Rodway, A. Keenan, D. Peters, J. Young, L. Greenhalgh, N. Perkins, Cairns, Coop, Burn, N. Tulloch, B. Stusser, V. Becker, I. Houghton, G. Luxmoore, M. Telfer, E. Thompson, S. Pullen, W. Bryant, F. Goldsmith, M. Plant, P. Swinnard, S. Sullivan, R. Thorpe G. Greenhalgh, L. Ratiz; Messrs. M. Bourke, W. McRae, H. White jun, J. Colthrup, G. Heron, H. Hocking, J. Eastwood, T. Sharpe, F. Andrews, R. Harvey, E. Powell, L. Aimes, K. Eastman, B. McNair, B. Walding, A. Thorpe, C. Ames, C. Murray, J. Chester, R. Banfield, F. Stool, M. Martin, A. Isbister, F. Luxmore, G. Steel, J. Orr, A. Alford, W. Cleland, N. Sampson, C. Rolser, E. Luxmore.

JUBILEE

The pupils of Miss Pascoe-Webbe will give a concert on Saturday afternoon in the Northcote Town Hall in aid of Miss Mavis Jones, Queen of the North.

A most successful and enjoyable house party was held on Saturday evening at 84 "Napier" 135 Bent street Northcote, the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Merrick, to help swell the funds of Miss Mavis Jones (Queen of the North). Dancing, cards, and games and musical items were the means of entertaining the large number of friends who came along. The prizes for cards went to Mrs. Jackson and Mr. Paige and Miss Crowley and Mr. McKenzie and the novelty dance winners were Miss E. Murray and Mr. P. Meyer, Miss Syce and Mr. Latham During the evening solos were rendered by Miss L. Orchard, Mr. McEwan, Mr. Storey and humorous recitations by Mr. W. Oates. Among those present were Cr. and Mrs. W. Olver, Cr. and Mrs. M. C. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. Waud, Mr. and Mrs. A. Jones, Mr. and Mrs Hopkins, Mr and Mrs. Dowling, Mr. and Mrs. V. Ward Mr and Mrs A. Paige, Mesdames Kidd, and Mrs. A. Paige, Mesdames Kidd, Olorenshaw, Gamble, Wigney, Eastwood, Hills, Wilks, Crowe, Thayer, Banks; Misses Crawley, Dickens, L. Orchard, O'Callaghan, Murray, M. and B. Jones, Latham, Syce, Fraser, Dot and Jean Merrick, Cairns, Coop and Edwards, and the Messrs. Colson, Trask, Mott, W. Oates, Doyle, Conway, Murphy, Edwards, D. Austin, Meyer, McGraw, Storey, Hart Latham H. Merrick, Bourke.

On Wednesday a gala picture night was held at the Northcote Theatre by courtesy of the theatre directors. The house was well filled. At an interval the mayor (Cr. A. H. Oldis) thanked

MR. JOHN CORNISH

One of Northcote's best known pioneers of 50 years standing. He was a resident at the time Northcote was declared a shire, and he has since seen it proclaimed as a town and as a city. Mr. Cornish has lived during the reign of four English monarchs, and is 98 years of age.

Cyril Stevens Studio Photo.

all present for their support and assistance during the Jubilee celebrations. Many members of the council and their wives, together with the town clerk and officers of the council and their wives were present. A large number of tickets were disposed of to those attending by the various queens, and the receipts from these tickets will go towards the funds of the queens.

Card Afternoon

Over 200 gathered at the Northcote Town Hall on Wednesday when a card afternoon was held, organised by the combined ladies' charitable societies of Northcote. The function was in connection with the Jubilee Celebrations and a most enjoyable time was spent in bridge, derby whist and euchre. Afternoon tea was provided by the ladies' committee of which Mesdames E. Thompson and E. B. Scott were hon. secretaries.

There's no need to guess where you can get Hands of Pork for 5½d. lb. this weekend. Only one place—Hoskings' Meat Emporium, 429 High St., Northcote.

NORTHCOTE JUBILEE BALL

A FULL report of this, the crowning function of the Jubilee Celebrations, will appear in our next issue. This brilliant evening rivals all such previous functions, and a list of dresses will be included in the report. Copies may be ordered at the "Leader" Office and all newsagents.

Don't be disappointed! Order your copy now!

NORTHCOTE COUNCIL

JUBILEE MEETING

The Jubilee meeting of the Northcote City Council was held on Monday evening. There was a full attendance of councillors, and also a large number of ex-councillors, and the State and Federal representatives for the district.

The mayor (Cr. A. H. Oldis) and Crs. B. E. Johnson, W. Clanfield, S. Pinkney, J. H. Green, J. O. Hughes, A. Bird, W. H. Turner W. Olver, M. C. Jones, W. Hayes, A. J Cornish, A. Peters, J. Sutch, and S. Dennis, M.H.R.

Meeting Opened with Prayer

Cr. the Rev. J. O. Hughes offered a prayer at the opening of the meeting. The prayer was:—

"O God of our Fathers, we thank Thee for all Thy mercies vouchsafed to our City in the past, for the insight, disinterested service, fearlessness of speech, and the desire to promote the best intetrests of the community possessed by her founders, and we beseech thee O Lord, that we, who are carrying on the work may be blessed with wisdom to comprehend, and power to continue their work. May there never be wanting men highly endowed with the spirit to give of their best for the good of the community, and O God, we thank thee, for all thy gifts, for the position of our City set on a Hill, for wide spreading plain and sloping hillsides, for distant view of mountain and sea, but above all we thank thee for her people, their public spirit and courage and for their happy lives. Bless our continued ceremonies in honor of our Jubilee and grant that the result may be the enhancement of the dignity of our corporate life. These and every blessing we ask in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.—Amen."

Visitors Welcomed

The Mayor extended a very hearty welcome to the visitors, and especially to the ex-councillors, whom, he said, had laid the foundations upon which the city had been built.

Correspondence

Amateur Soprts Council sought co-operation in building up amateur sports in the metropolitan area—Committee of the council.

Hon. J. Cain promised consideration for desired amendment of the Weights and Measures Act.—Rec'd.

R. Swinton and 37 others re Merri parade, Union, and Bridge streets, requested that a deputation be received to protest against the re-establishment of a factory on land in Merri parade—Committee of the council.

Northcote Unemployed Committee sought use of large hall for a public meeting on June 1 — Finance committee.

Committee Reports

P.W. Committee accounts £2,018/4/11 were paid.

J. Sweet, was granted permission to erect shed on property Christmas street.

E.L. Committee accounts £2,189/11/1 were paid.

Parks Committee accounts £170/8/10 were paid.

Finance committee. — In addition to the foregoing, accounts totalling £454/5/9 were passed for payment.

Typing of Rolls.—It was recommended that a tender be accepted for 7/ per page for typing municipal rolls.

Cr. Bird said that if a tender for typing the rolls was accepted it would mean displacing men and providing work for girls. This was a very controversial matter and might well be postponed.

Cr. Turner said that last year the council had been advised by the Minister that typed municipal rolls did not comply with the Act .Further, anyone who had handled last year's rolls would be able to say what a poor class of roll they were, hard to handle and very bulky. He moved that the preparation of rolls be referred to the committee of the council.

Cr. Haves seconded and the matter was referred to the committee of the council.

Committee of the Council

A by-law is to be prepared to extend the business area to include lots 80 and 81 Victoria road.

ORDINARY BUSINESS

Cr. Turner said there were some bad holes in the by-way running north from Smith street.—P.W. committee

Mayor and Officers Congratulated

Cr. Dennis moved that the council hereby express its keen appreciation of the valuable services rendered to the city by the Mayor (Cr. A. H. Oldis, J.P.) and congratulate him upon holding the office of Mayor during the Jubilee year of the municipality. Further, the council desires to express its appreciation to him and members of the committee who have co-operated with him in making the Jubilee Celebrations an unqualified success. We also desire to express appreciation of the splendid services rendered by the town clerk (Mr. F. A. Thomson) and assistant town clerk (Mr. H. C. Ferguson) as joint hon. secretaries to the movement.

Cr. Hayes seconded and said the council appreciated the work of the Mayor, not only in the past few days but in the past months. Much of the success of the Jubilee was due to the Mayor and Messrs. Thomson and Ferguson.

The motion was carried amidst applause.

The Mayor thanked the council for the vote of thanks and said that much of the credit was due to the officers. He was pleased that the celebrations had been such a success and hoped the success would continue.

Council Adjourns

At this stage the council adjourned to enable the Mayor to welcome the Lieutenant Governor.

PRESENTATION OF MAYORAL CHAIN

Attendance at Northcote Jubilee Dinner

Upon resuming, the Mayor (Cr. A. H. Oldis, J.P.) on behalf of the ex-councillors and citizens of the city, extended to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Sir William Irvine, K.C.M.G., L.L.D., K.C., a most cordial welcome and presented him to Ex-Cr. Ralph Candy, the oldest surviving ex-mayor of the city.

Ex-Cr. Candy requested His Excellency to present to the city on behalf of a number of former mayors of the Borough, Town and City, a gold mayoral chain.

The Lieutenant Governor thanked the Mayor for the welcome and said he owe him great pleasure in presenting such a magnificent mayoral chain to the city, and investing the Mayor with it. In doing so he expressed the hope that every new link would be a mark of further progress (Applause).

The Mayor thanked His Excellency on behalf of the city, and in accepting the chain said that it was intended not merely to adorn the mayor, but to commemorate the Jubilee year of the municipality. Northcote had first received the benefits of local government under the Roads Boards in 1864 and in following years had been a portion of the Shires of Epping, Darebin, and Jika, Jika, and in 1883 it was constituted a borough. He thanked the ex-mayors, and relatives of ex-mayors who had contributed towards the chain, which he had great pleasure in accepting on behalf of the council (Applause).

Northcote Mayoral Chain

The following is a description of the Northcote Mayoral Chain, which was presented to the city on Monday night:—

The chain consists of 26 links and pendant drop, coprising a mayoral link with the coat of arms of the City of Northcote in blue enamel around which is inscribed the name of the mayor and the year of his office; and a monogram of his initials.

The pendant drop is composed of a large monogram enamelled with the lettering "City of Northcote, incorporated 1915" from which is suspended a beautifully hand-chased drop enclosing a blue enamelled background upon which has been artistically worked the arms of the city.

The whole of this chain is made of solid gold and is five feet three inches in circumference.

This fine example of goldsmith's art was designed by Stephen G. Muir and will be manufactured by the firm of O'Hara and Muir at their premises, York House, Little Collins street, Melbourne.

Among those present were His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (Sir William Irvine), Major Wilkinson (private secretary to the Lieutenant-Governor), Hon. H. H. Olney, M.L.C., J. Cain, M.L.A., Cr. S. Dennis, M.H.R. Ex-Councillors R. Candy, J. G. Thomson, W. Harry, F. J. Plant, T. H. Lightfoot, E. Bailey, H. W. Evans, R. Archbold, A. E. Thurman, W. Williams, A. Lees, C. A. A. Schwaebsch, C. W. Timms, P. J. Slater, A. H. Turnbull, F. J. Jones, N. H. J. Harry, P. H. Mayer, W. E. Findlay, H. F. Mitchell, J. L. Dunlop. Ex-mayors were represented by Messrs. L. Mason, A. Allen, G. H. Johnson, J. Smith, H. Verso and W. J. Dennis. Present members of the council:—Crs. A. H. Oldis (mayor), A. J. Cornish, S. Dennis, W. Clanfield, J. H. Green, W. Hayes, J. O. Hughes, B. E. Johnson, M. C. Jones W. Olver, A. V. Peters, S. Pinkney, J. Sutch, H. F. Turner. Former councillors:—Messrs. W. G. Swift, G. R. R Steane, Hon. J. G. Membrey, E. C Yeomans, W. S. Stott. Present officers:—Messrs. J. A. Thomson, V. J. Bradley, T. W. Hawthorn, H. C. Ferguson, A. W. Boyd, E. D. Riddle, W. Membrey.

See Illustration Elsewhere

Despite the fact that we made provision for a large number of extra copies of the Special Issue last week issued to commemorate the Northcote Municipal Jubilee, so great was the demand that by Saturday morning the edition was completely sold. We regret that many who desired copies were unable to obtain them. Late orders been placed with the various newsagents in Northcote, or with the office of the "Leader," this disappointment would have been avoided.

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First aid for Coughs, Colds, Influenza

SEND-OFF TO MR. F. J. DEANE

A Representative Gathering

(By the "Rouseabout")

IN one of the rooms at Preston Town Hall on Wednesday afternoon May 10, a representative gathering of business men took place the ing of bidding farewell to, and occasion being to say farewell to Mr. F. J. Deane, who, after 36 years' service in the National Bank, the last seven of which were spent at manager of Preston branch, Mr. Deane had reached the age of retirement.

Cr. Llewellyn Jones, J.P., expressed pleasure at being present; pleasure however being tinged with regret in farewelling the guest who had taken a quiet, but active part in the financial life of our city for a number of years. Mr Deane, recalled the speaker, had made himself marked the speaker, had made himself a good fellow to all those he had come in contact with, and he (Cr. Jones) considered he was too young a man to pass out of active work.

Mr. Reg Clarke, manager of the National Bank, at Oakleigh, said that some years ago he had opened a branch at Thornbury and at that time received considerable assistance and kindly advice from Mr. Deane. In Mr. Deane Preston was losing a good friend (Applause). He wished him a good lease of life and trusted him many days of prosperity were still in store for him.

Mr. F. H. Smithers, manager of the Bank of New South Wales, Preston, said the relationship between Mr Deane and himself during the past 3 years had been of a most cordial character. He (Mr. Smithers) and members of his banking staff extended to their guest their best wishes.

Mr. Appleton, manager of the State Savings Bank, Preston, said he held Mr. Deane in very high regard and regretted his departure.

In the absence of Mr. C. W. Hooper, managing director of Braithwaite's Pty. Ltd, Mr. Eglington said he had always looked upon Mr. Deane as a good friend and helpful in the solution of knotty financial problems

Cr. Jones said he had a feeling that quite a number of gentlemen were present who would like to add their encomiums. Members of the Preston Council were thankful for the way in which the National Bank manager had helped them in many ways. When faced with financial troubles and difficulties councillors felt that Frederick Deane was their "Rock of Ages." On behalf of the subscribers Cr. Jones handed him a gold mounted pipe and a pouch containing a roll of notes.

The company then rose and toasted Mr. Deane's health singing "For he's a Jolly Good Fellow."

Mr. Green said that Mr. Deane had acted the part of a father to many in Preston and his advice regarding business matters generally had always been good and sound.

Mr. Deane, on rising to respond, said he was overwhelmed by the kind remarks and thanked them for their expressions of good feeling. Mr. King the assistant, had been over a lower of strength to him. He (Mr. Deane) took pleasure in introducing his successor (Mr. Harrop, from Daylesford).

Mr. King said he had been associated with Mr. Deane for 6 or 7 years and they had pulled well together. He desired on behalf of himself and the other National Bank officials, to wish Mr. Deane and his wife and family every success in the future.

Mr. Harrop said he was not a stranger to Preston, having spent many of his boyhood days in that suburb.

Mr. Walters, manager of the National Bank at Thornbury, proposed the health of Cr. Jones.

Cr. Jones made a brief response.

Among those present were Messrs. L. Roberts, H. Clements, A. Hogben, C. F. Stephenson, G. Green, W. Tennesen, F. O. Leathart and D. O'Connell (the two last named being National Bank officers at Preston), W. Shaw J. Trainor, G. M. McDonald, manager of the Commercial Bank at Thornbury, and Dr. Eric Gandevia, Gipps street, Collingwood.

"BACK TO MANSFIELD"

Preparations are well advanced for a "Back to Mansfield" carnival on a grand scale, to be held from June 2 to June 7 next (King's Birthday week-end), when it is confidently expected that a very large number of former residents will return. The programme of festivities which is being arranged provides for all ages and tastes, including a public welcome and smoke night, talkies old-time and modern dancing, sports carnival, golf and tennis tournaments football, antique exhibition, dramatic entertainment and concert, &c. and on the Sunday the local churches will hold special services, while the committee will arrange trips to local beauty spots in the afternoon.

The secretary, Mr. N. H. Finlason, Mansfield, will be pleased to receive the names of as many former residents as possible, in order that invitations may be issued.

Besides former residents of Mansfield, Victoria, any former residents of Mansfield, England, who are in Australia, are also cordially invited to visit their namesake town, as guests on this great occasion, and the secretary desires that they should communicate with him.

PRESTON COURT.

THURSDAY, MAY 18

Before Mr. E. C. Tibb P.M; Messrs H. F. Tulloch and T. J. McMahon, J.'sP.

"Did Nothing at All"

That was the plea put forward by a south named Henry Bryan", 23 years, laboror, by way of defence when he was called upon to answer a charge of having behaved in an offensive manner and with the use of insulting words.

Constable F. G. Waldron, of Epping, said: "On the evening of Saturday May 13, a dance was in progress in Wollert hall. Defendant was standing in front of the hall waving his arms. He referred to me as a 'mug copper.'"

Bryan declared that the evidence of the constable was not true.

William Phillips, a printer, residing at North Carlton, said: "Bryan was not guilty of the conduct alleged against him. I was with Bryan at the time.

The charge of offensive behaviour was dismissed and for having made use of insulting words Bryan, against whom several prior convictions were recorded, was ordered to pay a fine of £5, in default a month's imprisonment.

The mother of the lad offered to pay £1 down and £1 per week afterwards. The latter was allowed 14 days in which to pay the fine, and also made an order for 5/ costs.

Income Tax Returns

B. R. Osborne, Dundas street, Thornbury, was fined £2 on each of two charges of failing to furnish income tax returns required by the Act.

Defendant's excuse was that being out of employment he did not consider it necessary to furnish returns.

A "Pretty Long Oversight"

Hugh Patrick Crowe , Bell street, Preston, was charged with having an unregistered wireless set in his possession.

It was proved that the licence expired in August last, and when defendant was asked for an explanation he said it was quite an oversight that the license had not been renewed.

The P.M.:—A pretty long oversight.

For the defence Mr. Roy Cahir said it was purely an act of carelessness on the part of Crowe. There was no intention of evading payment

A fine of £3 was imposed.

Another Unregistered Set

Mary Sleith, Mount street, Preston, was fined £1 on a similar charge It was shown that in this case the license had expired only a few days before the inspector's visit.

Alleged Theft at Dance Hall

A young man named Thomas Purcell, aged 23, paperhanger, Hoddle street, Collingwood, was charged with having stolen a hat and overcoat valued at about £2, the property of Henry Shallard.

Mr. R. Cahir appeared for the defence.

William Pratt, of Epping, said: "At 11 p.m. on May 13 I was in the supper room of a dance hall at Wollert when I saw Purcell pick up a hat and coat and walk out of the hall followed defendant and said: 'Hand over that hat and coat.' He asked me if the property was mine, and I replied 'No.' Constable Waldron took charge of the hat and coat"

To Mr. Cahir.—Defendant did not say "I'm sorry. I thought the hat and coat were mine."

Henry Shallard, living at Epping said: "On Saturday, May 13, I attended a dance at Wollert. I put my overcoat and hat on the rack. About 11 o'clock in the evening Pratt (the previous witness) told me something and I went going outside I saw my hat and coat in the possession of accused. The hat and coat were handed to Constable Waldron."

Edward Chas Pittaway said: "I was at the dance referred to and clock defendant entered the hall. He checked the attendance. At 10 o' placed a hat on the rack, but I did not see any overcoat."

Mr. Cahir.—I would say that defendant had had two or three drinks that night.

Constable Waldron said "I was on duty at the Wollert dance hall on this night. I saw Purcell crossing the roadway at a fast pace with Pratt and Shallard following; the former grabbed Purcell and said: 'Hand over that hat and coat.' Pratt said to witness 'This chap (meaning Purcell) 'pinched' this hat and coat.' The articles were then handed to Pratt. I asked defendant what he was doing with the hat and coat and the reply was 'Hullo, here's clever cop.' He was then arrested and placed in a motor truck."

Asked why he had taken the hat and coat Purcell replied "If they are not my hat and coat, where are mine?' He said he had left them in the cloak room. Later on, a hat belonging to Purcell was found in the hall, but no coat.

To Mr. Cahir.—Defendant was handcuffed when left in the motor truck ?—He had been drinking.

Purcell pleaded not guilty to the charge and Mr. Cahir asked the court to deal with the case.

Henry Doolan, Carlton, said "On the evening of May 13 he accompanied Purcell to the dance. Purcell was wearing a light hat and a dark overcoat. When leaving the hall Purcell had a hat and coat which I believed was his (Purcell's) own."

John Synnott, butcher, Drummond street, Carlton, gave similar evidence.

Purcell said "On entering the dance hall I placed my hat and overcoat on the rack and upon leaving took a hat and cont which I thought were mine. I told Constable Waldron that I had evidently made a mistake and was sorry. My hat was light grey and the overcoat dark. I had had a few drinks. I have never been in trouble before."

Mr. Tibb, P.M. said it was a mean contemptible theft. A fine of £10 would be imposed in default two months' imprisonment, with 17/ costs.

On the application of Mr. Cahir 14 days' time was allowed in which to pay the fine.

'Bus Not Operating

Alice M. White and Harold White Clapham street, Thornbury were called upon to answer a charge of having failed to maintain a regular 'bus service as required by the Motor Omnibus Act.

Inspector O'Toole appeared to prosecute and Mr. R. Cahir defended.

Matthew Jas Dickens, chief inspector of licensed vehicles, said that the duties were to see that omnibuses were running unregistered dogs in their possession. It costs the council £4/10/ to engage the cart for the day, and the sum of any fees having recovered from the Lost Dogs' Home, the council receives portion.

Preston Rates

ONLY two weeks remain for the payment of municipal rates to secure enrolment and avoid interest. Ratepayers are requested to pay this week and avoid the 10th of June rush.

Matthew Jas Dickens, chief inspector of licensed vehicles, said that the duties were to see that omnibuses were running according to requirements. The 'bus in question had been seen at Sunbury on the date named. On the following day witness interviewed Harold White at Thornbury, and he admitted the 'bus had been at Sunbury on the Sunday.

To Mr. Cahir.—Four 'buses were engaged on the route in question. It was not customary for a 'bus to be taken off during slack periods.

White said he and four other 'bus drivers had made application to the 'Bus Advisory Board for official sanction to be given to allow one 'bus to go off during slack periods.

Mr. Cahir said the offence was merely a technical breach.

White admitted a prior conviction for a somewhat similar offence.

A fine of £2 was imposed on each defendant, with 2/6 costs by Mr. Tibb. P.M.

Northcote Horticultural Society

Members spent a pleasant evening at the last monthly meeting in the Lodge Room of the Northcote Town Hall. In place of the usual horticultural lecture, a musical evening was highly successful. Visitors from Coburg and Ivanhoe societies were heartily welcomed. The audience was delighted by the singing of the Misses Mentes, who rendered duets; while Miss Edna Dunnallan displayed a rich soprano voice in her four solos which were much appreciated. Miss F. Twyford, elocutionist, was in splendid form and pleased immensely both in humorous and sentimental recitations. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hardy, on the mandolin, supplied numbers which were well executed. Mr. W. J. Twentyman was in good voice in his baritone solos. At the piano Miss D. Bernasconi gave complete satisfaction. Refreshments were served by the ladies' committee which brought a very successful meeting to a close.

The monthly competitions resulted as follows—The rose competitions were concluded the winners being—Australian roses Mr. W. H. Dunallan; roses (amateur): Mr. J. Toole; roses (intermediate): Mr. J. Brown Cut flowers (open): Mrs. J. W. Firth 4 points, Mr. H. Harris 3; do (novice): Mr. E. Harris 9; basket of flowers: Mrs. L. Lancaster 5, Mrs. Lovelace 2, Mrs. Firth 2; posy of flowers: Mrs. Firth 5½, Mrs. Corry 3½ 3 Jap. chrysanthemums: Mr. H. Atkins; bunch single chrysanthemums: Mr. A. L. Johnson; bowl mixed flowers: Mr. A. L. Johnson; best bunch cut flowers exhibited by a visitor (Norines): Mr. J. W. Beasley

A report on the recent autumn show was considered very satisfactory. Next monthly meeting will be held on June 14 when an illustrated lecture on the "Rose" will be delivered by Mr. J. Jones.

At the Jubilee Carnival held in the Town Hall, a flower stall was conducted by the society. The stall was in charge of Miss L. Lancaster.

Raid on Dogs

RECENTLY the dog cart paid a visit to Preston and the return proved to be a satisfactory one, that is so as far as the catchers were concerned, the owners probably think otherwise. Various streets in Preston were patrolled with the result that 40 dogs resounded, unwillingly it must be admitted, to the call of the lasso. For the most part the animals were of the nondescript or mongrel order, but a few valuable catches, including a couple of pointers, were "run in" No doubt the respective owners of these dogs will pay the necessary fee in order to secure their release. The next move on the part of the municipal authorities will be the prosecution of persons having unregistered dogs in their possession. It costs the council £4/10/ to engage the cart for the day, and the sum of any fees having recovered from the Lost Dogs' Home, the council receives portion.

Star of Northcote, I.O.R.

The half-yearly meeting on May 11 Bro. J. Ruwady, C.R., presided over a large attendance. Two new members were welcomed, and two clearances were granted.

Amongst the correspondence received was the periodical circular from the District showing the steady progress of the order during the past half year. Mention was also made of the approaching centenary of the establishment of the Order, and a committee was formed to devise ways and means to fittingly celebrate the occasion locally.

The tent decided to donate prizes to the district schools whose pupils enter for the annual temperance examinations. A donation of 10/6 was also made to the Victorian Prohibition League.

After several other matters had been discussed the election of officers was held, with the following results:—P.C.R., Bro. J. Ruwady; C.R., Bro. E. Schneider; D.R., Bro. M. Carthew; treas., Bro. O. Chapman; sec., Bro. W. E. Findlay; assist. sec., Bro. L. R. Reid; W.S., Bro. J. King; M.S., Bro. E. Webb; lavite, Bro. A. Toms; guard, Bro. G. Gange; auditors, Bros. J. Woodgate and W. Clark; dispensary delegates, Bros. E. Jones, H. Angus, Findlay. *In addition 26 junior superintendents were appointed.*

In installing the new officers Bro. W. H. Dunn congratulated them on their election and wished them a successful term. He gave some good advice, and urged them to do all they could for the advancement of the tent and order.

Bro. E. Schneider returned thanks on behalf of the officers elected, and Bro. J. Ruwady, on behalf of the retiring officers, expressed appreciation

...no members for their assistance ...d co-operation during their term of ...fice. A vote of thanks to Bro. ...g for installing the officers concluded the meeting.

The next meeting will be held on June 3, the syllabus item being bowls competition matches.

Anniversary Social

The tent's anniversary social will be held on Saturday, June 3, in the Masonic Hall, Bastings street. Arrangements have been finalised for what promises to be an enjoyable evening, to which all members and friends are invited. Admission is by ticket only, which may be had from members, and a collection will be taken at the door for the tent benevolent fund.

REMOVAL OF A HOUSE

Last Friday the residents of Oakhill area were admiring a fine team of 15 horses drawing a jinker on which was loaded a house, but their admiration turned to dismay when it was noticed that the house was being deposited on a block in Oakhill avenue.

At present the removed house is ...in keeping with residences round about, for situated within a stone's throw are several homes worth £2,000 Possibly after renovations have been completed the house will present a different annearance, but at the present juncture residents expect the council's officers to see that its building regulations are complied with. No doubt the matter will be debated at the next meeting of the progress association.

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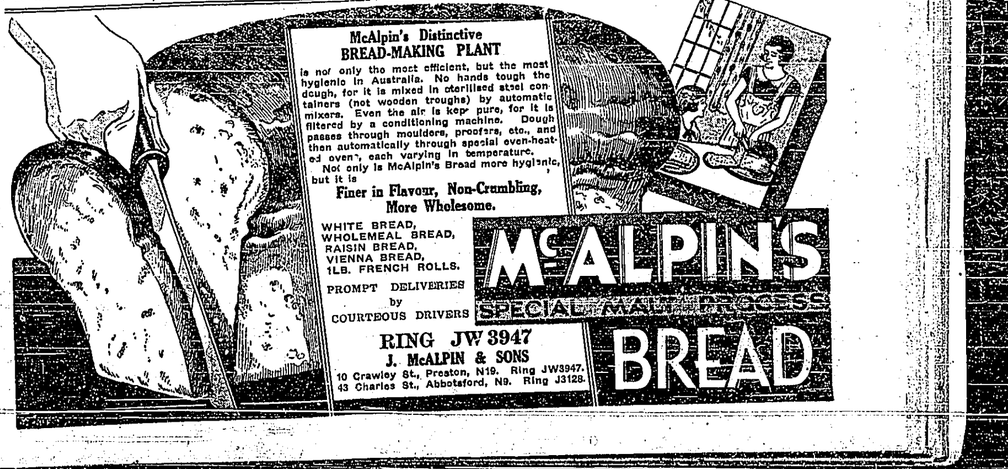

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Many Happy Gatherings at "Back to School"

THE "COME-BACKS"

FROLICS AT HELEN STREET AND WALES STREET SCHOOLS

Tuesday morning was most enjoyably spent by the "come-backs," and many Northcote residents, too, in going back to school. Usually it is only after one has left school that one appreciates the old associations and the good time spent there, and on Tuesday when the opportunity offered for old scholars to return they did so in their multitudes, bent on regaining that atmosphere which characterises each school, making it, in the eyes of the scholars who attended it, the "best school of all."

AT HELEN STREET

Activities began at an early hour at Helen street, the oldest State school in Northcote. The call to come back had been heard far and wide, and the old scholars made the most of the opportunity. So great was the attendance that it became necessary to regulate the traffic, and restrict admission to those who, by reason of the lapse of time, had earned the right to become known as "old" scholars.

The fun was led by Wally Glanfield, who in his ordinary everyday life is one of the city fathers of Northcote, but who on this occasion made it quite apparent that after all he is still a boy at heart. Classes were conducted under routine methods—but with what a difference!—and throughout a very happy spirit prevailed. There were on all sides joyful reunions, in which scholars of years ago—up to 50 and 60 years in some cases—met their old school mates, the probability being that they had lost sight of each other in the intervening years. Old scholars of the 40 year period were fairly common, while of the youngsters of 20 and 30 years there were large numbers.

By some chance of Fate Wally Glanfield had obtained a large parcel of canes, hitherto used by Mr. Duffy, a former teacher at the school, and, assisted by doughty helpmates in Fred and Joe Cornish, E. C. ("Son") Yeomans, and others of the same ilk, made bright play with them. All stiffness was forgotten, Mr., Mrs. and Miss were entirely abolished, and all were happy together as Millie, Tom, Joe, Alice, etc., or, where remembered, it was "Blue"- and "Ginge," and other such nick-names.

Among the former teachers present were Mr. Jas. Bromilow and Mr. David, whilst the present head teacher (Mr. A. W. Perry) was a tower of assistance to the committee in charge of the arrangements, the secretary of which is Mr. Arthur Gibbs.

Among the humorous incidents was the arrival of Ossie Tonkin, who arrived with slate and bag complete, and the only thing he forgot was an excuse (for being too early). A good deal of excitement was caused by a fight (like we used to have in the good old days), possibly over an argument of years agone, which ended (as all school fights do) with the parties the best of friends. It was all humor, however, introduced as of old, just to give a bit of realism to the fact that the old ones were "back at school."

Every credit is due to the committee which had charge of the arrangements, for the completeness of their work, and to them those who "came back" gave their heartiest thanks.

Those who signed the rolls were:—

Scholars from 1872 to 1885.—Herbert Atkinson, Korrine, Gippsland; Alec Schwaebach, Thornbury; William Johnston, Thornbury; James Hallston, Preston; James Gill, Northcote; T. Harmer, Thomastown; A. Seager, Northcote; H. Mayer, Northcote; C. Heath, Thornbury; Edward E. Shade, Northcote; W. Kelson, East Kew; W. Maum, Northcote; F. Moore, Brunswick; A. T. Dennis, Diamond Creek; F. Grutzner, Camberwell; A. Watson, Carlton; E. Eaton, Northcote; Daisy Renshaw, Kew; Walter Johnson, Northcote; E. T. Johnson, Northcote; Percy Hall, Brunswick; Marion Riddell, Northcote; William Gibson, Northcotes; Robert Oliver, Northcote; R. Dinwoodie, Northcote; George Jewell, East Brunswick; Geo. E. Kelson, Ballarat; Emily Harry (Mrs. Chapman), Northcote; John Allder, Preston; William Y. McIntosh, Ivanhoe (1868); Annie M. Bade (Mrs. W. Hayhow), Noble Park; O. A Schwaebach, Melbourne; E. C. Yeomans, Northcote; H. Doidge, Bundoora; May Mason (Mrs. Harley), Middle Park (1870); Lizzie Johnston, Preston; Elizabeth Hooper (Mrs. Knapp), Cape Schanck; Emily Lancaster, Ivanhoe; Annie Stewart, Preston; Maud Harrison, Northcote; Betty Brown, Northcote; Florence Burrell, Croxton; May Holme, Surrey Hills; Tom Pettigrew, Fawkner; Lily Gordon, Preston; H. W. Tomkins, East Malvern; Flora R. Thomson, Northcote; A. E. Bray, Northcote; Charlie J. Mason, Ascot Vale; May Cochran, Carlton; Augusta Kelsher, Brunswick; H. Hellwig, Northcote; A. Mundy, Northcote; A. Bailey, Preston; Jack Smith, Northcote; Bessie Cameron, Northcote; Millie Robinson, Northcote; Florence E. Mulway, Northcote; George A. White, N. Fitzroy; George E. Marriott, Northcote; James R. Jewell, Brunswick; E. M. Clarke, Reservoir; Ernest Broadhurst, Carrum; Jessie Wright, Bentleigh; Lily Mabbs, Northcote; James Bromilow, Hawthorn; Hettie Shanks (teacher), Epping; J. M. David, Canterbury; Mary Hogan, Whittlesea; Harry Botford, Brunswick; Fred H. Mitchell, Northcote; Albert W. T. Medson, Caulfield; Edith Hesklth (Mrs. E. Hesklth), Geelong; Clara Lancaster (Mrs. Road), Brighton; Arthur Lancaster, Northcote.

Scholars from 1885 to 1895:—Mary Parr, North Brighton; Arthur Gibbs, Preston; Ida Morris, Brunswick; Joe Cornish, Northcote; Milley Parr, North Brighton; Rose Randle, Horsham; Maud Schwaebach, Northcote; Grace Randall, East Preston; Isabella Bradley, Northcote; Myrtle Barr, North-A. Johnson), Preston; Will J. Aird, Canterbury; J. M. Curtis, Northcote; Lizzie Aird, Wancln; Emily Aird, Surrey Hills; Annie Aird, Malvern; Jessie Temby, Mont Albert; Lily Lancaster, Ivanhoe; Bella Clarke, Clifton Hill; Willie Clark, Fluvcy; Jack Aller, Preston; Emily Ruth Broadley, St. Kilda; August Rossau, Northcote; Nell Wright (Medson), East Brunswick.

Scholars from 1895 to 1905.—Jessie B. Martin, Northcote; Dorothy Parr, Elwood; Elsie Montgomerie, North-co.o; Louie Crawley, Regent; Jessie Catherine Roberts, Parkville; Nelson Harry, Northcote; Percy Cogle, Northcoter; Louisa J. Court, Northcote; Fanny Court, Preston; Minnie Dalziel, Carnegie; Minnie Kennedy, Malvern; Linda Smith, Middle Park; Grace Pocock, Northcote; Fannie Watson, Northcote; Eliza Gluyas, Northcote; Mabel Lowe, Brunswick; L. G. Gray, Thornbury; A. Smith, Northcote; F. C. Cornish, Northcote; Violet Maum, Thornbury; A. M. Shands, Ivanhoe; Isobell Shands, Oakleigh; Annie Dennis, Ararat; Alf Smith, Northcote; Clarice Fry, Northcote; Theodora Brotherton, Fairfield; Agnes Brotherton, Fairfield; Naomi Southby, Dennis; Rae Shands, Heidelberg; Maggie Willmott, Northcote; Jessie Willmott, Caulfield; Blanche Willmott, Werribee; Aggie Willmott, Malvern; John Willmott, St. Kilda; Rebekah Smith, Fairfield; Edith Ralston, North Fitzroy; Merlin E. McWilliams, Northcote; K. E. Petry, Thornbury; L. M. Petry, Reservoir; Clare Hopkinson, Black Rock; Rona Clarke, North-Bertha Lacey, Preston; Jane Gill, Northcote; H. S. Speers, Northcote; Howard T. Morris, Northcote; Ethel Morris, Northcote; Annie Smith, Northcote; Jessie Doidge, Bundoora; Alice Smith, Northcote; Ethel M. Court, Preston; Florence Cochrane, Northcote; Harold S. Temby, Moorabbin; Percy Bice, Northcote; Ethel Quennault, Clifton Hill; Lily Jewell, Auburn; Dorothy Parr, Elwood; B. S. Jacobs, Preston; Netta Hellwig, Northcote; Alvina Hellwig, Northcote; K. Maum, Northcote; Ada Studd, Warracknabeal; Nellie MacDonald, North Fitzroy; Daisy Craig, Croxton; Nellie Craig, Northcote; Elizabeth Gluyas, Bundoora; Alice Andrews, Northcote; Minnie Sundo (Mrs. M. E. Gillett), Northcote; Reta Brown, Heidelberg; Gertie Brown, Ivanhoe; Annie Phillips, Montono; Jean Phillips, Blackburn; Lillie Jordan, Preston; Aggie Freebairn, Burwood; Elsie Freebairn, Oakleigh; J. Walker, Northcote; R. G. Clayton, Hawthorn; W. J. Clayden, Thornbury; G. Quennell, Thornbury; Agnes Ginther, Notting Hill; Frederick Ginther, Notting Hill; Mabel Hibbert, Preston; Margaret Gilchrist, East Kew; Frederick Barker, Northcote; May Jacobs, North Fitzroy; William Clarke, North Fitzroy; H. S. Ward, Northcote; Lottie Roberts, Northcote; Laura Gilbert, Northcote; A. Glanfield, Thornbury; May Witcomb, Thornbury; Harry Lukeke, Williamstown; Emma Lane, Tullamarine; Oswald J. Tonkin, Thornbury; Stanley W. Harvey, Northcote; Reg Morrison, Templestowe; Florence Daley, West Preston; Emily Chiseon, Preston; Letty Clark, Preston; Margaret Carew, Northcote; Annie Stacey (Whiteley), Altcham; Ada Amelia Barker (Mrs. Preston; Jessie Pearl, Thornbury; Flo Tomby, Mont Albert; Madge Fraser, Auburn; Alice Shugg, Northcote; Tina Smith, Northcote; Elsie Bouchier, Northcote; Thel Tomkins, Old ???? ?? N.S.W.; H. Horan, Preston; F. J. Matthewman, Balwyn; Clarence G. Taylor, Clarkefield; George A. Johnson, Armadale; Blanche Oliver, Preston; William Henry Dennis, Preston; W. Alfred Hulett, Northcote; Daphne Roberts, Ivanhoe; Reg Cox, Northcote; Reg S. Palling, Dennis; H. J. White, Collingwood; A. E. Tacey, Thornbury; Wm. B. Shaw, Northcote; Jean McLean, Coburg; Roy Morris, Hawthorn; George A. Bignell, Abbotsford; Emily B. Earp, Thornbury; Blanche Colson, Croxton; Frances Colson, Thornbury; Edith McDonald, Abbotsford; Annie Clarke, Croxton; Emma Drakeford, Balwyn; Madeline Phillips, Northcote; Ethel Tanner, Northcote; Muriel Boundy, Preston; Dairy Bloy, Preston; Myrtle V. Gurney, Northcote; Florrie Lupson, Northcote; Sarah Humphries, Preston; Lily Patrick, Bundoora; Maggie Richardson, Caulfield; Elsie Richardson, Williamstown; Emily Foote, North Fitzroy; Clara Bignell, Brunswick; Percy Anderson, Glen Iris; Violet Blyth, Elsie Ballantyne, East Preston; Haddie Randle, Preston; Daphne White, Northcote; Beatrice Roberts, Northcote; Isabella Brockie, Amherst; Charles Mullany (teacher), Parkville; Priscilla Gluyas, Murrumbeena; L. Howse, Northcote; M. Evans, Northcote; Daisy M. Miller, Northcote; Ada E. Fry, Northcote; Elsie Howitt, Northcote; Ethel Clark, West Preston; Florence Clark, Ivanhoe; Alma Johannesen, Northcote; Elsie Gluyas, Thornbury; Alice Mabbrey, Thornbury; Stuart S. Davie, Caulfield; A. E. Wood, Albury; E. D. Wood, Collingwood; S. C. Iredale, Thornbury; Hermann Becker, Northcote; Rose Broadhurst, Northcote; Lizzie Riddell, Northcote; Maggie Riddell, Northcote; Elsie Coles, South Preston; Lily Blackman, Thornbury; Dorrie Ballantyne, Thornbury; Ida Ballantyne, Thornbury; Stella Barnett, Heidelberg; Annie Phillips, Mentone; Elizabeth McKay, North Brighton; Lily Bray, Trafalgar; Emmie Sims, Thornbury; Florence Hocking, Caulfield; May Hocking, Northcote; Annie Hocking, North Fitzroy; Dolly Harry, Northcote; Gertrude Harry, Canterbury; Phillis Hoskins, Brighton Beach; Hilda Swinton, Ivanhoe; Arthur Swinton, Ivanhoe; Frances Sullivan, Burwood; Susan Stevens, Croxton; Evelyn Kemp, Northcote; Elsie Cox, Croxton; Hilda Spong, Preston; Ivy Roberts, Croxton; Alice Dwyer, Northcote; Annie Broadhurst, Northcote; Annie McKay, Caulfield; Ruby Bennett, Preston; Vera Bennett, Regent; May Coates, Northcote; Grace McLoughlin, Brunswick; Dorothy Leith, Westgarth; Lina Knapp, Collarenebri, N.S.W.; Rose Karkoek, Northcote; Bert Saunders, Northcote; Florrie Tishler, Clifton Hill; Elsie Williams, Northcote; Ella McKeon, Northcote; Annie Petry, Regent; Daisy Dean, Northcote; Deby Tishler, Northcote; Ivy Rowe, Greensborough; Bertha Nelson, Northcote; Alice Barnes, Northcote; Vernie Farr, Thornbury; Doris Burton, Thornbury; Lydia Clarke, Preston; Janet Clarke, Clifton Hill; Jessie Harrington, Thornbury; Ethel Hulett, Northcote.

Scholars from 1905 to 1915.—Alex H. Ruxton, Callawadda; A. Travill, Northcote; L. Lancaster, Northcote; Hilda McPherson, Northcote; Elsie Bennett, Montono; Ruby Gray, Northcote; W. G. Glanfield, Northcote; W. Norris, Mt. Isa, Qld.; W. Rycroft, Northcote; E. C. Staff, Northcote; R. L. Bray, Northcote; Harold W. Fry, Moonee Ponds; Lorna Hewett, Northcote; E. S. Wicks, Northcote; D. E. Hewett, Northcote; Annie Smith, Northcote; Ruby Kimbor, Northcote; Ada Harwood, Northcote; Alma Franklin, Croxton; Violet Phillips, Northcote; Flora MacDonald, Northcote; Vera Noel, Northcote; Ellie M. Wheeldon, Rosebud; Elsa M. Davey, Thornbury; R. L. Gale, Coolone; E. Masson, Thornbury; E. Smith, Preston; Eric F. Kellam, Ivanhoe; L. Smith, Regent; E. King, Regent; F. King, Preston; Violet Alford, Preston; Emily Smith, Northcote; Rosalie Bell, Northcote; Vera Ewin, Northcote; Minnie Bennett, Elsternwick; Frank R. Thomas, Elsternwick; Albert Peters

INTERESTING TO MUNICIPALITIES

CASE IN PRESTON COURT

PRESTON COUNCIL WINS

LEGAL points were raised, all sorts of arguments were put forward and Messrs. Tibb, P.M. and Tulloch, J.P., had a busy time on Thursday of last week in Preston Court when a case of intense interest was heard, the parties concerned being the local municipal authorities and Patrick Hearne, a resident of Murray road, who was proceeded against under a section of the Local Government Act for having failed to construct a footpath in Murray road. The charge was Patrick C. Hearne, 446 Murray road, indebted to Preston Council for asphalting charges in respect of property in Murray road in the sum of £3/16/.

Mr. Home represented the council and Mr. Roy Cahir appeared on behalf of defendant.

Cr. L. Jones said:—The path was made by the council on account of its bad condition. The path had not been previously paved or asphalted. It was virgin soil.

Mr. J. F. Goulding said:—I live in Murray road near to the place in question. Prior to the asphalting it was virgin soil.

Geo. Pike said he had been rate collector in the employ of Preston City Council for 17 years. Notice was served on defendant in 1927 for the sum of £3/16/ due for the construction of the footpath in front of his premises in Murray road. Before the work was undertaken the centre was a worn track with grass growing on either side. When rain fell the water lodged in pot-holes in the path.

Another witness said that the path was in bad state in wet weather he had to take the family perambulator on to the other side of the road. This was owing to the muddy and greasy state of the path.

Ernest Taylor said that he had been a former council employee. In 1927 the path in front of defendant's premises was constructed. Prior to the work, it was an ordinary virgin soil path. There had been no previous flagging, asphalting, or paving.

James Iles said there had been no indication of the land in front of defendant's property having been prepared as a lawn.

Daniel Julian Matthews, bank accountant, said he had lived nearby for 11 years. Prior to asphalting, the place was in a deplorable state. Rain washed the soil away and there was a watercourse down the centre.

Mr. Cahir submitted that he was not called upon to answer the case as presented by the council. It was for that body, through its legal representative, to prove conclusively that the pathway had not been made previously, and this they had failed to do.

Mr. Home said it was impossible for this to be done, as there were no records forthcoming to that effect.

The P.M. said the bench considered there was a case to answer.

For the defence Patrick Clancy, railway employe, said he had resided in Murray road, 200 yards east of defendant's property, for 19 years. Prior to the asphalting of the path gravel was put down at regular intervals. It was a reasonably good gravel path. It had not, into disrepair, but to any great extent.

In answer to Mr. Home witness said he would consider it an exaggeration to say that a perambulator could not be wheeled along the footpath prior to it being asphalted, on account of its muddy state.

Defendant said he had resided in the house in Murray road for 10 years and the path had been a good gravel one prior to the asphalting being done. It was always in good, order, and showed signs of having been made.

At this stage the bench adjourned in order to make an inspection of the path. Upon resuming the P.M. said he and Mr. Tulloch were satisfied the case for the council had been proved, and that the path had not been paved, kerbed, or asphalted previously. An order would be made for the amount claimed.

Mr. Home said the case was really a test one and the principle involved was a large one. He suggested that the costs be adequate to the occasion He asked for £7/7/ costs.

Mr. Cahir strongly objected to such an amount. In February last the council commenced proceedings in the matter and then decided to withdraw. On that occasion he (Mr. Cahir) had to fight to get any costs at all. In the end he was awarded £2/2/. No doubt the case had been an important one, but the amount of costs asked for by Mr. Home was excessive.

The bench decided to allow £5/5/ professional costs and 15/4 for one witness, viz. Mr. Matthews the bank accountant.

Special Order for Borrowing Money

MR. BEN JOHNSON, Town Clerk and Engineer to Preston City Council, elsewhere inserts an announcement as to a speciabl order for borrowing money.

After The Voyage

(By ROWAN GLEN)

TOWARDS evening on what was, for her, a day of days, Mrs. Norton had everything in the cottage ready for her son's return. Some twenty-four hours previously she had received his brief note which he had posted in London, saying that his ship had docked at Tilbury and that he would start for Steeple Warley as soon as he was paid off.

The two years of loneliness had been very hard to bear, partly because it had come upon her so unexpectedly. But now the beloved Jim was coming home. Not merely was he coming home, but he had hinted that if he could get his old job back with Marston, the village joiner, he would not go to sea again.

When the last touch had been given to the table in the cottage kitchen the widow went once again to the garden gate, and stood there, looking down the lane which led towards the railway station.

As she stood watching and waiting she was joined by a girl of twenty or so, who was on her way to the village—a pretty fair-haired girl, in whose grey eyes there was a look of wistful understanding and sympathy

"Well, Mrs. Norton," the girl started, "you're all ready for him, then ?"

"Yes, May, m'dear, all ready. I'm that excited, though, I'll hardly know what to say to him at first. I can hardly believe it's true—that I'm to have my boy with me again, sooner than we thought for. You'll look in to see us to-night, May ?"

"To-morrow'll be soon enough," the other answered. "You and he will want no one else till then. I'll be moving on now. Maybe I'll be passing Jim on my way."

"That's likely. You'll know him at once, my dear, for he's as big and handsome he is. And then, his photo on the mantelpiece——"

May nodded.

"Yes, there's that," she said "Over I should come to know him so well, and should be calling him Jim,' and yet I didn't come to Steeple Warley till—till after he'd gone away. All right then—I'll be getting along."

They looked into each other's eyes and the older woman said:

"He'll maybe be worried about how I'm going to greet him—but he needn't be. I'll make everything all right. He didn't mean any harm. He was impulsive from a boy, after all, he loves . . I've had that to cling to."

"I know," the girl returned. "You needn't fear I'll ever say a word to him—I shouldn't. I promised you quite a while ago now. See you tomorrow, then."

She was gone on that, and some ten minutes after her graceful figure had disappeared round a bend in the lane, Mrs. Norton saw another figure—a tall, broad-shouldered figure which, somehow, became blurred as she watched it approach.

But she had blinked all the tears from her eyes before the big man, whom at time she still thought of as her baby, reached the gate, and, not daring at first to look at her straightly held his hands out.

As, half dreaming while still awake James Norton lay in bed that night his mother came to him, candle in hand, and stooping, touched his brow with her lips.

"Sound sleep to you, Jim my boy" she said, "And to-morrow you needn't lose the word 'sorry' any more, I understand. You're home again, and nothing else matters."

His eyes, so much older than the passing of two years should have made them, met hers for a moment, then looked away towards the open window through which a breeze from the hills was coming to sway the curtains gently.

"You've taken it all the way I thought you would, but I've an awful lot to make up to you," he managed "I've suffered, though — maybe enough. The only comfort I had was the thought that, between your pension and the bit in the bank you'd be all right for money till I got home."

"I know," she told him, "Don't fret any more. That's done with. And Jim, there's something I've kept from telling you till now."

"Yes ?"

"When I got your letter yesterday I went to Mr. Marston and spoke more freely than I'd done before. He's willing for you to start with him on Monday at the old wage."

"Tell me, mother," Jim asked softly: "does old Marston know exactly how it was I went away ?"

"I told him I said you'd gone on your summer holidays as usual that year, but that you'd come across Sam Pellman, the sailor who used to be here when you were both boys, and that Sam was sailing for Australia the very next day and had said his captain was at his wits' end to get a ship's carpenter, and that something had come over you, and you'd applied and got the job. I said you'd written before sailing, and then from Sydney, but not again till yesterday I needn't have told him that much, but I thought I should."

"That was right," said Jim, and, putting a hand up, laid it on her cheek for a moment.

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Resettling in Steeple Warley proved to be easier for James Norton than he had expected, and as the weeks passed some of the old gaiety came back to him and the spirit of youth reappeared in his eyes. Occasionally they were clouded, but not for long—and generally when he had been in the company of May Drew, to whom almost from their first meeting he had felt drawn by some force stronger and sweeter than anything he had ever dreamed of.

(To be Concluded)

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Dear Cobbers.—Wasn't last week a disappointment when the Corner didn't appear, but it couldn't be helped, so we must make up for it in the weeks to come.

The Jubilee has been a great success. I guess you've all been to some of the functions, and bought a Lucky Envelope. Jacko got a dozen pegs for his envelope and Fluffy a ticket for the pictures. Wasn't the procession great and the Carnival quite a treat. The Pets did enjoy themselves, especially when they hopped aboard the illuminated tram and had a ride !

The winner of the Animal Competition is in this week Several guessed correctly, so we put the names in a hat and Fluffy pulled one out.

On Saturday night we played the ping-pong match and the Pets beat us wholesale, doubles and singles. They're really champions, although I beat Fluffy at singles, but Jacko beat me 6—4, 6—7, 7—5. In the doubles the Pets won 6—3, 6—4; but as Grandpa says they didn't allow for his rheumatics.

Write and tell me how you kept up the Jubilee and send along your Contributions. Heaps of love from the Pets and UNCLE PHIL.

ANIMAL COMPETITION

There were four with the correct solutions, so we put the names in a hat and Fluffy drew out one. The winner is Amy Martin. Will you call in on Monday with your Certificate and Uncle Phil will please Amy ? Jim Smith, Vera Keele and Joyce Lawrence also sent in correct solutions.

The animals were horse, llama, ass pig, goat, doe, ape, lamb, ewe, bat, lion, kid and cat.

Answer to Problem

The year on the foundation stone which was turned upside down and not noticed till years later was 1881.

BIRTHDAYS

All the Cobbers, Uncle Phil, and the Pets send the Happiest and Heartiest Best Wishes and Birthday Greetings to Fred Hughson (May 21); Joyce Norris (May 22); Colette Comans (May 24); Edith Oliver (May 25); (and Ona Humphreys, Edith Love and Kath Smith (May 26); ; Prescott (May 27); Nellie Patrick, Allan Angus, Alan Gray, Dick Bowchier and Donald Wells (May 28); Doris Lewis, Thelma Barrett, Alice Southam and April Stead (May 29); Jean Deacon (May 31); and Winnie Penrose, Kathleen Browne and Colin Russell (June 2).

OUR MAIL BAG

Marjory Maybus.—Welcome to the Clubs Marjory and we hope you'll send us a snap of yourself as well as some contributions. Do you like school ? We've used your joke. Love and best wishes from the Pets and U.P.

Edna Maybus. — Welcome to the Cobbers' and Birthday Clubs Edna. Will you send us a snap of yourself for our Cobbers' Album and some more entries ? Are you enjoying the Jubilee celebrations ? Were you in the school concert ? The Pets sent love and greetings.—U.P.

Ruby Keele—Bravo Ruby for the 100 marks. We'll send the prize on to you. Tell Reg the snap is a beauty My word you should be proud of your Dad. We'll use your Contribution next week.—U.P.

Joyce Lawrence—I'm sorry about the Tria Competition Joyce but we closed it over a month ago. You can count the Trias as "Beats" in your next 100 marks. Were you in the school concert ? Heaps of best wishes from U.P.

CONTRIBUTIONS

I love the little birds that sing
The flowers and early days of spring;
Dainty dresses and shoes so neat
A lump of ice in sweltering heat;
Children who are happily playing,
Flowers in the breezes swaying;
Little clouds and skies of blue
A soldier to his country true:
The great round moon and stars that peep,
Happy dreams and peaceful sleep;
Plenty of books, and a cosy armchair,
The little pony and its mother the mare.
Little dogs, and kittens too
The sound of the little doves that coo;
Old fashioned houses, with gardens so sweet,
And in the concert to get a good seat,
These are some of the things I love,
As I have mentioned here above.
(GOOD) Joyce Lawrence

OBEYING ORDERS

A cavalry recruit named Murphy, was given one of the worst horses in the troop. "Remember," cautioned the sergeant, "no one is allowed to dismount without orders." Murphy was no sooner in the saddle than the horse began to kick, and Murphy went over his head. "Murphy," yelled the sergeant, when he discovered him lying on the ground, breathless "you dismounted ?" "I did." "Did you have orders ?" "I did." "From headquarters ?" "No, sir; from hindquarters."
(GOOD) Billy Murray

ONLY FIFTY

Little Johnny returned with a black eye and a cut lip "Johnny," exclaimed his mother "you're a naughty boy. You've been fighting again." "Yes, Mum," he returned dismally "I couldn't help it." "But didn't I tell you to count a hundred first ?" she said "I know Mum," said Johnny "I had started to count—but the other boy's mother only told him to count fifty."
(GOOD) Jean Moylan.

FASHION FORECAST

Skirts will be worn two inches shorter Suits will be worn two years longer
(GOOD) G. Kehn.

THINK ARIGHT

If you think you are beatop, you are; If you think you dare not you don't; If you like to win, but think you can't; It's almost certain you won't.
(GOOD) Bert Moylan.

THE SWING

How do you like to go up in a swing,
Up in the air so blue ?
Oh, I think it the prettiest thing
Ever a child can do.
(GOOD) Ethel Francis.

STORYETTES

Teacher: "Now, Willie, do you know how many ribs you have in your body ?" Willie: "No Teacher, I'm so ticklish I can't bear to count 'em."
(GOOD) George Joyce.

Rag and Bone Merchant: "Any bear bottles lady ?" Lady: "Oh ! bear ? I drank beer ?" R.B.M.: "Well vinegar bottles, Lady ?"
(GOOD) Joyce Brookshaw

"My word, Dick, you've got the latest thing in typists." "She certainly is that. She never gets here till eleven."
(GOOD) K. McLeod.

Busy Man: "I really cannot see you." Visitor: "Good, I'm selling spectacles."
(GOOD) Amy Martin.

Parson: "How do you like school ?" Geoffrey: "Not much; I like Sunday school better, because it's only once a week."
(GOOD) Brian Mahony.

A school boy was asked by his teacher what an emu was. "Please teacher an emu is a noise that a tom-cat makes.
(GOOD) Marjorie Maybus.

Teacher: "You seem much brighter this morning Tommy." Tommy: "I should think so, I had brains for breakfast."
(GOOD) Ernie Anthonsen.

A Scotchman was listening to a Salvation Army meeting. When the collection was being taken up a young Army lass asked the Scotchman if he could spare a shilling for the Lord "How old are you ?" asked the Scotchman. "Seventeen," replied the Army lass. "Oh ! Well I am 70" said the Scotchman, so I will give it and the Lord myself as I will be seeing him before you will."
(GOOD) Daisy Mitchell.

Tramp (to lady of the house): "Spare a crust please, madame." Lady: "No, I give my crumbs to the sparrows." Tramp: "My name is Sparrow kind lady." Lady: "No fear your name is Rook."
(GOOD) Thelma Stead.

Lady at Dance: "You must find me rather heavy to dance with ?" Partner (trying to be gallant): "I spend the day rolling barrels about and I don't find them much heavier than you."
(GOOD) HMarjorie Wood.

Son (to father): "Daddy, aren't bees like teachers ?" Father: "Why ?" Son: "Well, bees give us wax, and so does teacher."
(GOOD) Reggie Keele

Teacher: "This essay on 'Our Dog' is word for word the same as your brother's, Tommy: "Yes, it's the same dog."
(GOOD) Con Power

Scottish Barber (engaging assistant): "I pay lower wages during the summer, because the work's easier." Applicant: "But people get their hair cut just the same." Barber: "Ay, but ye dinna hae to help them wi' their overcoats."
(GOOD) Sydney Caffe

Jack: "I wonder why they always put telephone wires high in the air" Jim: "So they can keep up a conversation of course."

James: "Why are railway lines like blankets ?" Robert: "Because they cover sleepers of course."
(GOOD) Lily Southern.

Teacher (to little girl): "Spell that, Little Girl: "T-h-a-t." Teacher: "Very good, if the 'T' is taken away what remains ?" Little Girl: "The cups and saucers."
(GOOD) Willie Eaton.

Lady: "Is this my train ?" Porter: "No; it belongs to the railway department."
(GOOD) Coleen Mahony.

Teacher: "Now can anyone give me a sentence with the word reverie in it ?" Tommy: "When the game was over the reverie (referee) blew his whistle."
(GOOD) Jack Power.

Teacher: "Have you made out a list of the eleven greatest men ?" Willie: "Almost, sir; I can't pick out the best wicket-keeper though."
(GOOD) Bessie Goldstein

Father: "I never told lies when I was a boy." Son: "When did you begin, Dad ?"
(GOOD) A. Anthonsen.

Teacher: "Now, Ben, can you tell me what a mountain is ?" Benjamin: "Yes, sir; it's a piece of the ground with its back up."

When are flowers out of breath ? —When they are fully blown.
(GOOD) Norma Pettit.

Captain: "Well, sing it if you cannot say it." Sailor: "Should old acquaintance be forgot and never brought to mind—the Chinese cook fell overboard and is 20 miles behind."
(GOOD) Frank Power

Did you go to the theatre last night to see Dudham's Company do 'The Hero's Lament' ?" "Yes I did." "Who played the hero ?" "Well—er —every man in the audience who stuck it to the end."
(GOOD) Lily Anthonser

RIDDLES

What roof covers the noisiest tenant ?—The roof of the mouth.

Why is an empty purse always the same ?—Because there is never any change in it.
(GOOD) Edna Maybus.

There's a big round something in the sky,
It's yellow and bright; you can guess it if you try.
There's a jolly man in it,
Now hurry and tell me before I tell you.
Answer.—The Moon.
(GOOD) H. Francis.

My name is Jack, and I have no feet
Yet I go about at night;
Pictures I make, though I have no hands,
When you see me, I am white.
Answer.—Jack Frost.
(GOOD) Ethel Francis

What is the third river in Scotland ? —The Forth.

What is more foolish than sending coal to Newcastle ? — Sending milk to Cowes.

What is that which is black but enlightens the world ?—Ink.
(GOOD) Alice Southam.

Why is a pianist like a locksmith ? —Because he fingers the keys.
(GOOD) J. Francis.

How did the last shower insult the lady ?—It began to patter on her back.
(GOOD) Colin Hammond.

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Northcote.—0,1,0,0,0,0,2,0,1.—4.
Y.M.C.A.—0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0.—1.

Mr. H. Newbound umpired.

Northcote are now leading in the A Section being undefeated. This week's game is against Port Melbourne at Port Melbourne Cricket Ground at 1.15 p.m.

Second Nine Defeated by Glenhuntly

The two undefeated teams in C Grade met at Glenhuntly on Saturday. The Northcote team were far below its usual form and lost a poor game by 14 runs to 4. D. Wood, playing his first game, took two brilliant catches at centre field and H. Newsome pitched well as catcher. The form of the others was too bad to be true. Scores:—

Glenhuntly.—0,0,8,0,1,5,0.—14.
Northcote0,0,1,0,2,1,0.—4.

This week's game is against Kew at Kew Cricket Ground at 1.15 p.m.

Third Nine Make Record Score

Northcote (two defeats) met Ivanhoe I.O.R. (five defeats) at Ivanhoe last Saturday. The prediction in these notes last week that this side would be a force to be reckoned with was fulfilled as they batted their way through the Ivanhoe defence and massed the record score for the club of 57 runs. This score has been exceeded only once in the history of Victorian baseball. N. Dickson scored 2 home runs and J. Little, B. Bernstein and R. Gordon hit one each. N. Dickson and J. Moyes proved an effective battery and should prove decided acquisitions in future matches Scores:—

Northcote.—12,1,2,17,2,5,2,5,0.—57.

Ivanhoe I.O.R.—6,1,2,0,0,3,3,0,2,—17.

This week's game is against St. Kilda at Northcote Park at 1.45 p.m.

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The undefeated Regent entered the field with high hopes against Northcote on Saturday. Owing, however to the indifferent showing made by some of their best players both in the field and with the bat, they were beaten easily. Regent's best was P. Walmsley, who played his usual reliable game on first. P. Walmsley also hit a three-bagger.

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JUBILEE DINNER

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR PRESENT

At the conclusion of the council meeting all present were individually introduced to His Excellency. A dinner was given by the mayor, during which a number of toasts were proposed.

After the loyal toast the mayor proposed the health of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, saying that his presence conferred a great honor and one that was appreciated by the gathering of councillors, past and present, Parliamentary representatives and citizens. The Lieutenant-Governor had given some 40 years of public service in the State and Federal spheres, upon which he was to be congratulated.

Sir William Irvine said that he was moved by the warmth of the reception accorded to him. He congratulated the City of Northcote upon attaining its jubilee after a period of sterling and energetic progress. He appreciated the opportunity of meeting so many men engaged in public life—men who understood the meaning of service. It had become the fashion amongst certain people, not necessarily attached to any party, to criticise Parliament and the institution of Parliament—to condemn it, either from the height of their wisdom or in the light of their inexperience. (Laughter). In ordinary times this criticism would pass, but there were now two reasons why it might prove harmful at present, when all Parliaments were facing most strenuous times and facing difficulties and problems hitherto unforseen. The Parliaments were facing these problems with a non-party desire to do the best, and criticism would not assist them in solving their problems. There was another reason also. Forces were at work in the world whose aim was not only to upset all Parliaments, but to destroy the whole of the sovereign system under which we hold our being. The only protection against these forces is representative government—or Parliament as it is to-day. One could not but agree that the Australian Parliament was the most perfect form of democracy in existence—government by the people for the people. That form of government is dependent upon the continuance of Parliament as at present constituted, and it behoves everyone to do everything possible to increase the faith in Parliament instead of undermining it and decreasing its influence. If representative government as represented by Parliament is to be the bulwark against those forces which have disrupted certain European countries. Forms of government which had supplanted forms of democracy in other countries would never be tolerated by Australians. (Applause.) A country which had been nursed in the principles and practices of civil liberties would never submit to be governed by Fascism or Sovietism. If we are to support Parliament against those destructive forces, Parliament must be a free body. He did not desire to enter into controversial matters as to how far parties should go, but he would say that if the people desired to maintain the strength of Parliament for the work it had to do, to maintain its prestige, then everyone, consistently with their conception of the duties of Parliament, should give the members the widest liberty for deliberation and consultation in Parliament, and not tie too much the hands of the members. That touched possibly indirectly upon matters of considerable political controversy, but he hoped that Parliament would not find that in addition to the forces working outside that its members were tied so strictly as not to be free members of a deliberative assembly. In conclusion, Sir William expressed pleasure at meeting so many representative men engaged in public work. (Applause).

Cr. W. Oliver, J.P., proposed the toast of the Parliaments, Federal and State, coupled with the names of Cr. S. Dennis, J.P., M.H.R., Hon. J. Cain, M.L.A., and Hon. H. H. Olney, M.L.C. Cr. Oliver said that the House of Dennis was closely linked with the beginnings and growth of Northcote, and the record of service extended for over 50 years. Cr. Dennis had been the first mayor of the town of Northcote, and now, at the Jubilee, he had the honor of representing Northcote in the Federal Parliament. Hon. J. Cain was a popular member, and was now Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly. He had served in the Northcote Council for a number of years as a representative of the South Ward. Hon. H. H. Olney was a comparatively new representative, but no man had made greater headway in a shorter time. The record was one of which the whole of the district could be proud.

Cr. S. Dennis, M.H.R., said that he was a member of what was known as the "House of Review," the duty of which was to do the best for the State. He hoped that the work of the pioneer councillors of Northcote would be an inspiration to the councillors of the future.

Ex-Cr. F. J. Plant, who was six times mayor of Northcote, and who followed his father as a councillor proposed the toast of the "City of Northcote," and gave a brief resume of some of the difficulties and problems of councillors in the early days. Responses were made by Crs. W. Hayes and B. B. Johnson.

Cr. S. Dennis, M.H.R., proposed "Past Councillors," and paid to them a tribute for their foresight in laying the foundations of the present city. Owing to their foresight there were no slum areas, and there were not likely to be. It was pleasant to see no less than 21 ex-councillors present. Responses were made by Ex-Cr. Ralph Gandy, the oldest living ex-mayor (1891), and Ex-Cr. J. G. Thompson, whose message was "Carry on."

Hon. J. G. Membrey, J.P., gave the toast, "Present Councillors," saying that into their hands was given the conduct of a great city, and it was their duty to devise and carry out improvements for the benefit, not only of the citizens of to-day, but of the generation yet unborn. Responses were made by Crs. W. H. Turner, J.P., and Cr. J. Sutch, J.P.

In proposing "Officers Past and Present," Ex-Cr. W. Williams said that throughout the service of the Northcote Council there was a psychology of thoroughness and efficiency. This had been due in a large measure to Mr. W. G. Swift, who for 38 years had succeeded by the present town clerk (Mr. J. A. Thomson). Mr. Swift had often been referred to as a "prince of town clerks." He was a thorough gentleman, and a counsellor of councillors. Among the early officers also were Mr. G. R. B. Steane, now living in retirement in this city, Mr. Howitt (engineer), and Mr. J. G. Membrey (rate collector 1898-1908). He paid a tribute to the officers of to-day—the town clerk, assistant town clerk (Mr. H. C. Ferguson), Mr. A. Boyd (paymaster), Mr. W. J. Bradley (city engineer), Mr. Walter Mombrey (valuer), Mr. R. Gunst (health officer), Mr. E. D. Riddle (rate collector), Mr. T. W. Hawthorn (electrical engineer), and Mr. Chas. Bray (hall keeper).

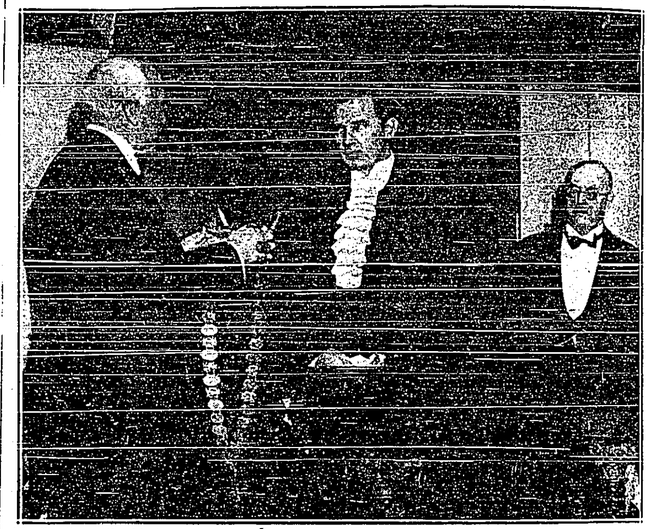
Mr. Swift, replying, said he was indeed proud that "his boys" were filling the executive and main offices of the council. He looked back with pleasure to his service with the council, and he mentioned some reminiscences of early Northcote, contrasting the handicaps of old with the conveniences of to-day. He also made mention of the Northcote electric light scheme, which had proved so profitable, had been laid out by Mr. Albert Bowden, who since had passed away.

Mr. Thomson (town clerk) also responded.

The health of the mayor was proposed by Hon. J. Cain, M.L.A., who, on behalf of the assembly, thanked he mayor for his hospitality. The mayor briefly responded.

At the conclusion of the function those present adjourned to the mayor's room to inspect the mayoral chain.

NORTHCOTE'S NEW GOLDEN MAYORAL CHAIN


His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (Sir William Irvine) handing to the Mayor of Northcote (Cr. H. Oldis, J.P.) the new gold mayoral chain of office subscribed for by former Mayors and surviving relatives of former Mayors. On the right is Mr. Ralph Gandy, J.P., the oldest surviving Mayor (1891-2). Each link bears the coat of arms of the City and the monogram of the donor.

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Prince of Wales Park Methodist Church

Back to the Park Sunday. — In connection with the municipal Jubilee celebrations a "Back to Prince of Wales Park Church" was celebrated both morning and evening the church was crowded. The morning preacher was Rev. F. H. Williams. Rev. T. H. Indian preached in the evening. An augmented choir led the singing consisting of 50 voices (quite a few being previous members) sang three anthems and at the conclusion the school hall was opened for social intercourse. On Monday night the hall was filled when a social reunion was held; Mr. A. E. Pizzey presided. Rev. T. H. Indian conducted devotions; two anthems were sung by the church choir. Welcome was extended by the following:—Church Trust, Mr. C. J. Watson; Sunday school, Mr. C. Henning; Choir, Mr. Langfield, Mr. Firth, the treasurer of the trust, gave an up-to-date financial statement. Solos were sung by Mr. Lawrence, Mesdames Griff and Gardiner and Mr. Mavlo. Responses were made by Mrs Butler, widow of one of the former trustees, Father Cornish, of Ballarat, Mr. Archbold, Mr. Len Gray, Mr. Leamon and Cr. W. Oliver. Recitations were given by Mr. Roberts, of Maryborough.

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PRESTON HAVE A GOOD WIN

BRUNSWICK DOWNED IN FINE STYLE

Preston had little difficulty in accounting for Brunswick on Saturday and played what was generally conceded to be their best game to date. Slow in starting, they were behind at the end of the first quarter, but from then on they took charge and the issue was never in doubt. The form was pleasing, the exhibition good, and there was a wealth of understanding between players. If Preston can hold their form they should have little difficulty in winning their way to the top.

To strengthen Preston's weakness in attack, Davie was relieved of the pivot position by Plummer (of the Seconds) and transferred to full-forward.

The omission of Underhill meant reshuffling the positions: Dineen played on the wing and Bird was stationed at the half-forward flank.

Seebeck, who has been umpiring, was prevailed upon to don the red and white jersey after an absence of two years, and he justified his inclusion.

Morgan, Hearn and Brewis, suffering from injuries, and Smith, who has a heavy cold, were unavailable and the vacancies were filled by Monohan (who has just recovered from injuries); Bird (who played a portion of last week's game); Ellis (who was disqualified last season); Plummer; and Seebeck.

THE TEAMS

PRESTON.—Backs: P. Spargo, McSwain (c), Seebeck; half-backs: Ellis, Monohan, F. Spargo; centres: Bowling, Plummer, Dineen; half-forwards: Cameron, Walsh, Bird; forwards: Cocks, Davie, Robinson: followers: Doyle, McEachen: rover: Warr.

BRUNSWICK. — Backs: Gillon, Blackmore (c), Morgan; half-backs: Prismal, Woods, Bright; centres: Foley, Arvell, Thompson; half-forwards: McNeill, Mutimer, Anderson; forwards: Dowling, Jones, Watts; followers: Eudey, Maynes; rover: Fitzgerald; 10th man: Walters.

The attendance was 2,000.

McSwain, winning the toss, elected to kick towards the western end, which was slightly favored by a cross breeze. Brunswick quickly moved forward, Seebeck and F. Spargo turning them back. The ball was quickly transferred to the other end where Blackmore effected successive saves.

Brunswick cleared the ball away and a snap hit the post, giving the home team the first score of the match. Next system between P. Sparco, Doyle and Bird only produced a point.

McEachern, spectacularly marking Blackmore's kick-in, had a shot for goal, being instrumental in raising one flag. Eudy relieved with a good mark. Preston, fighting tenaciously, came back and Walsh found the big opening. Gillon scored the Maggie's first goal after receiving from Bright.

When Preston attacked again they repeatedly found Blackmore, who was marking superbly, a turning factor. The Brunswick backs kept Preston at bay and the ball went to the Maggie's forwards who could only manage singles until Mutimer and Jones goaled in succession.

Brunswick were playing good football and deserved their eleven points' lead at the first interval when the scores were:—

QUARTER-TIME SCORES:

Brunswick.—3 goals 3 behinds (21 points).
Preston.—1 goal 4 behinds (10 points).

Within two minutes of the bounce Jones goaled for Brunswick and Blackmore kept Preston away when they attacked. Dineen played nicely and sent the ball down for Warr to score a nice left-foot goal.

Mutimer, receiving from Fitzgerald, immediately replied with a goal for the home team, thus giving them a lead of 17 points. Both teams were now playing open football with Brunswick supreme in the ruck where Doyle was the dominating factor with his hit-outs, high-marking and long kicking.

Warr, now playing well, again goaled for Preston, who were attacking strongly. Prismal (Brunswick) playing in his first game, was very formidable in defence. Cameron secured a lucky goal when the ball bounced through. Preston's small men were playing with good combination and after systematic play around the grandstand wing, Cameron picked up and gave Preston the lead by a single, when he kicked the maximum.

The home side immediately launched an offensive and Mutimer evened the scores as his effort hit the post. Preston, displaying fine team work, were outclassing their opponents, and Robinson hit the post from a snap.

Brunswick attacked, and Maynes from a scramble, kicked the ball through off the ground, enabling his side to regain the lead by six points.

Preston then took command and Warr equalised the scores once more with a goal. Preston sustained the attack, Robinson and Walsh kicking goals.

It was definitely the visitors' quarter—they kicked 7 goals 1 behind.

The scores at the long interval were:—

HALF-TIME SCORES:

Preston.—8 goals 5 behinds (53 points)
Brunswick.—6 goals 5 behinds (41 points).

The visitors were first away on resuming and two points resulted before Brunswick took a hand. Prismal relieved and Jones goaled twice in quick succession. Brunswick were now playing good football and were on top.

McSwain's long kicks kept the Magpies back and enabled the Preston forwards to keep a constant offensive. They could only manage singles before Warr and Davie kicked the maximum. Cameron, at half-forward, was giving his forwards a chance to score and Davie, receiving from him, raised two flags.

Brunswick returned to the attack and Preston's defenders who were playing well together, were impenetrable. Repulsing an advance they sent the ball forward when Cocks scored full points. Brunswick resumed the attack though only singles resulted. They were attacking when the quarter ended.

Preston were in a good position at the final change when the scores were:—

THREE-QUARTER SCORES:

Preston—12 goals 11 behinds (83 points).
Brunswick. — 8 goals 10 behinds (58 points).

During the third quarter Foley (Brunswick) who had injured his shoulder, was replaced by Waters.

The light was bad throughout the first term. Preston were away on the bounce and Robinson goaled. Jones immediately replied with a goal for the home side, after receiving from Mutimer.

After a couple of singles Walsh put the result beyond doubt with a fine goal. Plummer, staging a brilliant dash, sent Preston forward again: a goal by Robinson being the outcome.

Players were now using their weight fairly and Brunswick again took up the attack. After scoring singles, Jones notched his sixth goal. Preston replied with Robinson's third goal for the quarter after Blackmore had marked a shot by Cameron in the goal mouth.

Brunswick returned to the attack and Jones missed two easy opportunities. Brunswick continued the attack but were unable to penetrate the visitors' steady defence until the bell rang. The final scores were:—

FINAL SCORES

Preston.—16 goals 15 behinds (111 points).
Brunswick.—10 goals 14 behinds (74 points).

Preston's display evinced a decided improvement and they are looking forward to the coming engagements with confidence.

Goal-Kickers

Preston.—Warr (4), Robinson (4), Walsh (3), Cameron (2), Davie (2), Cocks.

Brunswick.—Jones (6), Mutimer (2), A. Gillon, Maynes.

Best Players

For Preston everyone did his share but Doyle played a big part in their success in the ruck. He both marked and kicked excellently. His partner in the ruck, McEachern, marked and kicked very well. Preston's centre line was supreme throughout. Plummer played exceptionally well in his first game and Dowling and Dineen each outclassed their opponents. Others worthy of mention are Warr and Robinson (4 goals each) Preston's two rovers, Cameron, Bird, P. Spargo and Seebeck, who staged a good comeback. McSwain's kicking was undoubtedly the feature of the match and several times the ball travelled nearly half way down the ground.

Brunswick had the best man on the ground in their captain, Blackmore, who set his side an excellent example with his brilliant marking, which countered numerous determined attacks. Prismal, also in defence, having his first game, played excellently. Blackmore and Prismal were also helped by A. Gillon in efforts to keep Preston out. At the other end of the ground Jones was most serviceable (kicking 6 goals), although in the last few minutes he missed some opportunities. Eudy and Brigat (ruck), Fitzgerald (rover), and Mutimer (forward), also played well.

Umpire Bransdon gave a good exhibition.

Northcote Church of Christ v Collingwood Church of Christ

Played at Preston. This provided a very interesting and even game throughout. Collingwood led by a few points at end of first quarter. Northcote made up the leeway and led by 4—9 to 4—5 at half time. The third term showed Collingwood playing their best and the last change found them 7 points in the lead. Another goal early in last term made Northcote look a beaten team. From a scrimmage in front Roulston snapped a remarkable goal. From then onwards Northcote were supreme, and with Reilly dominating the ruck, took the lead and kept it. Northcote 8—15 (63); Collingwood 8—10 (58). Goal-kickers: Roulston (2), Baggott, Robinson, Allen, Brinkworth Browning, Martin. Best Players: Flint (best on ground), Reece, Allen Reilly, Brinkworth, Emselle.

TENNIS.

NORTH SUBURBAN ASSOCIATION

Results of Matches

A Grade.—Dancella Park 42, d Capitol 36; Epiphany 43 d Holy Trinity 41; Oakover 52, d Westgarth 23.

B Grade.—Coaching College 54, d St. Andrews 24; Methodists 49, d Dancella Park 35; Cooma 44, d Baptists 40; St. Pauls' 53, d Holy Trinity 30; Epiphany 45, d Oakover 41.

C Grade.—Thornbury School 49, d Oakover 32; Pender's Grove 45, d Baptists 39; Soldiers, 53, d Spensley Street 23; St. James 47, d Coaching College 41.

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SOCCER

(By "Centre Half")

Preston Lose to South Yarra

Before a large crowd Preston suffered their first defeat of the season on Saturday after an exciting game by 1 goal to nil. Before the play started both teams and officials lined up and stood with bowed heads for one minute's silence in respect for one of their loyal supporters, Mr. Bottomley, who, whilst returning from Wonthaggi, was killed in an accident when a motor truck crashed into his car. The Preston team wore black arm bands. J. G. Grey won the toss and kicked towards Hotham street. Fast open play and good defence work was seen. Preston had their first opportunity when McIver got through and had a shot but missed the goal. They continued the attack but could not find the net, and what appeared to be a golden opportunity was missed when the ball, travelling along the ground and McIver running in, had a hefty kick and completely missed the ball. South Yarra took up the attack and Spotch getting through, netted with a fast rising shot over the keeper's head. Preston again pressed but lack of following up the centre man lost many chances. His rushing the goalkeeper gave one but with no one to assist him the ball was cleared. McIver was well watched but with a remarkable twist sent in a regular pile driver but the goalie was in the way. Preston were playing hard to equalise but luck was against them. The second half was a goal-less tussle, the South Yarra defence doing well to keep out the Preston attack. The weakness in the team was on the left wing, where Knowles, appearing after an accident, was off form; Muzzell played a hard game but was too often out of position.

To-morrow the club meet Hakoah which will be the match of the season, Preston being the only club Hakoah could not defeat in three seasons. The game is being staged at the Exhibition oval. On Saturday night a novelty night is being held at Mrs. Allen's, 214 Gower street, Preston.

Result of Preston Reserve Team v St. Kilda Reserve, replay of Reserve Cup—Preston 1; St. Kilda 3.

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NORTHCOTE EASILY DEFEATED

OVERWHELMED BY YARRAVILLE

Northcote met with a crushing defeat at the hands of Yarraville at Yarraville on Saturday, when the home team almost doubled Northcote's score. It was not a brilliant game, and Northcote, although they played a better game than the scores indicate, were conquered by a much better team. Northcote were very weak forward, and something will have to be done to make this department much more effective if Northcote is to hold its place.

THE TEAMS

NORTHCOTE. — Backs: Wilson, Hart, Honig; half-backs: Powell, Ackland, Woods; centres: Cole, Corrigan, Garrett; half-forwards: Simmonds, Smith, Brown; forwards: Gray, Seymour, Williamson; followers Rowe, Goullett; rover: Ross; 19th man: R. Johnstone.

YARRAVILLE.—Backs: Baker, R Edwards, Peters; half-backs: W. Buckley, Bourke, Quigg; centres: Penny, White, Frew; half-forwards: Simpson, Evans, Sheehan; forwards: Cameron, J. Buckley, Coppock; followers: Wunhym, Warden; rover: McGrath; 19th: J. Maloney.

THE PLAY

Northcote were first away but W. Buckley stopped them before Ross forwarded and Smith ran into an undefended goal to raise both flags. Yarraville went forward and McGrath passed nicely to Wunhym. However, a long kick went out.

The pace was fast from the outset with both sides infusing plenty of vigor. Ackland and Peters relieved in turn before J. Buckley, marking a defensive kick by Honig, missed an easy shot. He obtained a single.

Play now swung to the other end and Seymour, accepting a pass, Rowe made a bad miss. Bourke twice turned Northcote back with brilliant marks and long kicks.

The visitors were doing most of the attacking but the home defence with Bourke and Peters prominent, repeatedly turned them back. Evans capped a brilliant move around the flank by Yarraville with full points. Their pace was troubling Northcote who were winning on the wings. Long defiving kicks by Honig and Smith found Seymour, who raised one flag. The champion was off the target early.

Yarraville's forwards were playing with fine understanding and J. Buckley passed to Simpson for their third goal. They were attacking on the bell

QUARTER-TIME SCORES:

Yarraville—3 goals 3 behinds (21 points.)
No-theote.—1 goal 3 behinds (9 points.)

Yarraville got away on the bounce and after a couple of hurried attacks which Northcote turned J. Buckley marked and made no mistake. Freed, Rowe sent the visitors forward and Smith, marking Brown's shot, replied for Northcote.

The home side staged a determined offensive but for about 10 minutes could make no appreciable headway. Evans, with a brilliant long kick, hit the post, and Simpson, scouting cleverly, marked a beautiful pass from Sheehan and goaled.

The umpire's decisions with regard to the holding-the-ball rule were somewhat puzzling to the players of both teams.

Yarraville continued to outpace Northcote and were far superior in the air. They also held sway in the ruck where Wunhym was the dominating factor. Gray broke through to snap a single for the visitors who were finding it decidedly difficult to pass their half-forward line.

The play was confined mostly to Yarraville's end, who, however, failed to ram home their attacks. After two near misses Buckley made amends with a well-judged punt. Bourke stopped Northcote on the bell

Only for their poor shooting for goal Yarraville would have been further ahead at the long interval. They left the field with a comfortable lead of 4 goals. The scores at this stage were:

HALF-TIME SCORES

Yarraville.—6 goals 7 behinds (43 points).
Northcote.—2 goals 7 behinds (19 points).

Yarraville were first to find their feet, only to be turned back by Brown. Simmonds carried the move on and passed to Seymour for a much-needed goal. Bourke stopped their next advance with a brilliant high mark.

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Gathering in the ball as it fell he snapped a single from a long way out A little later he made no mistake as the result of a nice mark and punt kick. Simmonds followed with a single. They were playing much better and had Yarraville on the run. Seymour snapped another single. Play was exciting with the players throwing all their weight into the fray.

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Romantic Circle

MORONEY—GOREY

ST. JOSEPH'S Roman Catholic Church, Northcote, was the setting for a charming wedding on Saturday, April 29, the bride being Anne Victoria (Bonnie), eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Gorey, McCracken avenue, Northcote, and the bridegroom, Cyril, eldest son of the late Mr. M. F. Moroney and of Mrs. J. Moroney, Sydney road, North Coburg. Groupings of autumn foliage, holly berries and dahlias were attractively arranged about the altar by the Miss M. Purcell. Rev. Father Fitzpatrick solemnised the marriage, assisted by Rev. Father Galvin (P.P.) and the Children of Mary formed a guard of honor as the bride entered and left the church. During the signing of the register Mr. Syd Exton sang "All joy be thine," the accompanist being Miss L. Beagley. The bride who was given away by her father, wore a lovely gown of ivory ring velvet cut to show the soft Empire line, with long close-fitting sleeves, and a graceful skirt falling into a train. Over this fell an exquisite Brussels lace veil which was mounted on billowy tulle and caught to the head with a coronet of orange blossom buds, worn high on the forehead. She carried a sheaf of roses and fairy orchids. The bridesmaids were Misses Nance and Mary Gorey, cousins of the bride, and Miss Joan Gorey, sister. Very beautiful was the bridal group with its frocks of autumn tints toning from pale tawny gold to the rich coloring of the marigold. Their georgette frocks were made with instep length skirts falling fully from a fitted hipline, while the bodices were slightly rucked in the front. Short cottees were worn with puffed sleeves to the elbow and lace mittens. Their small georgette toques were encircled by hand-made flowers and berries which matched their bouquets of tawny cactus dahlias and autumn leaves. The best man was Mr. Bert Gorey and the groomsmen, Mr. Jack Farrell and Mr. George Gorey. After the ceremony the bride's parents entertained a number of relatives and friends at Normanby Hall which was brightly decorated with autumn leaves and chrysanthemums. The wedding breakfast was prepared by Mrs. Olorenshaw and left nothing to be desired. The three-tiered wedding cake made by the bride's mother, was decorated in the three shades of the bridesmaids frocks. During the evening items were given by Miss P. Gallagher and Mr. Sid Exton. Mrs. Gorey wore a pretty brown silken frock with beige lace and a cellophane straw hat. A bouquet of holly berries and autumn leaves was carried. Mrs. J. Moroney, who received with the host and hostess, wore a becoming frock of black georgette and a small fitting hat of black velvet. Her bouquet of red roses made a note of color. On return from the honeymoon the couple will reside in Camberwell.

EDWARDS—CATLIN

ON April 22 at the Church of the Epiphany, Northcote, Rev. G. Tymms officiated at the marriage of Mr. Ernest C. Edwards, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Edwards, of Derby street, Northcote, and Miss Rita Catlin, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Catlin, of Ouyen. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a chalk white peau d'ange lace frock over shell pink, fashioned on fitting lines. Flared shoulder capes finished the long fitting sleeves and her white Honiton lace veil, mounted on shell pink tulle, was held with orange blossom. She carried a floral pink tulle muff with silver ribbon streamers. The bridesmaid was Miss Marjorie Williamson who wore an ankle-length frock of shrimp pink georgette, inset with frilled godets and cape. A belt, toque, and muff of jade green completed the ensemble. Mr. Reginald Hicks acted as best man. The wedding breakfast and reception were held at the home of the groom's parents. The bride's travelling costume was of black velour finished with steel buttons, and black velvet toque. The bride's mother wore a briar tweed tailor-made costume with fawn felt hat trimmed with red feather motif. The bridegroom's mother was frocked in navy wool-de-chene with flared shoulder capes and fawn collar and cuffs worn with a small navy velvet toque and a shoulder posy of pink carnations. The honeymoon was spent at Dromana and the young couple intend to reside in Regent until their home at East Malvern is completed.

FERGUSON—MONTGOMERY

AT 9 o'clock on the morning of Saturday, April 15, at St. Joseph's Church, Northcote, Rev. Father Fitzpatrick officiated at the wedding of Mr. John Fulton Ferguson and Miss Angela Montgomery. The bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Montgomery, of "Mt. Olive," Launceston, Tasmania and was given away by her brother-in-law, Mr. Alwyn Brown. Chiffon taffetas and lace, formed the pretty bridal gown over which fell a beautifully worked tulle veil, held with orange blossom (lent by a friend of the bride's sister), and she carried a sheaf of white cactus dahlias, pink tinted gladioli and autumn leaves. A sister of the bride, Mrs. Alwyn Brown, acted as Matron of Honor, in a tomato lace and georgette frock, with hat and shoes in brown, and autumn dahlias and asparagus fern completed her bouquet. Mr. Alwyn Brown attended the groom, who is the youngest son of Mr. James Ferguson and the late Mrs. Ferguson of Ballarat. At the home of the bride's sister, Hastings street, Northcote, a small gathering of relatives and friends were entertained at the breakfast, the table and room being decked with dahlias in autumn tints and asparagus fern. The exquisite wedding cake was made, decorated, and given by Miss Hilda Ferguson, sister of the groom. After the breakfast the couple left by car for Ballarat, the bride travelling in a cloth coat in wine shade, with velvet toque to match, a frock of wine material and trimmings in brown fur and brown shoes. The couple will reside in Ray street, North Brighton, on their return.

The Latest Evening Mode

THE Empress Josephine influence is seen in the new evening modes. Travis Banton created a new white satin gown for Sari Maritza to wear in her picture, "A Lady's Profession" The gown emphasises all the salient points with its high waistline, piquant

puff sleeves and princess cut. The low neckline shows a tiny box-pleated ruffle and the gown sweeps the floor with a slight suggestion of a train at the back. Silver sandals form the footwear, and the only jewels are an antique silver drop ear-rings and an old-fashioned jewelled brooch.

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"A LADY'S PROFESSION"

FASHION TREND IS DEFINITELY TO FEMININE

IF the new modes coming from the fashion centres can be believed we are going to be more feminine the coming season than for many years, according to Claudette Colbert.

Miss Colbert says the fashionable lady of New York is wearing ruffles, and more ruffles, flutings and flutings, yards of lace trimmed edgings, plenty of feminine white accents of organdy and pique, lots of soft velvet coats, sleeves that perch piquantly on each shoulder, dresses of stiffened organdy, soft layers of chiffon and some of the best looking fluffy creations.

If you like corduroy the newest thing is the two-piece suit. They are very new and yet they are faintly familiar, because of their resemblance to the good old Norfolk suit.

Australian Natives' Association

NORTHCOTE BRANCH

The half-yearly meeting was held on May 13, the President (Mr. H. R. Pearson) presiding over the largest attendance for some considerable time. Mr. Preston reported that the branch were runners-up in the N.D.P.B. Association. One new member was elected and nine others nominated. Splendid work is being done by the secretary and other members to increase the membership. Sick visitors' report was given by Messrs. Turnbull and Pearson. The balance sheet of the rifle team was adopted.

The election of officers resulted:—President, Mr. H. R. Pearson; vice-president, Mr. J. R. Newell; ex-president, Mr. P. J. Brasher; secretary, Mr. R. L. Fitch; treas., Mr. L. V. Barry; minute sec., Mr. F. J. Carney; committee, Messrs. F. P. Murcutt, A. E. Noonan, T. L. Kelly, A. V. Smith, F. H. Ward; Metropolitan Committee, Messrs. F. Evers, A. E. Noonan, F. H. Ward; dispensary delegates, Messrs. E. Evers, H. R. Pearson, A. H. Turnbull; auditors, Messrs. F. Evers and F. Carney; press correspondent, Mr. L. V. Barry; librarian, Mr. J. V. Barker; assist. librarian, Mr. W. Preston.

At the conclusion of the meeting members attended the dance in the town hall, about 350 being present. Many valuable prizes were won.

The next meeting will commence at 7.30 p.m. The installation of officers will take place, and a visit will be paid by Mr S. O'Brien (Metropolitan Committee).

PRESTON BRANCH

The Preston branch held its usual meeting on May 14. The president (Mr. W. McConchie) presided over a fair attendance. The delegates to the Metropolitan Committee reported on the activities in connection with the centenary celebrations and the exhibition. A letter was received from the general secretary that Chief President Ritchie would attend the half-yearly meeting to install the officers. The secretary (Mr. Douglass) was present after his recent illness, and members were pleased to see him again in his usual position. Nominations were taken for various officers, and there will be some keen contests. The sub-committee's report on behalf of the cricket club was well received, and the formation of the club is proceeding. At the next meeting on May 29 the chief business will be the election of officers.

GOLF

HEIDELBERG CLUB

R. Andrews' Trophy—May 20—Stroke—94 entries.

Scores:—63, Dr. H. R. Walker 20 winner; 64, A. Griffiths 17; 66, W. Jaede 20; 67, G. R. L. Rimington 13, C. Holt 11, J. Harvey 20; 68, A. A. Chisholm 7, C. Sinclair 20, J. A. Guthridge 18; 69, J. H. Chandler-9, J. Binney 15; 70, A. Norris 14; 71, J. Casey 11, C. Oakley 8, L. E. Jaques 14; 72, J. B. Canher 14, R. Brondhurst 10, R. S. Thomson 14, G. Yorren 7, J. A. Terdich 20; 73, P. S. Renn 9, W. Scanlan 18, V. E. Atyeo 18, M. Burke 19, C. Kingsley 11, Dr. Neal 15, D. Lear 20, G. Sheffield 20, W. Ferguson 18, G. Hanger 19.

Opening of extended course on Saturday, May 27 and mixed foursomes.

Club Associates

Miss A. Wippell trophy—May 23 —49 entries.

Results.—69, Mrs. Smart 36, Mrs. Lingford 27; 71, Mrs. G. Youren 32; 72, Mrs. J. Talnah 36, Miss Richmond 31, Mrs. W. Ferguson 27; 73, Mrs. C. Oakley 20; 74, Miss I. Bond 27, Mrs. J. Cook 23, Mrs. J. H. Knell 36, Mrs. S. C. Gonzales 22; 76, Mrs. Byron 36, Mrs. Gee 36, Mrs. J. R. Edwards 20, Mrs. G. Atyeo 35, Mrs. H. Ferguson 31; 77, Mrs. Worlo 21; 78, Mrs. C. Edwards 30; 79, Miss O. Green 34.

Tuesday, May 30—Stroke.

Cards and Dance

ON Wednesday, evening, May 17 a card party and dance was held under the auspices of South Preston State school Mothers' Club. There was a good attendance. Mr. Letchford won the ladies' prize and Mr. Owens the gentlemen's. Other prizes went to Mrs. Whitechurch and Mr. Bedson.

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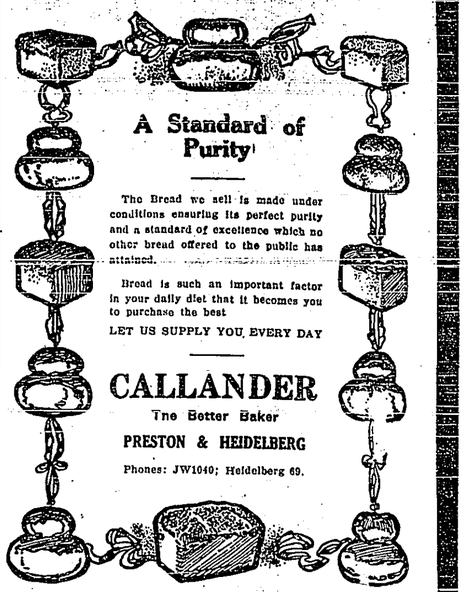
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NORTHCOTE CRICKET CLUB RE-UNION

A BRILLIANT GATHERING

At the Northcote Town Hall on Wednesday evening a social re-union given by Mr. W. S. Stott, president of the Northcote Cricket Club, was tendered to some 250 past and present members, officials and players, old and new. Among those present were the Parliamentary representatives of the district—Cr. S. Dennis, M.H.R., Hon. H. H. Olney, M.L.C., Hon. J. Cain, M.L.A., and Mr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A. (president Jika Cricket Association and Prestonite C.C.); several members of Australian Elevens in Messrs. Jack Worrall, P. McAlister, Jack Ryder, and Mr. W. Kelley, manager of the last Australian Eleven.

After the loyal toast all present stood for a moment as a mark of respect to members of the club who made the supreme sacrifice in the Great War.

THE TOASTS

"Parliament" was in the hands of Cr. W. Oliver and Cr. Dennis, M.H.R., Hon. H. H. Olney, M.L.C., Hon. J. Cain, M.L.A., and Mr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A. replied.

Mr. Cain, replying, said that Australians would be very unwise to lay aside the present form of government and he felt they would not let their present democratic form of government be superseded by other forms, such as Fascism Good, honest speech was what was required, both in sport and politics.

Mr. Zwar said that whilst the country was getting out of its troubles all parties should pull together.

Hon. J. G. Membrey proposed "The Mayor, Councillors and Parks Management Committee," and said that the mayor was a prince of sport and one of the finest mayors in the State. The council was composed of many parts, but throughout Victoria none was controlled so well, and managed its affairs so well. The council was one to be proud of. It had taken a great interest in sport, keeping in close touch with the cricket and football clubs, and encouraging them and giving them sympathetic assistance. The Parks Management Committee had been formed in 1906, consisting of five councillors and four ratepayers, and it had taken a very active part in improving the Northcote Park. Mr. Stott, president of the Northcote C.C., had over a period of 50 years taken an important part in building up the city. He had had faith in the municipality, and had been amongst the foremost in seeking improvements.

The mayor paid a tribute to Mr. Stott for arranging the function, and congratulated him upon its success. Mr. Stott had more than taken an interest in sport in Northcote. He had often times enabled it to be carried on. (Applause). Northcote was fortunate in having citizens of this type, among them being ex-Cr. Bastings, Ex-Cr. W. H. Dennis and Ex-Cr. Caleb Yeomans, all men who had played a prominent part. The progress achieved had only been made possible by the efforts of the public men of the past. Just as these men had carried on in the past, so the citizens of today were "carrying on."

Cr. J. H. Green (Parks Management Committee) said the Northcote Park was a Crown grant. Although limited in its finance the Parks Committee applied its revenue to improvements. The erection of the grandstand had been made possible through the action of Mr. Stott, who had guaranteed both cricket and football clubs. In the past few years over £200 per annum had been spent on the park.

Cr. Dennis proposed "Members and Players, Past and Present," saying that it was nearly 50 years since Mr. Stott had been connected with cricket in Northcote. He recalled the early days of the club until it transferred to the Northcote Park. Not many other clubs were in the proud position of their first president of the Northcote C.C. club's success was due to Mr. Stott.

Cr. W. Hayes said that sport played a big part in building up a community. He recalled incidents of 38 years ago, when he first came to Northcote after having played with Fitzroy. At that time the team played at Croxton Park. In one game 678 runs were scored by Northcote against Caulfield, there being no less than four centuries. In 1906-7 the Northcote Club, after winning the second grade of the V.C.A., by supporting the V.C.A. and the democratic method of control, had been instrumental in benefiting the game. Northcote now had a fine side, including a lot of young players, who were shaping well to uphold the traditions of the club.

Cr. S. Pinkney proposed "The Victorian Cricket Association," of which many members were present, including Messrs. J. A. Howlett (vice-president), W. L. Kelley (manager of the last Australian XI.), Peter McAlister, G. A. Davies, R. W. Eustace, Bussell (Fitzroy). H. Bredin, W. S. Stott (Northcote's representative for 20 years and treasurer of the V.C.A.), and E. C. Yeomans (Northcote's delegate for 14 years). The V.C.A. controlled cricket throughout the State, and in the metropolitan area alone there were 30,000 players.

Mr. J. A. Howlett, responding, said he had played against Northcote teams 50 years ago. Since then there had been vast improvements, and he contentated the city on the way in which it had celebrated its jubilee. At present there was a bit of controversy about body-line bowling, and the V.C.A. was opposed to it, being convinced that it was not in the best interests of the game. He hoped that the people on the other side of the world would see that the game did not lose its good character. Northcote had been fortunate in its representatives to the V.C.A., and the executive had recognised the ability of Mr. Stott by appointing him treasurer. (Applause.)

Mr. Kelley said the Northcote Club had a unique history, and its history would compare more than favorably with any other club, except perhaps East Melbourne. Mr. Stott had been a tower of strength to the association, and his opinions carried much weight.

Hon. J. Cain proposed "Our Host," saying that Mr. Stott had been very closely associated with the welfare and progress of the district for half a century in the business and sporting worlds. In addition to being a staunch supporter of cricket, Mr. Stott had been for 15 years president of the Northcote Football Club. He had also been first president of the Northcote A.N.A. 30 years ago, and had played a very active part in almost all district activities. In addition to all these sterling qualities he was a fine host, and had proved his capabilities over very many years.

Mr. Stott, who was accorded a great ovation, said that, looking back over the past 47 years it was pleasant to see so many of the older ones present. What he had done had been done with a will and with pleasure. Soon after he started in business in Northcote he was doing well when the boom came, and then there was a terrific slump. That was a hard time, but when the wheel of prosperity turned again the district had treated him well. He had done what he thought best for the district, feeling that good sporting clubs were a great asset. He had advised the purchase of playing grounds, and was glad that the council had secured many sites, although more could have been obtained. It was a great pleasure to see so many of the V.C.A. delegates present, and the old members of the club who had come together, some of them after many years. In regard to football, he said that there was a move to take away the principal match of the day and play it on a central ground. That, he felt, as far as this district was concerned, would be a retrograde step. If the club produced the goods it would get the patronage. After all it was the local people who supported the local clubs, and they should be considered. He returned thanks for the kind reception, and hoped the club would continue to prosper.

During the evening a splendid musical programme was given by the Sandowners' Quartette, Robert Allan, Ted Nelson, Fred Champion, Tom Semple and Herbert Sanderson. So long was the toast list that the programme had to be curtailed.

The tables looked charming, being decorated with Iceland poppies in silver vases; and they groaned under the weight of the good things provided. The catering was in the hands of Mrs. Olorenshaw, of Normanby Hall, Thornbury, and was well up to her usual high standard.

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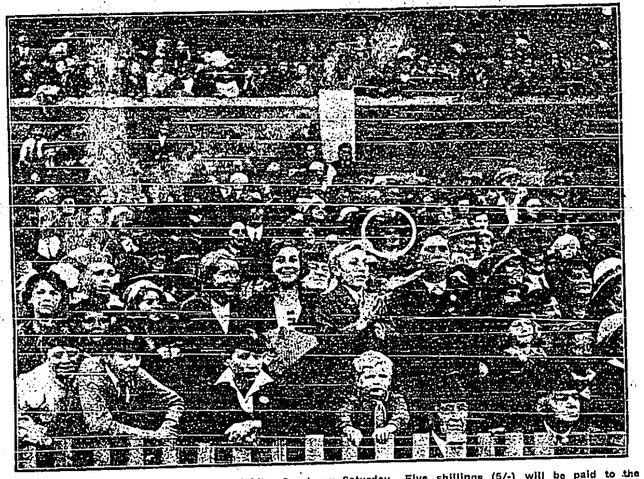

The above photograph was taken at the Jubilee Sports on Saturday. Five shillings (5/-) will be paid to the person whose head is enclosed in the ring if claimed before noon on Saturday. Watch for results and next week's competition. Cyril Stevens Studio Photo.

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(To the Editor)

Sir,—In your issue of April 26 in a letter re the Preston Life-Saving and Swimming Club your correspondent quoted me as having made a statement (among others) "That Mr. Ploydell was reprimanded by the Executive Council of the R.L.S.S." I have been asked on Mr. Ploydell's behalf to point out that the above statement was not made by me.—

Yours &c.
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IMPROVING EDWARDES PARK LAKE

(To the Editor)

Sir,—After having visited Edwardes Lake and adjacent park recently I came to the conclusion that some big improvements would have to be made before they would become a popular public resort. I have noted with satisfaction that an expert has been secured in connection with improvements to the park. To my mind the sheet of water now termed a lake could be made more like one by taking away that point of land on the south-west corner which would make that end more uniform. But it is the bottle-neck going northwards which I think needs most attention. The widening process would have to take place on the eastern side, as the western side is all right. If this could be done, we would then have a sheet of water which we could call a lake and I would imagine such improvement would be hailed with pleasure by the Rowing Club. Thanking you in anticipation.—Yours &c.,

OLD PRESTONITE.

Preston, 21/5/33.

H. A. Porter Trophy

AN enthusiastic supporter of the Preston Football Club, in Mr. H. A. Porter, jeweller, of High street Thornbury, has offered to donate a trophy to the value of £5/5/ to the most consistent player throughout the season, the player to be adjudged by the "Sporting Globe" representative each Saturday. Robinson secured the most number of points for the first match, whilst last Saturday Warr had the privilege of being proclaimed th best player. The points will be totalled at the termination of the season and the prize awarded accordingly.

CHURCH NEWS

Church of the Epiphany

On Thursday afternoon at the monthly meeeting of the Mothers' Union in the parish Hall, Mrs. F. Anderson, of A.B.M., spoke on "Empire Building."

High Street Methodist Church

An enjoyable re-union social afternoon was held on May 18 when many former members were present. Rev. F. J. Jennings presided, and the speaker was the Rev. G. Carne who is engaged in missionary and educational work in India. Items were rendered:—Piano: Miss Ida Parks; songs: Mrs. Strickland, Miss Olive Batten; duets: Mesdames Riddell and Alardyce; recitations: Mrs. Trewin; duets Mesdames Lowry and Hewitt.

St. George's Road Methodist

The forty-second anniversary of the Sunday school was celebrated on Sunday. The preachers were Mr. J. T. Blackmore, Rev. E. C. Brémer and Rev. L. E. Lechte. The singing of the scholars, under Mr. C. J. Owens, was exceptionally good.

James Street Presbyterian Church

"Back to James Street" was celebrated in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday, when at both services there were splendid congregations. In the morning Rev. A. Heathcote Fletcher conducted the service. The singing was a special feature, the solo being rendered by Mrs. Clarke In the evening Rev. A. T. Jones preached.

The congregation joined in singing the National Anthem at the commencement of the evening service at which the Mayor and councillors were present. Mesdames Muir and Paull sang duets, and Messrs. Pollard and Paul as a quartette, and Mrs. Lane (nee Helen Reid) contributed items. After the "Hallelujah Chorus" an adjournment was made to the hall where a social hour was spent. Among the visitors were two daughters of the late Rev. Duncan Fraser, the first minister of the Church, and a former church organist, Mr. George Kelson.

P.W.M.U.

At the monthly meeting of the James Street branch on May 18 the speaker was Mrs. Engel, who, with her husband, is engaged in mission work in Korea. Solos were rendered by Mrs. F. Capp and duets by Mesdames Capp and Urquhart.

St. Mary's Ladies' Guild

Annual Meeting.—The vicar was in the chair. There was almost a full attendance. The following are the office-bearers for the ensuing year.—President: Mrs. F. Parsons; vice-presidents: Mesdames J. McRae, and Johnston; hon. secretary: Mrs. Morrison; treasurers: Mrs. Harding; sick visitors: Mrs. Parsons and Miss Brock, Mrs. Trotman and Mrs. Hyland; buyers: Mrs. Parkinson and Mrs. Grigg; cutter: Mrs. Johnston; work secretary: Mrs. F. Tucker; Savings Bank secretary: Mrs. Sheldrick (assisted by Mrs. Trotman); work valuers: Mrs. Jeffries and Mrs. Trotman. The stalls for the forthcoming fair at the end of the year were allotted and arrangements made for the tea meeting on June 10. It was reported that the net proceeds of the flower show were £26/11/—a most satisfactory result.

Preston Church of Christ

Winter Fair.—A successful winter fair in the Town Hall was opened on Friday afternoon, by the vice-president of the Victorian Women's Conference (Mrs. C. C. Dawson) who was presented with a bouquet of flowers by Miss Elva Morffew, one of the Bible School scholars. The fair was continued on Friday evening and on Saturday afternoon and evening The attendance at all sessions was very large and a brisk business was done. At the evening sessions the Wards Preston State School Band livened the proceedings by playing selections outside the hall, while a "penguin" parading the street was an added attraction. The stalls, the decorations of which were arranged in keeping with the approaching winter season, were fully stocked, and a very wide range of goods was offered for sale. All who so helped are asked to accept the thanks of the church and the committee. The lady attendants wore red caps and white aprons, while the gentlemen attendants were conspicuous by braid edgings on their coats.

Special mention should be made of the thorough and efficient manner in which the fair was organised by the minister of the church (Mr. A. J. Fisher) assisted by a splendid committee. Another feature which contributed largely to the success achieved was the co-operation received from the church auxiliaries, all of which worked harmoniously together. The following is a list of the stalls, together with the representatives in charge:—Deaconesses: cake stall; church officers: men's wear; Mothers' Club: fancy work and cloth-ing; J.C.E. Society: flower stall; Bible School: grocery and kitchen utensils; kindergarten: fish pond and aviary; Phi Beta Phi Club: sweets, soft drinks, and ice cream; Kappa Sigma Phi Club: fumble stall and shooting gallery; Young Worshippers' League: toys; Social Committee: refreshments; Training Class: art gallery, museum, peepshow and exhibition. Choir: savelovs, pies, &c.

Church of Epiphany Northcote

On Sunday the vicar preached at special services in connection with Empire Day and Northcote's Jubilee At the morning service the text was "And all the people shouted and said 'God save the King'." The choir rendered the anthem "Seek Ye the Lord" soloist, Mr. A. E. Emery.

Holy Trinity, Thornbury

Former parishioners and old residents of the district attended the services on Sunday when the vicar referred to the Northcote Jubilee Celebrations. Mrs. Gooderidge sang the famous number "Abide With Me" (Liddle) during the evening service. Thursday, May 25 being Ascension Day services were held at 6.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m. and 8 p.m. The vicar officiated.

The vicar will conduct all services on Sunday.

At a largely attended meeting of churchmen on Tuesday in the parish hall the defunct branch of the C.E.M.S. was resurrected and recon stituted. A special admission service will be held on Whitsunday evening

The Ladies' Auxiliary will conduct a flag bridge afternoon in the parish hall on Tuesday. These functions are *increasing in popularity.*

All Saints' Church, Northcote

The services on Sunday were in keeping with the 'Back to Northcote' Celebrations. The vicar preached appropriate sermons. The morning text was "Ye shall hallow the fiftieth year...it shall be a jubilee unto you" In the evening the preacher spoke of the patriot's love for his native land and quoted "If I forget thee O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning." Also Hadad's words to Pharaoh.

St. Aidan's Church, Northcote

The socials for C.E.M.S. and the Ladies' Guild were well attended and were financial successes. Members of the Ladies' Guild are working for an Australian tea, to be held on June 17.

The anthem "Sun of My Soul" was rendered by the choir on Sunday evening.

Christian Science

"Ancient and Modern Necromancy and Hypnotism Denounced" will be the subject of the lesson sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday.

The golden text is from Romans 8: 31 "If God be for us, who can be against us ?" Among the citations which comprise the lesson-sermon is the following from the Bible: "Remember ye not, when I was yet with you, I told you these things ?..... For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming." (2 Thess. 2: 5,7,8).

The lesson-sermon also incldes the following passage from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "That evil or matter has neither intelligence nor power, is the doctrine of absolute Christian Science, and this is the great truth which strips all disguise from error."

High Street Methodist

Jubilee services were held on Sunday. In the morning Rev. J. W. Rowse conducted a civic service, the Mayor councillors and officials of the City of Northcote and their wives were present. Rev. Rowse was the first resident minister of the church, being stationed in Northcote in the year 1870 and he preached a forceful and appropriate sermon. Miss Batten was the soloist. The preacher at night was Rev. R. E. Hooper, a Northcote boy who, prior to his entry into the ministry, occupied the position of assistant town clerk of the municipality. Former members were invited to occupy the choir gallery and the choir of 70 voices rendered the anthems "The Heavens are Telling" and the "Hallelujah Chorus." The Thoma Quartette Party gave two numbers and solos were rendered by Mrs. Fawcett and Mr. Len Harris. The church was crowded and a large number of old members and adherents of the church from the time it was established in Northcote in 1854 were present. One of those present, a Mr. Lees, attended the Sunday School in 1854.

On Thursday afternoon the ladies of the Worzen's Auxiliary to Foreign Missions held a re-union musical afternoon which was a pronounced success.

On Saturday a re-union social was held in the Sunday school hall which proved to be a happy gathering. Over 200 attended. The chair was occupied by Rev. F. J. Jennings and words of welcome were delivered by Hon. J. G. Membrey, Cr. S. Dennis, M.H.R and Mr. Walter Membrey. Musical items were rendered and Mr. Frank Hebbard, Mr. Cornish, and Mr. Horton replied to the welcome on behalf of the past members of the church.

Croxton Methodist Church

The anniversary services were held on Sunday, the preacher at the morning service being Rev. E. C. Lechte, and the visiting soloist Miss E. Twyford. At the P.S.A. the Hon H. J. Makin, M.H.R., spoke on "What is Wrong with the World ?" and

A PIONEER MUNICIPAL OFFICER

MR. G. R. B. STEANE

There lives in retirement at 97 Westgarth street, Northcote, one of the oldest of the former executive officers of the Borough and Town of Northcote in Mr. G. R. B. Steane, C.E. Though now in his nineties, Mr Steane is active both in body and mind. He comes from a very old English family, in which there have been engineers for several generations.

Mr. G. R. Bowen Steane was born in London in 1841 and came to Victoria in 1854 in the clipper "Miles Barton." He stayed for a short time in Brunswick, and while there had his first glimpse of Northcote. One day, whilst riding a spirited mare, fancy led him to return from the city by way of Fitzroy and Collingwood, and then on to Northcote. At the time he was only a lad, and he still remembers his feelings, when coming upon the toll-house after crossing the Merri Creek, and realising that he had no money with him. To avoid the toll he rode along the creek, and cut across along what is now Arthurton road to Brunswick. In that ride in the Borough of Northcote he saw only a couple of houses in what is now High street.

Mr. Steane next went to Bendigo where his father set up as a builder, and when he was about 19 or 20 years of age Mr. Steane commenced studying to become an engineer. There were then no Universities, and he studied from text books, and trained with Messrs. Brady and Strong, civil and water supply engineers.

Upon qualifying, Mr. Steane was appointed engineer to the Shire of Strathfieldsaye, in 1868. In 1871 he left to take up a position at Sandhurst (Bendigo) where he remained for 12 years, when he went to the Borough of St. Kilda. In 1885 Mr. Steane received the appointment as engineer to the Borough of Northcote and he remained here until 1910. The main works undertaken in Northcote during that time were the widening of Rucker's Hill, and the construction of the retaining walls to hold the embankments; street construction and drainage. It must be remembered that when Mr. Steane was first appointed, Northcote was a district which was practically devoid of all modern conveniences. There were no roads and drains to speak of, and worse still, "Northcote mud" was widely known. It was in this virgin field that Mr. Steane set out to labour, and handicapped though his efforts were, by the proverbial shortage of finance, conditions were gradually improved. Flooding in High street, in the vicinity of Dennis street and Robb's parade, which had been common whenever there was a downpour, was relieved by the construction of a large drain with an opening of something like 7 feet at the Merri Creek. When the railway was constructed, drainage from near-by streets was diverted, and it was only after a great deal of work that Mr. Steane was able to induce Mr. Speight, chief railways engineer, to make proper provision for outlets for drainage of the streets affected. Quite a number of streets were closed when they crossed the line. Eventually the negotiations with the railways authorities proved successful, and the railways arranged with Northcote to carry out the necessary drainage works.

Another drainage work that was undertaken by Mr. Steane was the large channel in eastern Northcote to Westgarth street, to carry away storm waters from that locality.

During the afternoon of the land boom the council undertook relief works, men being employed on the roads. During that time the Northcote approach to the Arthurton road bridge was constructed.

Mr. Steane remembers well the break of the boom, and how the Northcote cable tramway was run, and he still treasures a pass given to him by Mr. Dougan who at one time ran the trams. When Mr. P. Kelly had the trams, leasing from the debenture holder, he was allowed £200 a year towards the upkeep of High street. High street was not then made, and as a consequence nearly all traffic used the tram tracks. The allowance was payable monthly, and was paid as a matter of course, until the council auditor pointed out that the vouchers should be signed by the engineer. Mr. Steane advised the council that the road was getting into a very bad state, and eventually High street was divided into twelve sections, the surveyor to report from month to month as to the condition of the section upon which the work was to have been done. Very little was done, and payments were held back. When the arrears amounted to £160, Mr. Kelly sued the council under his agreement, but lost his case. After that he was not able to carry on. Soon after, the council purchased the engine house and rolling stock from the debenture holder (the E.S. and A. Bank) and after re-conditioning the tracks, etc. leased the trams from time to time. It is not generally known that the engines installed at Northcote Tram Sheds were much more powerful than were actually required, and that it was proposed at one time to continue the tramway on into Preston municipality. The burst of the boom, however, checked this scheme, and when the Northcote Council took over the trams the proposal was not revived.

The real work performed by Mr. Steane however, was not of the spectacular kind. Footpaths and roads are necessities in the comfort and well being of any community, and during Mr. Steane's term as principal engineer in Northcote, he well and truly laid the foundations and fixed the levels of what are mainly the streets and roads of to-day. Roads and paths have a habit of wearing out, and have often to be *torn up and reconstructed, but that* is only a sign of the times. When these streets were originally made, they were intended to serve horse traffic, and not the heavy and swift-moving motor traffic of modern times

One other work of prominence was undertaken in Mr. Steane's time —that of the first two flights of the portion of the Northcote Town Hall. At that time what is now the small hall was erected. (A picture of the laying of the foundation stone appears elsewhere in this issue.).

When Mr. Steane resigned in 1910 he left behind him a city in embryo, the foundations of which he had assisted to lay well and truly.

As an earnest of Mr. Steane's industry it is interesting to note that he holds the following certificates:—Mining and Land Surveyor, Municipal Engineer, Water Supply Engineer, and is also certificated under the Transfer of Land Acts. His youngest brother, Mr. S. A. Steane, was a government surveyor and is now retired; and his son, Mr. A. E. Steane is carrying on the family tradition of an engineer in every generation, he being surveyor in charge of the Perth W.S.W. Irrigation Water Supply, and is in Sydney.

TOUR OF THE CITY

On Tuesday afternoon over 200 part in a specially conducted tour of the city, arranged by the Jubilee Celebrations Committee. Some 55 cars took part, and all over 200 were enabled to view the city of to-day. The cars, which were provided by public-spirited citizens, and in many cases were driven by them, traversed a selected route, and embraced the greater proportion of the city. The tour gave a very good indication of the many advantages enjoyed by residents in the shape of good roads, schools, parks, gardens, St. George's reserve, railway and tramway facilities, industries, types of houses, business community, etc.

Among those who took part in the tour were:—Mrs. Anderson, J. Aldridge, Mrs. Alford, Mr. Shands, Edna Alford, George Alford, Mrs. W. Bissley, Mrs. H. Blower, Mrs. A. Bailey, Mrs. M. Burrows (née Lowe), Mrs Benson, Mrs. T. Bradley, Mr. Harry Bedford, Master Ronald Bedford, Miss Bedford, Mrs. Cochrane and daughter, Miss Cleary, Mr. John Cornish, Miss L. M. Cornish, Mrs. Cochrane, Mrs. Rose, Emma Deal, Frederick Deal, Mrs. Duffy and Misses Duffy, Mr. Harold Day (May Parr), T. Davis, Mrs. C. J. Davis, Louis Dennis.

Miss E. Edmonds, Mrs. W. Freebairn, sen., Mrs. W. Forrest, Mrs. R. M. Fletcher (granddaughter of Rev. D. Fraser), Miss E. A. Fraser, (daughter of Rev. D. Fraser), Mr. and Mrs. J. Fithie, Mrs. Fieldsend, Mrs. F. J. Freame, Mrs. and Miss Grutzner, Mrs. O. Grinfrod, Mr. James Gill, Mr. R. and Miss D. Harmsworth, F. Hobbard, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hopkinson, Mrs. D. Hornidge, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Hansen, Mrs. Montgomerie, Mrs. Harvey.

Mrs. P. Jonkin (nee Elsie Richardson), Mrs. C. Jackson, Mrs. W. Johnson, Mrs. A. M. Kew, Miss R. Kimber, Mrs. and Miss J. Kennedy, W. Kelson, Mrs. E. L. Liddell (nee Drakeford), R. Luckeson, Mr. H. Lehrke, son., Mrs. E. Lehrke, Mr. H. Lehrke jun., Mrs. and Miss C. J. Mason, Mrs. Main, Mrs. J. Matthews, Miss A. McGregor, Mrs. L. Osborn, Miss B. Parsons, Mrs. Ern Pollard, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Porter, Jean Ridland (nee McLorn), Mrs. E. Ryan (nee Drakeford), Miss M. Richardson, Mrs. Rogerson (nee Milly Parr), Mrs. D. Renshaw, Mrs. E. Rogers.

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St. Vincent's Hospital Auxiliary

Northcote-Thornbury Branch.—In furtherance of the special appeal a house party will be held at the home of Mrs. W. E. Jowett, 2 Aberdeen grove, Northcote, on Saturday June 3.

Roamers Quartette Party rendered items and Miss E. O. Dempsey was the elocutionist. At 7 o'clock the Hon H. J. Makin, M.H.R., occupied the pulpit. The visiting soloist was Mr. Towsend.

Thornbury Presbyterian Church

A Jubilee "Back to Thornbury" service was held on Sunday, the preacher being Rev. R. D. Watson of Richmond.

BREACH OF BUILDING REGULATIONS

DEFECTIVE CONCRETE USED

A BUILDER FINED

At the Northcote Court on Tuesday before Mr. W. J. Clarke, P.M., Mrs. A. A. Glanfield and Mr. P. Carney J.'sP., John Alexander Barclay, builder, Darebin street, Thornbury, was called upon to answer a charge of having erected a building on land abutting St. George's road, not in accordance with a by-law of the City of Northcote, in that the concrete for the foundation was not in accordance with the provisions of such by-law.

Mr. A. H. Lonie appeared on behalf of Northcote Council.

Mr. Lonie, in opening the case said there was practically no foundation at all in the building and he pressed for the imposition of a heavy penalty.

Victor J. A. Bradley said he occupied the position of surveyor to Northcote Council. He knew defendant, who had made known his intention to erect a building in Northcote. Consent was given by the council on April 4. Subsequently witness inspected the building and secured three samples of concrete, which were found on analysis to be friable. If the building had been erected on the concrete, in the event of a fire a collapse would have taken place. Testing samples witness saw defendant who admitted having put in the concrete in the construction of the building. He also said he had put in 35 bags to a batch. He was sure the whole of that went into the foundations. There was about 12 cubic feet of concrete in the foundations. It would require at least 66 bags to comply with the council regulations.

To defendant's counsel—It seemed to me as if there was considerably less than 35 bags put in. The concrete was of inferior quality. Witness had difficulty in getting samples for the analysis. He suggested that the sample produced was entirely different to what he saw. The samples taken by witness were more friable and open. He gauged the cement obtained from barrows, which were not all of the same size. Complaints had been received regarding other buildings which were erected by defendant, but no action had been taken until the present. Witness did not take action unless instructions were received by him from the council. Barclay had attended a meeting of the council and made an explanation as to the use of the barrows. He made representations to the effect that he was willing to take the foundations complained of out and replace same. One batch of concrete might be better than another. Witness did not look for "soft" spots in the concrete. He acted indiscriminately in the matter.

To Mr. Lonie.—Defendant had removed the concrete and replaced it with concrete of a satisfactory nature on a previous occasion.

Mr. Lonie.—And that is why the council did not prosecute at the time

Witness.—Yes.

To Mr. Hartnell.—35 bags of cement would cost 5/ per bag.

Valentine Geo. Anderson said he was an analytical chemist with 50 years' experience. He received from last witness three samples of concrete, which were duly analysed. One sample had 21 parts of aggregate and 2 of cement, which showed a deficiency. A third sample was put up to the mark. The samples were wet and could be broken up easily in the hands.

Defendant gave evidence to the effect that he was a builder and had carried on operations in Northcote, Preston, and Heidelberg. He employed 12 men regularly and six casually. It was his first experience as a builder to be taken to court. He had borrowed a barrow in which to mix the concrete according to the instructions of the council. This was not done. He was now prepared to do what the council decided was necessary in making the concrete good. There would be extreme difficulty in doing this, but he was prepared to do so. In consequence he was afraid of any of the council's officers inspecting work which had been carried out by him.

To Mr. Lonie.—The whole trouble arose owing to a barrow which was borrowed. He did not measure the concrete in this barrow.

A fine of £5 was imposed with £9/3/ costs.

CENTRAL SCHOOL FOR IVANHOE

Some time ago application was made to the Education Department for the establishment of a central school at Ivanhoe. This was refused. Then Messrs. Olney and Kiernan, M.L.C., and Cr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A. set their busy brains to work and continued the agitation. As a result the Minister of Education agreed to the establishment of the school, which will be opened next Tuesday morning.

TURF NOTES

By "LUTEPLAYER".

Jumpers Destroyed

Three jumpers at Williamstown on Saturday, met with injuries that necessitated their destruction. They were Firmerol, More Noise, and Pergeon.

Firmerol, who was resuming racing over the jumps after an interval of several months came to grief at the hurdle in front of the stand, and broke the fetlock of his off foreleg.

At the third fence in the steeplechase event, More Noise and Rotarian fell, and at the same obstacle in the second round, Royal Offa fell and brought down Peragoon. The last-named broke his back, while More Noise broke a leg. Royal Offa and Rotarian were uninjured.

More Noise cost his owner 500 guineas last winter—a big price for a jumper. The gelding won a hurdle event at Mornington and was successful at Moonee Valley last Saturday week. Peragoon was put up for auction on Monday of last week, but was passed in at 70 guineas. Subsequently he was sold privately to a patron of F. Garland's stable, on for the gelding to be killed at his first start for the new ownership made him a bad bargain.

Two Falls.

A. Harrington, who has been most successful in recent weeks, was right out of luck at Williamstown on Saturday. He had two mounts, and each gave him a fall, fortunately of a harmless nature. St. Magnus, favorite for the Hurdle, blundered at the first hurdle and dislodged Fullerton, and More Noise was his other mount.

Lucky Saddlecloth

Number two saddlecloth was in lucky vein at Williamstown. Four of the seven winners carried No. 2, while No. 3 was successful twice. The other winner carried No. 11.

The first race was won by Bon Haven carrying No. 2 saddlecloth; the second race was won by No. 3; the third, No. 2; fourth, No. 3; fifth, No. 2.

This coincidence caused some of the superstitious folk to think that No. 3 would again be in the money in the sixth race, which dominant, who had one number, was by many "specked" at long prices. But the superstitious failed to collect for the winner of the sixth race was No. 2, for the fourth time.

Beautiful Causes a Surprise.

Beaunilly caused a surprise by winning the Bay View Handicap.

She was having her first start since running unplaced in the Bond Cup at Caulfield last February, and she was one of the outsiders of Saturday's race. The Beau Fils mare was a good performer in West Australia, but sent to Melbourne for the spring was a disappointment, although at times she gave a glimpse of form. In most of her races she has been something of a gamble at the barrier, but on Saturday she behaved well enough and got away all right.

She made a slow beginning, but at the half way stage was in the middle of the field, and there she remained until turning for home when she unwound the most powerful of runs, which carried her to victory, by the best part of a length from Viol d'Amour, with Thrawn two lengths away third.

Beaunilly carried 8.2 on Saturday, and she has 7lbs. less in the King's Cup in which she meets Viol d'Amour on 11b. better terms. If the mare reproduces Saturday's form she will take some beating at Flemington although Viol d'Amour is quite capable of turning the tables on her. At several stages of Saturday's race Viol d'Amour had a bad run, and really did well to force his way to the front at the distance, only to find Beaunilly finish a little too strongly for him.

Notes in Brief

Although Rose Valnis, winner of the first division of the Juvenile Handicap, was in a prominent position from the barrier rise, she lost much ground through running wide turning for home. Straightlined up, however, she galloped on to victory in a manner that stamped her as a galloper of more than ordinary ability. She is by Rosendale from Lady Valnis so should not be lacking in stamina.

Viol d'Amour was beaten into second place in the Bay View Handicap, and his brother and stable mate, Royal Serenader suffered a similar fate in the first division of the Juvenile Handicap. Curiously enough each lost in similar circumstances. Each put in a brilliant run to strike the front at the distance, only to find something finish even better.

Just as Multudo looked to have the Gellibrand Handicap in his keeping, the outsider, Simarre, swooped down from the cloud" to snatch the victory from L. Robertson's representative. He was the best finishing effort seen in a sprint race for some time, and if it is a genuine sample of his true worth, Simarre should be a good stake carner.

A barrier innovation came under notice at Williamstown. When the line up was called for the Bay View Handicap, it was noticed that attached to the top strand of the barrier were numbered discs, as a guide to riders when taking up barrier positions. The idea is a good one and should eliminate some of the jostling that goes on at the line up for a start of a race.

Likely Improvers

Runners at Williamstown last Saturday who impressed as likely improvers were:—

WALTER SCOTT: Having his first outing over hurdles since his fall at the course last November, he ran on well to be all but Bon Haven in the Hurdle. Wanted the race and will say to follow.

ROYAL SERENADER: This brother to Viol d'Amour, who has not had much racing, showed his best form when finishing second to Rose Valnis. Should win before long.

JIMBALL: *Six-year-old gelding* by the Melbourne Cup winner, King Wonda, whose second to Calty was very creditable. Would have given Calty a harder fight but for hanging in towards the finish.

SHADOW KING: Was not in the picture in the Bay View Handicap won last fortnight. Finished with great burst of speed in sixth place. It was his first run since his return from Sydney.

HEROIC PRINCE: Formerly owned by Holt, but now by H. Lock. His Heroic gelding showed his best form for some time in gaining third place in the Welter. He came from a long way back.

MITLITUDO: Beaten last bit of Gellibrand Handicap. It was his first run since his Newmarket outing, so should be all the better for it.

ISKANDER: Looked to be honestly out of the Gellibrand Handicap turning for home, but finished fast and gained third place. Should win another race soon, and may be capable of succeeding up to a middle distance.

MOONEE VALLEY — SATURDAY

For the meeting of the Moonee Valley Racing Club to-morrow (Saturday) the best bets are likely to be **Reddick** and **Mystery Ship.**

The first-named was a certainty beaten at the last meeting here. He had the race won at the last fence, but slipped on landing on the greasy track. Mystery Ship is in rare form at present and should complete the "hat-trick." He won at Warrnambool and this course.

SELECTIONS

Federal Hurdle

WALTER SCOTT 1
ST. MAGNUS 2
FULHAM 3

Handsland Handicap

BOMBADOS 1
VAL ROSE 2
HEROIC PRINCE 3

Commonwealth Steeple

REDDITCH 1
JUMNA 2
SHOOTING BOY 3

Mount Alexander Handicap

HIGH BRED 1
THE LAWN PATROL 2
VIGILANT 3

Keilor Handicap

MYSTERY SHIP 1
WATTLEBY LILY 2
ISKANDER 3

NORTHCOTE COURT.

TUESDAY, MAY 22

Before Messrs. J. W. Clarke, P.M., Mrs. A. A. Glanfield and Mr. A. Carney J.'sP.

A Drunken Duty

William Welgraft, was charged with having been drunk when in charge of a horse and vehicle.

Seninor-Constable Matthews conducted the prosecution.

Constable R. McArdle said that at 3.15 on Monday afternoon he saw defendant in St. George's road, North cote. He was staggering about and got into a vehicle with the intention or driving it. The reins were loose. Witness told defendant he was not in a fit state to drive the cart. Witness took charge and drove the vehicle and defendant to Northcote watchhouse. Defendant admitted having had half a dozen glasses of beer.

From the floor of the court Welgraft said he had not had a drink for a long time and what he took on Tuesday afternoon had made him ill.

Senior-Constable Matthews.—Defendant is a respectable man living in Thornbury.

A fine of 23 was imposed.

Collector's License

John Wm. Beach was granted a collector's license.

No Light on Bicycle

Clement Benzley, Murray road, North Preston, was charged with having ridden a bicycle without a light after dark on May 20.

Constable J. R. Sexton said that at 4.45 a.m. on the date defendant rode a bicycle which had no light. When spoken to by witness Benzley said he had left the lamp at his girl's place on the previous day and had not got up in time on the day named to get the lamp (Laughter).

A fine of 10/ was imposed.

Income Tax Cases.

Fred. Geo. Cardwell, radio foreman, Arthurton road, Northcote, was fined £5 on each of three charges for having failed to furnish income tax returns.

Defendant asked for time in which to pay and the P.M. said it was a matter of distress.

Sister and Brother at Variance

Mary Louisa Stone, a single woman residing in Normanby avenue, Northcote, proceeded against her brother Chas. Tucker Stone, on a charge of trespass.

The evidence of Miss Stone went to show that she occupied the premises in Normanby avenue according to the terms of her father's will. Defendant had gone to the house before last Christmas, and remained, although she had asked him to leave. There had been unpleasantness between them and on one occasion she had said to her brother "After what happened this morning, it is best for us to part." He replied that he would leave as soon as he could secure a room, but this he failed to do. She received no rent from her brother, and when asked definitely as to whether he intended to leave he replied "No."

In examination Miss Stone said her brother went to the house "periodically." He had bedding in the house. She had not asked him to live in the place permanently. She was not an executor under her father's will. Her brother was not a benefactor under that will until after the decease of witness.

It was stated that defendant was a pensioner and had a few fowls at the house occupied by his sister.

On behalf of Miss Stone it was said that she was prepared to let the case stand over for a fortnight so as to give the brother an opportunity to get out.

The P.M.—The only way to deal with this case seems to be to give defendant 7 days to get out. The informant appears to be the owner of the house during her lifetime. No one else has a right to be on the premises without her consent.

"We don't want him fined we only want him out," was what the solicitor who appeared on behalf of Miss Stone said.

It was decided to allow Stone 14 days' time to take himself and his belongings out of Normanby avenue.

A.N.A.

PRESTON SOUTH BRANCH

The Board of Directors was represented by Director Heron at the annual meeting on May 18. Mr. J. Andrews (president) introduced Mr. Heron, who was enthusiastically received. In the course of a long and interesting speech he touched on many matters.

Mr. Heron installed the office-bearers for 1933 as follows:—President, Mr. W. Hallburton; vice-president, Mr. W. Thorpe; treas., Mr. J. McCartney; sec., Mr. H. E. Findlay; ass. sec., Mr. W. Greenwood; committee, Messrs. M. Haylock, M. Kelly, E. Page, S. W. MacDonald, R. Smith; auditors, Messrs. A. O'Dowd and A. Moore; Metropolitan Committee delegates, Messrs. T. Andrews, H. E. Findlay and A. Moore; dispensary delegates, Messrs. J. McCartney and H. E. Findlay. A past president's certificate was presented to Mr. M. Kelly, who suitably responded.

A vote of thanks, proposed by Messrs. T. Andrews and Frawley, and supported by Messrs. H. E. Findlay and A. Moore, in favor of Director Heron was enthusiastically carried.

WEST PRESTON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

The usual meeting was held on May 17, the president (Mr. G. McDonald) being in the chair. An interesting illustrated lecture onttled "Around Australia with the MacRobertson Exhibition" has been arranged for May 31. Admission is free and an invitation is extended to residents to attend.

The treasurer reported a credit of £8/1/4. The overdraft on the building stands at £213. The building committee has made improvements lately to the building, and it is intended to greatly improve the lighting. It was decided to obtain an estimate from the council for stabbing the footpath in front of the hall; and also to place an honor board in the hall.

A motion was carried that the association views with disgust the action of the council in dismissing an officer while on sick leave, and also the appointment of a person to the position who until recently was not a resident of Preston, and without applications being called. Another motion was carried that this association record its protest at the action of the council in rescinding the motion previously carried opposing the suggested increase in Northcote Municipal Board rates.

In recognition of the wonderful amount of work done by the secretary (Mr. N. Clarke) it was unanimously decided that he be made a life member. Mr. Clarke in the first member on whom this honor has been conferred.

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Sunday After Ascension

11 a.m.—Holy Communion.—Rev. A. H. Constable.
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer.—Rev. E. Panelli.

All welcome.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
Bayview Street, Northcote.

May 28—Sunday after Ascension.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Matins.
7 p.m.—Evensong.

June 4—Whit Sunday.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion. Celebrant, His Grace the Archbishop. Followed by Men's Breakfast.
11 a.m.—Choral Eucharist. Celebrant and preacher, Bishop Stephen.
7 p.m.—Evensong. Preacher, Rev. E. H. Fernie, Vicar of All Saints', St. Kilda.

Monday, June 5.

Conversazione.—Splendid programme. Proceeds for Building Fund.

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY
Shaftesbury Parade

May 28—Sunday after Ascension Day.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Matins.
7 p.m.—Evensong.

Celebrant and Preacher.—The Vicar (The Rev. W. H. Chamberlain)

ST. MARY'S, PRESTON

May 28—Sunday after Ascension
10 a.m.—Children's Church.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer.
7 p.m.—Evensong.
Rev. F. Parsons, Vicar.

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NORTHCOTE RESIDENTS RETURN FROM TRIP ABROAD

Dr. and Mrs. Rosanove and their infant daughter, who returned by the Cathay on May 15.

By Courtesy of the "Argus" Melbourne

Early Cricket in Northcote

Northcote Park Cricket Club was formed in the year 1871, the late Ex Cr. Weaver being president and the late E. C. Harry secretary. In the early days great interest was taken in the matches between the Park team and another local team called the Zingari, known in those days as the "Toffs." On one occasion when they met, the Park team batted first and made the modest score of 45 runs, the highest scorer being Jas. Harry with 18 runs. On going in to bat the Zingari could do nothing with the bowling of A. Fairbanks and W. McIntosh and were all out for 5 runs, of which two were byes. The team continued to play in the Park for years and during that period the council gave them permission to remove the old toll house from the Northcote bridge to the Park and it was used for many years as a pavilion.

Early Football

Northcote has never been without its football. In the early days they played behind the Croxton Hotel and later in Plant's paddock alongside Rucker's Hill. In 1882 Northcote were premiers and in the following year several of their players entered the ranks of senior clubs. A. and J. Morris, F. Plant and W. Harry went to Melbourne; H. and W. Helms to Hotham as it was known in those days; J. Dougherty and F. Graves to South Melbourne: C. Syle to Richmond. They all proved a success in the different clubs in which they played.

MR. H. LEHRKE

An old pioneer, who at one time conducted a dairy where the Northcote Market now stands. He is aged 83 years.

Cyril Stevens Studio Photo.

Through an oversight the names of C. R. Harry, L.I.C.A., manager of the State Savings Bank, Korumburra, and S. L. Harry, teller at the State Savings Bank, Moreland, were omitted from the list of successful scholars who had attended the Prince of Wales State School. Both are natives of Northcote, and are sons of Ex-Cr. Harry and Mrs. Harry.

NORTHCOTE FOOTBALL CLUB NOTES

The only injury reported from the Yarraville match is Bobby Ross, the popular little rover. He received a bad knock and had to retire from the game, but it is anticipated that he will be able to take his place in the side against Port Melbourne on Saturday.

Jackie Lyncoln is almost ready for action. He was suffering from an injured shoulder, which has responded well to treatment. Jackie is missed from the back line, where his cool play does much to upset the forwards of opposing teams.

Eddie Bray is gradually getting over his leg injury. It was a big disappointment to Bray to have to undergo an enforced rest, as he was at his top and playing really good football.

NORTHCOTE C.Y.M.S.

The weekly meeting in St. Joseph's Hall, Northcote, on May 22 was well attended. Mr. W. Gartner presided. Mr. C. Deal reported that the football team had suffered defeat at South Melbourne by three points (8-8 to 7-11).

Mr. P. McDonald pointed out that the five teams entered in the debating competition this year had each recorded a victory. There were two teams in B grade, two in C and one in D. In the first round one in each grade was successful. A team has also been entered for the inter-branch billiards tournament. The branch tennis championship was won by L. McSperrin.

After the meeting the half-yearly presentation night was conducted. This took the form of a social evening, and there was a large attendance. Mr. J. Coyne, General Pres. of the C.Y.M.S., both in Victoria and in Australia, on behalf of the Northcote branch, made the following presentations:—Mr. J. Hickey, past president's certificate; Messrs. F. Stevens, J. Buckley and R. Cole, winners of batting and bowling average and fielding vote respectively in the A team, silver cup; Messrs. T. O'Kane, F. Clancy and W. Riley (B team), silver cups. The weekly dance is still as successful as ever.

UNITED CHURCHES' ASSOCIATION
John Vale Old Boys v Newmarket

John Vale opened the scoring, but Newmarket soon gained the lead. Play throughout was fairly even until the final term, when the heavier Newmarket team gradually wore their opponents down and ran out winners by 11-11 to 6-7.

JUNIOR I.O.R. COMPETITION

The match between Sam. Mauger and Dennis was one-sided, the former winning by 10-13 to 1-5.

In the report of the Northcote Creche and Kindergarten on May 19 the credit of performing the opening should have gone to Mrs. James Alston, who also gave a substantial donation towards the institution.

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