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THORNBURY ARMED "HOLD-UP"

MANAGER'S DRAMATIC STORY

Laborer Committed for Trial

DEFENCE PLEADS ALIBI

A dramatic story of an armed hold-up at Thornbury was related at the Northcote court on Tuesday, when Bernard Hayes, laborer, aged 24 years, of York street, Bonbeach, was charged with having robbed Thomas Halliwell of £6, and did at the same time use personal violence.

SERGEANT H. Glowaski prosecuted and Mr Dunn appeared for the defence.

MANAGER'S STORY

Thomas Halliwell, manager for Adam Smith, moneylender, High street Northcote, residing at Hopetoun avenue, West Brunswick, said: "On Friday, June 8, at 8.20 p.m. I was in my office in High street. The accused Hayes entered and asked for four "races" for 2/. I said that all the money had been sent away. Accused left, but returned at 8.50 p.m. with another man.

"I said to Hayes: 'What is it?'"

Two Armed Men

I then saw that the second man had a revolver in the hand which was on the counter. Hayes had a piece of hose in his hand.

"Put That Away"

"I said to the man with the revolver, "Put that thing away. You don't want to make trouble here."

Struck on Head

"I received two blows across the head with the hose held by Hayes. I called "Help, Police," and retreating two steps fell over a radiator.

Both men jumped across the counter and Hayes beat me over the head with the piece of hose.

"Take the Money"

"I said 'Take the money. There is no need to knock me about.' I crawled under the counter whilst being beaten.

"Hayes went into my private office and the man with the revolver stood over me and said 'Don't move or call out or I'll shoot.'

"Hayes rifled the till, which contained about £3 in silver and £3 in notes.

"Hayes then said to me 'Where is the key?' I told him the door was only barred. He went out, and the man with the revolver left by the back door.

No Disguise

During the time the men were in the shop Hayes had no disguise at all. The man with the revolver had a muffler round his neck.

After the two men left, I found that the front door, which is always left open, had blown closed.

"Knew Hayes Through Betting Transactions"

On June 20 I identified Hayes as the man who beat me about. Accused said: 'Not me. I do not know this man and have never seen him before.' I said 'I have known you for some time. I have repeatedly received money from you for bets made.'

"He said 'I thought you wanted to 'pump' me regarding betting'."

"I have known Hayes for 18 months to two years and last saw him about September of last year in a hotel at Brunswick."

"Remembered Next Day"

Cross-examined: Were you asked if you suspected anyone? — I do not think I was asked. I was too upset on the night of the occurence to know who it was; but next day I remembered.

When did you tell the police whom you suspected?—I told Plainclothes Const. Veness on June 19.

Reasons for Reticence

Why did you conceal the identity of the man?—My brother-in-law and brother came to me on the following Sunday and asked if I knew who the man was. I said, "No. Why?" and was told that if I told them they would "deal" with him. I told them that it was no good endangering their liberty by taking the law into their own hands.

In answer to further questions Halliwell said: "On the night of the assault Hayes spoke in a normal voice. He does not stutter, nor is there anything unusual about his speech. The times given are correct. I could see the clock.

POLICE EVIDENCE

Plinclothes Constable A. J. Veness, of Northcote, said: On June 20 I saw Hayes, and questioned him as to his whereabouts on the night of June 8. He said he was at home listening to the cricket on the wireless. Halliwell, who was present, pointing to Hayes said "That is the man who assaulted and robbed me on the night of June 8."

Betting Business

Hayes said to Halliwell "I remember betting with you, but that was some months ago. I was fined for betting and I have given it up."

"Was Not There"

Asked what he had to say to Halliwell's charge that accused had been to his shop and assaulted and robbed him, Hayes said: "I was not there. I have only been in Northcote once in my life."

"Things Look Black"

Asked if he had anyone to prove that he was at home accused said "No. Things look black for me. It seems the only thing you can do is to lock me up."

"You Are The Man"

Halliwell said "If I had any doubt I would rather a thousand times let you go. I must speak the truth, and you are the man."

Cross-examined: When did Halliwell first tell you that Hayes was one of the men?—On June 19.

Plainclothes Constable Erwin gave corroborative evidence.

Plea Of Not Guilty

Hayes, who pleaded not guilty, elected to enter into his defence.

DEFENCE AN ALIBI

Hayes said: On the night of Friday, June 8 I was at my home at Bonbeach. I was nowhere near Northcote, and I did not assault or rob Halliwell.

Apart from a conviction for betting I have never been in any trouble.

First Test Night

About 7.30 p.m. on June 8 I went to Hell's shop at Bonbeach to make a purchase and there I heard cricket news being broadcast. It was the opening night of the first Test. On returning home I got tea for a porter, who boards there. I cleared away the tea things and later went to bed. Apart from going to the shop I did not leave the house that night.

Often at Brunswick

I am often at an hotel at Bruns-

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Plenty Road Hold-up

Two Men Committed for Trial

At the Preston court on June 28 John Ellis and Frederick Percival Smith were charged with having on May 28 robbed Frederick George Beckensall, butcher, of Plenty road, Preston, of £5/13/9, and at the same time used personal violence.

The evidence of Beckensall was that one of the men entered his shop and ordered some meat. As he went to get change the man grabbed the cash bag which was suspended round his neck. A struggle ensued, in which both defendants joined, and finally after kicking him in the face the men rushed from the shop and escaped.

Beckensall positively identified both Ellis and Smith as his assailants.

Both men pleaded not guilty, and Smith entered into his defence. He denied that he was in the locality at the time alleged, and called several witnesses. Ellis reserved his defence.

The bench committed both men for trial on July 16. Smith was granted bail, self in £200 with an approved surety of a like amount.

AN APPRECIATION

(To the Editor)

Sir,—I would be grateful for sufficient space to publicly record my appreciation of the untiring efforts of Mr. H. P. Zwar and Mr. John Cain, M.L.A., on behalf of my wife, in connection with her transfer from Melbourne to Austin Hospital. Although merely an acquaintance of each gentleman, no personal inconvenience or influence was spared to secure the successful attainment of my wife's and my desires. Indeed, to all intents and purposes each might have been acting on behalf of his own wife. I would, therefore, temper their world of criticism with my appreciation of services rendered.—Yours etc.,

L. R. SWANSON.

Rene St., Preston, 4/7/34.

PAID OFF HOUSE AND MOTOR CAR

"Could Not Do It Again"

WIFE'S STORY IN MAINTENANCE CASE

"I cannot return to my husband after the way he has treated me," said Mrs. Annie Victoria Beazley, of Heidelberg road, Clifton Hill, when seeking a maintenance order against her husband, William George Beazley, Clifton avenue, Clifton Hill, at the Northcote court on Tuesday.

"He left me, and when I asked him for money he said 'You are not going to 'gold-dig' me'"

"There is no chance of a reconciliation now. I paid off the house and car last time, and he sold them when he "cleared out." I could not do it again."

Mr. H. H. Gray appeared for the wife

Mrs Beazley said: The marriage took place in April, 1920 and there is one son, now aged 13 years.

Previous Order

In August, 1929, I obtained a maintenance order against my husband at the Collingwood Court, for £1 weekly for myself and 15/ for the child.

A Loan

In December, 1929, my husband asked me for £10 to send a girl friend to hospital. I had no money so he borrowed £9/15/ from a money lender.

After a reconciliation I paid off that loan.

He accused me of being friendly with other men and punched me savagely.

A Reconciliation

Eventually we became reconciled when in August, 1930, he said that if I took him back I would have no cause for complaint. I agreed, for the sake of the boy. On the day he came to stay at the house he kissed a photo of a woman named Stella Angelo and said he could not live without her.

The Girl He Wanted

In September he awakened me one night by grasping my throat and said I was the cause of him not being able to marry the girl he wanted.

Money Taken By Force

A couple of days later he asked me for money for a dancing competition. When I said I had none to spare he pushed me over, kneeled on my back and ground my face on the floor. He then took what money I had in my bag.

A Dancing Partner

At that time he was associated as a dancing partner with a girl named Lily, who lived at Preston. She was a decent girl.

He said something to the effect that he would murder me if I told this girl he was a married man.

"Sick of Everything"

A few days later he said that he was sick of everything and was leaving. Before he went he wrote an agreement undertaking to support me.

Wife Goes to Sydney

In August, 1932, I was employed by the Cinderella Shoe Co. and was transferred to its new factory at Sydney. In September, 1933, my

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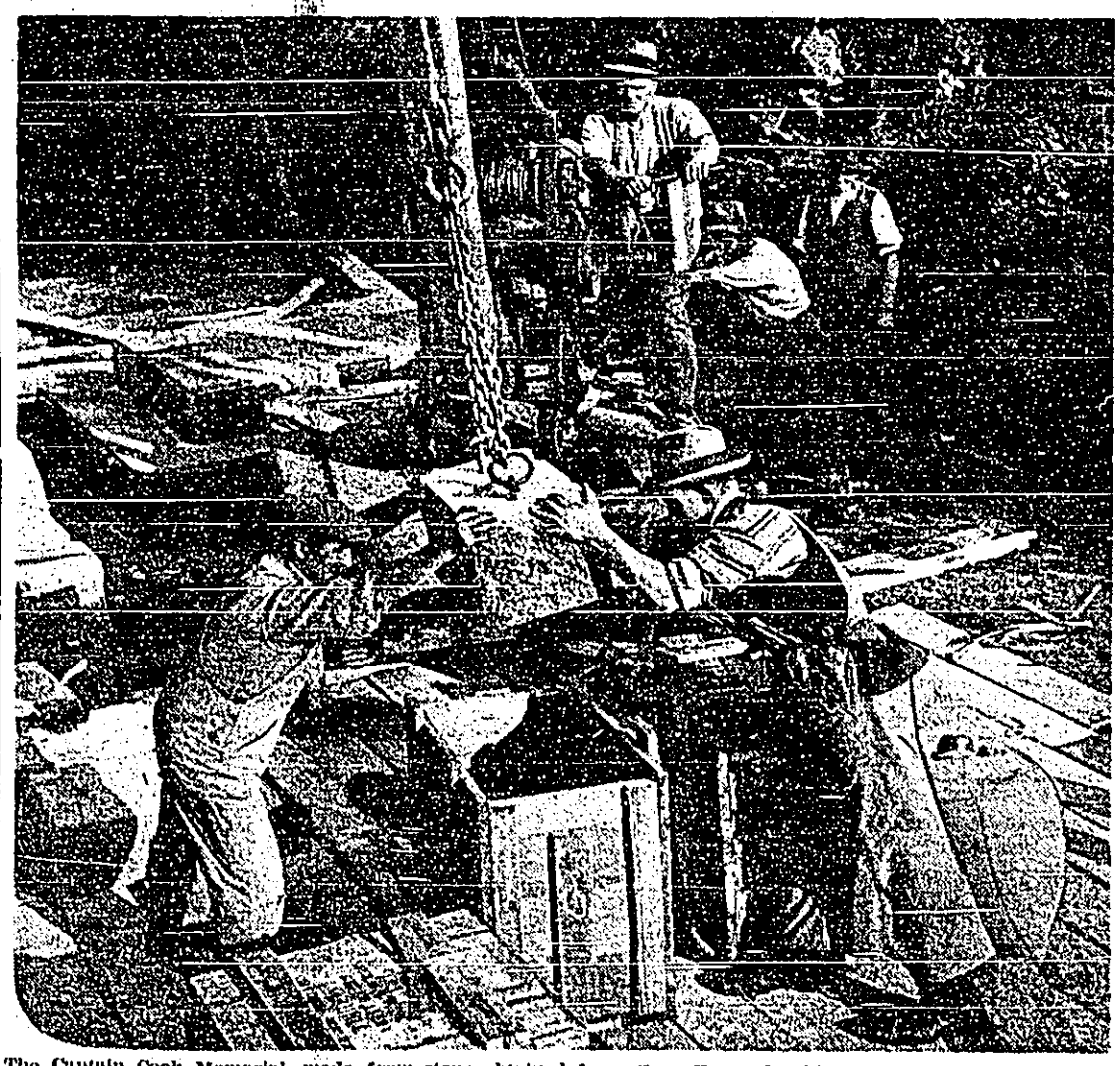
CAPTAIN COOK MEMORIAL



The Captain Cook Memorial, made from stone obtained from Cape Everard, which was the first landfall made by the Endeavour, being removed from its temporary site in St. Kilda road, and packed for shipment to Great Ayton (England). It will mark the former site of Captain Cook's cottage in England, now being re-erected in the Fitzroy Gardens, Melbourne. *(Photo by Courtesy of the Argus, Melbourne*

NORTHCOTE NOTES

Gracie Street Construction

Three residents of Gracie street told the Northcote Council on Monday that they desired that street to be constructed when they were given the opportunity to object to the work. Mr Campbell, however, said he did object to setting back his fence-line which had stood in its present position for over 20 years.

The Mayor (Cr Jones) said that some of the fences encroached on the street for distances from 4ft down to 14 inches. Eight owners were affected.

After further consideration the plans were deferred for 14 days, and the eight owners whose fences encroach will in the meantime interview the Public Works committee of the council.

A.N.A.—Northcote Branch

It is pleasing to note the increasing attendance at the branch meetings and with the social committee working hard everybody is assured of an enjoyable evening. There were two new members nominated. Mr Smith was congratulated on the fine quilt and he made for the ladies team in the forthcoming competition. Owing to the smallness of the present room for holding socials, on the motion of Messrs F. Carney and Evers it was decided to hire the small town hall for one night per quarter, the first function being a social evening and pound night to begin at 8.30 p.m. on Thursday, July 26. All members and friends are invited to come and make the social gatherings a success. On the motion of Mr Titch, seconded by Mr Hull, the repairing of the library books was left to the discretion of Mr Baker. Mr F. Carney, in reporting on the Metropolitan committee meeting, said that the teams in our section for the ensuing fifte team tournament were Collingwood A, Clifton Hill, Northcote and Preston. Mr Higgins gave a report on the quoit club meeting. The tournament is to be from July 1 to October 30. The auditors (Messrs F. Ward and W. S. Glanville) must be congratulated on the way they carried out their duties. The report showed the branch had had a good year and we hope the ensuing year will be even better. All members of the branch are invited to attend the meetings and join in the social activities. They will receive a hearty welcome and will be sure to enjoy themselves.

Northcote Citizens' Band Appeal

A successful card party to help the above appeal (to provide new uniforms and instruments for the Centenary) was held in the Northcote town hall on July 3. In the absence of the mayoress (Mrs. M. C. Jones), Mrs. J. A. Thomson introduced Mrs. Walker (representing the band committee) thanked all present for their patronage, and presented the prizes to Mrs. Shewan (half dozen fancy cups and saucers) and Mrs. Pedersen (consolation). Mr. Gray, of High street, Thornbury, won the fancy apron (worked and donated by Mrs. Bryant). Mr. Walker, on receiving a neat little sum, complimented the hostesses on their effort. A dainty afternoon tea was served, and thus ended another successful function for a worthy cause. The organisers were Mesdames L. Roberts, K. Fagan, L. Stewart and L. Bryant.

Northcote Younger Set Auxiliary

At the monthly meeting on Tuesday tickets for a picture night at the Regent Theatre were available, and arrangements were made for a card night on July 21. The resignation of Miss M. Sutch as a member of the committee was received, and Miss A. Gray was elected to the vacancy. After the business an enjoyable evening was spent in dancing. Supper was served and the evening closed with Auld Lang Syne and the National Anthem. A suggestion that hot pies and coffee be served at the next meeting was enthusiastically received.

Thornbury Younger Set

The next monthly meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Alan Kidd, 17 Darebin street, Northcote, on July 19. A ball will be held at the Rex, Swanston street, city, on July 25. Tickets are available from the above-named or members. The following function is a picture night at the Plaza on August 22.*

A Dischainer

Marjorie Dickson, of 9 Christmas street, Northcote, writes to say that she is in no way identified with Marjorie Dickson, of St. George's road, Northcote, who was fined at Northcote court on June 26 for conducting a common gambling house, as reported in the "Leader" of June 29.

South Preston State School

AT a meeting of the Mothers' Club on Tuesday a sub-committee, with Mr. Bennett, headmaster, was appointed to make a purchase of suitable books with a view to forming a library for children attending the school.

Preston Outpost at Duke's Arrival

PRESTON Council has decided to make application to the State Director for the allotment of an outpost at the ceremonies connected with the arrival of the Royal visitor to the Centenary celebrations.

Shrubs Disappear

THEFTS FROM THE CROXTON GARDEN

Man Fined on Two Charges

Three acmenia shrubs, planted in the grounds of the Croxton Methodist Church in St. George's road, disappeared—one on April 7 and two on June 3.

The shrubs had been selected from a nursery for the church authorities by Benjamin Brace, curator to the Northcote Council, and were watched for a time by James Bolitho, a gardener employed by the council on the section of St. George's road in the vicinity of the church.

Investigations by James Andrew, a retired civil servant, of Normanby avenue, Thornbury, who gives voluntary service in attending to the gardens and lawns of the church, in conjunction with Constable Mensch, of Thornbury, led to the discovery of the three missing shrubs on June 1 in the garden at the home of Ernest Albert Dobell, Normanby avenue, Thornbury, bootmaker.

Dobell Before the Court

At the Northcote court on Tuesday Dobell was charged with having stolen the shrubs—one on April 7 and two on June 3.

Identification of the plants (valued at £6) was established by Brace and Bolitho.

Dobell said:—I purchased the shrubs on two different dates from a man who came to the door. I saw this man three times, and on the first occasion I sold him a pair of parrots.

Shrubs Planted Openly

Had I had a guilty mind it is unlikely that I would have planted one shrub in my front garden and two at the back, because the secretary of the church lives opposite to me, and many members of the church live in the vicinity.

Only Purchases

The P.M. (Mr. Brown).—Have you ever bought any other trees or shrubs from this man?—No. But I gave him an order for fruit trees last time I saw him, and am still awaiting delivery.

Did you wife see the man?—I don't think so.

"The Man in the Street"

The P.M. said that the bench was not satisfied with Dobell's explanation, and believed that he stole the trees. It was significant that only trees which Dobell himself said he had purchased from the man with a van, who was on a par with "the man in the street," should be acquired at just about the times when trees were stolen from the church grounds. "The man in the street" story was threadbare.

A fine of £2 in default 14 days' imprisonment was imposed in respect to each charge. Dobell was also ordered to pay 1/6, the value of one of the shrubs which had died.

The other two shrubs were ordered to be returned to the trustees of the church.

BOWLING

THORNBURY LADIES' CLUB

The club held their final meeting for the season on Wednesday, June 27. The season has been a most successful one from a bowling point of view, whilst financially, it has been a record one, the sum of £115/10/ being handed over to the men's club.

At the conclusion of business the president (Mrs J. Wearne) entertained the ladies at afternoon tea. The tables were suitably decorated in the club colors, together with a tasteful array of flowers.

During afternoon tea Mrs Wearne extended a cordial welcome to the foundation president (Mrs E. Williams) and also took the opportunity of expressing her appreciation to the ladies for their whole-hearted support.

Mrs Williams, in reply, made special reference to the wonderful success which had been attained during the year, and also to the club's good fortune in having a president possessed of such fine qualities of leadership.

These remarks were endorsed by several other ladies. Mrs Gannan then presented the president and Mrs Williams each with a beautiful basket of flowers which brought a pleasant afternoon to a close.

Reservoir Unemployed Committee

ON Monday representatives of the above discussed matters pertaining to unemployment with Preston Council committee. Views were exchanged and those from Reservoir put in a plea that more work might be secured by those anxious and willing for same. The committee promised to give serious consideration to the views put forward by the Reservoir representatives.

Preston District Boy Scouts

PRESTON district boy scouts will be well represented at the forthcoming Jamboree. They have obtained permission from the municipal authorities to use the council's seal as the district emblem on their uniforms, and also to place same over the district archway leading to their section of the camp.

NORTHCOTE COURT.

TUESDAY, JULY 3

Before Mr. G. Brown, P.M., Messrs H. E. Johnson, P. J. Kean, J. Hartnett, and Mrs. A. A. Glanfield, J.s.P.

Licences

Ernest Richard Cass and Edward Francis Davis were granted collectors' licences.

Headlight Prosecutions

Clifford Wesley Jones, High street Preston, was charged that on May 25 he drove a motor car without the prescribed headlights and was fined £1.

Constable McArdle said that defendant had only one headlamp burning.

For a similar offence John Jeffrey, of Epping, was also fined £1.

Unlicensed Woman Motorist

Doris A. McGowan, of Birchip, who, on May 2 drove a motor car without holding a license was fined £1. It was stated that defendant's car was involved in an accident on the day in question.

SOCCER

SCHOOLBOYS ASSOCIATION

NORTHCOTE CLUB

On Saturday Northcote will play Brunswick on the Brunswick ground. The kick-off will be at 3 o'clock and players will take the Northcote bus to corner of Victoria and Pearson streets, Brunswick West.

Owing to two representative games being played at Middle Park last Saturday afternoon all league games, except one which was behind schedule were postponed. Results were as follows — Australia 6 d Europe 0; North Eastern Div. 5 d South Eastern Div 0; Preston 2 d Brunswick 0.

This association is going ahead in soccer and next season there will be many more new clubs in the competition, including Chinese and Greek teams. The secretary wishes to notify any boys between the ages of 11 and 17 years who are interested in soccer and desire to join a club that the club is open to new members. Full particulars can be obtained from Mr W. R. Cooper, 2 Daly street, Northcote.

NORTHCOTE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB OUTING

The Northcote Seconds journeyed to Warrandyte on Sunday and played a match with the "Star" Newspaper Club. Luck was with them on this occasion owing to the weather being perfect. Jack Greenfield, a vice-president and manager of the Merri Pubds, was included in the Northcote team and he gave a sparkling display on the forward line, bagging two goals and assisting in others that were scored. Bill Ludlow, who had played a good game at Port Melbourne on Saturday, came again to the fore and played spectacular football. Wynne, on the wing, and Sharwood, back, who had to receive first aid as a result of a nasty kick, also played well. Before the match a long distance kicking competition attracted 40 competitors. The winner was Bill Ludlow, with a nice punt kick of 49 yards. He secured the kit bag donated by the president (Mr. Jim Sexton). After tea both clubs were entertained at the hall, where dancing took place and the presentation of prizes was made in the afternoon. At 9 p.m. a start was made for home after an enjoyable day.

Northcote High School Old Boys' Association

The first annual reunion dinner was held at Whitehall Cafe, Bank Place, City, on Wednesday, June 27. Among those of the High School staff who were present were Messrs. F. W. Johnson (headmaster), J. S. Kitson, J. C. Forster, H. Olse, A. Martin, Tasker, Crocker, Crouse and Hulett. Cr. Swain, of Preston, represented the Advisory Council.

Mr. C. Roach, in toasting the school, gave a brief history of its growth, and spoke of the achievements of former pupils. Mr. F. Johnson, in reply, referred to the scholastic and athletic achievements of the present pupils, and urged every assistance towards the erection of an assembly hall.

The toast of the Association was in the hands of Mr. J. S. Kitson, who related the events in the earlier history of the association, and praised the efforts of the present committee to build up the association. Mr. Alan Kidd replied, and urged the old boys to do their utmost to make the association one of the most prominent in the State. Judging from the attendance at the dinner this should not be a difficult matter.

Mr. R. Oke welcomed the visitors, and Cr. Swain replied, encouraging the old boys in their efforts to help the school. The entertainment was in the hands of Mr. Fred Champion and Mr. Darrus Mansfield, whose efforts were greeted with great enthusiasm.

Sustenance Figures

FOR week ending June 30:—Working for sustenance, 545, at a cost of £609/10/; not working for sustenance, 19, cost £11/1/6. On Labor Bureau, 181 men, 25 girls.

EMPLOYES AND CRICKETERS ENTERTAINED

Mayor Zwar as Host

Preston Town Hall presented an animated appearance on Monday night last, the occasion being a complimentary social and dance to the employes and families of Mr. Zwar's tannery, together with past and present members of Prestonite Cricket Club and their families. Between 350 and 400 guests attended. The main hall was devoted to dancing, whilst the old hall was reserved for the entertainment of over 100 children.

In former years Mr. Zwar made an annual event of this function, but unfortunately the depression put a stop to it for some time. Returning prosperity has enabled the tannery to be again staffed to more like normal times, and the proprietor has seen fit to revive a time-honored custom, and at least once a year to meet his employes and their friends by way of a social evening.

The Prestonite Cricket Club, whose performances in the Jika Cricket Association have resulted in again winning the shield, were included among the guests of the evening, and the various trophies won during the season were presented to the players and officials.

Dancing was commenced shortly after 8 o'clock in the large hall, whilst Mr. J. Donath had charge of the juveniles in the old hall. The youngsters were immediately put in good humor by the unexpected appearance of the mayor with his pockets full of pennies, and these he threw to the children, who fell over one another in order to swell their bankings accounts. Mr. Pratt gave some interesting ventriloquial turns which kept the kiddies occupied. Other games and competitions helped to fill in a very pleasant evening. Mr. Donath is a past master in the entertainment of young folk, and with a number of volunteers he kept the hall rolling until supper time, when a sumptuous repast was partaken of. Lollies and balloons were also distributed among the children, who had a wonderful time, whilst their parents were enabled to enjoy the dancing uninterruptedly.

During an interval in the dancing, and following musical items by Mr. Noel Hunter, Mr. Zwar welcomed the gathering and hoped they would enjoy themselves to the utmost. Then followed the presentation of photos to members of the cricket team and officials. Special framed photos were received by Messrs. R. Pears (batting average), C. Temple, the captain (catches) and Les Barklem (bowling). This player also received the ball used in the semi-final suitably mounted and inscribed.

A framed group was also presented to Cr. Zwar (president), as a token of esteem and in appreciation of the wonderful support given to the team during its career. Mr. E. Short (vice-president), in making the presentation, referred to the splendid work of the president as their parliamentary representative, and as chief magistrate of the city; also to his unstinted support to all sporting bodies. What Mr. Zwar had done for the Jika Association only those with intimate knowledge knew. He should be proud of the exploits of the team, which had, by his advice and example, set a standard for fair play. He also paid a tribute to the wonderful sportsmanship and forbearance of the captain, Mr. Temple.

Cr. Zwar received an ovation on responding, and spoke feelingly of the loyalty of both cricketers and employes. His firm had always tried to create and foster a feeling of trust among the men in their employ. He had always tried to deal fairly and to help those who were not able to help themselves. He anticipated more prosperous times ahead, and amid cheers and the singing of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," thanked all for their kind reception.

Mr. John Whyte, probably the oldest employe at the tannery, moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Zwar on behalf of the employes. Mr. Whyte, who has been connected with the firm for 22 years, drew an interesting contrast between conditions existing 40 years ago in the old country with those of to-day in Australia. Such a thing as a social to the employes was unheard of in those days. He stated that it were more employers like Mr. Zwar the conditions of the worker would be much better throughout the world. Mr. Zwar, he said, was one employer in a thousand, and as a master and a friend was outstanding throughout the Commonwealth. The vote of thanks was seconded by Mr. Pearson and carried with great enthusiasm.

In responding, Mr. Zwar stated that he greatly appreciated the remarks of the speaker and once more thanked his guests.

Mr. Temple was also presented with a bat, won by Prestonite in a match against the Northern District Tramways C.C. at Eltham. Mr. Holiday, the president, in making the presentation, referred to the wonderful sporting spirit of Prestonite and hoped that another game would be played next season. The bat was the gift of Mr. H. Brereton, secretary of the V.C.A.

The children's competitions resulted as follows:—Infants: Girls, Nancy Keele 1, Mavis Gutteridge 2; boys, Eddie Fotheringham 1, Walter Armour 2; juniors, Misses Beacom and Birch. Potato Race: Girls, Nancy Keele; boys, Roy Condick. Egg and Spoon Race: Girls, Beryl Smith 1, Jean Coleman 2; boys, Roy Marlow 1, Reg Hall 2.

Supper, served in the old hall, was greatly enjoyed. The party broke up at midnight after a most enjoyable and memorable evening.

Electric Light Poles Fall

Two electric light poles in Park street, North Fitzroy, fell on Friday night, and a third, which carried a big strain, leaned at a dangerous angle. The district was plunged into darkness when the automatic circuit breakers came into operation. The service was not restored until about an hour later.

Officers of the State Electricity Commission, after an inspection on Saturday, stated that the breaking of one pole had been caused by a motor vehicle.

Several people had narrow escapes when the poles fell.

NORTHCOTE MOTOR CYCLE CLUB

At the general meeting on Monday G. Gorman was elected vice-captain, Bert Jordon treasurer, and Geo. Gosney captain. Points for the consistency trophy are:—S. Meadows 39, G. Gosney 39, E. Vass 36. Members are reminded of the social to be held at Normanby Hall, when the trophies won during the last six months will be presented.

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High Street Methodist Church

"Whether the World is blue or rosy depends on the kind of spectacles we wear. It's our glasses, and not the World, that needs attention."

And so, this another thought, sent to all from the High Street church, with the hope that it may in some small way, benefit all who read it.

There is no doubt that a bright sunny day tends to make life more worth while. One could not have had a better day than last Sunday, particularly at High Street. With the welcome rays of the winter sun streaming through the windows of the church, the Rev. F. T. Cleverdon conducted the morning service, in the presence of a fair congregation. The text was "She is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying" (St. Mark 14). From this text, Rev. Cleverdon delivered another of his original and fresh addresses. When Mary anointed the head of Jesus with the precious ointment, there were some present who declared with indignation, that it was a waste. "It marked the beginning of the end," said Mr. Cleverdon. From those lines the preacher emphasised the commonness of mis-timed ministrations. There are ministrations that are only be done in this world, and we should lay hold of the opportunities like Mary did, and come aforehand before it is too late. There are wisely ministrations of forgiveness and of encouragement, which may be the cause of happiness and a great balance in some person's life. It is better to render these ministrations whilst they may be a benefit than when it is too late, as is often the case.

In the afternoon, at the Young Men's Class, Mr. Clarence Trotman delivered a unique paper entitled "Conscience and Intelligence." This paper was somewhat of a change to the usual talks, and created discussion.

The organisers of the Methodist Centenary Effort (Rev. R. Williams) officiated. Special prayer in the evening. Mr. Williams said we are on the eve of a great religious revival, and the greater state of religion itself in our public life is an indication. And so with the address by Rev. Williams, and the anthem, "We Declare Unto You Glad Tidings," another bright, cheerful and none the less helpful Sabbath was brought to a close. Last Friday evening at the Young Men's Club, more Jubilee fever was witnessed. Members are practising for the forthcoming club tourney and handicap. The best game of the evening was probably that between four fifteens and Ralph Gardiner. After Rontsey had been leading for about half of the game, Gardiner, by some brilliant drives from the centre evened the score. And it kept even until the end, and he came finished with honors even. The Rev. Cleverdon, president of the club, is a keen and enthusiastic player of this game.

High Street Church issues to all, a sincere invitation to be present at any of its various gatherings.

Preston Methodist Church

The services at the High Street, Preston church on last Sunday were conducted at 11 a.m. by Rev. A. E. Sherlock, superintendent of the circuit, and at 7 p.m. by Sister Edith. At the close of the morning service, Mr. Sherlock administered the Communion and Sacrament. The evening service was a special young women's service at the young women, about fifty in all, occupied the choir stalls. A duet was sung by Misses Butterworth and Hoskins, solo by Miss E. Tulloch, and the choir rendered "Praise the Lord" to the tune of Graham's Lullaby. Sister Edith had a inspiring and thoughtful message for the congregation.

Holy Trinity, Thornbury

Recital by Famous Artists.—Next Sunday, at 3 p.m., a recital of sacred and other suitable music will be presented in the appropriate atmosphere of the Holy Trinity Church. The famous pipe organ, with Mr. David Ashton at the console, will be a feature. There will also be an instrumental trio of artists drawn from a leading Melbourne orchestra. Among the artists will be Mr. Herbert Toyer (tenor), whose unusual type of voice has won for him the designation "Australia's Caruso." Mr. Frank Thomas (baritone), who was the first artist to sing in the new church, is recommended in all musical circles as a vocalist. Three sopranos, the Misses Sylvia Darling, Christie and Gwen Jenkins will lend contrast to the programme. The latter is a pupil of the Dame Nellie Melba Conservatorium of Music. The collection will be devoted to the choir fund and the vicar will lend the more or less portion of the service. At evensong the preacher will be the Rev. W. T. C. Rogers, vicar of St. Augustine's, Moreland. He has proposed an exchange of pulpits with the Rev. W. H. Chamberlain for this service. Many details of the Anglican Church's proposed part in the Melbourne Centenary celebrations will be detailed by the Rev. Rogers at Thornbury, and the Rev. Chamberlain at Moreland.

Thornbury Church of Christ

The Women's Mission Band celebrated the second anniversary on Wednesday afternoon, June 27. In spite of the inclement weather there was a good attendance, nine visiting bands being represented. Mrs. Monte presided over the meeting and also contributed a musical item. Mrs. Wilson, who has recently returned from a visit to India, gave a very interesting address. Afternoon tea was served by the Thornbury Branch and a most enjoyable afternoon was spent.

Christian Science

"Sacrament" will be the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, Sunday, July 8. The golden text is from John 6: 33, "The bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world." Among the citations which comprise the lesson-sermon, is the following from the Bible: "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me? I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people." (Psalms 116: 12-14). 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: "Christians, are you drinking his cup? Have you shared the blood of the New Covenant, the persecutions which attend new and higher understanding of God? If not, can you then say that you have commemorated Jesus in his cup? Are all who eat bread and drink wine in memory of Jesus willing truly to drink his cup, take his cross, and leave all for the Christ-principle? Then why ascribe this inspiration to a dead rite, instead of showing, by casting out error and making the body "holy, acceptable unto God," that Truth has come to the understanding?" Page 33.

Northcote Congregational Church

"A benediction of peace" might well describe the anthem rendered by the choir on Sunday evening. Its message, emphasised by the singing of Mrs. E. Johnson, is one of those immortal sayings of Jesus which have echoed down the corridors of time: "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; . . Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. . . . I will not leave you comfortless." To some, these words may appear mere platitudes, but, as the Rev. W. H. Drury subsequently indicated, peace can become an accomplished fact in the life of each one of us if we will but "set up in our hearts a kingdom of love and righteousness." Pride, envy, and anger were quoted by Mr. Drury as the enemies of peace. "Creating in us the spirit which despises the other individual and exalts ourselves," he said, "these three things imperil and retard Christian progress."

The Rev. W. H. Drury, of Maryborough, will occupy the pulpit again on Sunday when he will preach at both the morning and evening services.

On Sunday week, the Rev. W. H. Rayner, B.A., B.D., the noted preacher and writer of Ballarat, is to conduct services at the Northcote Congregational Church.

Mr. H. A. Hall presided at the meeting of the Young Men's Society on Sunday afternoon, when Mr. C. W. Batten presented a paper entitled "What are our Beliefs?" An animated discussion followed. Next Sunday, at 3 p.m., the Rev. W. H. Drury is to address the class. The meeting is open to any person who may care to attend.

To consider a more practical method of working, a special meeting of the Christian Endeavour Society was held on Monday evening. Suggestions brought forward are to be incorporated in future operations.

A dramatic and musical entertainment is to be staged in the school hall, Armadale street, on Wednesday evening by the Dramatic Society. Tickets at 1/ each may be obtained from the producer (Mr. W. Fanning), secretary (Miss Sheila Penhall) or members of the club.

The success is assured of the evening to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Fanning, 173 Wood street, East Preston, on Saturday. The proceeds are to be donated to several church funds.

A Thought to Ponder.—An optimist is the fellow who takes the cold water thrown upon his proposition, heats it with enthusiasm, makes steam, and pushes ahead.

Northcote Church of Christ

On Tuesday, June 26, the annual meeting of the Sunday School teaching staff was held. Mr. and Mrs. B. Smith were re-elected superintendent of the school and kindergarten respectively. Mr. L. Long was re-elected secretary, and Messrs G. Hing and B. Anderson were elected assistant superintendent and treasurer respectively. The report on the year's work revealed a healthy condition in all departments.

At the C.E. Meeting on June 28 reports on the previous quarter's activities were given by the convenors of the various committees. All reports gave evidence that the committees are alive and doing excellent work.

On Saturday the sisters held a social, proceeds of which were devoted to defraying the cost of the piano, which has just been placed in the school hall by the sisters.

A special series of messages on the main theme of "The Church That Jesus Built" was begun on Sunday, when Mr. Saunders spoke in the morning on "Witnesses for Christ," and in the evening on "The Divine Marching Orders."

The tennis club is proving successful in the winter tournaments, having been undefeated so far, and the Girls' Club is proving equally successful, having gained the possible points to date in the indoor sports competition. The basketball team and footballers are only moderately successful, having mixed victories with defeats.

Prince of Wales Park Methodist

The branch of the W.A.F.M. held their meeting on Wednesday when a large number of ladies were present. Mrs. Gelean, who spent 25 years on the mission field in Fiji gave an interesting address on the work being done there.

On Thursday night the quarterly Centenary Thanksgiving was held and was well attended. The organisers of the Local Fund, Messrs F. C. Henshaw and E. Langfield gave a very satisfactory progress report.

On Monday night the members of the Girls' Gymnasium Club held a successful entertainment when members of St Andrew's Dramatic Society from Clifton Hill staged a comedy in three acts: "What's in a Name," taken from the book "Mr Pim Passes By."

On Sunday next a special evening service has been arranged when Rev T. H. Indian will be the preacher. The soloists are Miss Joan Jones, champion contralto Ballarat Competitions, and Mr Harry Bailey, baritone, winner of the "Age" Championship, who will render songs and duets.

Church of the Epiphany

On Sunday evening the vicar (Rev. Thomas Cole) spoke on St. Peter, Friday being St. Peter's Day. St. Peter was a man of action whose example was well worth following. The speaker also dealt with the saint's work in building up the Christian Church and of the various monuments erected in his honor.

On Sunday the vicar of Christ Church, Hawthorn (Rev. H. E. Hollow, M.A.) will speak at 11 a.m. He will deal with the church arrangements in connection with the forthcoming Centenary, during which celebration the All Australian Anglican Assembly will take place in Melbourne. This assembly will be the most representative ever held in Australia, and Canon Berry, of Westminster will deliver the Moorhouse lecture. Rev. T. Cole will officiate at Christ Church, Hawthorn, in exchange with Rev. Hollow.

Congregations at all services are improving despite unfavorable weather.

Mr. H. L. Hall, an ex-teacher at Northcote High School and a vestryman of the church has been successful in passing an examination for the PhD. diploma.

St. Aidan's

The Thornbury Lodge visited St. Aidan's on Sunday evening last, when Wor. Bro. W. S. Neolands read the first lesson and Wor. Bro. Olorenshaw, W.M., the second. Wor. Bro. Hughes in his address referred to the members of the church who had rendered service and passed, and to the W.M's of the lodge who had been called to the Lodge Above. The choir rendered an appropriate anthem. After the service Wor. Bro. Olorenshaw complimented the choir on their fine work. There was a good congregation at the service.

It being the first Sunday of the month a scholars' church service was held and the Sunday school superintendent (Mr. Geo. Blackman) gave an impressive address.

The official visit of the Mayor and councillors of the City of Northcote has been postponed from July 2 to the second Sunday in August.

Northcote Presbyterian Church

On Thursday afternoon last, the convenors of the flower stall in connection with the floral fair to be held at the James Street Church in September held a most enjoyable afternoon. The convenors, Mesdames Minor and Butcher, had gone to considerable trouble to make the function a success and they were rewarded for their efforts. With Mrs A. T. Jones in the chair items by the following well-known artists were enthusiastically received: — Misses O. Batten and Richards (solos), Mesdames McPhee and Watson (recitals) and Mrs Connor ably supported with the piano.

Among those present were: — Mesdames A. T. Jones, G. Cogle, T. Grainger, E. Govan, E. Roberts, S. Muir, W. Beech, R. Ford, J. A. Thomson, G. Reid, J. Paull, H. Wallace, A. Ellis, Nourish, Clarke, and Tovey, Misses Owens, McMillan and Robinson. At the conclusion Miss Owens briefly thanked the artists for helping so ably.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS

VICTORIAN POSITION SATISFACTORY

There is no need for misgiving about the incidence of infantile paralysis in Victoria, says the chairman of the Health Commission (Dr. Robertson). Actually the number of cases of infantile paralysis reported in this State has shown a steady decline for some time.

This statement was made when he was discussing a cable message reporting a severe epidemic of the disease in Southern California.

Dr. Robertson said that there had been a great improvement in the last few years in respect of notification of cases of infantile paralysis. The fall in the number of cases recently was relatively considerable.

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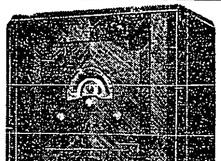
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DEATH

JENSEN.—On the 25th June, 1934, passed away (suddenly) at her parents' residence, 311 High street, Preston, Gladys, the dearly beloved second eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ern Jensen, and loving sister of Ern, Arthur, Rose, Merle, Carl (deceased), Valma and Ron. Aged 12 years.

Our loved one peacefully sleeping.

BEREAVEMENT NOTICE

COCK.—The wife and sons of the late Mr. W. H. Cock desire to THANK all relatives and friends for personal expressions of sympathy, also for cards, letters, telegrams and floral tributes. Will all please accept this as a personal acknowledgment of our sincere gratitude.

30 Fenwick St., Thornbury.

BEREAVEMENT NOTICE

JENSEN.—Mr. and Mrs. Ern Jensen and Family desire to express their sincere and heartfelt THANKS to all kind relatives, friends and neighbors for their letters, cards, telegrams, floral tributes and personal expressions of sympathy during their recent sad bereavement. Will all kind friends please accept this as a personal acknowledgment of our deepest gratitude.

311 High St. Preston.

THANKS

SPICER.—Mrs. J. Spicer and son desire to THANK all their kind friends, relatives and also the Preston Baseball Club, the Oak Lodge No. 99, and the employes of James Wright's Nursery for the floral tributes, letters, telegrams, cards and personal expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement. Will all please accept this as a personal acknowledgment of our sincere gratitude.

THANKS

Cr. and Mrs. M. C. JONES and Family wish to express their sincere THANKS to all kind friends and relatives for their expressions of sympathy, letters, cards, telegrams and floral tributes in their recent sad bereavement. Will all please accept this as a personal acknowledgment of our sincere gratitude.

"Clyla," 10 Gooch St., Thornbury.

THANKS

BARKER.—Mrs. David Barker desires to THANK all kind friends and relatives for letters, cards, floral tributes and personal sympathy in her recent sad bereavement; also Dr. Horgan for his kind attention to her dear husband. Will all please accept this as personal acknowledgment of her gratitude.

1 Hawking St., Preston.

ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced of Mollie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Kean, of Dennis street, Northcote, to John, third son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hickox, of Glenlyon Road, East Brunswick.

ENGAGEMENT

The Engagement is announced of Doreen, fourth daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. Hogan, of Plenty road, South Preston, to Mr. Edward Schultz, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs Schultz, of Pine Grove, Wollert.

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PERSONAL

Mr. E. McN. Robertson, principal of the firm of Robertson and O'Donnell, who recently underwent an operation is now home again at Mitchell street, Northcote, and is well on the way to recovery.

Mr. E. L. Stack, registrar of sustenance at Preston has resumed duty after a pleasant month's holiday, spent in Sydney.

The friends of Mrs. Ern Jensen, High street, Preston, will regret to learn that she is unwell, and confined to her room.

The death occurred on Sunday of Mr. Victor Green, who was employed as a warder at Mont Park asylum. He was 50 years of age and a member of the 24th Battalion, A.I.F. The cause of death was pneumonia. Mr. Green left a widow and three children. The interment took place at Fawkner Cemetery, Mr. Ern Jensen, High street, Preston, having charge of the arrangements. Rev. E. Jones Robertson, Presbyterian clergyman took the burial service.

The mayoress of Preston (Mrs. H. P. Zwar) has been elected for the fourth time in succession, president of the Eye and Ear Hospital Auxiliary. Last year the different auxiliaries succeeded in raising £1,100 in aid of this deserving institution.

Cr. L. Jones has been on the sick list again and was confined to his room for several days. Owig to illness, Cr. Jones was unable to attend Preston Council committee meeting on Monday evening.

To represent their band in the Metropolitan Queen Competition of Bands which opened on July 2, the Excelsior Boys have chosen Miss Molly Fyfe as their Queen. In the chemise of her candidature a strong committee has been formed and will endeavour to have Miss Fyfe head the list when the crowning takes place in the Melbourne Town Hall, about the middle of August.

The death occurred on Monday of James Riordan, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Although formerly of Woodstock, deceased resided in Seymour street, corner High street, Preston. He was the son of the late Patrick and Mary Riordan, of Woodstock, brother of Thomas (deceased), Patrick (W.A.), John (W.A.), Michael (deceased), Honora (Mrs Reardon) (deceased), Mary (Mrs. Cougle), William and Catherine (Mrs Moroney) The funeral left the Sacred Heart Church at 3 p.m. on Tuesday for the Epping Cemetery, where the interment was made.

Miss Bean, of St. George's road, Northcote, met with a serious accident last week. While in the city she was knocked over by a motor car, and is now in Epworth Hospital, in a serious condition. Miss Bean has been honorary secretary of the Preston Ladies' Benevolent Society for a number of years, having spared no effort in that capacity, and all hope for her speedy recovery.

Mr. Harold Jackson, of 2 Etnam street, West Preston, has been appointed assayer to the Norseman branch of the Amalgamated Gold Mining Corporation of Australia. He was a popular member of Oakover Tennis Club and Preston Baseball Club, and left by the Adelaide express for the West on Thursday, June 28. His friends and club mates join in wishing him success in his future career.

The death occurred on June 30 at his residence, Grange road, Alphington, of Mr. Isadore Moss. He was a member of the Ivanhoe Masonic Lodge. He leaves a widow and a family of three. The funeral took place on Monday, and the remains were cremated at the Fawkner Crematorium. The funeral arrangements were in the hands of Mr. H. J. H. Lewis.

Cr. Fitzgerald, of Essendon, and Ex-Cr. C. W. Timmins, of Northcote were present at the meeting of the Northcote Council on Monday and were welcomed by the mayor (Cr. M. C. Jones).

Mr. C. Warlimont, of 179 High street, Northcote, passed his final subject at the May examinations of the Real Estate Institution of Australia so gaining his Association Diploma, and he is now entitled to place the letters A.R.E.I. after his name. Mr Warlimont is with Mr E. A. Knell, of Station street, Ivanhoe.

Mrs. L. Searle, 106 Woolton avenue Croxton, is the proud mother of a baby girl, born in the Lilliefie Private Hospital. Mr. Searle passed away five months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bland, of Yarrawonga, Victoria, are the proud parents of a baby girl, born in the Lilliefie Private Hospital.

Mr. Harold Altchin has returned home to Preston from Epworth Hospital but is still confined to his bed.

Through illness, Mr. H. Chapman has been in hospital, but is now making good progress at his home in Livingstone Parade, Preston.

The many friends of Mrs W. Shaw of St. Neot's avenue, Northcote, will be pleased to learn that she is recovering satisfactorily.

Eileen H. S. W. Marshall is suffering a nervous breakdown and rheumatic fever and is likely to be confined to her bed for a considerable time.

Mrs Cullivor, of Clyde street, Thornbury, has suffered a bereavement in the death of her mother, Mrs Ellen Wheare, who died on Tuesday.

As the result of an accident the width occurred on Wednesday of Mr Harold Edgar Peynal Barratt, of Clarke street, Northcote South, at the age of 23 years. He is a son of Mrs Laura M. Revell, and stepson of Mr Thomas P. Revell. The funeral will take place to-day (Friday) and the interment will be made at the Warringal Cemetery, Heidelberg.

Mr and Mrs P. Clarke, of South street, Preston, the victims of a recent accident in Plenty road, when their jinker and an electric tram collided, have now returned to their home. Their only daughter, Miss Eileen Clarke, who was in hospital at the time of the accident, has also returned home.

Coming-of-Age.—The Austral Hall was the scene of a happy party on Saturday, when Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Mahony entertained over 100 guests. The occasion was the celebration of their daughter Sheila's 21st birthday. The hostess was frocked in a red satin evening dress and green velvet coatee, while the guest of honor wore a white hand-painted sand crepe frock and pink velvet cape. Music was rendered by Mr. J. Hines and partner. During the evening items were rendered by Miss Peggy Atkinson (elocutionist and Mr Frank Holloway (ventriloquist) which pleased all. During supper Mr. F. Smith proposed the toast of the guest of honor, Sheila, in responding, thanked all present for their good wishes and beautiful presents. Mr. G. Brosdie proposed the toast of the parents. A key, autographed by all was presented to her by her father. Guests came from as far as Warburton and Healesville. Among the guests were her grand-parents from Wattle Glen, and grand-aunt. The duties of M.C. were carried out by Mr. Len Emselie, who also said how popular Sheila is. The tables were beautifully set out by many young friends. The decorations were pink and green. The two-tired cake was also pink and green. Dancing then continued until 11.30, when all joined hands and sang "Auld Lang Syne" and everybody was sorry when this most enjoyable evening came to a close.

Holidays.—Miss Edith Green, of Armadale street, Thornbury has left for an extended visit to Nagambie.

Miss Miriam Goldstein, of Bell street, Preston is holidaying with relatives in Sydney.

Mrs. Howard, of 10 Clifton grove, Preston and her daughter are leaving for Columbo on Saturday.

Wedding.—On Wednesday evening Miss Hazel S. F. Beggs, of Darebin street, Northcote was married to Mr. Wilfred Finen Noel, of Plant street, Northcote, at St. Aidan's Church of England. Rev. J. O. Hughes officiated and many friends and well-wishers witnessed the ceremony. A breakfast at the home of the bride's parents followed.

Return Ball.—The secretary of the Preston Return Ball Committee (Mr. L. W. Williams) reports that a large number of acceptances are to hand for the ball on Thursday, August 2.

Club Social.—Euchre prize winners at the South Preston Mothers' Club social last week were Mesdames W. Crowe and West. Mrs. Crowe also annexed the box of fruit. Old-time dancing followed cards.

Australian Tea.—At the Holy Trinity Vicarage on Tuesday afternoon, July 10, Mrs. W. H. Chamberlain has arranged an Australian Tea. An excellent programme will be rendered and a dainty afternoon tea will be dispensed. The hostess will be delighted to welcome her many friends from Thornbury, Northcote and Preston.

Silver Wedding.—To celebrate her silver wedding, Mrs. Banks will be the hostess at an attractive flag bridge afternoon to be held in the Dispensary Hall, Thornbury, on Wednesday, July 11, at 2.30 p.m., to raise funds for the Queen Victoria Hospital.

Fifteen hostesses are also holding a dance and euchre in the Northcote town hall, on July 17.

Card Afternoon.—The Preston Red Cross Auxiliary will hold a card afternoon in the town hall, on Thursday, July 12, at 2.30 p.m. There will be good prizes and afternoon tea will be supplied at the nominal subscription of one shilling. Mrs. H. P. Zwar mayoress, the president; Mrs. A. K. Aitchin, hon. treasurer, and Mrs. F. Sheppard, hon. secretary.

Blind Auxiliary.—The Blind Auxiliary will hold its next monthly meeting in the committee room, Northcote town hall on Monday, July 9, at 2 o'clock. Flag bridge at 2.30 p.m. Citizens of Northcote are invited to listen in to 3DB on Wednesday, July 18, at 2.30 p.m. The institute will then broadcast its annual meeting of the Institute's auxiliaries. Lady Huntingfield will be present.

Social Evening at Wardrop House.—An enjoyable evening was arranged by Mr and Mrs T. Pollock at Wardrop House on Saturday evening to assist the special fund. The evening was devoted to competitions, musical items, &c. More than 100 were present, the Mayor of Northcote, and Miss Bronda Jones attending. The former in a short speech, expressed his pleasure at the good work being done by this Y.M.C.A. Hostel in Northcote, and was proud to be associated with the movement.

Prizes were won by Mrs G. H. Mott Miss Pryce Thomas and Mr J. Donath Among those present were:—Dr and Mrs Brownell, Mr and Mrs H. Linder, Mr and Mrs J. Donath, Mr and Mrs H. A. Bean, Rev Jones, Rev T. Cole, Rev J. O. Hughes, Mrs Beale, Mr Jack Beale, Mr and Mrs Hayden, Mrs G. H. Mott, Mrs Muzzell, Miss N. Thompson, Miss N. Dale and Mr C. H. Fraser. A substantial cheque was handed to the fund as a result of the social. Mr and Mrs H. A. Bean will give an evening for the same cause at their home on July 21.

St. Mary's Tennis Club Dance.—Next Saturday evening the annual dance of St. Mary's Tennis Club will take place in the parish hall.

Card Party and Dance.—Twelve hostesses of Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary have arranged a card party and dance to take place at Northcote Town Hall on Tuesday night, July 17, for the Queen Victoria Hospital.

Annual Gala Presentation.—On Wednesday evening, June 27 the Sacred Heart Tennis Club held its eleventh annual gala dance in the Preston Town Hall. A beautiful supper, provided by the lady members, novelty whistles and streamers, and a fine band, were the main features of this delightfully enjoyable evening. Two handsome silver cups were presented to Miss Vera Weissenfeld and Mr Tom Dunlop, the winners of the Singles Championships, by Mr Hazel O'Shea, a representative of the Victorian Catholic Lawn Tennis Association. Invitations were accepted by the Rev. Fathers Murtagh and Ryan who show a keen interest in the club's activities. Noticed on the dance floor were—Misses Molly Carew, Wyn Jowett, Bonnie and Eileen Slattery, Jean McGregor, Joan Dalton, Beryl Fritchard, Linda McGregor, Dorothy Sparkes, Sheila Green, Ron Condon, Vera Weissenfeld, Tess and Kathleen Bradstreet; Mesdames Meflinn, Scott, and Rushford; Messrs. J. Rushford, G. Sparkes, P. Weissenfeld, F. Walsh, L. Gardiner, J. Burrows, E. Naughton, F. Milnes, B. Green, J. Martin, K. Gorrie, T. and D. Dunlop, and C. Thorne.

Card Evening.—Miss Jean Madden gave an enjoyable card party on Thursday evening, 28th ult. in aid of hospital funds. Bridge was played and ladies were arranged for the afternoon. Players were:—Mrs and Mrs E. Siers, Mr and Mrs Crowe, Mr and Mrs H. Heather; Misses James Cahir sen., L. Stanlake, N. Condon, M. Brown, Webster, Quick and Nichols, and Miss E. Burke. Lucky chair and lucky number prizes were both won by Mrs Nichols. Miss McFadden was assisted in arranging the tea by her sister, Miss Marjorie McFadden.

Kitchen Tea at East Preston.—A successful kitchen tea was tendered to Miss V. Mellon and Mr Cook on Monday evening, (July 2) at St. Mary's Church of England, East Preston. This was organised by the Girls' Social Club under the supervision of Mrs H. Goodridge. Games and dancing and a good supper were the order of the evening. Rev Parsons, on behalf of those present presented the happy couple with a goodly array of kitchenware and Mr Cookson ably responded. Mr E. Tribe and Mr G. Steele jun. also spoke. The happy couple are to be married on the 7th inst and all wished them well.

Silver Wedding. — Mrs Banks celebrating the anniversary of her silver wedding with a card afternoon in the Dispensary Hall, Thornbury, on Wednesday, July 11, at 2.30 p.m. Proceeds are in aid of the Queen Victoria Hospital. Members and friends are advised to bear this date in mind as an enjoyable afternoon is assured.

Kitchen Tea at Preston.—On Thursday, 28th ult. a happy evening was spent at the home of Mr and Mrs V. Jeffrey, of Bowden street, North Preston, when over 30 friends of Miss Thelma Griffiths and Mr Bert Thorne gathered together to farewell them a kitchen tea as their marriage was to take place on 30th ult. Mr Jeffrey and Mrs A. Morrison (Thornbury) were the organisers and deserve great credit for the success of the affair.

The guests of the evening were received with musical honors by little Joan Westmoreland presented a white bouquet. Music and games and a bountiful supper passed the time happily and then Rev F. Parsons in an appropriate speech on behalf of all, presented the attractive array of kitchenware to the happy couple. Mr D. Thorne ably responded, "Auld Lang Syne" soon after ended a memorable evening.

New Bankrupt.—William Pickett, postal employe, of Raglan street, Preston, formerly of Burns street, Hamilton. Causes of bankruptcy: Illness of wife, children and self. Liabilities £106/18/4, assets nil.

RIFLE SHOOTING

PRESTON CLUB

Preston fired the last round for the Club Trophy from 200 yards; the trophy was won by H. Court. Scores: W. Vines 45-8-53; T. Griffiths, 49-1-50; E. Batstone, 49-1-50; H. Court, 45-4-49; R. Alford, 41-6-47; G. Bignell, 45-2-43; J. Piggott, 41-5-46; R. Bevelin, 37-9-46; L. Chynoweth, 41-1-42; P. Miller, 39-4-43.

The miniature trophy was won by H. Court. Results:

H. Court, 49 possible; T. Griffiths 49-2-51; G. Bignell 58-2-60; J. Piggott, 51-1-53; J. Lowery, 54-1-55; M. Forrest, 50-6-56.

EPPING

Presbyterian Church

A successful social was held in the church hall on Wednesday evening, over 40 persons enjoying a pleasant evening of games and musical items.

The secretary of the church Tennis Club (Mr R. Scott) announced that the membership for the first month of the new season was double the entire membership for the past twelve months. The fees are ladies 2/-, gentlemen 3/-.

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Northcote Council Meets

THE usual meeting of the Northcote Council was held on Monday. There was not a great deal of business, which was quickly despatched.

Present were the Mayor (Cr. M. C. Jones), and Crs. B. E. Johnson, J. W. French, W. Glanfield, A. McAdam, A. C. Hughes, A. C. J. H. Green, J. O. Cornish, A. V. Bird, W. Hayes, A. J. Sutch. Cr Turner Peters and J. Sutch. Cr Turner was present later.

Correspondence

Loans for Street Lighting.—The Employment Council advised that it is still prepared to entertain applications for loans for the construction of private streets.—Committee of the Council to give consideration.

Buildings.—H. Revell sought permission to erect private garage corner Victoria road and Clarke street.—Granted if building is set back from building lines.

F. Jensen, on behalf of — Girling, application to erect dairy at rear of property, Jackson street, abutting on the side boundaries.—Granted.

Finance

Public Works Committee.—General accounts £3,255/19/8 and private street construction accounts £92/3/11 were paid.

Electric Light Committee accounts (£2375/1/2 were paid. (This includes transfers of £15,000 to fixed deposit account and £6000 to municipal fund.)

Parks and Baths Committee accounts (£68/11/2 were paid.

Finance Committee account: £10,337/14/2 were paid (This includes transfer of £6000 to Municipal Trust account and £2,000 (£1,000 interest and debenture redemption.).

Private Crossings

It was resolved that notice be served upon 48 property owners of Hakanoa, Rennie, Fyffe, Hutton, Harold Smith, Hallamyne streets, and Normanby and Woolton avenues to construct vehicular crossings over channels and footways.

Ordinary Business

Cr Sutch moved that pot holes in Auburn avenue be filled.—PW Committee.

Cr. Peters moved that engineer fill a bad hole corner Helen street and Turnbull grove.—To be done.

Cr. Bird said that in Rowe's road slabs in footpath had sunk.—P.W. Committee.

A seat was required at the bus terminus at corner High and Elm streets.—P.W. Committee.

Cr. Cornish said some municipalities had arranged for their gardeners to give rose and tree pruning demonstrations.—Park Committee to give consideration.

Cr. French said slabs in High street in front of Wedgwood's shop were broken.

The engineer said the proper thing would be to remove the slab, which was across the channel. There was only 17 feet between the tramline and the kerb.

Cr. Hayes: The council should deal with the matter in the reconstruction of this channel between James and Hastings streets.—Matter referred to P.W. Committee.

Cr. French spoke of lighting in Hillside avenue, and in Frederick street, and asked for a report.—Electric Light Committee.

Cr. Green said a r-o-w, between High street and McLachlan street, north of Harry street was in a bad state of repair.—Engineer to report: A pathway on railway land, in Simpson street needed attention.—P.W. Committee.

Cr. Hayes said he had received a complaint about the electric light in St. David street, in the vicinity of Darebin street.—E.L. Committee.

Cr. Johnson moved that a "no through road" notice be erected in Bayview street, at the corner of High street.—P. W. Committee.

Cr. Green said the nameplate at corner Green and Westgarth streets was removed and had not been replaced.—Engineer to replace.

RESERVOIR NOTES

The Metro. Gas Co. has agreed to representations made to pug mains in the top part of Howard street, and along the block of shops in High street, near Broadway.

Mr. H. P. Bennett, B.A., son of the well-known station master, who was stationed at Reservoir for many years, has been appointed a district inspector in the Education Department, with headquarters at Ouyen.

Mesdames Hastings, McKinnon and Downey organised a successful social in aid of the Debt Extinction Funds.

Mrs. Evans, of Byfield street, is recovering slowly from a serious illness.

The Donella Tennis Club is making a progressive move by transferring its activities to a court of its own in Thackeray road.

Mr. Poulson, a well-known Reservoir sportsman, has been elected W.M. of the Loyal Reservoir Lodge P.A.F.S.

Two of Reservoir's leading sportsmen had a day out at Bacchus Marsh The bag consisted of 15 pairs of rabbits, 6 hares, and 12 brace of quail.

Mr. Stevenson, J.P. is making excellent progress. Mr. Thorpe is home from the Caulfield Military Hospital and is taking up his old activities again.

Three of Reservoir's younger brigade have been leading the care-free life, camping in the open, dining at Crowes. Young Constable Mackintosh and the Children's Court may have the task of curbing the "wayfarers."

Miss Mackay has been appointed secretary of the Girls' Fellowship in lieu of Miss Barbara Adams, who has removed to Keon Park.

Mr. Harry Smeaton, of Lake street is confined to his bed.

The Northcote Council has voted the free use of the town hall to the Northcote Creche, for a P.S.A. for creche funds; and to the Lord Northcote Lodge for a P.S.A. for the funds of the Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society. In each case the mayor (Cr. Jones) is to approve of the programme.

Northcote Council's Transport

Three Trucks to be Bought

At the meeting of the Northcote Council on Monday, a recommendation was made by the Committee of the Council that three motor truck chassis of English manufacture be purchased for the sum of £902/5/; these to be used for cartage in connection with the "work for sustenance" scheme.

Cr. Hayes suggested that further information should have been obtained. The unemployment works would not last for ever, and he thought that some earnest endeavour should be made by the government to get the men back to reproductive work. The building trade was becoming busier and some men were getting back to work. A short time ago the council bought one truck, now it intended to purchase three more, the total cost of the four t. be approximately £1400. No doubt the trucks are required to take advantage of the unemployed labor, but the expenditure is practically being made out at next year's income.

"Reduction in Rate?"

"If this sort of thing were done, there would be little chance of getting a reduction in the rate next year, for which I had hoped," concluded Cr. Hayes.

Cr. Sutch: The Committee of the Council agreed to this proposal almost unanimously, and that was the proper place for Cr. Hayes to fight the matter out.

Cr. Hayes: I am entitled to speak here if I like.

Cr. Green: I am astonished to hear a protest at this stage by Cr. Hayes. This matter has been before the committee on three occasions, and has also been fully discussed and there were no objections.

"The only way to reduce the rate is by getting more efficient service. It is cheaper for the council to buy its own trucks than to hire them at £14 per week."

"Then we will have both the service and the trucks," he concluded.

Cr. Johnson said that a special committee had thoroughly investigated the transport available and had gone into the matter exhaustively from the practical and financial aspects, and had been unanimous in its recommendation that three trucks should be purchased.

"Profits Hoarded Too Long"

Cr. Bird said the trucks were absolutely necessary. In the West Ward works were months behind, and until better transport was acquired the work would still be behind.

"The funds are available. We have been hoarding up the profits of the Electric Light Department too long. Here is a chance to spend £1000, so let us buy much needed transport to bring the engineer's department up-to-date."

The recommendation was adopted.

St. Vincent's Hospital Auxiliary Northcote - Thornbury Branch. — The monthly meeting will be held at the Northcote Town Hall on Thursday July 12, at 2.30 p.m. Hostesses for the afternoon are Mesdames Slattery Roberts, and Hennessey. Officers for the ensuing term will be nominated at the meeting and a full attendance of members is requested. Arrangements for a theatre party at the Tivoli on July 18 have been completed.

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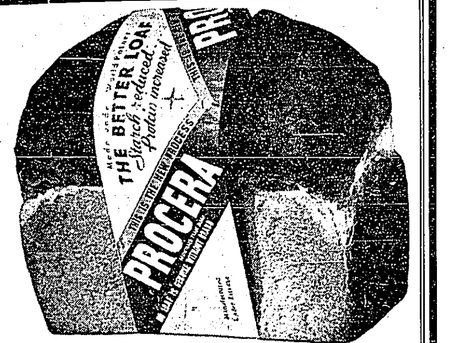

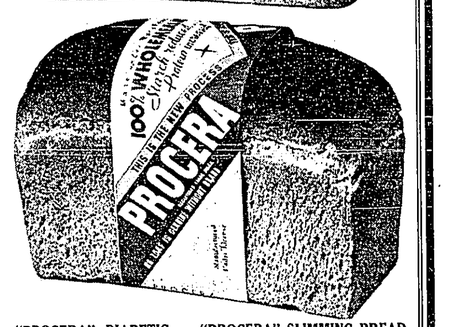

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Dear Cobbers,—Have any of you ever been nearly drowned? Well, that's the way Uncle Sam felt when he opened dozens of letters that were as heavy as lead, as tight as a drum, and as full as a tick with Similies for the Competition. Every letter had "dozens and thousands," as Jacko said. We think you must have been saving up for this competition, Grandpa said the Competition would be as dry as a bone, but I was as bold as brass and my Cobbers were as fit as fiddles. I had to get Fluffy and Jacko with Uncle George and Uncle Sam to help count the replies, and this made them as mad as hatters and as slow as a funeral. After sharpening their pencils they set to work as quick as one ... ning and soon had all replies corrected. The results are in ... Corner this week.

We welcome two new Cobbers this week—a girl and a boy—and both Fluffy and Jacko are jubilant. The number of entries for the Similes Competition is pleasing, and we hope you'll keep up the average in the Competition which is announced this week. Best wishes and greetings from the Pets and

UNCLE PHIL.

Find the Words

NEW COMPETITION

In the following little story there are 23 words which are terms used in our popular outdoor and indoor games. Can you guess them?

When Kitty recived her cue to visit the pawn shop the fault she made was to let a forward man over the road have a try to steal her bag. He was a bully, the friend of rooks, and when she called out this rover runs away, she wires the police, but the officer they sent was a dunce who took her for a cup of tea, and afterwards to a dance. As there was no ball they went for a walk. As Jack was a stale mate Kitty, who buffed at the idea of a wedding, refused to visit the Bishop, so he couldn't catcher.

A prize of 2/6 will be awarded to the Cobber who finds the 23 correct words. Grandpa's decision is final. The Competition closes on JULY 28. Mark your entry "Words Competition" and send it in early.

BIRTHDAYS

All the Cobbers, Uncle Phil and the Pets send the happiest and heartiest birthday greetings and good wishes to Wilbur James and Frank Twomey (July 7), William Bredin (July 9), Gladys Dihm, Cassie Sinclair, Maurice Cameron and Arthur Ross (July 11), Lily Robertson, Oliver Joiner (July 12), Betty McCutcheon, J. Birch and Malcolm McIntosh (July 13).

WE WELCOME—

Clifford Hounslow.—Welcome to the Cobbers' and Birthday Clubs, Clifford. We hope you'll send in plenty of Contributions and enjoy reading the Corner. Will you send us a snap of yourself for the Album when you write next? Best Wishes from all.—U.P.

Audrey Doyle.—Many welcomes to the Clubs, Audrey. I am posting your certificate. How do you like these frosty mornings? Do you find it hard to hop out of bed? My word, the Pets do. Will you send us a snap for the album when you write next? Fluffy sends a special greeting.—U.P.

OUR MAIL BAG

Stanley Jackson.—I have made a note of your address, Stan. Greetings from all.—U.P.

Ethel Francis. — Congratulations, Ethel, on the 100 marks. Yes, the prize will be ready if you call in and bring your certificate. Have a shot at the new Competition. Greetings from all.—U.P.

Marjorie Lawrence.—They are O.K. Marjory. I am glad you like Uncle Sam's stories and will tell him so. Best wishes from the Pets and U.P.

Sylvia Lawrence. — Yes, send it along any time, Sylvia, and I'll keep a space for you in the album. That's the spirit, Sylvia. Try hard for the marks. Many greetings.—U.P.

Bruce Beattie.—Jacko says he'll find out how many marks you have, Bruce, and let you know. We're using the joke this week. Guess you will enjoy the Jamboree. Greetings and best wishes.—U.P.

Uncle Sam's Story

JIMMY'S JIG-SAW PUZZLE

Instalment II

"Oh, don't worry so," came a sharp voice from the middle of the jumbled pile of pieces on the carpet. "Here, Joy, find me the other piece of the lifeboat, the one that has an oar. How can I be ready for a mishap if I haven't an oar? And while you're looking get one of Cartler's sailors. I may need him."

"I'm working as fast as I can," Jimmy said in a husky tone. "I can't place more than one piece at a time, can I? And somehow I can't find the pieces I want most."

"Here you," snapped a louder voice from the carpet. "I'm the pilot of this ship, and I want my compass, quick, now!" He danced about and whirled his arms until Jimmy became quite nervous. Did that voice belong to the puzzle, or to history? he wondered.

Just then something rushed into the room and alighted on Jimmy's back. It was Felix, the cat. He purred in Jimmy's ear, then reached his paw down over his shoulder and playfully pushed some of the puzzle pieces about. "Why, Felix!" cried Jimmy, rubbing his eyes. "Felix, you naughty puss, you have undone some of my work." Then he laughed and added, "No, Felix, you are a good puss to come in to wake me up, and the jig-saw family had begun to quarrel, and everything was in a mix-up." Felix purred loudly as if he understood the whole situation.

Jimmy picked up the pieces and put them in their box, then taking a box under one arm and Felix under the other, he went to his mother, who was busy with her sewing.

"Here is the puzzle, Mother. I—" He paused, and Mother asked: "Did you complete it so soon, Jimmy?"

"No, Mother dear, I got too sleepy, then Felix came in and mixed things up, and I got puzzle and history mixed, so I'm through with it for tonight. I will learn my history lesson then go to bed," he added, smiling.

"That's a good scout, Jimmy," said Mother. "The puzzle will keep and the history lesson needs your attention."

And Felix said "Pr-r-r-meow!" meaning "That's right."

—Uncle Sam

SOMETHING TOPICAL

JOLLY JACK FROST

There is a little artist,
Who paints in the cold night air
Pictures for the children
Of Fairyland so fair.

Pictures of gnomes and fairies
Dancing in fairy rings.
Pictures of little pixies
Trying to fly without wings.

Pictures of rushing rivers
Through fields of fairy hay,
Pictures of fairy soldiers,
Tramping the broad highway.

He paints in the cold moonlight,
His board is a window-pane.
His brush is a frozen snowflake,
Jack Frost is the artist's name.

—JACKO.

(Jacko sent this little poem in, but he wishes it was "tropical" and not "topical.")

CONTRIBUTIONS

RETAILINGS

I am often heard in Parliamentary debates. Retail me and I am the seat of all affections and passions. Retail me again and I am your near neighbor when seated around the fireside.

Answer.—Hear, heart, hearth.

Two letters which express a superfluity inverted name a famous eastern county in England. What are they? —NS (excess), SX (Essex).

(GOOD) E. Francis

LIMERICK

The boy stood on the burning deck
Shooting his father's musket;
He swallowed a lump of dynamite
And the poor little beggar busted.
(GOOD) Stanley Jackson

RELATED

Small Boy (reading poem): "Please and in this book it is spelt 'hoarse'." Master: "Ah, but this is a different sir, I thought horse was spelt 'horse,' type of horse, closely related to the cow spelt 'cough'."

(GOOD) Marjorie Wood

TO-MORROW

There's a little word that's often full of sorrow,
And it's too well known in nearly every land,
For too many people want to do to-morrow
The work that lies already to the hand.
They are folk whose mind is always hazy,
And ignorant that if a thing's begun
You do not finish it by being lazy,
But by working now until it's fairly done.

(GOOD) Bessie Goldstein

PUSS, PUSS!

Mrs. Robert Katz was looking for her husband, and, not finding him at the village grocery, she went over to the barber's shop. The proprietor met her at the door and inquired what she wanted. "Rob Katz here?" she asked. "No, madam, we do not," replied the barber, as he closed the door.

(GOOD) Billy Murray

MAGIC TRICK TO TRY

Twist about six yards of thin, very bright-colored silk ribbon loosely around the end of a wand so that it forms a little bundle. Hold the wand by this end as you enter the room with your hand hiding the ribbon. The wand should be in your right hand. Pointing with the wand show your left hand empty. Transfer the wand with ribbon to your left hand and show the right, empty, too. Now pass the wand back again to its original position, this time by the free end, leaving the ball of ribbon in your closed left hand. All you need then do is to shake out the length of ribbon with a few sweeping movements.

STORYETTES

Everyone could see that the couple had quarrelled the minute they entered the train. The woman stared in front of her. The man sat glowering at the advertisements. Suddenly there sounded the woman's angry voice. "If it wasn't for me you'd be the biggest fool in Melbourne." Then for the first time the man grinned, and the other passengers joined in with him.

(GOOD) Audrey Taylor

"Mother, papa wouldn't murder anybody, would he?" "Why, certainly not, child. What makes you think that?" "Well, I just heard him down in the cellar saying, 'Let's kill the other two, George'."

(GOOD) J. Moylan

Two neighbors were quarrelling, and they seemed to have lost their temper over something. "Call yourself a man?" said one of the men, "why, you're next door to an idiot!"

(GOOD) Jean Skipper

Mother: "Quiet, child, the sandman is coming." Modern Child: "O.K.! A dollar and I won't tell pop."

(GOOD) Col. T. Mahony

Seeing Things.—Doctor: "Rheumatism, my dear sir, causes a person to imagine that his joints are very much larger than they actually are." Patient: "H'm. Then our butcher has certainly got it."

(GOOD) Pauline Garwood.

"That's an old car of yours, Tom. How many summers has it seen?" "I don't know how many summers, but it's had over fifteen springs since I've bought it."

(GOOD) G. Joyce.

Fiddler: "The leading lady seems to have a break in her enunciation." Orchestra Leader: "Say, you keep your eye on the music."

(GOOD) Brian S. Mahony

Friend: "That boy of yours seems very bright. He'll cut out a name for himself one day. I should think." Boy's Father: "He's done it already—on our new piano."

Freddie (at the zoo): "The giraffe must come from a very hot and sunny country." Robert: "How's that?" Freddie: "Well, look at the size of his freckles!"

(GOOD) Joyce Lawrence

"That is the last straw. I give you money because you say that your wife and children are starving at home, and I find you here having steak and wine." "But, sir, my wife and children really are starving at home."

(GOOD) E. Francis.

Two reservoirs nestling side by side were pointed out to Tommy, aged five, and it was explained to him that from them came the water in the taps at home. After a long and thoughtful pause he asked, "Well, which is the hot one?"

(GOOD) Shirley Wood

Fortune Teller: "You are going to meet a very dark man." Lady: "Quite right! I've arranged for the sweep to call to-morrow."

(GOOD) Bruce Beattie

Nasty.—"You have changed a good deal since I saw you last," she remarked to an acquaintance. "For the better or the worse?" "My dear, you could only change for the better!"

(GOOD) Audrey Doyle

Lawyer: "But why change your name again? You chumped it to Smith last year." Client: "Yes, but I made a bit of a mess of Smith."

"William, I believe you're afraid to go down to see what that noise was!" "N-not I! You go down first and watch me come."

(GOOD) J. Francis

Counsel: "You say you saw the beginning of this dispute between this

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OUR SHORT STORY

Robbing Peter To Pay Paul

"ROBBING Peter to pay Paul" is, in these hard times, a common practice. But it is not everyone (thank goodness!) who does it in the disastrous way that I did!

I had a little house with a garden in the country, and a wife and son depending upon me.

My son was a friend. My wife had a reputation for being bright, good-tempered and sympathetic. But it is many years since she has manifested those qualities towards me.

Well, times were hard, and I was forced to mortgage the house and garden. Then came a period when I couldn't pay the interest, while, according to agreement, the whole sum became due—and the mortgagees gave a definite day for foreclosure!

I was desperate. My wife, I knew, would never forgive me if I let the house go, nor would she trouble to understand how it came about.

I thought matters out. There was no hope—an old friend of mine, in Germany. A dear old man who was very fond of my son.

Craftily, I raised a few pounds, and proposed to send the boy to Germany with a letter to my friend, explaining the circumstances, and asking for the loan of two hundred and fifty pounds.

We worked out the time-table carefully—he could just get back four days before the date of foreclosure. So I sent the boy, and awaited the result with such patience as I could muster—not that I for one moment doubted that my friend would fail me if he had the money.

On the day he was due back I received a wire. It was from the matron of a Berlin hospital, saying that young Jim, my son, was lying there with influenza.

I immediately wired:

"Sorry you are ill. Did you conclude business satisfactorily?"

And I received a reply:

"Son deliorious, but in no present danger. Matron."

You may imagine my feelings!

Added to my anxiety about the boy there was the fact that only two days remained before my home was sold, and whether Jim had been successful or not, there was, so far as I could see, no possible hope of getting the money in time.

The village in which I live adjoins a racecourse, and the following day there was a meeting there. In the afternoon I drove down to the post-office to get some stamps, and I had to wait while a strange young man concluded his business.

I stood behind him, and you may imagine my feelings when I saw him pay a number of telegraph money-orders, and receive, finally, the sum of three hundred pounds!

Just the amount I needed, plus fifty pounds for pocket money!

If either the young man or our aged postmaster had known the thoughts, emotions and temptations that were rushing through my mind—well, they would have been more surprised.

For robbery, no less, was in my heart. The fellow was only a boy, and slightly built at that. As I asked for my humble shillingsworth of stamps, while he was stuffing the notes in his wallet, I was hastily considering the chances of knocking him down and snatching that money.

And then I realised that near the post-office the roads were always lonely, and especially on race-days. A blow from behind—who could possibly know, or find out?

I picked up my stamps and turned. The boy was just putting the wallet, with great care, into his inside pocket. I watched him furtively, but carefully—pretending to put my own stamps into my own thin and empty wallet.

And then, it suddenly came to me. I would make a deal with Fate! If, when the boy went out, he turned to the left, he could go. But if he turned to the right—by God, I would do it!

And then he went out, hesitated for a moment and—turned to the right!

From that moment I ceased to be John Paul, a respectable citizen, I became a cunning, dangerous, predatory animal. I was not flurried, nor excited. On the contrary, I was as cool as ice, calculating my chances with the ruthlessness and premeditation of an old hand in crime.

I stepped briskly out of the post-office, turned to the left, and took care that the post-master saw me do so. My first step towards an alibi—if one should be necessary!

The boy and I were now walking in opposite directions, but the road he was on took a wide sweep and I knew of a short cut across the fields. Out of sight of the post office, and with not a soul to see me, I vaulted a gate and saw an empty bottle lying in the ditch.

It had a stopper in it, and I filled it with water from a ditch, screwed in the stopper, and so had an effective weapon. Then I raced on, and so came to another gate, which opened on to the road the boy was approaching.

I had hardly time to climb over the gate and conceal myself by the hedge when I heard the crunch-crunch of his boots on the dusty road.

The boy passed, walking briskly with his head in the air and never catching even a glimpse of me.

And I? I sprang forward like an animal and brought the heavy bottle crashing down on his head.

He stumbled forward, and went down like a pole-axed bullock, lying perfectly still where he had fallen. For one moment I had a ghastly fear—a fear that clutched at my with fey fingers and almost stopped the beating of my own heart—that he was dead—and I his murderer.

But a rapid examination showed me that he was still alive, unconscious with a broken head, and unlikely to take any particular harm from the blow.

In another moment I had taken the wallet from his pocket. Then I dragged his body across the spot where I might have left footmarks, and, leaving him where I myself had crouched a moment before, raced back over the fields the way I had come.

I ran my hardest, and then, in the road once more, strolled into old Reuben Smith's and asked him about some pen-nicks for my garden. I asked him also the right time, as my watch had stopped. My second step towards an alibi—if one should be necessary!

Then I walked briskly home, the way my victim had gone—passing his still unconscious form and seeing it out of the corner of my eye as it lay there, but never turning my head towards it.

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That night the whole village was talking about a young man who had been knocked down by a car. Later, the local constable called.

It seemed the young man had been robbed, presumably by "some o' them racing tough's." Had I seen any suspicious characters about?

I had not—and I did my triumph at my own cleverness.

But after my wife had gone to bed, I had a shock.

I was counting the notes I had stolen, and noticed that they were all in "fivers," done up in bundles—and all brand new!

Our post-office seldom saw so many notes, and no doubt by this time the authorities had the numbers of them.

I had got the money, but—what could I do with it?

And then in the morning, I got another—and a greater—shock.

I had just finished breakfast when, through the windows, I saw a man turn in at the gate. A young man, with a heavily bandaged head—the young man I had assaulted and robbed!

I took a firm hold on myself and went, with apparent calmness, to open the front door.

"Mr Paul?" I nodded.

"I—I am Smith—Peter Smith, you know," he said, "your son's chum Peter."

"You must have heard of me, though we have never met."

It came to me with a sense of horror which outweighed my fears for myself that it was my boy's best friend I had assaulted and robbed. But I kept a grip on myself, and asked him in.

"I'll tell you what I've come for, sir. I've had news for you—dreadful news. Jim, when he first knew he was ill, entrusted to a mutual friend whom he happened to have met—a commercial traveller—a sum of money which, he was just dashing through London, he was to leave with me to bring personally down here.

"I was told it was of the greatest importance, so I took the precaution of going to a post-office and wiring the money to myself here, making sure it would be available when I arrived.

"Well, I got down and drew the money, and was half-way here with it when I was attacked by some thug—and the money was stolen.

"Oh, Mr. Paul—can you forgive me? . . ."

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LIFE-SAVING AND SWIMMING

The annual general meeting of the Victorian head centre of the Royal Life Saving Society was held in the V.C.A. Buildings on June 27. Mr. S. A. Wood occupied the chair.

In his annual report the secretary stated that in his opinion the reason for the falling off of awards of the society was due to the increased charges to candidates. This extra charge was due to the Federal Government charging full customs duty and sales tax on all goods received from London. There was also a decline in the number of clubs affiliated this year, due no doubt to the depression, as many clubs had gone out of existance. The society showed a loss of £40 on the year.

The premiership was won by the Yallourn Club, with 700 points. The Northcote Club finished 22nd on the list with 50 points as compared with 543 last year. Fairfield, who won both the ladies' and men's sections of the life-saving championship, were 4th in the premiership list with 311 points as against 47th position last year with 20 points. During the year 39 rescues from drowning were reported by members of clubs, while many more rescues were effected but not reported.

Owing to pressure of business Sir J. Barrett, C.B., C.M.G., F.R.C.S., resigned from the position of president of the Head Centre, a position he has held since 1924. He was elected a vice-president in appreciation of his long service to the society. Lieut.-Colonel T. W. White, V.D., M.H.R., was elected president; Mr. R. H. Tyas, Dip. Com, F.I.I.S., S.F.I.A., treasurer; and Mr. A. E. Pleydell, hon. secretary. Messrs. J. A. Hogan, A. McIntosh and H. Goldsmith were re-elected to the Executive Council.

NORTHCOTE CLUB NEWS

Since the closing of the baths the club has been concentrating on running socials to raise funds to carry on for the coming season. It is regretted that several staunch supporters in the past have ceased to forward their donations this year. It is felt that this is only an oversight, wanted shortly. Several special efforts have been held, and the results have been quite satisfactory. A special effort is to be held in the Masonic Hall on Saturday, July 21, when it is hoped that it will be highly successful.

That members of the club are keen to see the club advance is shown by the fact that for one vacancy on the committee there were five nominations. Mr. J. Dihm was the successful candidate.

To enable the club to play its part in the Centenary life-saving carnival a special committee consisting of Messrs. A. McIntosh, J. Fogg and F. T. Daly has been appointed.

At the request of members Tuesday evening has been decided upon for a visit to the Brunswick baths for instruction. Members attending will meet at the corner of Elm and High streets at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

Members and friends are asked to keep Saturday evening free and attend the club's social in the Masonic Hall, Bastings street.

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TOPICS for WOMEN

Wedding Bells

TASSELL—YATES

AUTUMN leaves and berries were grouped in the church of the Epiphany, Northcote on Saturday, June 16, when Rev. T. Cole joined in matrimony Alan Rex K. Tassell and Doris Louisa Yates. The service was fully choral and the bride, who was given away by her father, is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Yates, of James Street, Northcote.

Entering the church she made an exquisite picture in her gown of white silk cord velvet, cut on closely fitting lines with soft cowl neckline, shoulder spray of orange blossom, and slashed cowl sleeves. Her flowing white tulle veil fell from a tulle hale cap trimmed with sprays of orange blossom. White velvet shoes and a *sheaf of* white camelias, chrysanthemums and fine maiden-hair fern completed her toilette.

Attending the bride were her sister (Miss Olive Yates) and cousin (Miss Elva Yates), who were frocked alike in red rust velvet with hale hats to match. Their 1830 posies were composed of violets, daphne, mignonette and autumn leaves.

Messrs Jim Gray and Alan Kelly acted as best man and groomsman respectively and supported the groom who is the eldest son of Mr and Mrs C. H. Tassell, of South Australia.

At Normanby Hall, Thornbury, where the reception and breakfast were held, the table decorations were Iceland poppies and the catering was lavishly carried out by Mrs. Olorenshaw.

A navy wool-de-chene ensemble was worn by the bride's mother with hat, gloves and shoes in grey. The groom's mother chose a smart black tunic frock with touches of white and a black velvet hat. An attractive costume of reseda green wool-de-chene frocked the bride for travelling and her hat was of sand colored felt.

On their return, the couple will make their home at "Ormiston," 67 Denmark street, Kew.

DICKINSON—DE LAINE

AT the Church of Christ, North Fitzroy, Miss Isobel A. De Laine, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry De Laine, of Darnum, Gippsland (late of Preston), was wedded to Mr. Bert Dickinson, of Barry Wales. The service was choral and the bride was given away by her father. Magnolia satin cut on simple lines with a graceful train formed the bridal gown, a feature being the long tight fitting sleeves. Her tulle veil fell from a halo and cap of silver lace and she carried a shower bouquet of Easter lilies.

The bridesmaids were Misses Gwen and Elaine McKimmie, friends of the bride from Darnum, and the former favored apple green and the latter shell pink silk crepe for their frocks, which were cut with capes and short trains. Each wore a string of crystals, the groom's gift and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. Mr. A. Barkas as best man, and Mr. C. Billings as groomsman supported the groom.

The reception and breakfast were held at the Church of Christ Hall, corner Reid and Brunswick street, North Fitzroy, and the bride's mother was attired in a mulberry wool lace frock with fawn velour hat, gloves and shoes. Miss Dickinson, sister of groom, wore frock of jade green velvet and silver lame wore a short white fur coat. For travelling the bride was frocked in a wine colored ensemble with musquash collar, her hat matched and she carried one of the new bag-muffs.

The honeymoon was spent in Sydney, the couple travelling by the Zealandia, via Hobart and they will also tour the south coast of Tasmania.

HINTS FOR FLATITES

By SAUCY SUE

If you are serving some sort of creamed meat or fish on toast cut the toast in little strips instead of in halves. Your guests will have less trouble cutting it, and the servings will be more decorative.

If you live in a flat always close the inner doors before you go out. It is disturbing for your neighbors to hear a door banging continually

Remember that an underlay, even if it consists of old newspapers, will prolong the life of your carpet and lessen noise.

The Kettle won't boil any quicker if the flame flares up round the sides. The gas is wasting.

Turn out the chest-of-drawers occasionally and re-line it with fresh paper. It is a pretty idea to use colored paper or curtain cretonne.

Vogue for Cotton

HOLLYWOOD has decided definitely in favor of cotton for all manner of sports and day frocks this summer. In fact it's a cotton season. Evelyn Venable, one of the smartest of Hollywood younger set who is featured in Paramount's "Double Door" demonstrates a smart outfit suited especially for the golf course.

New Golf Suit
worn by Evelyn Venable
A New Paramount Player

It is principally a one-piece white cotton frock but accented with a gay jacket of colorful plaid it becomes quite an attractive ensemble. Brass buttons of carved wood add a novel note to the bodice of the frock and Miss Venable's visored cap of white silk crepe is the newest adaptation of the beret.

Miss Venable, although only a comparative newcomer to Hollywood is fast gaining for herself the reputation of one of the colony's smartest dressers.

Modes of To-morrow

Full Skirts Are Coming Back

THIS statement was made recently by Rene Hubert, Fox Film stylist, recently arrived from Paris and London.

"No matter how much women may object to skirt fullness—no matter how defiantly they may cling to the moulded silhouette—you will find as time goes on more and more fullness will insert itself in the skirt width—when—presto, milady will find herself quite up-to-date in spite of herself," said M. Hubert, with an engaging smile of reassurance.

The trend is revealed in the swagger coats, in the flounces on skirts and in decorative ruffles. The latter have a close runner-up in popularity in the circular flared insets and gores which invest the early fall mode with distinctive charm. Godets and flares do so by merely rippling in graceful undulations, an effect that is pleasing for daytime wear. The models which dance the hours away accept the themes mentioned. The jewellest of them are made of taffeta and tulle that billows in exaggerated fullness, of frothy chiffon and georgette that flutters with the rhythm of movement, so essentially a part of the life they lead.

Stockings Again!

FASHIONABLE women are wearing hose, so sheer and flimsy they are scarcely visible, but stockings nevertheless. The bare leg fad is entirely finished, chic women always abhorred it. Plain pumps of satin, without buckles or other adornement are de rigeur now.

A FORMAL gown created entirely of dull white sequins, molded to the figure, and entirely backless has been created for Helen Twelvetrees' wardrobe for wear in "She Was a Lady," a forthcoming Fox Film production in which she plays the leading role. It is a Lambert design and aside from featuring the dull sequins, which are the newest thing of the kind from Paris there is a long black velvet scarf attached to the left decollete and thrown over the left shoulder—to not only touch the floor, but to form a slight train.

ACCORDING to Dennis Phillips, Fox Film hair stylist, the fad of unnatural blondes, red heads, etc., is fast dying. The trend is to get away from unnaturalness of all sort in hair dressing, including color, and style. He claims that we are to see soft browns again!

OBITUARY

MR. JOHN HENRY WARREN

The death occurred of Mr. John H. Warren at a private hospital at Malvern, on Saturday, after a long illness. He was 57 years of age and since 1929 had been head teacher at the Tyler Street State School, Preston. He was well known in Preston and held the esteem of the parents of children attending the school. He had been in the Education Department for 43 years, and other schools with which he had been associated were Chulfield South and Clayton Schools, and Horsham and Stawell High Schools. On Monday the funeral took place, and as a mark of respect the Tyler Street School remained closed. The interment was made at the Brighton Cemetery, after a requiem mass at the Church of St. Joseph, Malvern. Members of the family are Kathleen, Desmond, Vivien (Mrs. Boyle), Aimelie (Sister M. Paul), and Aldan.

GLADYS JENSEN

There passed away early in the week the 12 year-old daughter, Gladys, of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Jensen, High street, Preston and the news came as a great *shock to those in the* home circle, as well as playmates and friends. Gladys had been away from school at South Preston for a few days and was looking forward to a return to her studies on Monday morning last. At about 8.30 p.m. she retired to rest and asked her parents to see that "Sandy McNab" —a character she loved—was put on the wireless. The simple request was willingly complied with and Gladys smiled at the funnicsities of the Scotty. All was apparently well with Gladys then. Prior to retiring in her customary methodical way she arranged her school books and clothing on a chair along her bedside in readiness for Monday morning. Alas, however! She was called to rise and there was no response. A second and third call was given and still no response. Then the sad discovery was made that Gladys had, during the night responded to the call which came. The one calling was Death. The shock to the household was great and the house was immediately turned into one of mourning and sadness, at the loss of a lovable, cheery and bright little member thereof. It was hard to realise that Gladys had passed to the Great Unknown. Heart trouble was the cause of the sudden passing. The remains were laid to rest in Fawkner Cemetery on Tuesday, there being a large following at the funeral The spiritual ministrations were rendered by Rev. T. Wilkinson, vicar of All Saints', High street, Preston. The little girl had been in attendance at that church and Sunday school. Many beautiful floral tributes were sent along by playmates and friends, Preston Masonic Lodge No. 148, teaching staff, Mothers' Club and Committee of South Preston State School, and many others. Among the many mourners at the funeral were Mr. W. Bennett, head master of the school named, Crs. H. Swain and A. E. Newton and many leading citizens. Six little schoolgirls of Gladys acted as pall-bearers. Their names were:—Betty Murray, Gertie Pratt, Gwen Thorsen, Shirley Garrett, Mabel Davies and Doris Smith. Heartfelt sympathy goes out from a large circle of friends and sympathisers to Mr. and Mrs Jensen and family in their sad and sorrowful hour of bereavement.

GOLF

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Result of B Division Junior Fourbalts—Played at Heidelberg:—

Heidelberg 5 d Yarra Yarra 2

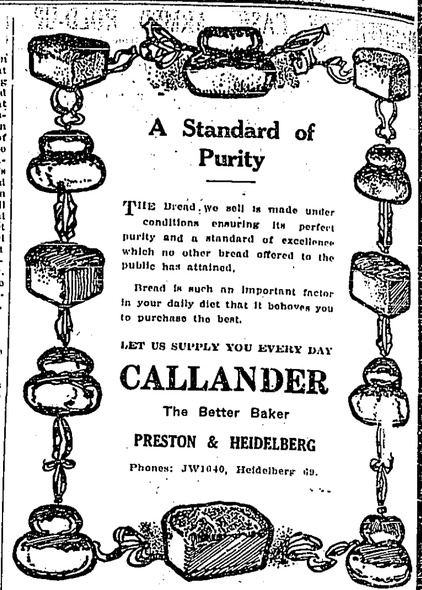
C. K. Wright, 9 up and 7 d F. G. Hanson; J. H. Knell, 3 up and 2 d H. L. Kirk; C. F. Gidley, 4 up and 3 d D. L. Pattinson; K. A. Gye, 2 up and 6 d F. McLoughlin; G. S Gay 7 up d T. W. Mitchell; R. McCutchan lost to H. R. Reddan 1 up; M. E. Daly lost to H. Worsnop 2 up.

Heidelberg players mentioned first.

Stroke—Club Trophy—49 entries. Associates

Scores:—

71, Mrs Staines (29), 72, Mrs. R. S. Thomson (34); 74, Miss Marchant (25), Mrs J. C. Talbsh; 77, Miss O. Green (26), Mrs J. H. Evans (33), Mrs C. Simpson (36); 78, Mrs E. Worle (23), Mrs H. Paterson (30); 79, Mrs J. McCann (19); Miss D. Atyeo (19), Mrs R. Cookes (36); Mrs C. W. Ferguson (36); 80, Mrs J. S. Casey (36); 81, Mrs S. C. Gonzales (18), Mrs P. S. Renn (26), Miss I. Bond (21), Mrs W. H. Cookes (36).



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MAINTENANCE CASE

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husband came to see me. He had a woman named Alma with him and said he was over on a holiday.

In December, 1933, the trade became slack and I returned to Melbourne residing with my mother. I contributed 10/ weekly for the support of the boy.

Husband's Offer

In April last he offered to provide one room for the three of us and 35/ weekly to cover everything. I said I'd think it over.

Then he said "I've left some friends in my room and if I don't hurry back they'll drink all I have." He said he would see me on the next day. A week later my husband said he would not provide as he suggested as his girl friend would "throw him over."

I asked for money and was told to get out and work. You are not going to gold-dig me."

Another Offer

Since the summons was issued he offered me 15/ weekly to keep myself and the boy, if I would stop the proceedings.

He added that I did not have a hope of getting him back; that if a move were made I would get nothing, as he would draw his superannuation, get in his car, and go.

He receives from 3/10/ to 4/15/ per week (including war pension).

Cross-examined: Are you insane? Jealous of your husband?—No.

When did he kiss Stella Angelo's photo?—In the first day of the reconciliation.

Then he tore up the photo?—Yes. But after that he used to visit her.

Did you ever hit him with a hammer?—No.

Is it not a fact that someone had to pull out of his back a knife which you stuck in?—No.

Have you ever been to dances with a man named Lumsden?—No.

Do you remember a night at the Palais Royale when your husband and Lumsden came to blows?—I've never heard of it before.

Feelings Past Hurting

Did it hurt your feelings when your husband told you he was going out with other women?—My feelings are past hurting.

Circumstantial Evidence

Mrs. Mary Scott, mother of Mrs. Beazley, said that on June 26 last Beazley told her that his wife was only trying to prevent him from getting a divorce. He added "There is such a thing as making grounds." I said "That would be cruel." He replied "People have been tried and hung on circumstantial evidence."

Beazley also added that if his wife got an order he would not pay.

No Chance of Reconciliation

The P.M. (Mr. G. Brown) asked the wife if there was any chance of a reconciliation and she said "No. I paid off his debts and he left me time. He sold them and cleared out. I am crippled with rheumatics and cannot do it again. I do not think he is honest in making an offer of a home."

HUSBAND IN BOX

Beazley said: Including my pension I earn £3/11/3 per week.

"A Living Hell"

The last reconciliation was effected by my wife's mother, and it lasted for five months. That time was a "living hell" for me. If I was out late I was accused of being with other women. My wife went to dances with other men before going to Sydney. Since she returned she has been to only one dance.

Before she went to Sydney I caught her out and a man named Lumsden together at a dance at the Palais Royale.

Never Hit Wife

I have never hit my wife as she says. I want her back and will make a home.

"All Lies"

The evidence about kissing Stella Angelo's photo is all lies. My wife is very jealous.

Cross-examined: Did you say anything to Mrs. Scott about a divorce? I did venture an opinion that we might have been better off if we were divorced.

Amounts Little Enough

The P.M. in making an order for 10 weekly for the wife said that the order for the child made by the Collingwood Court (15/ per week) would still stand. The amounts were little enough. I think Beazley is a bad specimen of a man, and he has apparently not done much to keep the money which he had entered into when he was married.

Beazley was ordered to find a surety of £25 to comply with the order and to pay £2/18/ costs.

St. Mary's Church of England Preston

The Rev H. Host, chaplain of the Blind Institute, preached to the children last Sunday afternoon and also at evensong and gave an insight into the great work being done for the blind people and also made one feel how thankful one should be for good sight.

At Evensong on Sunday, 8th inst. the preacher will be the Rev L. L. Wenzel Th., Vicar of St. Stephen's Richmond.

ARMED HOLD-UP

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wick. After June 8 I went daily to the hotel, until the police came for me.

Bets With Halliwell

It is a fact that some months before June I had some betting transactions with Halliwell.

On the day before the police came to the hotel I saw Halliwell there and spoke to him. He did not say anything about the robbery. When the police took me from the hotel I thought it was for betting.

Sergeant Glewaski: How much time do you spend at Brunswick?—About four days a week.

How about nights?—I do not go out at nights except to the pictures.

How long were you at Hell's shop?—About ten minutes.

Reticent With Police

Why did you tell the police there was no one in the house when you got home on June 8?—Because I did not want to let it be known that a man named Maher, who was living apart from his wife had a young woman there.

You realised that the assault charge *was serious?—Yes.*

Why did you not try to clear yourself?—I did not want to mention Maher and the woman.

You remembered Halliwell well?

—Yes. But I had £100 hanging over my head for betting and I did not want to say anything to the police.

Porter's Evidence

Keith Jones, York street, Bonbeach railway porter, said: There are four of us who live in the house at Bonbeach. Ralph Maher, Syd Swain, Hayes and myself.

Test Match Fixes Date

On the night of June 8—which was the opening of the first Test cricket match, I was on afternoon shift. My tea hour is from 7.45 to 8.15 p.m., and when I got home Hayes was there and had my tea ready. I was on duty at the Bonbeach station and Hayes did not go to Melbourne that night. I went back to the house after tea to listen to the wireless and saw Hayes there at about 8.30 p.m.

Test and Spoiled Soup

How did you memorise the facts of the night of June 8?—That was the opening of the Tests, and also that night Hayes spoiled some soup.

Norman Stanley Holt, Pt. Nepean road, Bonbeach, said he conducted a general store. On Friday night, June 8, he served Hayes at his shop after the cricket had been in progress for about 20 minutes.

Stanley Frederick Maher, York street, Bonbeach, contractor, said: On Friday, June 8, I had told Hayes to make some soup and get the tea. I got to the house with a girl pal, and the tea about 7.45 p.m. I did not go out again. I am quite definite that Hayes was at the house at 8.40 p.m.

Cross-examined: Why are you so sure Hayes was at the house on the night of June 8?—Because I had told him to stay home and clean the place up, as I was bringing a girl friend along.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

The bench decided to commit Hayes for trial at General Sessions on July 16. Bail was fixed at £75, with an approved surety of a like amount.

MERRI THEATRE

Merri attractions to-night and Saturday include "The Wrecker," with Jack Holt, and "Hold That Girl," featuring James Dunn and Claire Trevor.

Genevieve Tobin supports Holt in the first film. The devastating earthquake that shook Southern California early last March provides the powerful climax to the screen story. Following the quake two lovers are entombed unhurt in the ruins of a flimsy school structure erected with below-grade materials to increase profits. Only Holt, "the wrecker," has the expert knowledge necessary to free them—if he will. This is perhaps the strongest dramatic role Holt has had. The second picture is a breezy romance between a smart young detective and a girl reporter. They fall in love, but their romance is a pull and tug affair, because they are always getting into arguments among their conflicting assignments.

A bright programme is provided on Monday, when Jessie Matthews will be seen in "Friday the 13th" and Charlotte Greenwood in "Orders Is Orders." Both these stars are well-known comedienses. "The Gold Diggers of 1933" will be shown on the following Monday.

AUSTRALIAN NEEDLEWORK

Under the above cognomen a journal of considerable interest to women appears monthly. Articles are varied and useful to the present-day housewife. Among the special features of the June issue are a lady's jumper, baby's frock and child's coat and hat, in the knitting section; a dainty design for crocheting and tatting; and designing and making a breakfast cloth and tray cloth. A smart wallet and hints on embroidery stitches are among the many other items which will prove this journal well worth your notice and subscription.

SCOUT NEWS

ALL ABOUT THE BOYS

155 SCOUTS FROM NORTHCOTE TO CAMP AT JAMBOREE

A Splendid Contingent

WITH the closing of Jamboree preliminary deposits for the district a most encouraging response showed a wide representation of scouts will attend the great *Centenary* event at Frankston. The Jamboree will be held from December 27 to January 7 followed by four days of hikes or excursions to places of interest, concluded by a Rover Moot (conference) at Gilwell, Gembrook. 155 scouts have completed payments and others are followed by four days of hikes or excursions to places of interest, concluded by a Rover Moot (conference) at Gilwell, Gembrook. 155 scouts have completed payments as follows:—1st Croxton 5, 1st Dennis 4, 1st Northcote 30, 3rd Northcote (All Saints) 4, 4th Northcote (Baptist) 21, 2nd Thornbury 31, 2nd Reservoir 1, 1st Preston 6, 2nd Preston 7, 4th Preston 13, 1st West Preston 12; Rover Scouts—1st Northcote 9, 2nd Preston 2.

Post Entries

All monies have been paid to Jamboree Headquarters, and receipts have been made out for each troop, which will be forwarded and posted in prominent positions to show applicants that their money has been paid in.

District Pageant Practice Postponed

On account of the pageant being called away the practice arranged for next Saturday, July 7, is postponed until some time in August. New arrangements will be advised through this paper.

District Jamboree Gateway

Encouraging support has been received from several of Northcote's leading factories and industries for the Jamboree archway. A photograph of the design will be posted to most of the traders very shortly, covered by a letter description of and where the particular industry may be able to supply a small exhibit indicating their products.

Frankston Site Progress

Layout progress on the Jamboree site is now becoming rapid. Arrangements are nearly completed for the water supply and 25 miles of piping will be specially laid to carry the water needs of the giant camp.

Display Arena

The previously selected arena for the display has been changed now to a site that is a natural amphitheatre surrounded by gentle slopes from which visitors may witness the various displays with ease. The arena will also be flood-lit, as will be the camp fire hollow with 20 large flood-light standards.

Visit to Site

Scouters of the district will visit the Jamboree site on July 15 to pick a district location. They will leave on the early morning train, stay for lunch and return during the afternoon in time for evening church service. Name and warrant numbers of those attending are needed for railway concession forms.

District Funds

Invitations are now being extended by district scoutmasters for a special modern and old-time dance. The proceeds will be used for district facilities at the Jamboree.

1st NORTHCOTE

The scouts are delighted with the announcement that practically every scout in the troop is to attend the Jamboree. Arrangements have been made for several scouts to make models of places of industry in the district. The patrol leaders meet on Saturday, July 14 to make special "corner" boxes.

1st WEST PRESTON

The troop is now actively engaged in practising for a concert to be held in St. Cecelia's Church of England, on July 28. There is to be a camp-fire scene, several novelty and outside items.

2nd THORNBURY TROOP AT FOOTBALL

A keen football match was held between 2nd Thornbury Troop and 1st Richmond Troop on Thornbury's ground on Saturday, June 30. The final scores were: — Richmond 4 Thornbury with 5—9 (39) to 3—3 (20). Thornbury's goal-kickers were R. Endersby and D. Ackeroyd; Richmond's were Stokes, Brown, Paterson and Tanner.

1st PRESTON TROOP

Next week the troop will meet on Tuesday instead of Wednesday, and the first two items in the annual Thomas Hurford Memorial Competitions will be contested. The Jamboree entries have been forwarded and about 12 scouts expect to be present at Frankston. Lord Baden-Powell has signified his intention of attending and everything points to a large and successful gathering of foreign, colonial and Australian scouts

Northcote High School

PRINCE COMPETITION

THE four committees of the Princes of each house—Darebin, Diamond, Plenty and Merri—have entered on their work very enthusiastically, and although they have been in operation only a fortnight their activities have spread throughout the district. The parents of the boys attending the High School are beginning to realise that the Assembly Hall, for which the Prince Competition is being conducted, is absolutely essential for the proper education of their boys. Whilst a good number of parents are supporting the functions, there are some who are still just a little diffident. It is realised that it is not possible for all the parents to attend every function but we do ask that every parent take an active interest in the competition and the school—this you will be giving the committee the incentive to work harder in your interest. Each boy has his house at heart and it is his endeavour to see his Prince win the competition.

Last Saturday the committee of Diamond House held a house party at the home of Mrs. Henderson, of 64 Barkley street, North Fitzroy. A thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent by everyone and Mrs. Henderson was warmly congratulated for the way in which she entertained her guests. Prizes were won by Mr. Holtham, Mr. Salton and Mr. Henderson. Among those present were Mesdames Abbott, Diepeneau, Dixon, Mustard, Morrow, Raymond, Blamey, Nankervis, Pitt, Roche, Turner, Ward, Williams, and Messrs. Nankervis, Pitt, Roche, Turner, Ward Williams and James.

A bridge party was held at the home of Mrs. Nankervis, of 21 Normanby avenue on Tuesday night, and this helped the funds of the Prince of Diamond House.

Darebin House last Saturday held a successful social evening in the school hall. Dancing, games and euchre amused the guests. Items were rendered by Mr. Parker, Miss Twyford and Mrs. Anthony. Mr. Meaney conducted the euchre which was won by Mrs Jolly, of Epping. Among those present were Mrs Casey Mr and Mrs Firth, Mr and Mrs Fowler Mrs Parker, Mrs Pollock, Mr Boyle, Mrs Dudley (mother of the Prince) and Miss Casey.

Mrs Schneider gave a house party on behalf of the Plenty Prince. The entertainment was bright and the evening and the many guests were sorry when the time came to part. Among those present were Mr and Mrs Grose, Mr and Mrs Lyon, Mr and Mrs Henshall, Mr Bott, Mr Hess, Mrs Wesner, Mrs Groves, Misses D. and J. Partridge, Mr and Mrs Hodgson, Miss Scrimes, Mrs Murphy, Mr McKerrow, Mr and Mrs Crampton and Mr MacGrail.

The committee of Merri House intend to hold their first function —a social dance at the school hall—on Saturday, July 7. The subscription is 1/ and everyone is invited to attend to help make this night a social and financial success.

The first combined effort of all the houses is a picture night in the Regent Theatre, Collins street, on Wednesday, July 18. The 2/3½ seats either reserved stalls or dress circle are being sold at 2/ each and are obtainable from all members of the committee.

APPROACHING AUCTIONS

By E. H. Smith, 659 High Street, Northcote, in conjunction with Angus McDonald Pty. Ltd., 682 High St. Thornbury, on July 11 at 2 p.m., 29-31 Turnbull Gve., Northcote, pair brick cottages, 3 rooms; at 3.45 p.m., at 23 Carlisle St. Preston South, D.P. W.B. villa, 5 rooms. Particulars elsewhere.

By Membrey and Deane, on July 11 at 3 p.m., on property, 6-roomed brick and W.B. villa, 130 Clarke St. Northcote, on land 34 x 133ft., as advertised.

By James and Hobson, 119 High St., Westgarth, on July 11 at 3 p.m., on property, 13 Hotham St., South Preston, D.P. brick villa, 5 rooms and conveniences, on land 50ft. x 127ft. 9in. Also building allotment, 50ft. x 127 ft. 9in. See advertisement.

Northcote Ex-Guides Club

The above held a successful picture night at the Regent Theatre, Melbourne on June 26, when a party of about 60 were present.

Another picture night will be held at the same theatre on July 13. Tickets may be obtained from Captain Batten, or members of the committee

TENNIS

North Suburban Association

In the B Group the Methodists were again winners but the scores were the closest for the season. Coaching College also have not been defeated and the meeting of this team with the Methodists should be a good match. St Andrews record their second win. At this stage after the two leaders, are Oakover, Danella Park, and St. Andrews two wins each

In the C Group Methodists had a scare, winning by only one game, they with Coaching College, are undefeated These teams also meet next round. Claremont registered their first win.

In the E Group Church of Christ are the only undefeated team. Murray, next, have four wins. Spensley St, and Capitol both won. The unfinished match in the P Group was won by Holy Trinity by one game.

SCORES

B Group.—Methodists 46 d Danella Park 35; Coaching College 49 d Carinya 33; St. Andrews 49 d Epiphany 37.

C Group.—Methodists 38 d Holy Trinity 37; Coaching College 53 d Epiphany 31; Claremont 47 d Danella Park 37.

E. Group.—Church of Christ 43 d St. Josephs 40; Spensley St. 43 d Methodists 41; Murray 54 d Warlan 24; Capitol 46 d Thornbury 35.

P Group.—Holy Trinity 39 d Capitol 38.

Theatre Party

Members of the Coaching College Tennis Club and their friends will hold a party at the Plaza on Wednesday evening, July 18. Tennis players desirous of taking advantage of the greatly reduced prices available to the members of the party for that night are advised to communicate with the president (Mr T. Dunlop) at the club courts.

The Umpires' Association

Many names have been received for the Umpires' Association, but several clubs have failed to notify their attitude. As the semi-final matches are drawing near all clubs should see that their nominations are sent in as early as possible.

Summer Competition

The annual meeting will be held early in August and the date will be advertised in this paper. Owing to the overwhelming success of the new ideas incorporated in the winter game, the prospects of having many new clubs seems bright. The competition should be the association's most successful one to date.

HISTORY OF THE CLUBS

THE CAPITOL CLUB

During the building boom of 1925-9 Mr. B. A. Hosking, a builder, of Arthurton road, Northcote, had erected many houses in the vicinity of Merri Creek and Arthurton road. An area of land of over an acre in extent, at the rear of Arthurton road and Elm street houses, was going to waste and the problem of utilising it was one Mr Hosking had difficulty in solving.

About this time in Brunswick a tennis player was making a name for himself as the champion. He suggested the construction of several courts, as there were no public tennis facilities in the locality. The idea was adopted and soon work was commenced. Three months later the Capitol Club was a flourishing body, with Mr. Jack Hickox in charge. Later a club house was built in Spanish mission style, and the facilities offered are second to none in Northcote.

For several weeks after the opening in March, 1930, over 100 players attended regularly, while the average attendance at present is over sixty. Mr. Jack Hickox is the club's outstanding player, and has been responsible for coaching many players in the competition. The club's most advanced player is Mr. Ron Seccull, who played in the lowest team two seasons ago but has won advancement by excellent tennis to the A Grade. Closely following is Miss Kean, who, after only six months' playing, is developing into a speedy player, whose strong drives are a feature in the association.

After playing competition tennis for over four years, Capitol have not yet been fortunate enough to win a pennant, but have been runners-up for most competitions.

Northcote Social Club

Normanby Hall was again the scene of merriment on Wednesday night when the Northcote Social Club held the third dance of the winter series. At supportime Mr J. R. Goold president, welcomed members. Presentations for "the Marathon" were made to Hon. H. H. Olney, M.L.C., and Mrs Olney (winners) by Mr Les Sharp, secretary, in a jovial manner and happy replies were spoken by both recipients. The dainty supper was catered for by Mrs Olorenshaw and done full justice too, and another happy evening was brought to a close with "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

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ATHLETICS
PRESTON & NORTHCOTE CLUB

On Saturday afternoon the club held a short distance relay race between two teams of club members captained by G. Connor and W. Weightman. Each man ran 14 miles over an out and back course from East Preston to the top of Cole's Hill and return. The object of the race was to give members experience of the road, and to give the club selectors an opportunity of gauging the form of runners with the view to choosing the team for the Chelsea to Brighton relay on Saturday, July 21. Frank Bates (Weightman's team) and G. Kirkland (Connor's team) were the first runners, and were excellently matched. They ran together to the turn, neither gaining a yard advantage until about 100 yards from the change over, where Kirkland gained a couple of yards, but in a desperate finish Bates made up the leeway and finished level with Kirkland. Arthur Trotman took over from Kirkland and Lance Newton from Bates, and again it looked as if a dead-heat would result, for both ran locked together to the turn, and up to a point when about two-thirds of the distance had been run. Then Trotman began to draw away and finished about 30 yards ahead of Newton. The position remained unchanged until the last but one relay, where Norm Fisher (Connors' team) and Weightman took over. Fisher started 25 seconds ahead of Weightman, and, running slowly over the first section, it looked as if Weightman might catch him, but after the turn had been reached Fisher speeded up and held Weightman off to finish 29 seconds ahead. George Connor and Vic Kirkland ran the last section, and Connor gained three seconds on Kirkland. The race showed remarkable evenness of runners in the running times. Bates, Connor and Kirkland all ran 7min. 52 sec. for the mile and a half, while Trotman ran the distance in 7min. 53sec. Weightman's time, 7min. 15 sec., shows he is beginning to get up on his toes for the championships in a month or so.

Five Mile Junior Teams Race

Next Saturday at Moonee Valley racecourse and beyond the five mile junior teams race will be held. There is no actual prize or title for the winner, although he is usually termed the junior champion unofficially. As a rule the winner of this race makes a name for himself in after years in open company. W. V. Aitken (Coburg), M. T. Boyd (S.S.H.), G. A. Wheatley (Ess.) and G. Hyde (Melb.) all have won this race and have represented Australia at the Olympic Games; while R. H. Crossley, Louis du Buis, W. H. Brown and R. J. Howell have played prominent parts in Victorian and Australian athletics in the amateur sphere, and H. H. Burke on the professional side of the sport. This year the race seems singularly open, but the winner may come from either than (Eastern Suburbs) or Baker (Moreland), both of whom have run good races this year.

Gilbert E. Robinson Four Mile Memorial Road Race

The club handicapper has declared the following handicaps for the above race on July 14 at East Preston:—W. Weightman, scratch; N. Fisher, 1min. 50sec.; D. McEachern, 2.0; G. Connor, 2-15; F. Bates, 2.20; J. Garrett, A. Trotman, 2.25; A. Appelby, G. Kirkland, J. Tannock, V. Watson, A. Lacey, A. Tassie (winner last year and holder of shield), 2.35; F. Telfer, K. Brennan, 2.40; V. Kirkland, 2.50; A. Shoppee, T. Watts, L. Bernard, 2.55; E. McGan, C. Thorne, R. McNabb, 3.10; L. Newton, S. Dorgan, 3.20; H. James, 3.30.

Certain other handicaps have been withheld and members will be handicapped if they notify the secretary that they desire to compete.

GRAND NATIONAL MEETING
Prospects for the Big Hurdle Race
SELECTIONS FOR THE FULL PROGRAMME
(By "Luteplayer")

The V.R.C. Grand National fixture opens at Flemington to-morrow (Saturday) when the first leg of the jumping double—the Grand National Hurdle—will be decided over a course of three miles.

After shaping well, if unluckily, in flat races, Baanya, who heads the weights with 11.2, returned to jumping and a brilliant win in the Port Phillip Hurdle at Williamstown. Although his jumping was not as clean as it might have been, it has to be taken into account that it was his first race over the obstacles for nearly 12 months, so he should be all the better for it. The Salutis gelding won so well that he must be regarded as dangerous, but he is by no means a "good thing."

Swahili and Redditch both won the Port Phillip Hurdle in brilliant style, but were failures in the more important race. Baanya also won the Williamstown race in good style last year, but knocked up to third place in the G.N. Hurdle when he had only 9.7 as against 11.2 this time.

However, to-morrow's race is not likely to be run in the tearaway fashion that resulted from Belar's pacemaking last year, and this will be of importance.

Still, Baanya, although a hurdler of the highest class, has the task with 11.2. It is of some interest to note that since Pat won with 11.0 in 1898 only four horses have been successful with more than 11.0. They are:—Obil, 11.7; Clonlaff, 11.4; Fiscom, 11.1, and Jacksteff, 11.1. These four winners were great stayers, whereas Baanya is so brilliant that there is just a doubt of him being a genuine three miler. On the other hand his class may make up for what he lacks in stamina.

LIKELY PLACEGETTERS

What is there in the field to beat Baanya? Certainly one would need courage to select anything that finished behind him last Saturday, so that leaves only Nyerimilang, Prismatic and Prismatic—and they seem to me to be the most dangerous of Baanya's rivals. Can either defeat the top weight? I favor Nyerimilang, may do so, and than Prismatic will have to be content with a minor place.

Prismatic won in good style at Caulfield and ran out the race in more convincing fashion than formerly, but there is no certainty that he has greater staying ability than Baanya, and the latter certainly has it on him for brilliance. However, Prismatic should run a sound race.

Nyerimilang, on the other hand, should have little difficulty in getting the distance. He is a sound jumper and a consistent performer. As far back as New Year's Day he impressed me as a National horse by virtue of his excellent performance in the Hurdle race at headquarters on that date. In that race he met with interference through a horse falling in front of him at the hurdle opposite the stand and had to be pulled up almost to a walk. After conceding a free goer like Wayback more than a hundred yards start he was almost on terms with him when waiting for home, but naturally was unable to sustain the effort.

Other notable performances were:—Second to Our Comet at Caulfield in April, when he came from last at the half mile; a good finishing effort to dead-heat with Walter Scott at the same course and his close second to Sarakos at Flemington last month. That was his last outing, but he has done splendidly on the tracks without making fast times, and this work suits him.

OTHER CANDIDATES

Up to Williamstown last Saturday Orilion appeared to me as likely to be hard to beat, for in his races he impressed as being a solid stayer without a great deal of dash. In the Port Phillip Hurdle he was the best backed horse but ran a poor race and never looked to be a possibility. He was running on at the finish, but must have been 20 lengths behind the winner. The form was rather too bad to be true and he should run a better race to-morrow, for it is difficult to see him turning the tables on Baanya.

Oldthome's third in the Port Phillip Hurdle was not encouraging, for he was a very weary horse at the finish, and it looks as though the extra mile will trouble him.

Sivion finished second to Baanya last Saturday. This made his fourth successive second placing, so he is deserving of a win, but Baanya defeated him so decisively that his chance of gaining a success to-morrow is not bright. Still, he is a game little chap, bred on staying lines, and probably will give a good account of himself. He is easily the best of the lightweights.

Wayback was another to run a disappointing race in the Port Phillip Hurdle, but he is a good Flemington horse and may do better to-morrow. However, he looks too close to Baanya in the weights, and I cannot see him conceding 5lbs. to Nyerimilang.

Our Comet is a useful sort of a hurdler, who defeated Prime Seal at the Valley, but he does not impress me as a stayer.

Prime Seal has several minor placings to his credit. He jumps reasonably well and has pace, but is another whose staying ability is in doubt.

Star God came from a fair way back to finish third in the race won by Prismatic at Caulfield. The distance should not trouble him, but I am doubtful of his jumping. He shows some cleverness at his obstacles but does not jump with sufficient dash for my liking.

Sub Rosa is regarded as the dark horse, and has been specially prepared for the race. He jumps well enough but has a habit of dropping too far behind in the early stages of his races. He may be capable of upsetting opinions, but he is not my idea of a National horse.

Lanhrot and Poitreux make no appeal.

The issue appears to me to rest with Baanya and Nyerimilang, with Prismatic likely to be most troublesome of the others. In choosing between Baanya and Nyerimilang one has to decide between stamina and brilliance. It is not easy to make a choice, but Nyerimilang may have just that little extra stamina to wear down the top-weight, and on that (admittedly a slender point) I make my decision in favor of Nyerimilang, and will place them

NYERIMILANG 1
BAANYA 2
PRISMATIC 3
SIVION 4

Selections for Minor Events

Maiden Hurdle Race
DARK MAN 1
FULL CHARGE 2
LANCET 3

Myross Handicap
CHELANDRIC 1
TRITELEIA 2
HANDSEL 3

Kensington Steeple
PERCHOUS 1
WIDGIEWA 2
GREENDON 3

Branon Handicap
GREAT DON 1
COUNT ORLOFF 2
ROYAL BARB 3

Winter Handicap
EAGLE EYE 1
CROSTON 2
GLIDEAWAY 3

Best Bets
Best bets may be Precelous and Eagle Eye.

BASEBALL
Northcote and Preston Churches Association

Epiphany v Westgarth Baptists
At Merri Park on June 29 Epiphany whitewashed Westgarth Baptists 8 team who were unable to connect with K. Phillips—none of their runners reached third base. But Epiphany's batters were in fine form. 15 safe hits were registered with K. Gouch leading with four. McIntosh, at short stop, played a dashing game for Epiphany and Samme, at first, also did well. Westgarth's form was very disappointing—the only one to show out was Burridge at third bag. Mr Owen umpired. Scores:—
Epiphany: 4,8,2,8,4,6.—32.
Westgarth: 0,0,0,0,0,0.—0.

PRESTON CLUB
The A team had a very convincing win over Camberwell, scores being 13 to 2. Best for Preston were Wescott, Thorncroft, and Crawley.

B team was beaten by Y.M.C.A. after a very good game, which was marred by many bad errors in the last innings by Preston. Scores, 9-8. Best players for Preston were Fowler, Thurgood and Westwood.

C team had a good win over Sandringham. This game was even until the last innings, when Preston showed just a little more confidence, the scores being 4-3. Best players were Wescott (who pitched well throughout), McNamara (second bat) and Morton (catching).

Teams for To-morrow
A team v Kew, at Kew.—Butler, Twomey, Goller, Wescott, Moore, Thorncroft, Crawley, Duffield, Gordon, Spencer.

B team v Y.M.C.A. at Preston.—Jeanes, Allen, Thurgood, Hills, Neider, Stracker, Dyer, Westwood, Fowler, Spicer.

C team v Brunswick, at Preston.—Wescott, Morton, Naunton, McNamara, White, Hills, Hopper, Hamilton; Durrant, Keller, Robinson.

Players not available are asked to notify the secretary or captains.

FOOTBALL
PROTESTANT CHURCHES

Thornbury Presbyterian Club
By defeating Princes Hill on Saturday the team continued its run of victories, having not yet been defeated this season. It was a hard and well fought game, Princes Hill being the more successive in the first three quarters. Thornbury, however, finished well in the last quarter and won with the scores at 9-14 to 10—4. Thornbury's forwards failed to take advantage of their chances which resulted in a poor kicking. Thornbury's best players were Butler, N. Randall, H. Indian. Thornbury play St. George's, Collingwood on Hayes Park next Saturday.

St. George's Road Methodist v. South Melbourne Methodist
Played at Merri Park on Saturday. Keen defensive play marked the first quarter, the home team gaining a small lead. Throughout the second term St. George's, playing with the wind, kept ahead. In the third quarter, playing faster, and making position well they reduced the leeway to two goals at the half time. Supporters were pleased to see improved form in St. George's. The Saints attacked from the start of the final term, a shot by Moon raised both flags and put the red and whites on the defensive. Winning in the rack, St. George's continued to play a good hold on the game. South Melbourne fought back with two goals but at the bell St. George's held a nice lead, produced by clever scoring on the forward lines. Final scores:—

St. Georges Road: 13—16, 94 pts.
South Melbourne: 8—9, 57 pts.

Goalkickers for St. George's Road—Nelson (4), Moon (3), Sharp (2), Calder (2), Watt, and Malley.

The defensive work of Sutherland, the high marking of Malley and skilled roving of Smith marked them as the best players for St. George's Road. To-morrow St. George's Road meets Kensington Methodists.

C.Y.M.S. ASSOCIATION

West Footscray v Preston
Played under ideal conditions, the game quickly became a struggle for supremacy on the back lines. Neither team had an effective forward division, and so the ball travelled in a series of incessant exchanges across the centre. Both teams played excellently in the first term, Preston being especially aided by the long driving kicks of W. Monagle, and bringing roving of McGregor. Quarter time scores:— Preston, 1-2; West Footscray, 1-2.

The second quarter was remarkable for the erratic kicking of the Preston forwards, and the brilliant position play and dashes of K. Ryan who dominated the half-back line. Marsland and H. Ryan struggled with great determination to reach the goals, and it was their efforts that were responsible for the only two goals for Preston during the term. Preston, 3-9; West Footscray, 1-4.

In the third term West Footscray endeavored to make up the leeway but the bustling tactics of Gaffney, Brown and W. Monagle prevented the Footscray forwards from goaling until the end of the quarter. Attack after attack was thrown upon the Preston defence but it remained staunch, ably assisted by a clever centre line and the ever roving McGregor. Scores at the last change:—Preston, 3-14; West Footscray, 2-10.

In the final term West Footscray displayed considerable marking ability, but its forward division continued to fare badly against Preston's defenders, who continued the systematic and clever tactics which had pinned their opponents down for three quarters. The game was full of sparkling incidents, the free but fair use of weight being a feature. West Footscray struggled valiantly, but had little hope of success, especially when the Preston forward division became business-like, mainly owing to the position play and clever shepherding of Richardson. He was always in front of his man, whereas some of his team mates were easily outpaced by the opposing defenders. Perhaps most of the credit for Preston's triumph in this quarter is due to the Ryan brothers, whose marking and kicking were reliable throughout. Upon them much of the rack work fell, and they ably combined with the defenders in repulses that paralysed West Footscray. The final scores were:—

Preston: 5 goals 18 behinds.
West Footscray: 3 goals 12 behinds.

Best players for Preston were W. Monagle, Brown, Marsland, Meffrey, Ryan brothers. Goal-kickers: H. Ryan (2), McGregor, Marsland, H. Fricker.

Northcote Voters' lists
Northcote voters' lists may be inspected at all times as advertised, from July 8 to July 14.

Camberwell Smothered : Leader's Persistency

PRESTON FINISH VERY STRONGLY
Camberwell Show Improved Form
BUT FADE AWAY IN THE LAST QUARTER
(By "Follower")

The fast, systematic work of Preston, which had conquered their opponents at the beginning of the season, has now given way to effective, though non-spectacular, hunting in packs. The bustling tactics of the home side smothered Camberwell's system.

Preston decided to interfere as little possible with the personnel of the team that played so well the previous Saturday, making only one change, and that due to the fact that Dineen is suffering from an injured rib, which necessitated the inclusion of Bowman, who received a heavy welcome as he re-appeared with his old team. He was transferred to St. Kilda earlier in the season. As he has not played there, he decided to return to his old club.

Owing to Dineen's injury keeping him out of the side, L. Robinson was moved at the centre position whilst Dineen filled the half-forward flank occupied by Robinson.

Arthur arrived too late to play, his place was taken by Oakley from the juniors.

However, when Cameron was injured, Arthur replaced him.

THE TEAMS
PRESTON.—Backs, Smith, Hugo, Tearaway; half-backs, Spargo, Brown, McEachern; centres, Dowling, Robinson, Underhill; half-forwards, Cameron, Boschen, Oakley; forwards, Arthur, Hutchison, W. Robinson; followers, Street, Doyle (c); rover, Warr.

CAMBERWELL.— Backs, Finlay, Dyhall, Walker; half-backs, Meagher, Wartmann, Beagley; centres, Coffin, R. Williams, Pierce; half-forwards, Champ, Jones, Coffin; forwards, Boothman, Austin, Andrews; followers, Sandridge, Clark; rover, Tatham.

THE PLAY
In the first quarter of an hour it was of a very poor standard. Both sides were hunting in packs and the game was a scramble.

Cameron's work was outstanding for the only bright play of the quarter. He sent to Hearn, who goaled. Tatham replied with a goal for Camberwell when he was freed.

It was crowded, uninteresting football, the strong back lines of each team being superior to their opposing forwards.

Many free kicks were given and as a result of one, Hughson goaled from an angle.

Cameron evened the scores with a goal for the visitors but Cameron regained the lead for Preston when he neatly snapped a goal.

Thus the quarter ended with Preston a goal ahead. For this their ruck work in the ruck was responsible. The scores were:—

	Gls.	Bhds	Pts.
Preston	3	1	19
Camberwell	2	1	13

There was a serious blow to Camberwell when Dyhall had to leave the field during the interval. He is one of the star players and he had been playing a good game. He was replaced by Carey.

Preston were away from the mark and W. Robinson goaled from a free kick.

Camberwell then took a hand and kicking good football left Preston flat. They used handball to advantage and were better in the air. Warr was forced to Boothman. Coffin, Tatham and Austin.

The game was now brightening up. Preston fought back strongly. They attacked systematically and Warr capped the effort with a goal. He then snapped another and Preston had made up the leeway. Scores were level when the bell rang, but Warr was freed previously and he kick shot after the bell and registered a behind. He had to kick under difficulties as his kickers were tired and were falling off.

The score board read:—

	Gls.	Bhds.	Pts
Preston	6	5	41
Camberwell	6	4	40

Just before the end of the second quarter Cameron was replaced by Carey.

The sides went away smartly and Warr snapped a goal for Preston. Camberwell replaced the same number of points for Camberwell. McEachern's efforts were proving to the advantage of Preston, for whenever the ball fell short for a poor kick Preston player was waiting for it. Players were now putting everything into the game, which had consequently improved.

W. Robinson goaled for Preston.

Preston defence was very strong and Camberwell found it hard to break through. Smith was outstanding, his high marking being spectacular.

Hugo and Hugo helped him in their hard tear-through tactics harrying their opponents.

The scores at the final change were

	Gls.	Bds.	Pts.
Preston	8	10	58
Camberwell	7	7	49

Everyone fully expected a close finish, as up to this stage the game had been very even, each side adopting varying tactics in the hope of securing a win. Preston resorted to somewhat bustling methods whilst Camberwell (though vigorous) made repeated efforts to keep the game open.

After ten minutes of the quarter had elapsed, the game took on quite a different complexion and Preston never appeared to be seriously rivalled.

They attacked immediately the final term opened, success coming their way as goals were rattled on by W. Robinson and McEachern.

Camberwell made determined efforts to penetrate the locals' defence, but never turned aside time and time again by the delightful marking of Smith, which was a great feature of the term.

Against him the visitors' frequent attacks were frustrated.

Eventually Camberwell broke through, goals being kicked by Coffin and Beagley.

Play was never, brilliant, and players made the mistake of flying for the ball. The small players were also offending in this direction, instead of scouting round waiting for the ball to drop from the hands of the ruck.

In the last term Preston obtained the upper hand quickly, and ran out easy winners, of a rather disappointing game. The final scores were:—

	Gls.	Bds.	Pts.
Preston	13	13	91
Camberwell	9	10	64

Goal-kickers.
PRESTON.—Doyle (2), W. Robinson (2), Hughson (2), McEachern (2), Warr (2), Cameron, Arthur, and Hearn.

CAMBERWELL. — Coffin (3), Boothman (2), Tatham, Jones, Beagley, and Austin.

Best Players
In Smith, Preston were honored with having the best player of the 36. His marking was delightful, his kicking was excellent, whilst his ground play was splendid. Warr again roved with his customary dash. Others to show out were Dowling, Hugo, Cannaway, McEachern, Doyle and L. Robinson.

For Camberwell, Tatham, Finlayson, Meehan, Coffin, Clarke, Dyhall (until injured), Sneddon and Champ were always useful.

SATURDAY'S GAME
PRESTON MEET BRUNSWICK
Preston will visit Brunswick on Saturday afternoon, when they should prove too stiff a combination for the home side, who hold a low position on the premiership list. Just recently the Magpies had some of their eyes picked out by a neighboring League team.

PRESTON GOSSIP
On Saturday morning in High street "Checker" Hughes, coach of Melbourne, was seen in serious consultation with a Preston official. Preston are anxious to secure Wyn Murray, who, for six years, was an outstanding player for Melbourne, representing the "red legs" in the interstate match last season, playing in the half back flank. Are they after Smith or another outstanding local as an exchange ?

Permits and clearances for the present season are now closed. Club officials will have to settle down and make the best of the material they have at their disposal.

Amongst last week's gossip it was reported that Cameron, who had been cleared to Preston, did not play with either the first or second eighteen whilst at St. Kilda. This was a mistake as Cameron played with the St. Kilda second eighteen practically every Saturday since he was cleared from Preston.

It is likely that four or five replacements will be effected for to-morrow's game at Brunswick. McSwain and Dineen are quite well again, Beck and Murray, both of whom were cleared during the week, will probably be included and consequently will add strength and height to the side.

Cameron was most unfortunate to have his nose broken again, on his first game of the season. He collided with W. Robinson (his team mate) during the second quarter, and was taken off the field.

Supporters will not be surprised to see a few of the players having a spell to-morrow, as several are below form.

TRANSFERS GRANTED
Northcote has received the following clearances:—W. Byrne (Fitzroy) J. J. Clarey (Castlemaine), W. Kooch (Melbourne).

Preston last-minute clearances are —Wyn Murray (Melbourne), H. W. Farell (Balwyn), J. S. Beck (Orbost) and W. Lockwood from Rosedale to Preston Seconds.

SATURDAY'S DRAW:
Brighton v Oakleigh at Elsternwick Park.
Brunswick v Preston, at Brunswick.
Camberwell v Northcote, at Camberwell.
Port Melbourne v Coburg at North Port.
Williamstown v Sandringham at Williamstown.
Yarraville v Prahran, at Yarraville

GOAL-KICKERS

SEYMOUR (Northcote)	75	(7)
DENNING (Oakleigh)	42	(6)
HAWKINS (Prahran)	41	(4)
J. BUCKLEY (Y'ville)	41	(1)
Warr (Preston)	33	(2);
Fraser (Oakleigh)	32	(4);
Gray (Northcote)	29	(2);
Cahill (Williamstown)	29	(6)
Johnson (Sandringham)	27	(2).

ASSOCIATION SECONDS
PRESTON GO DUNDER
Camberwell 12—18 d Preston 12—9
In an excellent game the improving Camberwell team showed it was a side to be reckoned with. Best players—Camberwell—Herrick, Lewis Crale, Tobra, Barrett, and Coffin. Goal-kickers—Camberwell: Tobra (4), Herrick (5), Coffin (3), Stone, Trotter and Rowe.

PORT MELBOURNE TOO GOOD FOR NORTHCOTE
Splendid High-Marking Exhibition
Port Melbourne, 20—11 defeated Northcote 12—16, in a match in which the splendid aerial work of both sides was good. Best players —Port Melb: Rusden, Bolman, Robinson, Stafford, Dobson and Barnes; Northcote: Bartlett, Dunnolly, Frame, Ludlow, Dunstan, and Lang. Goal-kickers — Port Melb.: Stafford (5), Rusden, Marshall (3), Barnes, Bell, Aldridge (2), Spence, Copeland, Dobinson, and Nugent; Northcote: Lang (6), Donnelly, Noel, Gilmour, Kenny and Dunstan.

Preston will be at home against Brunswick to-morrow, whilst Northcote will meet Camberwell at Northcote.

SPORTING SECRETARIES
The Sporting Editor invites Secretaries of sporting bodies to forward reports of their clubs' activities for publication in the "Leader." Matter should be written on one side of the paper only (preferably in ink) and should reach the Sporting Editor before mid-day on Tuesdays, or earlier if possible. Early copy receives first preference.

UNITED CHURCHES' ASSOCIATION
Northcote Church of Christ v. Southern Cross Men's Club
Played at National Park. Southern Cross kicked with a slight breeze and soon had Northcote defending. They quickly scored two goals. The rest of the quarter was very even, play see-sawing from end to end. Southern Cross 4—5, Northcote 3—1. The rest of the match needs little description. Southern Cross proving superior in all phases of the game. Northcote were sadly missing Baggott, their crack forward and captain, who was unable to play, and to add to their misfortune Wilkinson, who was playing finely, had a collision and was replaced by Walker early in the second quarter.

Southern Cross: 10—12, 72 pts.
Northcote: 4—10, 34 pts.

Goalkickers: Arnott 2, Ireland 2. Best Players.— Egan (umpire's vote), Emselle, Lyon, Stabb Bros., Ireland, Gilkes, and Arnott.

West Preston Church of Christ v St. Marys
Played at Crispe Park. The weather was good and a fast game was played. It was very even all through until a few minutes before the final bell. West Preston were very unlucky to lose, but are improving every match and expect to finish in the final four. The final scores were:—

St. Mary, 6—9; West Preston, 5—3

Goalkickers: West Preston — F. Turnbull (2), E. Blackwell, D. Penny, and N. Ross. Best Players—F. Turnbull, R. Dowsey, H. Watson, D. Penny, G. Stokle, and E. Parkinson.

NORTHCOTE DOWN PORTS
Ninth Successive Century Scored
SEASIDERS CRUMBLE UNDER SMASHING OFFENSIVE
(By "Rover")

The ninth round saw Northcote register their ninth century this season in a manner which left no doubt as to their superiority over Port Melbourne. Speed, systematic drives and aerial feats were more than a match for the ruggedness of the Seasiders It was Northcote's lowest score for the season.

The Actual Scores
There is some difference of opinion regarding the exact scores. The scores given below are what our reporter believes to be correct. However, it is the official scores which count (recorded by the goal umpires) which make Northcote 99 points instead of 100.

THE TEAMS
NORTHCOTE. — Backs: Ackland, Haskett, Hart; half-backs: Woods, Baker, Powell; centres: Garrett, Lyngcolo, Clark; half - forwards: Rogers, Williamson, Lawrence; forwards: Gray, Seymour, Honig; followers: Goulett, Meitschke; rover: Ross.

PORT, MELB.—Backs: Baker, Garbutt, Logge; half-backs: Duncan, Porrett, Lawrie; centres: Julien, Plumridge (c.), Hurley; half - forwards: Bouquest, O'Rourke, McNamara; forwards: Rees, Bedford, Lahiff; followers: Tulte, Atkinson; rover: Keating.

Play swung from end to end without score until Gray, with a snap, registered the first score—a single. The game was fast but the heavy nature of the ground led to much scrambling and crowding. Meitzske marking well and showing plenty of pace, sent the home side forward but Port's defence was firm. At the other end Ackland was clearing the goal with cleverly anticipated marks and long driving kicks. The visitors maintained a determined offensive and Rees eventually broke through to raise first goal. Making position nicely Garrett and Rogers led Northcote forward and receiving from Seymour, Honig replied.

The visitors were playing a rugged game but a series of attacks were turned by Haskett and Woods who were marking well.

The home side were faster to the ball but found it difficult to penetrate the opposing defence. Just before the bell Gray capped a move around the flank with full points.

QUARTER-TIME SCORES:

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Northcote	2	4	16
Port Melbourne	1	0	6

Port were first away and after twice being turned aside Bedford marked close in and goaled. Northcote were matching Port's ruggedness by their speed, system and dominance in the air. Hard knocks were being given and taken cleanly but the umpire was allowing the players too much latitude. Showing fine understanding Northcote swept the opposition aside and Seymour, brilliant in the air, raced into position and crowned three forward moves with goals. In contrast to Northcote's co - operative play Port's methods were characterised by individual efforts. Lahiff was making great strides to instill some sense of team work into the visitors' play, but the home defenders, among whom Hart was brilliant, nullified his good work. Lyngcolo was staying badly in the centre, enabling Plumridge to initiate many advances from which the forwards could only manage singles. Their attackers were invariably behind their opponents in the race for the ball and displayed little knowledge of position play.

The home side was definitely on top but a solid defence prevented them ramming home their advantage. The defenders forced them to take hurried shots for goal from which only behinds resulted.

HALF-TIME SCORES :

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Northcote	5	12	42
Port Melbourne	2	7	19

The visitors were first away and Hurley, dashing through the pack, goaled within a minute of the resumption. They attacked again only to see Haskett mark high over Bedford. Garrett and Clarke were having the better of the duels on the wing and were frequently creating openings for their forwards.

Working around the packs for the ball as it fell, Northcote were staging an incessant bombardment on their goal. Ross, raising both flags, with a kick off the ground, posted their sixth goal. Attacking straight up the centre Port were rewarded with a goal when Keating, freed, made no mistake. The visitors were attempting to crowd the play but these methods made little impression on the dashing homesters. Northcote held the upper hand and for the most part, Port spent the remainder of the quarter desperately defending the goals.

During this onslaught Northcote increased their total by four goals, Williamson, Seymour (2), and Gray being responsible. The locals' pace, marking and effective forward work had succeeded against Port's intermittent and ill-directed attacks.

THREE-QUARTER TIME:

Northcote	10	16	76
Port Melbourne	4	8	32

Making desperate efforts to wipe off their deficit, Port were the first to score, Rees marking and raising both flags. Northcote's answering attack yielded a single by Seymour from a nice left - foot snap. Their next attack was more successful, Rogers showing nice dash on the half-forward flanks, goaling with a long punt. The visitors were staging a fighting finish and from a mark Rees posted his second goal for the quarter.

Northcote maintained a determined offensive and after two beautiful marks Seymour piloted two majors. Baker was marking well in defence for the visitors and making great attempts to keep Northcote out. The Green and Golds continued to play systematically and were thoroughly testing the strength of the visiting defence.

After Bedford had goaled for Port Gray, with a single, made Northcote's tally 100 points just before the bell.

Final Scores:—

	Bhds	Gls	Pts
NORTHCOTE	13	22	100
PORT MELB.	7	8	50

Goal-Kickers
Northcote.—Seymour (7), Gray (2) Honig, Ross, Williamson, Rogers.
Port Melbourne.—Rees (3), Bedford (2), Hurley, Keating.

Best Players
Northcote—Hart, Woods, Seymour, Garrett, Clarke, Ross and Haskett.
Port Melbourne.—Plumridge, Porrett, Lahiff, Hurley, Keating, and Baker.

SATURDAY'S ENGAGEMENT
To-morrow Northcote will visit Camberwell confident of their ability to defeat the local eighteen. With Northcote striving to hold the leadership and the home side fighting for a place in the four an even contest is anticipated.

Hart was chosen as the best player for Northcote, being awarded the points for the Hoisking Trophy.

Perkins, Northcote's centre half-back, has been cleared to St. Kilda.

PREMIERSHIP LIST

	P	W	L	%	Pts
Northcote	9	8	1	156.72	32
Oakleigh	9	6	3	116.00	24
Prahran	9	6	3	114.07	24
Preston	9	6	3	111.55	24
Sandringham	9	5	4	99.76	20
Port Melb.	9	5	4	99.42	20
Coburg	9	5	4	96.37	20
Camberwell	9	4	5	99.26	16
Yarraville	9	4	5	95.88	16
Brighton	9	3	6	85.89	12
Brunswick	9	1	8	73.93	4
Williamstown	9	1	8	65.42	4

LAST SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Northcote 13—23 (100) d Port Melbourne 7—8 (50).
Preston 13—13 (91) d Camberwell 9—10 (64).
Coburg 14—16 (100) d Brighton 3—17 (65).
Oakleigh 15—18 (108) d Yarraville 10—12 (72).
Prahran 16—15 (111) d Sandringham 11—17 (83).
Williamstown 13—9 (87) d Brunswick 10—12 (72).

TO-MORROW'S CONTESTS
The match of the day should be Port Melbourne and Coburg. Both of these have won five matches, and defeat to-morrow will make their position rather difficult in rising to a place in the first four.

Another interesting match will be between Yarraville and Prahran at Yarraville where the home side will prove hard opponents to defeat. Should Yarraville sustain defeat their prospects of taking part in the semi-finals will not be bright.

Both Preston and Northcote should have little difficulty in returning victorious, whilst Oakleigh and Sandringham should also prove too powerful for Brighton and Williamstown.

Church Notices

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
NORTHCOTE
Sunday, July 8
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—"Things Money Cannot Buy." Rev. A. H. Constable.
7 p.m.—"All Australian Assembly." Rev. E. C. Frewin, M.A.
All Welcome

ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Tyler Street, Preston
July 8: 6th Sunday after Trinity
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10 a.m.—Children's Church.
11 a.m.—Holy Communion & Sermon. The Vicar (Rev. F. Parsons).
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer. Rev. L. L. Wenzel, Th.L., Vicar of St. Stephen's, Richmond.

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY
Shaftesbury Pde. (off High St.)
"The Church With a Welcome"
July 8: 6th Sunday after Trinity
3 p.m.—Special Musical Recital
An Instrumental Trio, with the grand organ: Herbert Taylor (tenor), Frank R. Thomas (baritone), Gwen Jenkins (soprano), Sylvia Darling (soprano), Linda Christie (soprano). David Louden at the organ console. Collection for Choir Fund.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Choral Eucharist. Celebrant and Preacher: The Vicar (Rev. W. H. Chamberlain).
7 p.m.—Evensong. Preacher, Rev. C. W. T. Rogers, Vicar of St. Augustine's, Moreland.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
Bayview Street, Northcote
Sunday, July 8.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Matins & Sermon. Preacher, Rev. H. E. Hallow, M.A.
7 p.m.—Evensong. Preacher, the Vicar (Rev. Thomas Cole, Th. Schol.

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City of Preston

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At TOWN HALL, PRESTON, for ALL WARDS.
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At W. J. DAVIS' CHEMIST SHOP, corner of High and Bruce Streets, Preston, for the WEST WARD.
Any person whose name has not been inserted in any of the said Lists who claims to have his or her name inserted therein, in respect of any rateable property, MUST GIVE or SEND BY POST TO ME NOTICE IN WRITING signed under his or her own hand, ON or BEFORE the said 14th DAY of JULY, 1934.
Any person whose name has not been inserted in any of the said Lists, and who claims to have his or her name inserted therein, in respect of rateable property for which the name of some other person appears in such List, MUST GIVE or SEND BY POST TO ME IN WRITING NOTICE OF SUCH OBJECTION, signed under his or her own hand, ON or BEFORE the said 14th DAY of JULY, 1934, and also give to the person objected to, or send through post by registered letter to such person, addressed to the premises in respect of which his or her name appears to be entered in the Voters' Lists or Separate Voters' Lists, or leave at the said premises notice, in writing, of such objection according to the form of the Fifth Schedule of Local Government Act 1928, or to the like effect, stating the ground of such objection, and shall sign the same under his or her own hand, on or before the 14th day of July, 1934.
ALL CLAIMS and OBJECTIONS will be dealt with by the Revision Court to be held at the Town Hall, High street, Preston, on MONDAY, 23rd JULY, 1934, at 10 o'clock a.m.
The proper forms for Notice of Claims and Objections may be obtained on application to me.
BEN JOHNSON.
Town Clerk and Engineer.
Dated this 29th day of June, 1934.

City of Preston

MAYOR OF PRESTON'S 10,000 SHILLING APPEAL

(In conjunction with the Preston Public Assistance Committee)
TO THE CITIZENS OF PRESTON
NOTICE is hereby given that the above Appeal will be CLOSED on and after SATURDAY, 7th JULY, 1934.
To the Citizens of Preston who have contributed towards this Appeal, to the Honorary Organisers and their helpers who have collected envelopes and donations, and to all who have so generously given their time, assistance and practical help in making a success of this worthy effort, I wish to tender my deep appreciation and hearty and sincere thanks.
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Mayor, City of Preston
Town Hall, Preston, N.18.
6th June, 1934.

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Town Clerk and Engineer

Preston Municipal Elections
EAST WARD

CR. J. W. ADAMS
CANDIDATURE
A MEETING of friends and supporters of Cr. J. W. ADAMS will be held at his residence, Hurlstone Ave., East Preston, on TUESDAY, JULY 10, at 8 p.m. All interested are invited to attend, when the Candidate will give an address touching Local Government matters. Visitors' questions will also be answered. All supporters welcome.
C. W. JENNER, Hon. Secretary
J. FOLEY, Campaign Director.

City of Northcote

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Claims for insertion and objection to names appearing thereon must be lodged with me on or before the 14th day of July, 1934.
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By order.
J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk.
Municipal Offices, Northcote.
2/7/1934.

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WIFE SECURES £2 P.W. ORDER

Husband's Two Insolvencies

Some sidelights on the rabbit business were given at Northcote Court on Tuesday, when John Charles Earle, grocer, Grover street, Moonee Ponds, was defendant in a maintenance suit, sought by his wife Emily Lilian Ida, of Flinders street, Thornbury. Mrs. Ridgeway (for the wife) said it had been agreed to confine evidence to formal evidence by wife and the husband's means. The parties were married in 1912 there are four children—two boys two girls, the youngest being 16 years of age.

Wife's Accident

Mr. Earle said: I now live with parents. On April 8 of last year I was knocked down by a motor car and stressed, and subsequently spent months in hospital.

A Letter

Since I left the hospital in July last to stay with my parents to recuperate. Then I received a letter from her saying that "... all the time she happened to be I do not intend to live with you I will see my part towards maintenance." He was living with his mother.

Mr. Ridgway: Is it a conference my husband is trying to prevent a furnished home? Have you money for myself and weekly for support of each of two girls. I said I would accept offer, and asked him to return marriage.

Mr. Earle: The terms of offer were never carried out. Since July 16 of last year up to the present all the money I have received from him has been £2. He is a rabbit trapper in a big way of business.

Cross-examined: Is his financial position as good now as it was when made that offer?—I know it is.

Do you not know?—From information received.

You are getting 10/- weekly as from under a verdict against the person responsible for the accident? That is so. I should have proper medical treatment but I cannot afford to. My medicine costs 10/ per week. The amount of damages is £145.

Husband's Side

Mr. Capewell (for the husband) said that Earle was quite agreeable to make order being made in the sum of £2 per week for each of them.

Order Made

Mr. Ridgway said: I am now employed by Hessay Rabbit Co., and earn £6 per week. I keep two girls, one of whom has just begun work. I also feed the boys when they are not at school. The eldest boy has paid me £10 for six months' board, and the youngest about £6 for a similar period.

Quite Agreeable to Order

If my wife wants an order I am quite agreeable to pay her £1 weekly for herself and if she takes the girls, £1 weekly for each of them.

Twice Insolvent

Cross-examined: How many times have you been insolvent?—Twice. The first was in 1921, and I subsequently paid 20/ in the £.

Is that first insolvency you referred to a rabbit company?—No. I had for two years, and then a company was floated.

You held shares?—Yes. 500 or 600 out of a total of 25,000 issued. There are not a lot of shares distributed among members of your family?—Not paid on your behalf?—No.

You became of the London Exchange Co. in which you were interested guaranteed the company's bank, and that was one of the reasons for my second bankruptcy.

Is your last bankruptcy the Rabbit Co. was formed?—Yes. It was formed some months ago.

Do you any interest in this company?—No. I am only an employee there.

How then do you explain having written a letter on behalf of the firm as an executive?—I simply signed that letter, as the person to whom it was addressed knew me well. I did not compile any of the information.

I suggest that you are interested in the company and that your shares have been "dumped" for you?—That is not true.

Did you give your wife any money at all between August and June?—No, but I paid her hospital bill of £180.

Mr. Ridgway (for the wife): Yes you did, with the proceeds of the sale of the wife's furniture. Weren't you generous.

An Order Made

After hearing further evidence Mr G. Brown, P.M. made an order in favor of the wife for £2 per week. Earle was ordered to find a surety of £25 to comply with the order, and to pay 13/8/ costs.

CHILD BEATING CASE AT PRESTON

Step-father Before the Court

BOY STRUCK WITH CLOTHES BRUSH: BLACK AND BLUE

The old axiom "Spare the rod and spoil the child" was quoted at the Preston court on Thursday by Mr. Stafford, P.M., when commenting on the evidence in a case in which Howard Sutherland Hayes, traveller, David street, South Preston, was charged with having ill-treated Brian Casey, a boy under the age of 14 years.

After hearing a good deal of evidence the court decided that Hayes had done what he did with the object of correcting the boy, and the charge was dismissed.

SERGEANT H. A. Lang prosecuted and Mr R. T. Cahir appeared for Hayes who pleaded not guilty.

Brian Joseph Casey, aged 8 years, said that he lived with his mother and grandmother at David street, Preston.

At this stage it was intimated that Hayes was married to the boy's mother, and was called "Uncle" by him.

The boy, continuing, said: "When I come home from school Hayes often looks through my books. About a fortnight ago he gave me a belting with a bath-brush. (Laughter.)

Mr Cahir (our emphasis): Why were you given the belting?—I had been "swagging it" from school.

You had also taken money out of your grandmother's purse?—Yes.

On another day you went out at 3.30 p.m. and did not come home until midnight?—I cannot tell the time.

Dr. J. F. Horgan, of Preston, said: "On June 28 I examined the boy Casey, who was brought to me by the police. His back was badly bruised, and would have caused him much pain."

Mr Cahir: There was no permanent injury?—No.

Question of Bruising

Is it a fact that some people bruise more easily than others?—Yes.

Do you know if this lad would bruise easily?—I could not say.

The P.M.: Would the soreness last for long?—About eight or ten days I should think.

Police Evidence

Constable Goulding said: "At about 7 p.m. on June 28 the boy Casey was brought to the police station by a neighbor, and I took him to Dr Horgan. Later I saw Hayes, and asked him how the boy had received the bruises. He said 'You don't know what I have had to put up with. The boy bruises easily if he is only touched.'"

Statement Made

Continuing, Constable Goulding said that Hayes, in the course of a written statement, said that he had hit the boy on one occasion with a bath-brush, and on another occasion with a slipper.

Defendant's Version

Hayes said: "This boy, although only eight years of age, is incorrigible. He often plays truant from school, and then tells lies. He has stolen money on several occasions. I have remonstrated with him but without effect, and at last after I had found that talking was no good, I smacked him about a dozen times with that back of a bath brush. The next day after that beating he did not go to school and I hit him again on the following night with an old slipper.

"The boy is getting beyond control, and I am making arrangements to have him placed in a home where he will be under strict supervision."

Sergeant Lang: Do you think that a bath-brush is a proper instrument for beating a boy?—No. I had a strap, but it disappeared.

Rebecca Casey, the boy's grandmother, said Hayes had been a very good father to the boy, and had gone to a lot of trouble and pains to see that he should be properly educated. Hayes had taken the boy to the school gates on many occasions, only to find later that the boy had played truant.

Father Did not Exceed Duty

The P.M. (Mr E. R. Stafford) said: The bench has to view the facts in this case from more than one angle. Nothing should be done to encourage cruelty to children, but on the contrary everyvuing should be done to discourage it. The police were quite justified in bringing the case before the court. The bench had also to consider the other aspect—the need for assisting parents to exercise proper parental control. There had been much press comment lately about the lack of parental control, and it was quite clear that if children were not controlled properly in early youth, they become incorrigible. In this case Hayes had done what he could to bring the boy up to be a good citizen; he had not punished in anger but perhaps he had used a little more force than was necessary. Of what use was a "hiding" however, if it was not painful? There were occasions when it was necessary for a parent to punish, the old adage 'Spare the rod and spoil the child" still holding good.

Case Dismissed

The court felt that Hayes had not exceeded his duty as a father, and the case would be dismissed. The costs of the prosecution, 15/6 would be paid by the Crown.

BOY SCOUTS

1st WEST PRESTON

On Wednesday night (July 4) the troop was visited by several notable local authorities including the District Commissioner (Mr Shiloh), the District Fagcant Officer (Mr Derrick Stogdale) the Vicah (Mr Foster) and his assistant (Mr Lloyd) an old American scout. Each spoke to the boys the pageant officer stressing the importance of practices for the pageant. The Weston - Centenary Inter-Patrol Challenge Shield, which was donated by old 1st North Fitzroy scouts, was presented by Mr Lloyd to the Kingfishers, the winning patrol. Two hervice stars were also presented. Throughout an enjoyable time was spent.

PRESTON METHODIST CIRCUIT

MR. J. C. NANKERVIS RETIRES

SUPERINTENDENT FOR 34 YEARS

After many years of faithful and loyal service, Mr. J. C. Nankervis, superintendent of the Preston Methodist Sunday School, has resigned from the position he has occupied so long. Mr. Nankervis has had a long and honorable and successful career in Sunday School work. During his long life he was engaged in the work at Ballarat and later, coming to Melbourne, was a worker and teacher at both Brunswick Street and Nicholson Street Schools.

Arrival in Preston

In the year 1890 he removed to Preston and joined the teaching staff of the Preston school and later became assistant superintendent. Early in the year 1900, Mr. H. Edgar, who was superintendent at that time, resigned the position upon leaving the district. The minutes of the meeting held on March 11, 1900, state that Mr. Nankervis was appointed superintendent on that date, and from then on until March of this year he has held the same position—a long record of 34 years' service, of which he can be justly proud.

It was during the anniversary celebrations of last March that Mr. Nankervis intimated to the teachers his intention to retire from active school work, illness in the home being the main factor.

During the long service of 34 years, many hundreds of boys and girls, now grown to manhood and womanhood and scattered over the city and country, bear testimony to the work, devotion and Christian character of Mr. Nankervis. He is well known throughout our Methodist Connexion, and his many friends will extend to him their "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

A Memento of Appreciation

On a recent evening Mr. Nankervis was the guest at a complimentary social tendered to him by the officers and teachers. Community singing of old-time hymns brought back many memories.

As a token of appreciation an enlarged photo of Mr. Nankervis has been placed on the wall, and was unveiled by Rev. A. L. Sherlock. The inscription reads: "Mr. J. C. Nankervis, teacher and assistant superintendent 1890—1900; superintendent 1900—1934. A token of love and esteem."

On behalf of the teachers and officers a presentation of a watch and chain was made to Mr. Nankervis. On his retirement from active work the wish is expressed that Mr. Nankervis may live long to enjoy good health.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

EAST WARD ELECTION AT PRESTON

The candidature of Cr J. W. Adams the endorsed Ratepayers' Protection League candidate for the above ward is progressing favorably. A strong committee meets fortnightly and at its last meeting on Tuesday evening progress being made was considered satisfactory. Reports of the campaign director and secretary, Mr J. Foley, and Mr C. W. Jenner, are encouraging and no doubts are held as to the return of Cr Adams. Amongst those present at the meeting were Cr Swain West Ward representative, who was welcomed by the chairman, Cr Geo. H. Mott and congratulated upon his interest.

Cr Swain spoke of the high esteem in which the candidate was held and he appreciated him as a colleague.

Cr Adams welcomed Cr Swain and addressed the meeting on several matters concerning local government.

OTHER WARDS

The candidates who retire through the effluxion of time in the other Preston Wards are Cr E. F. Norris Centre, and Cr Llewellyn Jones, Both have the endorsement of the Ratepayers' Protection League.

Wife: You don't give me such nice things as you used to. Husband: No, but I settle for those you give yourself.

Unregistered Motor Cycle

GETS TWO MEN INTO TROUBLE

John Osland, Lawry street, Northcote, and George Smith, of East Kew, will probably remember June 2 and their experences with an unregistered motor cycle, which led to charges being laid against them at the Northcote court on Tuesday.

Osland, who did not appear, was charged with having ridden an unregistered motor cycle; and Smith was similarly charged. There was a second charge against Smith that he fraudulently used a number plate.

Sergt. Glowaski (prosecuting) said that the registration of the motor cycle in question had expired prior to June. When the police investigated it was found that the machine bore a registration disc and a number plate belonging to another machine, the registration of the latter still being current. The machine had been sold through Osland.

Constable Fennessy, of Northcote, said:—On June 2 I stopped Osland, who was riding a motor cycle which bore only one number plate. When questioned Osland said that only one plate had been issued. He said he did not own the machine.

The P.M. (Mr. G. Brown) said that Osland had not only ridden an unregistered machine, but had given the police some trouble.

A fine of £3 was imposed.

THE OTHER CHARGES

In regard to the charges against Smith, Constable Fennessy said:—At 2.45 p.m. on June 2 I saw Smith riding the motor cycle in Lawry street. When questioned he said that the machine was not registered. He said that the owner, one Emmerson, and he had set out to go to the Motor Registration Branch with the machine on that same Saturday morning, but a mishap to the motor cycle had caused such a delay that they were unable to get to the office in time to register the machine. Wishing Osland to repair it, it was decided to take the cycle to him on the same Saturday afternoon, and Smith admitted having been in a registration disc and a number plate from another machine.

In a sworn statement Smith said that the number plate and the registration disc were not transferred by him on to the unregistered machine until about 2 p.m. on June 2, and the only purpose of the transfer was to get the machine to Northcote without risk of being stopped by the police.

The P.M. said that no doubt Smith had learned a lesson. He would be fined £1 on each charge—£2 in all.

MERRI CREEK IMPROVEMENTS

PLANS NOW BEING PREPARED

Following a conference between the municipalities bordering on the Merri Creek, and a later conference between the engineers of these municipalities and the Board of Works, plans are now being prepared for beautifying the Merri Creek. The Collingwood City Council is not cooperating, and its engineer has evolved a scheme to deal with the banks of the Merri Creek in Collingwood territory.

The Northcote city engineer (Mr. V. J. Bradley) is drawing up plans for the section between Heidelberg road and St. George's road in the southern portion of Northcote. Among the proposals to be incorporated, is one for the construction of a system of locks, which will form an almost continuous artificial lake in the creek.

Another feature will be the planting of the banks with lawns and ornamental shrubs, which should be a great improvement.

It is expected that Mr. Bradley's plans will be completed within a fortnight.

Some weeks ago Dr. Shields, Minister-in-Charge of Sustenance, met a number of the municipalities in conference, when the scheme was discussed, and it is proposed that much of the work will be done by sustenance workers.

Around Northcote

Mitchell Street Robberies

During the last month four robberies in Mitchell street have been reported at the homes of Messrs. H. Smith, H. Healy, G. Hele and McDonald. These homes are all in the one neighborhood, and residents would be well advised on leaving their homes to make sure that doors and windows are securely fastened.

Northcote Motor Cycle Club

The club will hold their half-yearly social on Saturday at Normanby Hall, Thornbury, for the presentation of medals won during the last six months. On Sunday the club will leave the corner of Beaver's road and High street at 10.45 a.m. for a trip to the sanctuary at Badger's Creek, Healesville. On Monday the committee will meet at the secretary's home, 229 Anness street, North Carlton. Members are reminded that their A.C.U. riding licence expired on June 30. Renewal forms may be had from the secretary on application.

The Hand-writing Discussion

Apropos of the recent competition conducted by a daily paper, Mr. Hall, head teacher of Hilton street State school, has some beautiful examples of caligraphy written by his father, Mr W. A. Hall, who is now over 80 years of age. Even now the Grand writes a very copperplate hand. Included amongst the specimens is one written by Mr. H. Smith, who was one of the collaborators in the production of the well-known Australian copy books which were in use until quite recently, and which a great many children throughout Australia used.

Community Singing

The Thursday night community singing session had an enjoyable programme last week when all the proceeds were donated to the Northcote Blanket Fund. The artists who assisted in making it a success were Mr. James Hill (baritone), Miss Ida Wright (contralto), Senor Cerbaul (harpist), Miss May Dixon (soprano), pupils of Miss Betty Neill, and the orchestra conducted by Mr. Horace Aument. The items were interspersed with community singing, and although the weather conditions were stormy the hall was well filled. Mr. Nicoll, the organiser and conductor, was pleased to be able to hand over £18/13/6 to the blanket fund appeal for the needy in this suburb. A flashlight photograph was taken.

More New Buildings

Two new houses are being erected in Victoria road. This, together with other building activities, seems to indicate that we have "turned the corner."

Northcote to Have Strong Post

It is understood that the Northcote City Council is arranging to secure a "strong post" on the route along which the Royal visitor, the Duke of Gloucester, will traverse on the date of his arrival in Melbourne for the Centenary Celebrations.

Month Between Two Fires

Northcote firemen had a spell of a month between fires. The last fire occurred on July 9 in Claude street, Northcote, and the one prior to that on June 9.

Northcote A.W.A.

The fortnightly meeting was held in the lodge room, town hall, on July 2. The president (Mrs. Dean) occupied the chair and there was a good attendance. Officers present were Mesdames Rayment, Kampthenkel and Schwaebch, Misses Becker, Ahern, Davis and Mayor. The usual business was discussed with interest. An interesting letter and snap was received from one of the members (Miss Lane), who is visiting England. After the meeting Mrs. Dean entertained the members at a delightful supper in the form of a roll night. It was enjoyed by all, and Mrs. Rayment thanked Mrs. Dean on behalf of the members. The next meeting will be held on Monday, July 16.

Northcote Silver Star Band

Over 500 attended the community singing concert last Friday night to raise funds for uniforms. The singing competition for girls was won by Miss Norma Henden, and the decision was by popular voting. Cr. McAdam was the adjudicator and said how pleased the councillors were that the band enabled young people to enjoy themselves in such a splendid manner, instead of spending the evening at street corners. Several artists assisted including Master Leslie Patch (violinist). Miss Lily Bardwell was unfortunately indisposed so Miss Cynthia Yandell accompanied the community singing at the piano. Miss Ethel Armstrong played for the competitors.

Knee Dislocated in Accident

Knocked down by a car in High street, near his home just after midnight on Saturday, John Redfern, 47 years, High street, Northcote, was admitted to the Melbourne Hospital. He sustained a dislocated knee and abrasions.

Northcote Revision Court

The mayor of Northcote (Cr. Jones) elsewhere intimates that a court to revise the municipal voters' rolls for the respective wards of the city of Northcote will be held on Monday, July 23, at 10 a.m.

Post Office Pars

Mr. L. Bree, of Thornbury post office, is on furlough for six weeks, and is being relieved by Mr. V. Stein (relieving officer, Northcote office). Mr. W. Maguire is relieving at Northcote.

Up to the present there has not been a great demand for the issue of special Centenary stamps, but postal officials at Northcote anticipate a rush in a few weeks' time.

Unemployed Figures

For the week ending July 7 there were 631 men working for sustenance at Northcote, who were paid £619/2/6. 33 were not working and they received £20/18/. Totals 664 and £631/0/6. 25 women are registered for work and 15 benevolent cases were helped to the extent of £6/10/.

A return submitted at the end of the quarter to June 29 shows that 227 men were registered for work; 612 were working for or receiving sustenance, total 839. 21 females were registered for work; 10 were on sustenance, total 31.

STAGE OF NORTHCOTE, I.O.R.

There was a large attendance at the fortnightly meeting on July 5, Bro. H. T. Morris, C.R., presiding. Two new members were welcomed. In connection with the approaching centenary of the order, the secretary was appointed to attend a meeting to discuss the advisability of conducting a joint installation ceremony for all metropolitan tents in November. Particulars of the membership competition for junior tents were referred to the superintendents. An offer of a lecture on the Douglas Credit System was referred to the social committee. Reports from all junior tents were encouraging.

At the close of business the bowls competition was advanced a further stage. The A team won from the strong Ivanhoe A team after an excellent match by 14-12, while the B team accounted for Northcote Ladies by 14-5. These victories place both A and B teams at the top of their respective sections. The visitors were later entertained at supper, and fraternal greetings exchanged.

The next meeting will be held on July 19, the syllabus item for which is the popular quarterly social evening. To allow of an early start being made the business meeting will commence at 7.45 p.m. sharp in the anteroom.

Reservoir Baby Health Centre

SISTER Holland attended the Baby Health Centre at Reservoir on four Wednesday mornings during June and attended to the following cases:—Mothers, 67; babies, 50; new cases, 6; total, 127. On Tuesday evening at the Progress Hall Sister Holland has arranged to deliver an address in connection with the work in which she is concerned. Cr. H. Swain will occupy the chair.

AROUND THE SCHOOLS

HILTON STREET STATE SCHOOL

The new curriculum is being carried out successfully at this school, although it entails more work for the staff. Pupils work on the platoon system and are encouraged to take a lively interest in their studies. The children are taught in a different manner to the old system, and the use of scrap books to illustrate their lessons has been introduced. These scrap books are prepared entirely by the pupils outside school hours (taking the place of home work) and cover a wide range of subjects. In the history, the Centenary, geography, etc.

The children are also encouraged to discuss current events and take an interest in them in the lower grades, whilst in the eighth grade short individual lecturettes are given by pupils. Fine work is being done at this school by Mr. Hall (head teacher) and his staff in this direction, and great incentive is given the children to learn. The work of the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 6C grades is of a high standard, especially that of preparation of charts, etc., by the pupils under direction.

Preparations for physical culture displays by boys and girls during the Duke of Gloucester's visit are going ahead under the direction of Misses Kean and Schultz and Mr. Ely. Mr. Ely is sports master to schools in the district.

The school committee is assisting the school by the purchase of charts and other material in connection with the new curriculum, and is thus doing a great service to the community.

ELECTORAL GLEANINGS

Preparing for the Forthcoming Contest

NAMES on the Northcote division of rolls for the Batman electorate were sent to the Government Printer on Tuesday, some 22,300 being at present enrolled. Mr Kenny, the Electoral Registrar, expects that another 1500 to 2000 will be added before the number is finalised in a few weeks' time.

Preston subdivision figures stand at 18,767 at present and Westgarth at 3375, and both of those totals will in all probability be increased slightly by election day.

Batman's 70,000 Voters

Up to the present Mr Kenny has received 100 applications for the position of poll clerks, of which 1000 are required, in the division of Batman. This division comprises the area from Gertrude street, Fitzroy, to and including Preston, taking in Alphington as well, in which there are some 70,018 electors. This is will be realised that an election creates a great deal of work and a big organisation has to be perfected to ensure smooth running on election day, and the brunt of this work falls on the Electoral Registrar

Preston Division

At the last election in the Preston division the Town Hall supper room was used as the main polling booth. It appears that on this occasion even though two extra booths were arranged on the platform and booths were not cleared till 9.15. Elderly voters found it difficult to mount the steps to the stage booths and had to be assisted.

This year application was made to the council for the use of the main hall as a polling booth in the recently altered chambers, but one could not see its way clear to grant this request. In view of this fact it is probable that subsidiary booths will have to be arranged for adjacent to the Town Hall to cope with the rush of voters at the forthcoming election.

Old Boundaries to be Used in Victoria

A message from Canberra states that it is almost certain that the redistribution of Electorates in Victoria cannot be carried out in time for the forthcoming Federal elections in September, and therefore the old boundaries will be used. Mr Perkins, Minister for the Interior, said that recommendations for the readjustment of boundaries of the electorates in Victoria and Western Australia had been rejected by the House of Representatives last week, but the committee which prepared the recommendations had been asked to prepare alternatives. This could be done in about three days, but then when agreed to, the new boundaries would have to be fixed accurately by Government surveyors,—a task which would take some time. Then new rolls would have to be prepared.

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Children Cause Fire

PLAYING WITH MATCHES

About 1.24 p.m. on Tuesday a man rushed into the Preston Fire Station with news of a fire at a house occupied by Mrs R. L. Cracknell at Claude street, Northcote.

Firemen made a good save, and although two hose carriages and the men attended their services were not required, the blaze being extinguished by firemen with chemical extinguishers and buckets of water.

A wooden bedhead, a box couch and a couple of pillows were almost destroyed, and a front room of the house suffered slightly.

The firemen were told that children playing with matches were responsible for the fire.

Rainfall

SINCE last report 14 points of rain have fallen in Preston.

The Mayor's Shilling Appeal

TOWARDS this fund Mr. F. H. Smithers has contributed 10/-. Owing to the fact that the books connected with the "Try" day Skill competition are not yet finalised, no figures are available this week. It is satisfactory, however, to state that £161/6/3 is in hand in connection with the appeal.

Presentation to Mr. Roe

PASTOR Fisher, Rev. T. Wilson, and representatives of other religious bodies in Preston have made a presentation of a volume in recognition of the courtesy extended to those conducting religious instruction to pupils at West Preston State School. In acknowledging the gift Mr. Roe said he never allowed denominational differences to enter into his duties, either as a citizen or a teacher.

ATHLETICS

JUNIOR TEAMS RACE

Moonee Valley racecourse was the venue last Saturday for the five mile junior teams race. Twenty-five teams were entered, including teams from Ballarat, Bendigo and Geelong. Although the individual race was very open it was a foregone conclusion that the teams' title rested between St. Stephen's Harriers and Geelong Guild.

Out of 303 team members entered 219 faced the starter. The runners were drawn up in the centre of the course, whence they ran across to the course proper, around past the grandstands and out the gate near the nursery. Running thence across the bridge and turning in a northerly direction to Pascoe Vale and returning to the course to finish at the old finishing post in front of the concrete stand.

Immediately the starter's gun was fired rain poured down, and the runners were practically obscured from view of those seated in the stand. As the runners passed the stand after running about three - quarters of a mile P. Robertson (East, Subs.) was leading, closely followed by H. Elliott (G.G.G.) and W. Baker (Maribyrnong).

Leaving the course Elliott was leading Robertson by about five yards, followed by Baker a similar distance behind. After covering about two miles the order was reversed with Elliott out of Robertson, who cramped severely. Robertson, by his impressive running up to this stage, looked a likely winner, but after having cramped the strapping of the pleurare and eventually finished well back.

Returning to the course, Baker was leading R. Lock (S.S.H.) and A. Lander (Metropolitan) at the hurdle (Malvern), 300 yards from home. Lock and Lander both passed Baker and entered the straight together. Lander, running in spikes, was able to get on to his own and hold off the determined challenge of Lock to win by 5 yards, with Baker 20 yards behind.

St. Stephen's Harriers won the teams' race, scoring 99 points, with Geelong Guild, 115 points, second and Collingwood, 133 points, third. St. Stephen's placings were second, 11th, 12th, 15th, 22nd and 36th.

It was stated in a section of the press than Lander finished 4th in this race last year. If that had been so he was ineligible to compete this year, but as his team did not start last year this could not have been so. Nevertheless it was found after the race was over that the stewards had unknowingly the number of Metropolitan starters and they actually did not start a full team. The club should have been debarred on this count from starting their members at all. Up to the time of going to press it is not known what action is to be taken.

PRESTON AND NORTHCOTE CLUB

Gilbert E. Robinson Memorial Four Mile Road Race

On Saturday the second important club fixture for the winter season will be held. The winner of this handicap race holds the one year presentation shield presented to the club by Cr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A., in memory of the late G. E. Robinson who was the foundation president of the club. The four mile road handicap has been conducted yearly since the inception of the club, but it is only since last year that the race has been run as the Robinson Memorial.

No member as yet has won this race twice, although W. Weightman has been placed in each of the last three years, and on each occasion has secured fastest time. A. Tassie (last winner but one and first holder of the memorial shield) is an unlikely starter, leaving Gus Kirkland the only previous winner to face the starter. If Kirkland can produce some of his previous runs he may win, but there are good runners, both in front and behind him. Arthur Shoppee and V. Kirkland are the dangerous front markers, whilst Arthur Trotman and Frank Bates among the middle men have run good races this year; and there is no telling what the two back markers, Norm Fisher and Wally Weightman, may do.

The race will start at Plenty road tram terminus at 3.15 p.m., and the course will run two miles out the road and return. The course is a strenuous one, there not being a flat patch of road in the whole distance, while the finish up hill will test the runners' stamina to the maximum.

Club Notes

Entries for the Frank Ferguson Memorial 10,000 metres open handicap close at 1.30 p.m. on Monday week at the Amateur Sports Club. Members are advised that performances given must include club handicap.

The club has entered a team for the Chelsea to Brighton relay, which will be announced on Saturday.

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PRESTON ANGLING CLUB

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting was held in the club rooms on Thursday evening. The report and balance sheet showed the club to be in a good position. In addition to the usual season's expenditure £57 has been expended on painting and alterations to meet the requirements of the Public Health Department; but the year ended with a credit balance of £21. The ladies' committee also held a balance of £23. This is very satisfactory.

The election of officers resulted:—President, Mr. D. McIntyre; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. Armstrong, J. A. Watkins and J. Brighton; committee, Messrs. F. Pittard, J. Fisher, C. Harrigan, L. Downey, T. R. Youngman; secretary, Mr. S. Schou; assistant secretary, Mr. N. Hanna; treasurer, Mr. W. Curwood; trustee, Mr. D. McIntyre; Piscatorial Council delegate, Messrs. J. Brighton, J. A. Watkins; press correspondent, Mr. D. McIntyre. Auditor, Mr. P. Daft was elected, and nominations for seconds, Messrs. R. Gardiner, G. Daye and G. White, to be elected next Thursday.

A vote of thanks to the retiring officers was carried on the motion of Mr A. F. Deacon and suitably responded to by Mr. G. Daye, retiring president. Three new members were proposed.

The Saturday night euchre tournaments conducted by the ladies' committee are being well patronised.

Excelsior Boys' Band

THE above band, of which Mr. W. H. Williams, Orange grove, Reservoir, s drum major, has applied to the Preston Council for the use of Cramer Park on Sunday, August 5, for a massed bands' performance.

CHURCHES

Holy Trinity, Thornbury

A special musical recital was presented last Sunday afternoon under the supervision of Mr. David Loudon, the choirmaster and organist. The nave of the church was well filled by a large gathering of music lovers, who listened attentively to the varied numbers rendered. Selections from the works of Wagner, Handel, Dvorak and Tchaikovsky and McDowell were artistically performed by the Misses Christie and Darling, and by Messrs Frank R. Thomas and Herbert Taylor. A short recital on the seasonal pipe organ was a feature, the Rev. W. H. Chamberlain presided and announced that similar sacred recitals would be presented soon.

The preacher at evensong last Sunday was the Rev. C. W. T. Rogers, of St. Augustine's, Moreland. He explained the arrangements which had been made by the Anglican Church Council for an appropriate recognition of the church's part in the hundred years' history of Melbourne. The vicar of Holy Trinity chided Moreland and Dowland with the ladies' committee are being well patronised.

Social events are being held, chiefly in connection with the competitive parish carnival. Last Tuesday afternoon Mr. W. H. Chamberlain entertained many guests at an Australian tea held in the vicarage.

Next Saturday afternoon one of the most unusual functions held during the carnival will be conducted in the vicarage grounds. This will be a dog show. Much amusement will be caused as prizes are offered for cats most humorously dressed, cats having longest tails and whiskers, as well as more sober sections for the best kept cat, etc. The show will be conducted under the most humane conditions, and competent judges will be present. If the weather is unfavorable the functions will be transferred to the kindergarten hall.

Wednesday afternoon last saw the last of the Croxton Parish Ladies' Guild will overnoon on Wednesday next. The gathering will take place at the school hall, Armadale street.

The Prince of Wales Park Methodist choir have consented to present a programme of musical and elocutionary items on Tuesday, August 7. The effort, which is being organised by the Northcote Congregational Church choir, will benefit church funds.

A Thought to Ponder—

"I would be friend of all, the foe, the friendless,
I would be giving, and forget the gift,
I would make room for all I know my weakness,
I would look up, and laugh, and love, and lift."

All Saints' Church, Northcote

On Sunday last the vicar exchanged with the Rev. E. C. Frewin, of St. Matthias' Church, Richmond, for the evening service. Mr. Frewin addressed the congregation at All Saints' with reference to the All-Australian Anglican Assembly to be held in November next in connection with the Centenary celebrations.

High Street Methodist Church

A thought for the week:—

"Every man is a mine unto himself if he will only dig and bring the golden ore to the surface."

Rev. T. H. Indian officiated at the morning service on Sunday, and delivered a helpful talk to the children, and followed with an inspiring address. The main thought that the preacher expressed to the children was that of "Re-coupling." On all railway trains the carriages must be properly coupled with each other and also to the engine, so that they may receive the necessary power for them to be put in motion with the rest of the train. "God sends out power all the time, but we do not link up with Him so as to receive this power. He will most surely give us this power if we but couple ourselves with Him." The anthem was "Lord God of Heavens and Earth." The text chosen by Rev. Indian for his sermon was found in Revelations, Chapter 1:18. "Christ is accessible. He is a person—a real living person. If the Church could realise this fact, what a change would come over its inner life. If we would put live with Him for one day, the whole tone and tenor of our individual lives and social services would be changed. What is needed is the discovery that He is not a dogma. It is the keys we are looking for, and the keys are held in His hand—the hand that was wounded for us. He is a living, bright reality and is always accessible," said Rev. Indian.

A visit by Croxton Methodist Young Men was paid to the High Street class in the afternoon. Two members delivered interesting papers on which animated discussion took place. Mr. Freeman, president of the Croxton class, replied to the welcome extended him and his members, and expressed the wish that more of such united gatherings should be held. Mr. Joe Delaney sang a number of very fine solos, and so added to a most interesting afternoon gathering.

At the class next Sunday afternoon, Mr. N. C. Hawthorn will be the speaker. His subject will be "One of Australia's Primary Industries."

The service last Sunday evening was conducted by Rev. P. T. Cleverdon. Once again Mr. Cleverdon delivered a most inspiring address, taking his text from Hebrews 6: 19. "The King of Love my Shepherd is" was the anthem rendered impressively by the choir, the soloists being Miss L. Worland and Mr. Lewis. At the conclusion of the service, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. Cleverdon, and as another Sabbath at High Street was brought to a close.

The Christian Endeavour Society has just completed the syllabus for the ensuing six months, and some very fine and interesting meetings are expected.

In preparation for the tournaments of the Young Men's Club further exciting games of quoits and table tennis were seen last Friday night. Ted Harris has won for himself the foremost position as the best exponent of quoits, whilst keen competition is still witnessed for the foremost position of table tennis.

Christian Science

"God" will be the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, July 15. The golden text is from Revelation 7: 12, "Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever." Among the citations which comprise the lesson-sermon is the following from the Bible: "Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill and said, Ye men of Athens I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious. For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, 'To the Unknown God.' Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you." (Act 17: 22, 23.). 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: "We cannot fathom the nature and quality of God's creation by diving into the material sense of mortal belief. We must reverse our feeble flutterings—our efforts to find life and truth in matter—and rise above the testimony of the material senses, above the mortal to the immortal idea of God. . . . Science will declare God aright, and Christianity will demonstrate this declaration and its divine Principle, making mankind better physically, morally, and spiritually." Pages 262 and 466.

Guild Social Afternoon

The Ladies' Guild of the Preston Presbyterian Church, Cramer street, are holding a social afternoon and sale of gifts and cakes on Thursday July 19, at 3 o'clock. Games, competitions, and a very happy afternoon is promised to all.

Prince of Wales Park Methodist

On Sunday night a special service was held when Rev. T. H. Indian preached on the subject "The Problem of Social Unrest." Miss Joan Jones, of Horsham, and Mr. Harry Bailey, of Camberwell, were the soloists.

On Wednesday the Women's Church Aid held a special afternoon for Home Missions. Mrs. F. T. Cleverdon gave an interesting address on the work of Home Missions. Each person present brought a gift and bought a gift, the proceeds being devoted to the funds of the Home Mission Society.

Church of the Epiphany

The morning service on Sunday was taken by Rev. S. H. Hollow, of Christ Church, Hawthorn, who spoke on Anglican arrangements for the forthcoming Centenary celebrations. The vicar (Rev. Thomas Cole) spoke at evensong and dealt with the All-Australian Anglican Assembly, which is meeting during the celebrations (November 5—15). During its session Canon Barry of Westminster, will deliver the Moorhouse lecture. Anglican dignitaries from all parts of Australia will be present at the Assembly. On Armistice Day an afternoon thanksgiving service will be held in the sports ground of the Melbourne Grammar School, subsequent to a shrine ceremony, when foremost Anglican clergy will be present. The anthem on Sunday was "He Watcheth Over Israel."

At a special Diocesan Council meeting in the Chapter House, Melbourne, on July 16, Rev. Thomas Cole, the Schol will address the gathering on his recent trip to England, after the business is concluded.

In connection with the All-Australian Anglican Assembly, Rev. Thomas Cole has been appointed Diocesan Hospitality and Transport Officer for the Rural Deanery of East Melbourne, which includes Northcote, Preston, and Heidelberg.

The third social of the Epiphany Social Club some proved most enjoyable on Thursday, July 6. An innovation was the provision made for card players. During the evening several vocal and elocutionary items were enjoyed.

On Tuesday evening the first of a series of socials in connection with the fete later in the year functioned when Mesdames Wainwright, Campbell and Delaney were the hostesses. Dancing was enjoyed and Miss G. Riches and Mr. R. Rickerby were successful in the competition. Euchre was also played, winners being Mr. Brock and Mrs Machar. Over 100 were present.

Church furnishings have been improved by the addition of carpets and matting, the gifts of parishioners.

The Epiphany troop of Girl Guides will hold their tenth anniversary celebrations on August 19 and 20. A special church parade will take place on the Sunday following the gift of a tapestry altar portal in colors. On the Monday a birthday social will function in the parish hall.

St. Aidan's, Victoria Road

Holy Communion was celebrated at the morning service by the vicar, Rev Thomas Cole, and at evensong Rev. J. O. Hughes was the preacher.

The Guild social on Saturday evening was most enjoyable and a financial success.

Confirmation classes are well attended and upwards of 30 candidates have offered themselves. Members of the C.E.M.S. are holding weekly meetings and are keenly interested in this work.

The G.F.S. basketball team are working well and are looking forward to a successful year.

The mayor and councillors of the City of Northcote will visit the church on Sunday, August 12.

Preston Salvation Army

On Tuesday evening at the Salvation Army hall, Preston, a large company of Salvationists and friends met to honor the children dedicated of Preston Corps. Miss Shillinglaw, Major Hansen, who presided, spoke of his personal knowledge of Sister Shillinglaw for over 36 years, during which time she had devoted herself unstintedly to the work of the Salvation Army in Preston district. She was known by all from the Major to the humblest citizen of the city. So many of the old residents were allowed to slip away without any real acknowledgement being made of their worth, that he felt that, as Salvationists, should, at any rate do as the many we read in the scripture viz:—Present our gifts of love and respect while in life and not leave it, as was done in the days of our Saviour, when the custon was bringing the gifts when the power to appreciate them was gone. Better to give the flowers in life time, than strew them on the grave.

The following members spoke — Sergeant Major Day, Home League Secretary, Miss Cozens, treasurer, Mrs Baker, Mrs Thomas, Miss Sandilands, Home League Treasurer, Miss Eunson and Bro. Bott.

A beautiful cake was then presented on which the candles were lit by Miss Shillinglaw. Light refreshments were served. At the close, a handsomely bound copy of Scripture truths was presented to Miss Shillinglaw. Bro Cossum concluded with prayer.

Preston has a soldier.

A soldier of renown,
That soldier is a lady,
Known through city
And through town.

Not very tall in stature
This soldier you will find
But a larger heart than she has got
It will be hard to find.

Tramping through the country
In sunshine and in rain,
Self-denial collecting,
So that the poor may gain.

War Crys, Oh the War Crys
Scores and scores she's sold,
Many's the blessing she has brought
Through them you may be told.

There's nothing like her cheery smile,
And the word of cheer she'll give
God bless her, we would justly say,
As long as she may live.

Faithful, willing service,
Counting none she gave too dear,
What a great example
To the younger comrades here.

God bless you much and thank you
Say we of Preston Corps,
The Lord, He shall reward you,
Dear Sister Shillinglaw.

Preston Church of Christ

On June 30 a social evening was tendered to Mr and Mrs F. G. Chipperfield and family, prior to their leaving the district. Presentations were made to Misses Gwen and Doris Chipperfield on behalf of the Kindergarten and Junior Departments respectively of the Bible School, while the church secretary spoke on behalf of the church generally. Mr A. Ferris represented the K.S.P. Club.

A crowded audience witnessed what was adjudged to be a very fine concert rendered by married ladies on July 4. The part songs, dialogues, and individual items reflected credit upon Mrs J. B. Membrey, by whom the programme was arranged on behalf of the Mothers' Club. The club has received a request for a repetition of the concert.

Visitor from Russia

A visitor of some note is to be in Preston this week-end. Miss Nathalie Grushenkova has come from Russia, and has an interesting story to tell of the state of the Christians in that land, especially of the sufferings of those who will not respond to the anti-Christian powers. With her people she has went through the revolution, her family suffering severely. Selected by the Soviet Government with 300 others, to finish her education at the London University, with the idea of returning to Russia to teach in the colleges, her life was changed just before the time to return: which was thus rendered impossible. She has been a missionary to her own people in countries bordering on Russia, and has been sent out to Australia, representing the Russian Missionary Society. Wherever she has spoken—in many of the leading churches in different States, —a deep impression has been made. At known God's Presbyterian Assembly in New South Wales she was specially welcomable. She tells of what she knows, but without any trace of bitterness in her story.

South Preston Methodist Church

During the past few Saturday afternoons the grounds of the South Preston Methodist Church have been the scene of several working bees. The men of the church have been busy turning over the ground with a view to converting all the former waste areas into lawns and gardens. The results of their labors should provide a worthy setting for the church in the years to come.

YAN YEAN

School Euchre Party

The recently - formed school committee is contemplating many functions, the first of which will be a euchre party on Saturday night.

Personal

Mr and Mrs C. J. Smith are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

"Betty, dear," protested mother, "you mustn't eat your jelly with a spoon. Put it on your bread." "I did put it on, mother," replied Betty, "but it won't stay. It's too excited."

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DEATH

GREENFIELD.—On the 5th July at his sister's residence, 10 Hotham street, Preston, Herbert Thomas, dearly beloved son of the late Thomas and Margaret Greenfield, and brother at Robert (N.Z.), William, Peter (deceased) and Jessie (Mrs. Marshall). Aged 76 years.

THANKS

MILLER.—Mrs. J. D. Miller and Family desire to THANK all relatives and friends for letters, cards, telegrams, floral tributes and personal expressions of sympathy in their recent sad loss. Will all please accept this as a personal acknowledgment of their deepest gratitude.
22 Seymour St., Preston.

THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. P. CLARKE wish to THANK all kind friends for their sympathy and assistance in their recent accident, particularly the Mayor, *Councillors and Staff of the* City of Preston, also the members of the I.N.F. Lodge.
22 Scott St., Preston.

MRS. RAY PROWSE (nee Miss Ettie Johnson) will be AT HOME on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons (July 18 and 19) to receive, and welcome her friends.
"Cora Lynn," Bayview St., Northcote.

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PERSONAL

The Preston Auxiliary for the Blind has chosen Mrs. H. P. Zwar, mayoress of Preston, as its president, for the fourth time.

Mrs. Jane Letitia O'Connor, of Mutimer street, Preston, died on July 7, at the age of 78 years. She leaves a family of two, and her husband, the late Joshua O'Connor predeceased her. The interment was made on Monday at the Preston Cemetery.

Mr. James Stafford, of Clarke street Northcote suffered a bereavement on July 7 in the death of his wife, Ethel, at the age of 54 years. The interment was made on Monday at the Coburg Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Edwards, Collins street, West Preston, are the parents of a daughter (Elizabeth Frances) born on June 30.

Mr. H. T. McLelland, of Gooch street, Thornbury, has suffered a bereavement in the death of his brother, Mr. George McLelland, formerly of Geelong.

Mr. William Rothwell Turner, of Woolton avenue, Thornbury, passed away on July 4. He leaves a widow and members of the family are Gerty (deceased), Ruth, Alex and Kitty.

Mr Henry L. Hall, formerly a teacher at Northcote High School, who resided at Arthurton road, Northcote, has been awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy of the London University, in 1930 Mr Hall published a work entitled Victoria's Part in Federation. He was awarded a Rockefeller Scholarship in 1932.

Mr M. Gelman, of the Victorian Education Department, won a scholarship while French master at Northcote High School last year. It took him to Paris University for eight months. "I studied French literature, and learnt that French humanism is the spearhead of defence against the materialistic tendencies influencing Europe to-day," he declared.

Mrs E. Houghton, of 59 Erin street, Preston, has been confined to her bed through illness for over a month.

At the age of 70 years Mr A. Zwar, the eldest brother of Cr H. P. Zwar, passed away at Learmouth street, Moonee Ponds, from heart failure. He leaves a widow and four daughters. The interment took place in the Church of England section of Broadford Cemetery.

Sister Burnett, of Clifton grove, Preston, left on Saturday last on the Hobson's Bay on a holiday trip to Colombo.

Mr May, master of Preston municipal band, has taken up residence in Wild street, Preston.

The death has occurred of Mr H. T. Greenfield, at the age of 76, at the residence of his sister, Mrs Marshall, Hotham street, Preston. The cause of death was heart failure and the interment in the hands of Mr Ern Jensen took place at Thomastown Cemetery. Rev Gibbs, Methodist minister at South Preston, officiated at the graveside. The pallbearers were Messrs T. Mutear, M. Zimmer, A Zibell, E. Mulzhan, C. Schol and J. Barwan.

On Tuesday afternoon, Rev T. H Indian, of the Prince of Wales Park Methodist Church, Thornbury, addressed a gathering of students at the Melbourne University.

Mrs J. W. Adams, Hurlstone avenue Preston, had the misfortune recently to fall from a tram whilst alighting in Bourke street. As a result she sprained her arm, and we are pleased to report satisfactory progress is being made.

Mrs C. W. Jenner, Collier street, Preston is making a satisfactory recovery from a poisoned foot caused by treading upon a rusty nail.

While attending church on Friday June 29, Mrs John Maguire, of 17 Longridge street, Fairfield, collapsed with a stroke and subsequently succumbed on Monday last. She was the relict of the late John Maguire, who passed away some eight years ago, and was of a deeply religious nature. Members of the family are Monica, May, Jack (killed in action) Clem, and Sheila. Jack was wounded three times at the war and was decorated with the Military Cross. Mr W. Maguire, at present at Northcote Post Office, is a nephew.

Mr Patrick Joseph Hamilton, of Gadd street, Croxton, formerly of Rendigo, died on July 10 at the age of 59 years. He leaves a widow and members of the family are Doris (Mrs Hanrahan, N.S.W.), Irene (Mrs Duncan, Fairfield), Alice, Queenie (Mrs Bennett, Northcote), William, Charles and Mannie. The interment was made at the Fawkner Cemetery on Wednesday.

The death occurred at Strathmore private hospital on Monday, June 25 of Mr Andrew Anthonsen, of Walsh avenue, Preston, after a short illness He was a native of Norway and resided in Northcote for over 50 years being associated with the brick industry for the major portion of that period, and for the past fifteen years was foreman of the Clifton Brick Works. He leaves a widow and grown-up family members of which being, Martin, Annie (Mrs Marshall) Ben, Ernest, and Stella (Mrs Iredale) The interment took place at Coburg Cemetery, the service, which was largely attended by employes of the Clifton Brick Works, and by members of the Preston St. George Lodge and other brethren of the Masonic fraternity, being in the hands of the Rev T. H. Indian.

MERNDA.

When going outside with a kettle of boiling water Mrs H. Wheeler slipped on some wet cement and severely scalded her arm and leg. The skin of her arm came away adhering to the cardigan jacket she was wearing. Her sister (Mrs G. Cockerell) is with her and she is making satisfactory progress.

Mrs G. Jolley is recovering slowly after her illness of bronchitis.

First Boy: "I do feel queer—just had a spider run up my coat sleeve." Second Boy: "That's nothing! I've just had a sewing-machine run up the seam of my trousers."

Card Afternoon.—Over £3 was raised at a card party held by the President St. Vincent's Auxiliary on Tuesday afternoon at the town hall. Hostesses were Mesdames M. Condon, C. T. Cripe, Webster, E. Siers and Jones on this occasion. The prizes were awarded by Mesdames Rose and Walsh. Among those present were Mesdames E. Hardenach, M. O'Brien, James, and the guest of honor looked charming in a frock of chalky white crepe moulded to the figure. Mr. Walter Carpenter, in the capacity of M.C., kept the fun going. Mr. A. Craven proposed the toasts of Miss May Carpenter, who replied and then cut the cake amid applause. The toast of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Carpenter was in the hands of Mr George Parr, and Mr. Carpenter responded. Table decorations were Iceland poppies and the catering was carried out excellently by Mrs. Cloverdale. A most enjoyable party broke up about midnight with expressions of delight on every side.

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Football Club's Successful Dance.—A successful dance was held in the Masonic Hall, Bastings street, on Wednesday evening by the players of the Northcote Football Club. Over 150 persons attended and great interest was shown in the Players Foxtrot Competition for a silver cup. Frank Ackland, the hefty back man, and his partner finally won from Jack Lyngcoin and partner with George Simmonds third. The judges were "Gerry Hales" Victorian champion, acting with J. Pennington and the decision was very popular. The players have decided to hold this function on every second Wednesday.

25th Wedding Anniversary. — To celebrate the silver anniversary of her wedding Mrs C. Banks, of Thornbury, gave a most enjoyable Krazy Whist afternoon in the Dispensary Hall, Thornbury, on July 11. About 200 were present, including the Mayoress of Northcote (Mrs M. C. Jones) the Mayoress of Preston (Mrs H. P. Zwar), Mrs J. Dennis (Northcote Creche and Women's Auxiliary); Mrs J. Jowett (St. Vincent's Auxiliary); Mrs J. A. Thomson, Mrs R. Thompson (Melbourne Hospital Aux.); Mrs L. O. Seebeck (Northcote Blind Aux.); Mrs Wearne (Thornbury Bowling Club); Mrs A. K. Allchin (Preston Benevolent Soc.); and members and friends from various neighboring auxiliaries.

Mrs Banks was frocked in a handsome black gown and carried a posy of mauve pansies, pink carnations and lupins. She greeted each guest and soon all were seated. After a delightful afternoon tea had been dispensed the Mayor of Northcote (Cr. M. C. Jones), on behalf of the presidency (Mrs O. Neumann) in a few well-chosen words, thanked the ladies for their attendance and on behalf of members of the Thornbury Auxiliary, presented to Mrs Banks a beautiful crystal flower bowl, with the love, affection, and esteem of the ladies. Prizes for cards were won by Mrs Bates 1st, Mrs Morrilees 2; and consolations: Mrs Outram. The dressed duck donated by Mrs Banks, was won by Mrs L. Osmond, Flinders street, Thornbury.

As a result the funds of the Thornbury Auxiliary for the Queen Victoria Hospital will benefit by the excellent sum of £15.

21st Birthday Party. — Normanby Hall, Thornbury, was the scene of a happy throng on Saturday, July 7, when at the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Carpenter, of Darebin street, Thornbury, about 100 friends gathered to honor the 21st birthday of their only daughter, May. The festoos wore a handsome dinner gown of wine ring velvet relieved with silver lame, and the guest of honor looked charming in a frock of chalky white crepe moulded to the figure. Mr. Walter Carpenter, in the capacity of M.C., kept the fun going. Mr. A. Craven proposed the toasts of Miss May Carpenter, who replied and then cut the cake amid applause. The toast of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Carpenter was in the hands of Mr George Parr, and Mr. Carpenter responded. Table decorations were Iceland poppies and the catering was carried out excellently by Mrs. Cloverdale. A most enjoyable party broke up about midnight with expressions of delight on every side.

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80th Birthday Surprise.—Mr. J. H. Anderson, Victoria street, Croxton, was given a great surprise on June 30 when two of his daughters invited some of his friends to have tea with him to celebrate his 80th birthday, which fell on June 27. After ten a number of young people (including his sons, daughters and grandchildren) provided a happy musical evening.

Concert.—In spite of the inclement weather on Wednesday evening (July 4), Preston Church of Christ was filled to capacity to view a concert given by married lady members of the church. Those who took part were Mesdames Mrs. Membrey, who was presented with a handsome case of cutlery in appreciation.

Wireless Whist.—Mr. and Mrs. E. Rabey entertained a number of their friends at a wireless whist evening on Saturday at their home in High St., Preston. Iceland poppies, gum tips and palms were attractively arranged in the rooms, and six tables were provided for the card players. Prizes were won by Mrs. A. Roberts and Mr E. Raynor. Mrs. J. Hannah annexed the special prize. Among those present were:—Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burland, Mr. and Mrs. Strahan, Mr. and Mrs. Clements, Mr. and Mrs. R. Heather, Mr. and Mrs. Pollard, Mr. and Mrs. W. Rollers, Mr. and Mrs. A. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. E. Raynor, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hannah, Misses M. Mason and Maylin and Messrs. H. Heather and G. Turner.

Dance and Euchre Party. — To augment the funds of the Queen Victoria Hospital fifteen hostesses of the Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary will hold a dance and euchre party in the Northcote Town Hall on Tuesday July 17. No effort has been spared to make this night one of the most successful conducted by the auxiliary, and you are cordially invited to join the merry throng. Hostesses are—Mesdames H. Dyte, P. L. Flather, H. Wood, B. Thomas, E. Black, J. Thayer, W. Thornton, H. A. Bann, C. Banks, R. Pearce, J. Dexter, E. Kitson, F. Machar, A. Page and E. W. Francis.

85th Birthday Celebrated.—On Saturday evening officers and ladies of the Preston Church of Christ called on Mrs. Symes at her home in Dalmeit street, Preston, to offer congratulations on her 85th birthday. Mrs Symes is a pioneer of the Church of Christ, having joined 56 years ago in Harcourt, where she lived until settling in Preston. Before leaving the ladies presented Mrs. Symes with a bouquet.

Engagement.—The engagement is announced of Miss Ruby Richmond, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Richmond, of Avoca avenue, Epping, to Mr A. Konig, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Max Konig, of James street, Northcote.

Preston Blind Auxiliary

THE monthly meeting was held in the Preston Town Hall on July 2. The president (Mrs. H. Chapman) occupied the chair, and there was a good attendance, including two visitors from the Coburg Auxiliary, who were welcomed by the president. Seven new members were enrolled, including Mrs. Calaway, of Leicester street, West Preston, who generously offered her home to the auxiliary for a card afternoon early in August. It was decided to continue the monthly card afternoons, which up to the present have proved successful. As usual after the meeting euchre was held, and the winner was Mrs. Jones. The ladies concluded a successful afternoon with afternoon tea.

PALM ISLAND, QUEENSLAND

Mr. A. F. Deacon, of High street, Preston, tells an interesting story of an incident which occurred during his recent trip to Queensland.

A number of Islands were visited during the tour, among them being Palm Island, the whole population of 1,000 being black. This spot is controlled by 12 policemen, with a sergeant in charge. He is a brawny, not altogether brainy, specimen of manhood and stands well over 6 feet in height. His feet require an extra or outsize in boots, and his fist is well ,once seen never forgotten. His knowledge of English is limited, but he rules his little kingdom in his particular way.

There is no such thing as trial by jury on Palm Island. Not even a binary police court procedure is adhered to in the trial of law-breakers. It is for the most part trial by sergeant, who acts as policeman in "trying" his subjects, submitting the evidence of himself to himself, and when the case for the prosecution comes to an end the man of law and order arrives at a quick decision, which he proceeds to carry out without loss of time.

The punishment varies according to the seriousness of the offence. For trivialities one whack of the sergeant's flat is considered adequate. In the case of more serious offences the whacks are increased. Just when the sergeant considers ample punishment, some of his subjects being low in the dust or mud, as the case may be, when punishment comes to an end. It often happens at times that a prisoner is considered not worthy of more than an order for a quota of fisticuffs, and when this happens the order of the boot—and a boot!—is applied. The yells of unfortunate miscreant as he sails to the order are something to remember, according to reliable accounts. All the same this somewhat primitive method of punishment as is in vogue in Palm Island seems to have the desired effect, and so far as is known it meets the circumstances that part of Queensland where it is carried out.

The sergeant was asked by see Mr. Deacon's party as to the spelling of his name, but when told chase it was "Jones" he was quite unpronounceable. A photograph of the heavy-fisted and flat-footed member of the police force was taken and will be forwarded to him in due course.

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THE activities of the Prince Competition to raise funds for the erection of an Assembly Hall at the High School are now spreading to distant suburbs. Each committee is working enthusiastically, promoting various functions to assist the Prince. This fund, when erected, will considerably help the education of every boy in the school: it will enable the whole school to be gathered together to hear lectures by public men and distinguished visitors. Thus it will broaden the outlook of every boy.

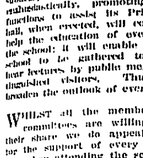
WHILST all the members of all committees are willing to do their share we do appeal sincerely for the support of every parent of every boy attending the school. We want the parents to be just as proud of our school as the boy is—get in close contact with the principal, housemasters and teachers. The pupil then responds to your interest.

The four boys who are acting as Princes, Walter Dudley, Donald Pitt, Robert Taylor, and Jack Joyce, are fine examples of the product of the school. Each has a wonderful education and athletic record. Every boy in the school should endeavour to emulate their example and parents, by showing their interest in the endeavour to Assembly Hall, can inspire their own boys. It is a proud privilege when the boy is made a prefect and a distinct honor when he is made captain of his House. After reading the records of the school captains we feel sure that more interest will be taken in the Prince Competition. Mr W. Houston, 703 Heavers road, Northcote, or Mr Johnson, the principal, will be pleased to give, at any time, any information as to the methods of conducting the competition.

PRINCE OF DAREBIN HOUSE

WALTER DUDLEY, HOUSE CAPTAIN

WALTER DUDLEY, the House Captain, of Darebin House, was born in Carlton on May 29, 1918. Before coming to the High School he proved himself at the Westgarth State School, a prominent student. In 1933 Walter joined the High School and immediately came under notice. He represented the school in cricket, swimming, and football. In 1934 he was House Representative in cricket, football, swimming and athletics. His outstanding educational and athletic qualifications brought him under notice and he was made a prefect. His ability was further recognised when recently Walter was promoted to House Captain.


Walter Dudley

PRINCE OF DIAMOND HOUSE

DONALD PITT, HOUSE CAPTAIN

DONALD PITT, House Captain of Darebin House, was born at South Melbourne on November 5, 1918 He commenced his schooling days at the Wales Street State School where he was one of the most popular boys in the school. Don joined the High School in 1932 and immediately made his presence felt. In 1933 he represented his school in athletics and gained his intermediate certificate. Then in 1934 he Donald Pitt represented the school in cricket and football. His outstanding educational and athletic qualifications were recognised when Don was made a prefect and then later promoted to House Captain.

PRINCE OF MERRI HOUSE

ROBERT TAYLOR, HOUSE CAPTAIN

ROBERT TAYLOR, the House Captain of Merri House, was born at Elsternwick on April 30, 1918. He attended the Elsternwick State School and was top of his class every year. Bob then transferred to the Ivanhoe State School and was again top of his grade every year. Whilst at Ivanhoe he represented the school in all branches of sport. In 1932 he joined the High School and immediately came under notice. He was made form captain of D form then in 1933 he obtained his intermediate certificate and was form captain of C form. He represented the school in football and athletics. In 1934 his high educational and athletic qualifications brought him under notice and Bob was made a prefect. Further honor came to him when he was made House Captain. Bob is vice-captain of the football team.

Robert Taylor

PRINCE OF PLENTY HOUSE

JACK JOYCE, HOUSE CAPTAIN

JACK JOYCE, the House Captain of Plenty House, was born at Yarram on December 5, 1916. Before coming to the High School he went to the Thornbury State School where he proved himself a popular scholar. In 1929 Jack came to the High School and was made vice form captain. In 1930 he was form captain and a member of the school athletic team which competed in the Metropolitan Championships. He gained his intermediate certificate in 1931 and was intermediate athletic champion of the school. In 1932 his great educational and athletic qualifications brought him under notice and he was made a prefect and later House Captain. Jack won the senior athletic championship of the school.

Jack Joyce

COMPETITION ACTIVITIES

Enjoyable House Party

A SUCCESSFUL house party was held at the home of Mrs Fowler, on Saturday, July 7, to assist the Prince of Darebin. Dancing, games and items kept the guests in high spirits all the evening and Mrs Fowler was warmly congratulated on the way she entertained them. Among those present were: — Mr and Mrs Casey, Mr and Mrs Firth, Mrs Henderson, Mrs Dimmack, Mrs Dudley, Mr Crocket, Mr Boyle, Mr Banks, Miss Crocket, Miss Casey and the Prince, Walter Dudley. Miss Casey was the fortunate winner of a dainty cake.

Derby Whist Party

Last Saturday a Derby Whist party was held at the home of Mr and Mrs F. Pitt, South Melbourne, to assist the Prince of Diamond House. A thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent by all, Mr and Mrs Pitt providing excellent entertainment. The guests were sorry when the time came to leave. Among those present were Mesdames D. Pitt, J. Pitt, Seymour Pitt, Buchanan, Darling, White, Messrs Darling, Buchanan, Nankervis, Pitt, and the Misses Darling and Pitt. Prizes were won by Mrs Parr and Mr Nankervis. A euchre party will be held at the home of Mr and Mrs Nankervis, 130 Normanby avenue, Thornbury, on Saturday evening, July 14, at 8 p.m. An open invitation is extended to all who can come and a special welcome awaits the parents of the Diamond House boys. Special prizes will be given and this night will make you feel happy you are helping the school

Social Evening at School

One of the most successful functions held during the competition was a social evening at the school on Saturday, July 7. The large attendance proved that the interest is spreading and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening. The guests were entertained with music and old-time dancing to good music. Little Miss Joyce Briggs, and Miss Jean Eddington gave a song and dance and such was their popularity that they had to respond again during the evening. A euchre tournament was conducted for card players, Mrs Leving and Mr N. Butler being successful at euchre, while the cards went against Mr Broadhead.

Mr Eddington donated a beautiful copper urn to the school for heating coffee. Among those present were—Mr and Mrs Oakley, Mr and Mrs Taylor, Bob (the Prince), Mr and Mrs Eddington, Mr and Mrs W. Houston, Mr and Mrs Wardell, Mr and Mrs Welsh, Mrs and Miss Burleigh, Mrs Beattie, Mrs Merrick, Mrs Newsome, Mr Kitson, Mr Hallett, Mr Day, Mr Grose, Mr Cox, Mr Woodman, Miss Betty Taylor, Misses MacDonald, Hastings, Machausand and Ford. Such was the social success that the committee decided to have another social evening in the school hall on Saturday, July 14. Additional novelties will be provided and the subscription is only 1/. Everyone is invited and all who attend will be sure to spend a happy and enjoyable evening.

Euchre Tournament

The committee of the Plenty House held a euchre tournament in the school hall on Wednesday night. Everyone spent a really happy night and it is intended to hold a social evening in the school hall, when the guests will be entertained with dancing, cards, and novelties—watch for this date—it will be a night of nights, days, the default being fixed at seven days' imprisonment in each case.

At Northcote Court

Before Mr. G. Brown, P.M., Messrs B. E. Johnson and J. Hartnett, J.'s.P., on Tuesday, July 10.

Debt

H. and C. E. Harris, of Fairfield, obtained orders with 3/6 costs against the following:—Clifford Reynolds, Hastings street, Northcote, 8/11; Jas. W. Thompson, Heidelberg road, Fairfield, £1/14/1; Stanley Knell, Cain avenue, Northcote, £1/17/11.

Ejectments

Nell B. Allen, as agent for the owners, obtained ejectment orders against James B. Gunn, Balgonie place, Northcote; Peter Hurley, Balgonie place, Northcote; Mrs. Jessie Dunbar, High street, Northcote; Frances E. Smith, St. George's road, Northcote.

William Hodgkinson, as agent for the owners, obtained ejectment orders against — Curtain, Hill street, Fairfield; J. Simpson, Howitt street, Northcote; E. Ansell, Fenwick street, Northcote; A. Smith, Gibson street, Northcote; —. Roberts, Tanner grove, Northcote.

In the case of Curtain it was stated that all rent had been paid to date and the owner desired possession so that he could live on the premises.

Head Light Offences

Frederick W. Lascombe of West street, Preston, who on May 25 drove a motor van after sunset with only one head light, was fined £1.

For a similar offence James Victor Eddey, Johnston street, Northcote, was also fined £1.

Unpaid Fines

Morton Clarke was called upon to show cause why he should not be imprisoned for non-payment of a fine of £50 for having practised as a dentist when not qualified.

Clarke did not appear, and the bench fixed the term of imprisonment at three months, in default of payment.

Nelson Whitfield, Henderson street, Northcote, was called upon to show cause why he should not be imprisoned for failure to pay three totalling £2 imposed in May in respect to motor offences.

Defendant said he was on sustenance and earned only 12/- per week, out of which he had to keep himself.

The P.M.—Have you any family?

Defendant.—Yes. There are five who are all grown up. I have asked them for help and it has been refused. Could I pay the fine at the rate of 1/- per week?

The P.M.—No. Those instalments make a great deal of work. You had better get in touch with your children again and tell them you will be sent to gaol if these fines are not paid. Fines are not to be treated like an ordinary debt.

Eventually an order was made that Whitfield pay the first £1 fine within 14 days, and the second within 28 days, the default being fixed at seven days' imprisonment in each case.

Breach of Recognisance

Leslie Thomas Hildebrand, Garnet street, Preston, was called upon to show cause why he should not be imprisoned for failing to observe the terms of a recognisance.

It was stated that Hildebrand was imprisoned for failure to obey a maintenance order in respect to a child. In April 1933 he had been released on a recognisance that he would meet the current instalments (7/ per week) and 5/ per week off the arrears. Since his release Hildebrand had only made one payment of 12/6.

Hildebrand.—I have been working for sustenance and cannot get any other work.

The P.M.—If you are not working it will be no hardship for you to be committed to gaol.

An order was made on these terms.

FURRIER'S WINDOW SHATTERED

Smash and Grab Thieves

A piece of bluemetal, weighing about 6 lbs, was hurled through the window of Mr. F. McClean's furrier's shop, 274 High Street, Northcote, at about 3 a.m. on Monday. Through the hole in the shattered window the thief removed a fur jacket and a choker valued in all at about £4/4/ and departed leaving much more valuable furs untouched.

Both the window and the goods stolen are covered by insurance.

Wine or Garlic?

OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOUR CHARGE

"Family Affair," Says P.M.

At Northcote Court on Tuesday, George Ellis, plumber, Henderson street, Northcote, was charged with offensive behaviour in Andrew street on July 9.

Constable Russell said: At about 10 p.m. on July 9 I heard Ellis shouting and creating a disturbance in Andrew street. Many of the residents in the vicinity were at their gates. I told Ellis to go home. He refused to do so, and I arrested him.

Ellis said: I had been to see my daughter who lives with her mother. I did not know anything about the constable until he arrested me and took me to the police station. I did not see my wife, from whom I am separated, until the constable came. I had gone to Andrew street to see my daughter.

The P.M. Mr. G. Brown): Why did you make a noise?—I wasn't.

Sergeant Glowaski: Had you been drinking?—I had had a couple early in the day.

There was a half bottle of wine in your pocket. Had you drunk the balance of that?—No. The policeman said to me "Your breath is bad." I told him I had been eating garlic (Laughter.).

The P.M.: You have been locked up all night. The facts disclose a family affair. Go away and don't make any more trouble.

The case was dismissed.

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The Cobbers' Club

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DEAR COBBERS.—My word the Club is getting bigger and bigger every week and we get a great number of entries for the Corner. I am afraid sometimes that the postman will speak harshly to me about it but he is just as good-humored as ever every week. Two new Cobbers this week—a boy and a girl—and we all join in welcoming them. "They just balance" Jacko said to Fluffy, meaning that neither the girls nor the boys had the advantage this wee... We all hope to get more and more new Cobbers and make the Corner more interesting than ever. Jacko says that if we get any more Co'bbers and they all write in every week I'll have to get an assistant to help me! Anyway, I hope some of the older Cobbers will write in sometimes. The more the merrier!

Don't forget the new Competion—It closes on July 28 and that will soon come round. Be start on your entries now Cobbers and get them in before it is too late—It also helps in judging the results if you send them in early.

I wonder how many of you are going to take part in school displays during the Centenary—please tell me when you write in next. Love and Best Wishes from the Pets and UNCLE PHIL.

Find the Words

NEW COMPETITION

In the following little story there are 23 words which are terms used in our popular outdoor and indoor games. Can you guess them?

When Kitty received her cue to visit the pawn shop the fault she made was to let a forward man over the road have a try to steal her bag. He was a bully, the friend of rooks, and when she called out this rover runs away. She wires the police, but the officer they sent was a gimmy, who took her 10/- in lieu of tee, and afterwards to a dance. As there was no ball they went for a walk. As Jack was a stale mate Kitty, who huffed at the idea of a wedding, refused to visit the Bishop, so he couldn't catcher.

A prize of 2/6 will be awarded to the Cobber who finds the 23 correct words. Grandpa's decision is final. The Competition closes on JULY 28. Mark your entry "Words Competition" and send it in early.

BIRTHDAYS

All the Cobbers, Uncle Phil and the Pets send the Happiest and Heartiest of Birthday Wishes and Greetings to Jean Hannan and Pat Power (July 14); George Clarke (July 15); Donald Theggie, Daphne Kent and Joyce Welsh (July 16); Etta Power, Ralph Sweet and Robert Smith (July 17); Gladys Jones (July 18); Alma Stephens (July 19); and Joe McNamara (July 20).

OUR MAIL BAG

Waterloo Rd., Northcote.

Dear Uncle Phil.—I would like to join your Cobbers' Club. I am nine years old and I go to Westgarth School. I am in the fourth grade and I like school very much. I send my love to Jacko and Fluffy. (GOOD) Ken Storcine.

Welcome to the Clubs Ken. I'm glad you like school. My word you're a good writer too. Send along a snap of yourself if you have one, for the Album. Welcomes from all. I'll send your Certificate on—U.P.

Joan Doyle.—Welcome to the Clubs Joan, we are pleased to have you as a Cobber and hope you'll enter for the competition. Send along a snap of yourself for our Album if you have one. I am sending on your Certificate and will use your entry this week. Greetings from the Pets and U.P.

Jean Skipper.—Congrats for the 100 marks Jean. The prize will be ready on Tuesday at the Preston office if you call in and bring your Certificate. Yes, have a shot at the New Competition. The Pets and Grandpa are well and all send Greetings—U.P.

Norma Minihan.—Bravo for the prize Norma. Shall I send it on to you, or will you call in. Please write and let me know. Best Wishes from all—U.P.

Alice Southam.—That's a good resolution Alice. I am using one of your pars. this week. Is your school practising for the Centenary? Best Wishes from the Pets and U.P.

Marjorie Wood.—I hope the snap is a good one Marjorie. My word Koolonong has plenty of "o's" in it—something like Woolloomooloo. I hope you have a nice holiday when you go and I'm sure you'll both have a jolly good time. Love from all—U.P.

Henry J. May.—My word that's a novel way to seal your letters Henry but I wouldn't post one sealed like that if I were you because the postman would be after your scalp—U.P.

Reg Keele.—No I don't think they will Reg. they look after it too well —U.P.

Vera P. Keele.—I hope you do we!! Vera—I know I didn't like exams. *when I was at school. Greetings*—U.P.

Joyce Mackenzie.—They don't like it Joyce, that's just the trouble. However the weather seems to be getting warmer so it will be easier for them to get up. Best Wishes from all—U.P.

Bruce Beattie.—Up to July 6 you have 45 marks Bruce so far as Jacko can trace. Are you trying the new Competition? Greetings from the Pets and U.P.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE MAY'S BUDGET

A party of tourists were enjoying the wonders of the Grand Canyon. A native of the district who happened to be passing was asked by the driver of the car: 'I say, can you tell us what caused this terrible gorge?" "Well, they say a Scotsman once owned a ranch near here and one day he lost a golf ball down a rabbit hole." was the reply. (GOOD) Jean May

A teacher who likes to interest his small boys in the news of the day sets a little general knowledge test each week. During the Moscow trial one of his queries was: "What do you understand by the term 'Metropolitan-Vickers?'" One answer read as follows: "Metropolitan Vickers is a body of Melbourne clergymen." (GOOD) Gwen May.

A man wanted to commit suicide. He armed himself with a rope, a revolver, a bottle of petrol and another of arsenic. He climbed out on a tree overhanging a long drop into the sea and tied one end of the rope to the tree and the other to his neck. Then he swallowed the arsenic, sprinkled the petrol over himself and set it alight, and finally shot himself. However, the bullet glanced off his scull and severed the rope. He plunged down into the sea which extinguished the flames and incidentally acted as an emetic to the poison. And what's more, if he hadn't been a good swimmer he'd have been drowned. (GOOD) Mabel May

I 'ear you've had a slight argument with yer missus, Mr. 'Iggins. "'Tis indeed. Mr. Wiggins. The missus says 'you've forgot to clean the top step again. You really must try to remember way I 'ave to remember meals ups and says 'Beggin' yer parding, mum, but there's so many things wot I must remember not to forgit any'ow, that sometimes I 'ave to forgit to remember wot I ow ter remember not to forgit, so as to remember like wise,' I says, after which we understands each other more clearly." (GOOD) Henry May

THE ANT CITY

There is a mighty city
Which one bright day I found,
It isn't far from my place,
And built beneath the ground.
The little black ant people
That hurry to and fro
Are always in a hurry,
No wonder they don't grow.
(GOOD) Lily Southam

TAKEN UP

An old lady with a feather-bed in her arms was trying to clamber on to the tram. She was getting into difculties when the conductor came along. "Lumme," he said, "wotcher doing, ma? Why didn't you take the bed and put it up against the driver?" "How can I?" said, the old dame grimly. "My old man's just been an put the bedstead there." (GOOD) VERA P. KEELE

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(Conducted by UNCLE PHIL)

LOST IN THE POST

When you post a letter to friends in outlying parts of Africa you take it for granted that it will get there, and seldom think what may happen to it. About a year ago, in Northern Nigeria, the native postmen were carrying the mailbags across the river when suddenly they were attacked by a hippo, which upset the boat, and not content with that ate two of the mailbags. Luckily he natives got ashore safely with the other mailbags. Hippos are usually harmless, but this one had her youngster with her and was probably nervous of the canoe. (GOOD) Vera Keech

HOW THINGS ARE DONE

A STAR TURNS ON THE LIGHTS

Forty years ago a flash of light was sent out into space by the great star, Arcturus.

Travelling ever outwards, at the speed of 186,000 miles a second, this light reached our world on May 28th last year. Here it was caught by a telescope and made to switch on the thousands of lamps that illuminated the great "Century of Progress Exhibition" at Chicago.

It was a thrilling moment. At a quarter past nine in the evening a large audience was collected in the Hall of Science. "We will now make Arcturus light up this great Exhibition," said the lecturer. He gave a signal and in a few moments a myriad lamps throughout the Exhibition burst into a flood of brilliant light.

How was it done?

There was no faking. It really was light from this distant star that turned the master-switch and flooded the great exhibition with light.

A large telescope had previously been turned to Arcturus and set to follow him as he travelled through the sky. The beam of light from this distant sun was arranged to fall, when the signal should be given, up a photo-electric cell. The photo-electric cell is a delicate piece of apparatus which passes no current so long as it is in the dark. The moment, though, that a beam of light, however feeble, falls upon it, it comes to life and allows a tiny current to flow. Magnified many times, this current caused an electro-measure to become active and to exert a pull upon a tiny piece of iron. The iron moved towards the magnet and in doing so actuated a switch which released a forceful pulley. These in their turn pulled over the master-switch, which immediately caused current to be delivered to lamps everywhere. Within a minute fraction of a second the grounds, the waterways, and the buildings of the Exhibition were flooded with light.

STORYETTES

A boy went into the post-office and rapped loudly on the counter. "Well" said the clerk, "what do you want?" "Will you please let down your telegraph wires," pleaded the boy, "my kite's got tangled on them." (GOOD) Bessie Goldstein

"Thomas, what is the matter with your brother?" asked the mother of the boys. "He's crying," replied Thomas, "because I'm eating my cake and won't give him any." "Is his own cake finished?" asked the mother "Yes, and he cried while I was eating that too." (GOOD) Joyce Mackenzie

Permanent.—Johnny: Why do you have your hair permanently waved, mother? Mother: Well, you see, darling, then I don't have to have it done for over six months. Johnny (after a few moments' silence): Mummy, may I have my neck permanently washed? (GOOD) Reg Keele

Grammatical.—"Mummy, do you say 'It is me,' or 'It is I?'" "Always remember the rhyme: 'It is I' kill the spider to the fly.'" "But couldn't you say 'It is me said the spider to the flea.'" (GOOD) Joan Doyle

Bill: My father is a bookkeeper. Little Girl: I know he is. My father lent him some books two years ago and he hasn't returned them yet. (GOOD) William Stead

Doctor: Put your tongue out; right out, my boy. Small Boy: Can't, it's stuck at the back! (GOOD) Cyril C. Stead

Helpful.— Mama: John, look! Baby can walk! Papa: Good. Now he can walk up and down at night by himself. (GOOD) Pauline Garwood

One day Jimmy Jones was late for school yet he did not seem to be in a hurry but walked slowly into the schoolroom. "Why are you late?" asked the teacher. "Please sir," said Jimmy, "I've new boots on and Ma forgot to cut the string that joined them." (GOOD) Majorie Woods

Teacher: If you do not behave better I shall ask your father to come and see me. Son of doctor: You had better not. He charges half a guinea a visit. (GOOD) Allan Love

Suitor: Sir, may I have your daughter for my wife? Her Father (haughtily): Dunno. I don't know your wife.

Hostess: Do you sing at all, Mr. Dimy? Dimy: Only very, very rarely. Hostess: I see—just in your bath. (GOOD) J. Frach's

Miss Wabash: Will I see you at Thornborn's masquerade to-morrow? Mr. Beaconstreet: Yes. I shall go as a monk. Miss Wabash: Oh, how lovely! And will a hurdy gurdy man have you on a string? (GOOD) C. Henderson

Lillian: How long do you spend Sunday mornings? Alice: It all depends. Lillian: Depends on what? Alice: The length of the sermon. (GOOD) Alice Southam

Brown: That's a rather shabby umbrella you are carrying, Smith. Smith: Well, to tell you the truth, it's only a day old. Brown: Well its got an ugly hole in it. How did it get there? Smith: Oh, I put it there so I could easily see when it stops raining. (GOOD) Jean Skipper

"Is it true your son had to give up his music lessons because of extra trouble?" "Yes, I could not stand it any longer."

Teacher: What is the opposite to sorrow? Jimmy: Joy. Teacher: And the opposite of woe? Jimmy (without a moment's pause): Gee-up.

Katie (to tramp): Did you notice that pile of wood in the yard? Tramp: Yes'm, I seen it. Katie: You about mind your grammar, you mean you saw it? Tramp: No'm, you saw me see it, but you have not seen me saw it. (GOOD) Enid Love

Manager: Why are you so late this morning, *McTavish*? *McTavish*: I squeezed the toothpaste too hard, and it took me half an hour to get it back in the tube. (GOOD) E. Francis

At a recent picnic the rolling pin throwing contest was won by Mrs. Henpeck, who threw a pin sixty-seven feet. Mr. Henpeck won the hundred yards sprint for married men. (GOOD) Coleen Y.Mahony

Teacher: Tom, what are the hides of cattle used for. Tommy: To keep the meat in, sir. (GOOD) Brian Mahony

A Severe Shock.—A man was arrested for assault and battery and brought before the judge. "What is your name and occupation?" asked the judge, "and what are you charged with?" "My name is Sparks," answered the prisoner. "I am an electrician and am charged with battery." Th judge looked sternly at the man in the box and in a shrill voice said, "Officer, put him in a dry cell." (GOOD) Vera Keech

Terrier: "How did Scottie know where you hid your bones?" Hound: "I must have barked in my sleep." (GOOD) Cyril E. Stead.

What three letters change a boy to a man?—AGE. (GOOD) Audrey Doyle

Uncle Sam's Story

ONCA THE FAITHFUL

IN the valley of the Rio Tigre, not far from Buenos Aires in South America, there was once a mother jaguar which had three little cubs, two of them females and one a male.

They were beautiful little creatures as playful as kittens and not much larger than an ordinary cat. The female cubs were tan color, with markings something like a leopard's; but the male cub had more uncommon coloring, with dark brown fur and black markings.

The mother soon taught the cubs to be careful over their toilet, and their fur was beautifully kept and shone like silk.

Mother jaguar was very fierce and protective of her children while they were young and helpless, but she was not very brave unless they were close at hand, and would run away from her smaller cousin the puma, and always avoid humans unless driven by hunger or necessity to fight.

It happened that the male cub got separated from his family while still young. He was found roaming about alone, uttering plaintive cries; and, as he was not fully able to fend for himself, he was in danger of starvation or of becoming the prey of some larger or fiercer animal.

One day a man found the pretty little creature, weak from want of food and no fiercer than a strange cat. After being taken back to the man's house and well fed the cub seemed more curious than fearful; so it was thought that he had not before come into contact with human beings.

In a few days Onca, as they called him, became perfectly docile, and before many weeks had passed was tame enough to be let at liberty, and would follow the man and his family about. He quickly recovered from his starved - looking appearance, and his coat regained the gloss of satin. The one drawback to him as a pet was the disturbance he made at night, when he roared a good deal, especially before bad weather.

(Continued Next Week)

HOW TO JOIN THE COBBERS' CLUB

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THOMASTOWN

Contemplated Station Improvement

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PRESTON DRIVER IN ACCIDENT

A motor car and a motor cycle came into collision on the Prince's Highway, near Warrigal, on Sunday at about 6 p.m., and the motor cyclist, Mark Walker, 27 years, of Warrigal was killed. The car was driven by Mr. H. Delaine, of Plenty road, Preston. It had been raining, and the motor cycle skidded on the greasy road and crashed into the radiator of the car. None of the occupants of the car were hurt, though they sustained shock.

SPORT STORY

The 19 CLUB

I BELONG to a dining club—as a matter of fact, I'm the secretary—but apart from that there's nothing much to distinguish it from lots of clubs of a similar kind. It's called the 19 Club.

You may think that sounds rather mysterious, but it isn't in the least. Really, there are nineteen others, and it started in 1919, so I don't honestly see how it could have been called anything else.

We are just a lot of people who had certain job to do during the war, and when it was over we thought it would be *rather fun* for us all to meet and have dinner together every year and recall—so we do, twice a year, on June 1st and December 1st. When the date falls on a Sunday, we make it on a Monday.

This arrangement saves the secretary a lot of work, as there aren't any letters to send out—in fact being the secretary is no trouble at all. We always stick to the same restaurant, and I go in two or three days before and order the dinner. When it's over, and just before we leave, I go round and collect thirty bob or so from everyone, and hand it straight over to the head waiter. He gives me a receipt, which I generally lose, and there you are.

Nothing could possibly be simpler from my point of view, or, you'd think from anyone else's, but it was this very simplicity which nearly landed us in a mess n June 1st of last year.

If you'll imagine this somewhat usual procedure for a moment you'll see that it leaves the management of the restaurant, and, of course, the waiters, quite in the dark as to who we are (not that we care). All that they know is that we are the 19 Club, and they write it on a card down in the hall.

Well, by some mischance, a prowling journalist in search of prey wandered into the hall during our last December meeting, and he happened to see this card.

He asked who we were, and the waiter, who was a bit nervous, because they didn't know. They said they had no information about us of any kind. This appears to have aroused his curiosity, and he promptly sent up his card, addressed to the secretary, for an immediate interview.

A waiter brought it up to me during quite an amusing speech that was going on and I thought it rather a shrek. I just said "No," or words to that effect, and would Mr Heacham please go away—Mr. Heacham was the name on the card.

However, Mr Heacham did not go away. He seems to have hung about outside for the rest of the evening until we left, and then got the commissionaire at the door to point me out to him. I never saw him at all, but he must have followed me home, and then looked up my name in the directory, because two days later there was a letter from him—he wrote it from an office in the Strand.

He described himself as a freelance journalist, and said that he had been commissioned by the Editor of a well-known London daily to write a series of articles on dining clubs. He went on to ask for the names of all of our members, together with any biographical details likely to interest the public, and so on. I believe he added that it would be a fine advertisement for us—at any rate, I called loudly for my stylographic pen, and *write him a letter to which there was* no reply, and there it was.

By the by, I made a statement a minute or two ago which, I am afraid was not strictly correct. I said that when this man's card was brought to me at dinner, there was a speech going on. Well—actually, we don't have speeches in the generally accepted sense of the term. What merely happens is this: Supposing someone does something clever or interesting, like flying to Australia and back, or motoring across China or inventing something wonderful, we ask him to come and dine, and he just gets up and spouts about it.

And we don't confine ourselves to respectable exploits, either.

If anyone were to break into the Bank of England and get away with a million pounds, I'm quite sure we should ask him to come and tell us exactly how he did it.

There's an honorarium of ten guineas, which we always hope that the guest will accept, and we are getting more and more sanguine about it's getting accepted, because no one's ever refused it yet. You'd be surprised at some of the distinguished people to whom a tenner hasn't come amiss.

At all events, last March, I happened to come across a paragraph in the newspaper. It was all about an Englishman named Kennedy who had escaped from a foreign prison. There's apparently a small island off the coast of Java, which the Dutch use as a convict settlement, and Kennedy was there serving a sentence of ten years.

Well, whether they weren't kind to him, or he got tired of the place, I don't know, but one fine morning he decided to leave.

He borrowed the Governor's motor-boat and left the island flying the Governor's flag. He even managed to extract a salute from one of our light cruisers which was lying in the harbor at the time.

After that, all trace of him was lost. I showed this paragraph to several other members of the 19 Club, and they all agreed that he was just the lad, if only we could get hold of him.

It so happened that I knew the editor of the paper which had published the report, and I went and saw him, and asked him to let me know if he ever heard of anything more.

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Accident Not Reported

MOTORIST WHO DID EVERYTHING ELSE

Nominal Fine Imposed

Charles George O'Brien, motor driver, Lewis street, Thornbury, told the Northcote court on Tuesday that he did not know it was mandatory for a motorist to report an accident to the police when the vehicle he was driving was concerned.

O'Brien was charged with having failed to report an accident on May 11.

Sergt. Glowacki (prosecuting) said that O'Brien stopped after the accident and gave his name and address and all the assistance he could, but he had failed to report to the police.

Mary Sarah Smith, dressmaker, of Gladstone avenue, Northcote, said:—About 7 p.m. on May 14 I was knocked down by a motor car at the corner of Gladstone avenue and St. George's road and received fairly extensive injuries.

Constable Fennessy said:—"O'Brien in a written statement admitted that he was the driver of the car which struck Miss Smith.

O'Brien said that he had, through ignorance of the law, failed to report the accident to the police.

Strange Ignorance

The P.M. (Mr. G. Brown) said it was a range that there were even to-day drivers of vehicles who did not know it was compulsory for them to report accidents in which their vehicles were involved to the police. Already many cases had come before the court. In this case defendant had done all he could and had given every assistance, so a nominal fine of 10/- would be sufficient.

HUSBANDS AND WIVES

MAN A MONEY MAKING MACHINE?

Commenting on matrimonial troubles at the Northcote Court on Tuesday, Mr. G. Brown, P.M. said:—

The question which arises in many of the troubles between wives and husbands, is whether or not a man is to be looked upon as a mere money making machine. Many cases have come to my notice where couples have been happy in humble circumstances, and later when they have got on they become unhappy, due to heavy expenditure. Nothing breaks a man so quickly as the worry of a business, when he doesn't know how he will finish the week.

It is very desirable that a man should keep his pares, but his duty to his wife comes first. The scriptures say "Honor thy father and thy mother. . ", but when a man enters into matrimony he transfers his allegiance.

He promised to make inquiries, but he wasn't very hopeful.

However, roughly seven weeks later, I got a somewhat cryptic letter from a man at Chiswick. He said that he was just back from the East, and understood that I'd been inquiring about a certain person whose name began with K. If I still wanted the information, would I please call at the address on his letter (No. 23, something or other Gardens) and ask for John Smith.

This I did that same afternoon, and I found a nervous little rabbit of a man of about thirty-five.

He admitted, what I'd already guessed, that he wasn't John Smith at all, but John Kennedy, the escaped convict himself. He apologised for receiving me in such a hole-and-corner way, but he was terrified of the police finding him and handing him over to the Dutch. I said that they'd get no help from me, and we finally got down to the business of the 19 Dinner Club.

He was a bit chary at first about coming out into the open so much, but he eventually thought he'd risk it, and he brightened up quite a lot at the thought of a tenner. The only trouble was that he was what they call "a bit pushed off the stuff" and he had only the clothes he stood up in. Could anything be done in the way of an advance?

I was able to let him have enough to square his landlady and get some clothes, and I also told him that I'd get the Club to spring him a bit more in the way of a fee.

Well, on June 1st we were all waiting, when John Smith walked in (we'd arranged to go on calling him that in his own interests).

He looked a good deal better in health than when I'd seen him last, and he'd evidently been fortifying himself against the ordeal of delivering his discourse. Not that he was at all screwed, but he had undoubtedly had one or two.

Anyway, dinner went off all right, and soon after "the King," when the waiters had all cleared out, the chairman invited him to tell us about his experiences in the East. He also gave an assurance on behalf of the Club, that nothing he said would go any further. Whereupon John Smith Kennedy got up and proceeded to tell his story, and a very astonishing story it was.

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Percy Rowe Seriously Injured

Percival Rowe, aged 38 years, of Main street, Northcote, fell 18 feet from a scaffold at the Exhibition Building on Thursday afternoon of last week and sustained severe injuries. It was thought that his spine was fractured.

Percy Rowe is well known in the sporting world of Northcote, he having been captain and coach of the Northcote football team for six years.

Under his guidance the side won four premierships and was runner-up on another occasion. At the end of last season he retired from the game.

Since a man named Egbert G. Willis was convicted on a charge of unlawful possession of a bicycle on January 9 the Northcote police have endeavoured to find the owner of the machine. No claimant has been found, and the Northcote court on Tuesday ordered the machine to be sold and the proceeds paid into consolidated revenue.

TOPICS for WOMEN

POPULARITY

WHAT IS IT ? AND HOW IS IT ATTAINED ?

AMERICANS write books of etiquette, and have endless recipes for popularity, but it is an almost indefinable quality, not dependent on beauty, clothes, or toilettes, though these help along the way. After a searching analysis the truly attractive person is attractive to men and women, and the truly popular person is popular with the majority.

Nevertheless, it is often difficult to define the attraction of very popular people. Even at parties it is not always the woman who is wildly entertaining or the one who makes the greatest efforts to please who is the "star" of the evening. With parties as with the rest of life, the most popular person is often the one who carries with her a pleasing atmosphere. And so far that is not an advertised or purchasable commodity.

Is There a Secret ?

People often speak and write as if there were a secret of popularity. There isn't, and if there were, it would not do for one to study it. We should all be cut to a pattern then, and popular people are by no means cut to a pattern. Moreover, something too studied is often something spoiled, while those who carry their popularity at all self-consciously are almost certain to lose it.

Be Natural !

Naturalness and a general friendliness towards the world are qualities which, perhaps, most make for popularity. Affectation, any form of showing off, and a tendency towards being self-centred are all against popularity — affectation, because most people are able to sense it and resent it, and because, too, it is a bar to natural relations or intimate friendships; showing off, because that is definitely bad manners and because it looks as if you think you are cleverer or more fascinating than other people; self-centredness, because a woman really interested in things and people outside herself is always more likeable personality. People only or most interested in themselves and their own particular affairs are invariably boring.

Be a Good Listener

The girl who would be popular must remember not to confine her attention to any particular quarter. She must be charming to young and old alike, give attention to her own sex as well as to the other, and, above all, she must be a good listener. But let her not overlook the fact that popularity can be too much of a good thing. If she appreciates a little time to herself sometimes, likes a quiet hour for a book or an occasional evening at home, she must beware of becoming too popular !

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Bonne Bouche

If you have a little chutney, chop up some of the salted almonds and mix with the chutney. They serve little blobs of the mixture on water biscuits or better still on croutons.

A DUTCH OVEN

THE woman who lives in a bed-sitting room often finds cooking a meal a tedious affair because her facilities are so restricted. If, however, she has a gas fire a small dutch oven is a great boon. This can be placed in front of the fire and is most successful for grilling chops, steaks, sausages, and bacon.

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A great advantage attached to the use of the dutch oven is that there is no smell or splash from fat as there is with a frying-pan.

Wedding Bells

COCKRAM — CANTY

REV. J. O. HUGHES officiated at the Church of the Epiphany, Northcote, on June 30 when Miss Kathleen Rose Canty became the wife of Mr Walter William Cockram. The bride was given away by her father and is the only daughter of Captain and Mrs W. J. Canty, of Kellett street Northcote. Autumn tinted chrysanthemums and foliage and white heather decked the church and the organist rendered appropriate music.

A gracefully cut gown of ivory ring velvet fructed the bride, and the back panel of the skirt fell into a long train. Her head-dress was a small tulle toque finished with orange blossom which held a beautiful lace veil mounted on tulle. Pink and cream rosebuds and cream sweet peas, were arranged in the bridal bouquet.

Attending the bride were Misses Mary O'Brien and Joyce Pridgeon frocked in gold ring velvet cut on lines similar to the bride's gown. They carried posies of golden pansies and cream rosebuds. The train-bearers were little Norma Cox and Norma Cockram and they wore quaint mid-Victorian frocks of pale green velvet with matching bonnets and their posies were in autumn tonings.

Mr Edward Cockram (brother of groom) as best man and Mr Arthur Cockram (cousin of groom) as groomsman, supported the groom, who is the eldest son of Mr and Mrs Walter Cockram, of St George's road, Northcote.

The wedding breakfast and reception were held at the "Francatelli," Melbourne, where 90 guests were entertained.

Mrs Canty wore a beautifully cut frock of black French marocain, relieved with tomato red and silver. The groom's mother chose russet brown velvet for her gown. A beige marocain ensemble with nigger brown hat, gloves, and shoes, formed the bride's travelling costume and the couple motored to Sydney where the honeymoon was spent.

COOKSON — McRAE

DECORATED with pink heath, lupins and ferns St. Mary's Church of England, Preston, was a delightful setting on Saturday, July 7, for the wedding of Mr Irvine Stanley Cookson and Miss Villa Ellen McRae. Rev F. Parsons performed the ceremony and the bride who was given away by her father, is the second daughter of Mr and Mrs E. McRae, of "Mearull," 70 Mulpas street, East Preston. During the ceremony an aunt of the bride, Mrs Leach, played the organ, and Mr C. Evans, a cousin of the bride, sang "Because."

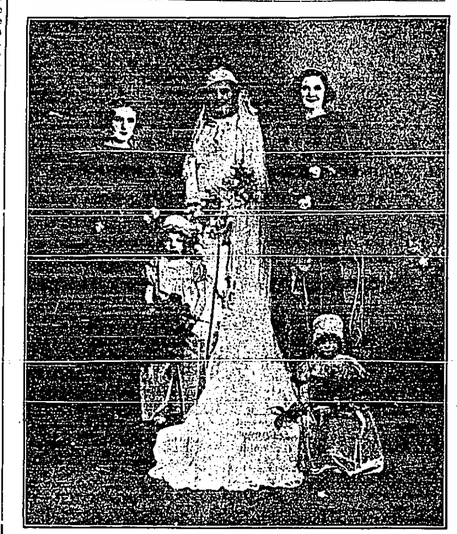
Lace and georgette were fashioned into the bride's gown which had a long bodice of lace with puff sleeves of the same material. The full skirt was made of lace and georgette and sprays of orange blossom ornamented the neckline of the bodice. Her lace veil, mounted over white tulle, was the gift of her sister (Mrs J. Crozier) who also lent the bride a beautiful train. Three strands of orange blossom with sprays at each ear held the veil and the bride carried an 1830 posy of white carnations, roses and lily of the valley. The groom's gift, a rope of pearls, was also worn by the bride.

The bride was attended by her sister, Miss J. McRae, and cousin, Miss N. Vallence, who were attired in frocks of Paton pink matalasse crepe cut on straight lines with three deep frills at the bottom of the full skirt. Long gloves of the same material were worn and their halos of real flowers matched their 1830 posies of pink carnations, sweet peas and forget me-nots. Chromium bracelets were the groom's gifts.

The brothers of the bride, Messrs Reg and Les McRae, as best man and groomsman, supported the groom, who is the youngest son of Mr and the late Mrs W. Cookson, of McCracken avenue, Northcote.

The wedding breakfast was served in a marquee in the grounds of the home of the bride's parents where 80 guests were entertained. In the evening dancing was indulged in. To receive her guests the bride's mother chose a frock in floral grey tonings. Her grey coat had a smart fur collar and her hat, shoes and gloves were black. Red carnations and autumn leaves formed her bouquet. For travelling, the bride was frocked in blue trimmed with brown and her brown swagger coat toned with her brown hat, shoes and gloves.

On their return from Daylesford where the honeymoon will be spent, the couple will make their home in Wilcox street, Preston.



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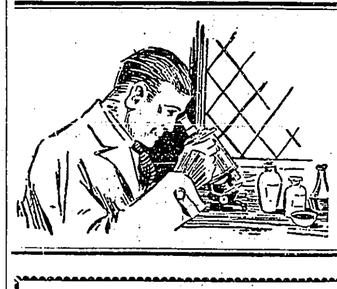

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GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLE

Two Candidates Stand Out

PROSPECTS FOR SATURDAY'S BIG RACE

(By "Luteplayer")

To-morrow (Saturday) the Grand National Steeplechase will be decided over a course of three miles and a furlong. It is without question the greatest cross-country race in Australia.

No matter what the class of the candidates, this outstanding event of the winter racing calendar is always a race of thrills, for the winner has to successfully negotiate 23 of the most difficult fences of any steeple course in the Commonwealth. The obstacles are made up of logs, palings, brush, post and rail and stone wall. The race carries a stake of £2500, the winner being valued at £1750 to the winner, £250 to second, and £250 third.

The field for the big steeple to-morrow looks like being a small one, and two of the candidates, in my opinion, stand out, namely, Redditch and Trafalable.

Redditch has the maximum weight of 12.7, which is only 4lbs more than he carried last year, when he won the race in brilliant fashion. He returned to form at Caulfield last month when he carried 12.12 and outclassed his rivals in the Wanda Steeple. Although he stands off a long way at the occasional fence, Redditch is a fashing jumper and as he represents Moss he must be very hard to beat.

However, with all his brilliance he has a difficult task to concede 30lbs. to Trafalable on a track that probably will be fairly heavy. This winner Trafalable is a different horse to when in Melbourne last year. He no longer concedes his fields impossible starts and this is due mainly to improved dash in his jumping. In his two runs at Flemington last month he demonstrated his ability to negotiate the country.

In the Hopetoun Steeple he was narrowly beaten by Pactolus, a decision, by the way, that was disputed by a section of the crowd. In the Prince of Wales Steeple, two and a half miles, he led practically all the way and won easily from Precocious. Since that win Trafalable has done exits well on the tracks and will strip a very fit horse.

The Next Best

The next pair must be the above-mentioned pair, namely, Precocious, who seem in something like his best form at Williamstown. He failed in the Kensington Steeple last Saturday, but was set a big task by his rider, who asked him to make up ground too quickly, and after taking the lead at the three he was beaten out of a place. He had 11.8 as against 10.9 to-morrow, and he will appreciate the drop in weights. As he won the race two years ago his stamina, despite his failure offer last Saturday, can hardly be seriously questioned. Precocious is a comparatively safe jumper, and although I cannot see him gaining in ahead of the other pair he should run in a place.

When mention has been made of the above trio one has covered all the horses with anything like serious claims to consideration. The Crackerjack may be a possibility, but one cannot work up any enthusiasm on his chance. He was second to Redditch last year, and that horse also beaten his master at the recent Caulfield meeting. The latter form says little for the chance of The Crackerjack turning the tables. An outside chance is the best I can say for him.

Royal Visitor was a useful performer in New Zealand, but his form in Melbourne has been poor. He fell at Flemington and Williamstown, but managed to complete the course at Moonee Valley last Saturday. However, he cut up so badly in that race that his chance to-morrow can be nil.

Boy Blue ran a fair race and finished second in the Kensington Steeple last Saturday and should be improved by the race. He has pace and fair jumping ability, but I doubt if he has the stamina for three miles.

Wildclaw filled third place in Saturday's Steeple. He is of the opposite type to Boy Blue. He has no dash but plenty of one-pace stamina and is an outside possibility.

However, if the more popular fancies stand up he is likely to be conceding them too big a start to be really dangerous.

Woodlac comes from South Australia. After finishing a moderate second to Kenjin in the Great Eastern Steeple at Onkaparinga he won at Victoria Park when he registered State record time for two and a half miles over fences. This form, I suppose, entitles him to at least a second thought, but he is being asked a big question to win the National with lack of racing experience over the country at headquarters, and I do not fancy his chance of succeeding, although he may do a little better than expected.

There is nothing in the performances of the others to warrant any attention.

To repeat my opening statement, it looks mainly a race between Trafalable and Redditch. In a race of this nature anything can happen, but one has to ignore the "ifs" and "buts" and sum up on actual facts of the form, and my reading of it points to the finish being in the following order:—

TRAFALABLE 1
REDDITCH 2
PRECOCIOUS 3

Doutta Galla Hurdle

PRISMATIC 1
ORTALON 2
MYSTIC PEAK 3

Lawn Handicap

SOME HERO 1
CALL BIRD 2
WATCHFUL 3

Trial Hurdle

SILVION 1
COUNTERMARCH 2
LANCET 3

FOOTSCRAY STEEPLE

KING OF ARMS 1
PRINCE FLAVIOL 2
HARMOUR 3

JULY HANDICAP

GALLIBROOK 1
NELLIE'S TIP 2
PROSTRATION 3

Best Bets

The best bets may be Prismatic and Trafalable.

Reservoir A.L.P.

The monthly meeting was held on Tuesday evening. The president occupied the chair. Correspondence was received from representative of Westhaupt miners asking that a speaker be allowed to address members. From the Victorian Council Against War asking branch to send delegates to conference to be held on August 4 next.

Re Heidelberg State Electorate Council, it was reported that no meetings had been held. It was decided that secretary be instructed to write to secretary of the Heidelberg Council asking for an explanation and information as to the next meeting of the Council.

Batman Ladies' Campaign Committee reported successful cottage meetings, and also that social held by them had been well patronised. The Women's Central Organising Committee reported holding a euchre party and dance on July 17.

The standing orders were suspended to allow the president to introduce the speaker for the evening. In a few well-chosen words the president introduced Com. P. J. Cleary, Victorian president of the A.L.P.

Com. Cleary, who received a very cordial welcome, said he was very pleased to come along and visit members of the Reservoir branch. He warned members to be prepared as a very early election was pending. Propaganda was being prepared by a committee of the Central Executive and would be forwarded to all branches and it was up to the members generally to see that the case for Labor was properly distributed in the various districts. After reviewing some of the difficulties and problems being dealt with by the Central Executive, also the state of the Electoral rolls, Comrade Cleary proceeded with his subject, Labor's Policy, Nationalisation of Banking. Com. Cleary gave a comprehensive, interesting and educational address on Labor's banking proposals in its relation to banking and industry generally. At the conclusion of the address Com. Cleary was accorded a very hearty vote of thanks, which was carried by acclamation.

On the resumption of business it was decided that arrangements be made for the taking of the Batman selection ballot on July 28.

REGENT TENNIS CLUB'S ANNUAL DANCE

Happy Function in Preston Town Hall

MEMBERS of the Regent Tennis Club held their annual dance and presentation of trophies on Wednesday, July 11, in the Preston City Hall when some 300 passed a pleasant evening.

The trophies were presented by the president of the club (Mr G. Saltmarsh) as follow—Davis Cups (donated by Cr A. D. Davis for annual contest) Miss J. Simpson and Mr H. S Winnett, both previous holders last years' holders, Miss R. Simpson and Mr A. White received mementos in the shape of miniature Davis cups; president's cups for Electric Light tournament: Mrs Meade and Mr. F. V. Syer and Club Team Competition for members who did not play in the Preston Association): Mrs Franklyn and Mr C. Morgan.

A presentation of a marble clock was also made by the members to the social secretary, Miss Mona Jones, who is leaving the district, but not the club. Miss Jones, in responding, thanked the many helpers who made these functions such a success.

The novelty dance was won by Miss C. Gray and Mr Masters.

A delightful supper was served in the old Town Hall and dancing continued till 1 a.m. with the happy though weary dancers wended their way homeward.

Cr H. P. Zwar, Mayor of Preston, accompanied by Mrs Zwar and Miss Enid Zwar were among those present.

GOLF

RESERVOIR CLUB

Saturday last was president's day and a gratifying number of guests and players from other clubs joined in the Mixed Foursome. Unfortunately rain set in about 4 p.m. which marred the afternoon somewhat, causing a little congestion at the lunch tables which were beautifully decorated. The event was won by Mr E. Gibaud and Miss Gwen McKenzie, who were presented with two beautiful cups by the president (Mr S. Richardson). Mr May, in moving a vote of thanks to Mr and Mrs A. Richardson, was strongly supported by the large number of guests and players. Scores were:—

Mr A. Gibaud and Miss G. McKenzie, 71—18—53; E. Sparrow and Miss Hatfully, 73—18—55; F. Potter and Miss Hatfield, 73—18—55; J. Long and Mrs Long, 70—15—55; R. Stephenson and Mrs Stott, 76 20—56; L. Glowrey and Mrs Glowrey, 70—14—56; L. Sparrow and Mrs Starway, 73—17—56; Davidson and Mrs Wallace, 75—20—56; J. May and Mrs May, 79—20—57; H. Jenkins and Mrs Jenkins, 78—21—57; W. Whittle and Miss Grant, 77—20—57; H. Clery and Mrs Simpson, 80—23—57; H. Marsland and Mrs Hosking, 79—20—59; J. Lanigan and Mrs Lanigan, 79—21—58; Low and Mrs Low, 79—21—58; A. Wild and Miss McKenzie, 80—20—60; Luck and Mrs Luck 83—23—60; B. Davis and Miss Francis 81—21—60; J. Winnett and Miss Peyton, 79—19—60; V. Kupsch and Mrs Angus, 79—19—60; Galvin and Mrs Pemberton, 77—17—60; S. Jones and Mrs Jones, 80—20—60; J. Sulta and Mrs Smith, 79—19—60; J. Lynch, and Miss Steadigan, 88—26—62; J. Waldron and Miss Crozier, 89—26—63; A. Roberts and Mrs Roberts, 81—7—64; W. Thomas and Mrs Thomas 80—16—64.

Next Saturday Canadian Fours will be played. The social side is very active at present and has engaged the Central Hall for a novelty night on August 31. New members are coming in freely and this is very gratifying to the club officials who watch the club steadily building sound foundations.

HEIDELBERG CLUB

There were 56 entries for the president's competition for D. J. W. Stone's trophy, played concurrently with the second round of the Keith Downs cup. Scores:—1 down, F. J. O'Neill (8); 2 down, T. Hart (11), J. B. Caruher (9); 4 down, J. C. Tulnsh (12), S. Walker (17), H. Dunlop (13); 5 down, G. V. Balfour (8), R. T. Bowdler (11), G. O. Youren (9), G. F. Atyeo, jnr. (14); 6 down, L. R. Dowell (14), R. H. Coe (9), J. W. O'Connor (14), E. J. Farrell (18), A. G. Dunlop (14); 7 down, W C. Jackson (14), F. A. Moore (9), F. F. W. Atyeo (13); 8 down, Dr. L. A. Neal (14).

Leading cards in the two qualifying rounds of the Keith Downs cup, the best eight to qualify to play off by match play:—R. T. Bowdler (12), —2, —4—6 down; J. E. Caraher (9), —4, —2 —6 down; F. J O'Neill (8), —6, —1— 7 down; H. Dunlop (18), —3, —4—7 down; G. O. Youren (9), —3, —5—8 down; J. C. Tulnsh (11), —5, —1—9 down; S. Walker (17), —5, —1—9 down; J. W. O'Connor (14), —4, —5— 10 down; F. A. Moore (9), —4, —7—11 down; W. C. Jackson (14), —5, —7— 12 down; J. E. Gosney (11), —3 —9— 12 down.

Scores in the Junior Pennant B division, played at Heidelberg, are as follows:—E. K. Wright d F. Ramsden, 5 up and 4; J. H. Knell d C. Smith, 6 up and 4; C. F. Oakley d R. Graham, 3 up and 2; K. A. Guy d F. Daniell, 5 up and 4; G. S. Guy d E. Graham, 2 up and 1; E. McCutchan d T. Pleasance, 5 up and 3; M. E. Daly d R. O. Graham, 2 up and 1; totals, Heidelberg, 7; Metropolitan, 0.

Associates

A bogey competition on Tuesday for a club trophy resulted: — First Division.—4 down, Mrs. J. McCann (14); 7 down, Mrs. C. L. Evans (14); 8 down, Mrs. Stamps (18), Mrs. O. Taylor (14); 9 down, Mrs J. C. Tulnsh (18). Second Division.—5 down, Mrs. J. H. Evans (13); 6 down, Mrs. O. Green (18); 11 down, Mrs. F. F. Atyeo (18), Mrs. R. S. Thomson (18).

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THE interesting programme at the Merri to-night and Saturday will please picture patrons. Spencer Tracy has the leading role in "The Power and the Glory," a powerful film drama introducing the newly-discovered method of telling a screen drama called "narratage." It reveals the development of a powerful story and the course of a man's life much in the manner in which one would think them in one's own mind. It takes incidents in the life of a strong individual who rises from simplicity to great incidents, placing each in the dramatic pattern of a lifetime. Coleen Moore returns to the screen in a featured role. Others in the cast are Ralph Morgan and Helen Vinson.

"The Silver Cord" is the supporting picture, starring Irene Dunn, a drama of a girl who challenges the menace of a selfish mother. Joel McCrea plays opposite.

"The Teddy Bears' Picnic," a pantomime on the stage, will be shown as a special matinee attraction on Saturday.

On Monday "The Gold Diggers of 1933" a spectacular musical comedy, with five song hits will be shown.

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BUNDOORA — SOUTH PRESTON SCHOOLS' PLANTATION

TO those who have had the privilege of residing in the rural districts of Europe, there is no greater contrast between the conditions there and the conditions in Australia than is provided by the differing viewpoints of the communities in regard to trees. Much of the beauty of the rural parts of Europe is largely dependent upon the striking charm provided by its highways lined with magnificent specimens of poplars and elms. Prose and poem of these climes descriptive of country scenes are usually lavish in their allusions to the trees which form a large part of each village. The ownership of a tract of forest country is one of the privileges associated with aristocracy and somehow are other in one's memories of these parts the scenes are usually built round their shady lanes and trees.

In Australia, for the most part, the tree appears to be regarded as one of the curses of the country. People spent much of their energies in clearing and destroying that, which in other countries, is prized and valued. Later generations are even more ruthless in their efforts to efface from the landscape the last vestige of the great forest which formed part of their inheritance. To those who knew the Gippsland of fifty years ago nothing is more striking than the success that has been achieved in converting great forests teeming with natural life into dead areas, in which neither man or beast can find shelter from sun or storm.

It is only within the last decade that the public conscience has been aroused to the economic waste caused by the suicidal destruction of every tree in vast areas of country. To-day we are beginning to feel the effects of the misguided efforts of many years to destroy one of our greatest assets.

Mountain streams have become raging watercourses in winter and a track of stones in summer. Beautiful creeks have become a series of waterholes, whilst even the big rivers are becoming silted up. In the summer sandstorms make life uncomfortable in parts where years ago the natural vegetation enabled man and beast to survive even drought conditions for considerable periods.

Plantations the Remedy

The Arbor Day movement has been a big factor in educating the rising generation to the folly of unrestricted destruction of natural timber and has even set us on the road to try and remedy the faults of the past.

The Bundoora-South Preston Plantation at Bundoora is an example of the value of the new viewpoint. Started in 1930 as an endowment plantation for the schools concerned there is a steadily growing area of timber which is already changing the panorama of the landscape and in the years to come will provide for the schools concerned a source of income which should make them the envy of schools less fortunate.

Parents, teachers, and scholars of these schools are becoming more and more impressed with the value of the plantation and all are combining to ensure its success. On Saturday last a further area was planted by one of the biggest parties of workers that has yet visited the plantation. The progress of previous plantings provided much room for congratulation and encouragement. To those who had not seen the plantation for some time the remarkable growth of last season was a revelation.

Situated as it is on the main road to Whittlesea and within ten miles of the city, the plantation is a fine example of what can be achieved by a policy of afforestation and provides concrete evidence of the value of the Arbor Day movement in State Schools.

An Example in Years to Come

In the years to come plantations such at that at Bundoora will probably not only enrich those destined to receive the returns from the work of those who have planned for the future but provide an incentive to further generations to profit by their example.

Around the Schools

Good Samaritan Past Pupils' Association

At the monthly meeting of the general executive the date for the first ball has been fixed for September 11. A committee of representatives of the five sub-branches has undertaken to organise this function, and the committee is anxious that all past pupils should co-operate. Proceeds will benefit the Sisters of the Good Samaritan. A debutante set has been arranged, and should prove a great attraction, when about 60 debutantes will be presented. Mrs. J. Cluney, of Preston (a past pupil) will train the set, and Mrs. R. Piper will assist in the organisation of it. Tickets may be obtained from the general secretary (Mrs. Sheppard), 291 Church street, Richmond; Mr. C. Jordan, Rae street, North Fitzroy; Mrs. Sutton, Claude street, Northcote; Mr. A. Quaine, Commercial road, South Yarra; Mr. P. Naughton, Preston, and Mr. L. Lannan, 15 Clyde street, Thornbury. For further information phone Mrs. Piper, JW2832; Mrs. Ralph, vice-president, JW1744, or the general secretary, Mrs. Sheppard, J2355.

South Preston School Mothers' Club

The usual fortnightly evening of the above club is proving even more successful each night. At the evening held on Wednesday last the prize winners were Mesdames Mayfield and James, Misses Letchford and Gorman, and Messrs Meyers and Devers. The prize for the aggregate number of points during the last six evenings was won by Mrs Cottle and the Monte Carlo prizes by Mrs and Mr Heather.

Official Farewell to Mr J. F. Roe

At a meeting of the West Preston School Committee on Monday night Messrs D. Ross (acting chairman), Johnson (secretary) and Holliday (treasurer) gave an official farewell to the retiring head master, Mr J. F. Roe. All spoke in praise of their happy relationship with Mr Roe, who thanked the committee for their kindness and co-operation during his 11 years regime.

West Preston Progress Association

The fortnightly meeting was held in the Progress Hall on Wednesday last. The retiring president (Mr Clarke) occupied the chair and installed the new president (Mr R. Jones) in the chair. Favorable reports were presented by the various committees. The balance sheet of the building and finance committee showed a debit balance owing to the bank of only £70/0/4. Rent received for the twelve months was £318/9/. This shows what a wonderful asset this hall is. The value of the assets is £1317/2/4 and this is after considerable writing down of furniture &c. It is a matter for congratulation that the amount owing on the property (which cost £1300 for purchase of land and building, besides the cost of furnishing, which ran to well over £100) has been reduced to the small amount of £70 in under six years. Members look forward to the building being entirely free of debt during the next twelve months and also to the time when they can do a lot of good with the revenue gained from the hall. Both the general fund and the social committee fund have substantial credit balances. Several members spoke of the splendid work done by the secretary of the building committee (Mr T. Mason) in an honorary capacity. Steps have been taken to suitably recognise this at a later date. The slab footpath which has just been completed by the council in front of the hall, is a decided improvement.

Members are anxiously awaiting the making of Cramer street west of Gilbert road as it was promised that this work would be gone on with very soon, and as several residents volunteered to pay more than their share towards the cost of making this street it is hoped the work will be completed with as little delay as possible. It was decided to ask the council to put ashes on the footpath on the west side of Gilbert road, also on Hamahmba road and also on the north side of Regent street. The latter is particularly urgent.

It was decided to write to the council to see if it was possible for a copy of the municipal roll to be placed at the Gilberton newsagency in Murray road for inspection, several members complaining that it was a long way to go to the corner of High and Bruce streets.

A social evening will be held in the hall on July 18 and the next fortnightly meeting will be held on July 25. A good syllabus has been drawn up for the coming six months and members are urged to attend and bring along new members.

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TENNIS

North Suburban Association

Wintry conditions prevailed on Saturday and caused most matches to be unfinished. These matches are to be completed on the first available Saturday.

Between Seasons Competition

Applications are being received for clubs' nominated pairs for the between season's knockout competition. The conditions are two pair, both gents and ladies, six game sets with the third advantage. Entry is free and club trophies have been donated by Messrs. H. Henshall and A. Peel. All courts will be required for one match, and all entries close with the secretary on July 31. The matches will commence on the first available Saturday after the final match.

Association Annual Meeting

The annual meeting and election of officers will be held early next month and all suggestions for the betterment of the association will be discussed. Several novel ideas for the summer competition, which promises to be far better than previous seasons, will also be discussed.

Premiership Points

A Group.—Cooma 16, Capitol 12, Claremont 8, Danelia Park 8, Epiphany 4, Oakover 4, Murray 4, Holy Trinity 0.

B Group.—Methodists 20, Coaching College 16, Oakover 8, Danelia Park 8, St. Andrews 8, Epiphany 4, Carinya 4, Croxton 4.

C Group.— Coaching College 20, Methodists 20, Holy Trinity 16, Epiphany 12, Danelia Park 4, St. Joseph's 4, Claremont 4, Carinya 0.

D Group.—Capitol 12, Coonia 12, St. James 12, Murray 8, Coaching College 4, St. Andrews 4, Oakover 0, Reservoir 0.

E Group.—Church of Christ 20, Murray 16, Capitol 12, Thornbury School 12, Spensley St. 8, St. Joseph's 4, Wariana 4, Methodists 0.

F Group.—Croxton 16, Danelia Park 12, Holy Trinity 12, Capitol 8, Coaching College 8, Thornbury School 4, Reservoir 0, Spensley St. 0.

Commencement of Unfinished Matches

Doubt has been expressed as to where an unfinished match should be commenced from. The rules do not give a definite ruling, excepting Rule 21, which gives the L.T.A.V. ruling as the one to follow, which is that a match shall commence where left of. This means from the actual point.

SOCCER

SCHOOLBOYS' ASSOCIATION

Northcote Club

On Saturday next Northcote Schoolboys will play against Preston on the latter's ground at the corner of Bell and Hotham street. Kick-off, 1.45 p.m. Players to represent Northcote are:—Goal, R. Liddiett; backs, W. Newgent, D. Duncan; half-backs, L. Barratt, P. McKernan, A. McKernan; forwards, R. Keane, J. Liddiett, A. Nelson, Glassborough and Lamond.

The best and fairest players against Brunswick last Saturday were:—P. McKernan, R. Liddiett and W. Newsome.

Last week's matches resulted as follows:—

North Eastern Division
Preston 3, Heidelberg 3
Coburg 8, Moreland 0
Brunswick 4, Northcote0
Bell United 4, University High 0

South Eastern Division
Geelong Road 6, Hyde Street 1
University High A 5, St Kilda 1
North Melbourne 4, Middle Park B 1
Tottenham 5, St. Augustines 1

Little Tommy (fed up with his Latin lessons): Dad, is Latin a dead language? Dad: Yes, my son. Little Tommy (eagerly): Then why don't they bury it ?

FOOTBALL

ASSOCIATION SECONDS

NORTHCOTE DEFEAT CAMBERWELL

Northcote, 13—15, d Camberwell, 11—10. Until half-time it was an even game. Northcote was better in the wet, and it was able to hold off the much - improved Camberwell side. Best Players — Northcote: Sharwood, Flynn, Dunstan, Ludlow, Alexander, and Donelly. Camberwell: Collin, Higgins, Craig, Kerrick, and Scales. Goal-kickers — Northcote: Lang (4), Blakley (2), Winks (2), Gilmore, Flynn, Dunstan, Donnelly and Kenny; Camberwell: Herrick (5), Trotter (2) Austin (2), Griffiths (2).

PRESTON GO UNDER TO BRUNSWICK

Brunswick, 11—14, d Preston 6—9. In a strenuous game, with plenty of hard knocks given and taken, Brunswick proved too strong for its opponents after the rain fell. Best Players — Brunswick: Elliway, McGrath, Sheldon, Peck, McFarlane, Reaburn, Millen, and Spokes; Preston: Oakleigh, Pitts, Finegan, Slattery, and Gilbert. Goal-kickers — Brunswick: Spokes (3), Moore (2), Reaburn (2), Tugman (2), Doyce, and McGrath; Preston, Hardman (2), Moran, Chatley, Pitts, and Poulter.

Premiership Laddey

At the end of the tenth round, Coburg is the only undefeated side. Positions on the premiership list are Coburg, 40; Yarraville, 32; Port Melbourne, 28; Preston, 22; Brunswick, 24; Northcote, 20; Camberwell, 20; Oakleigh, 12; Prahran, 12; Williamstown, 12; Sandringham, 8; Brighton 8.

PROTESTANT CHURCHES

St. George's Road Methodists v Kensington Methodists

This match was transferred at the last moment to the Pendera Grove Methodists' ground at Bell street, Preston, with Umpire Ball in charge. Winning the toss, and kicking with the gale towards the southern end, Kensington established a lead in the first quarter. At the first change the wind died and St. George's Road were unable to make up the leeway during the heavy rain which marred the remainder of the game.

Open football was out of the question, the ball and ground becoming very heavy.—Kicking off the ground was the order of the day, and both sides, together with the umpire, were relieved at the final bell.

Final Scores:—

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Kensington Methodists	4	11	38
St. George's Rd Meths.	2	10	22

Goalkickers—St. George's Road: Calder and Moon.

A Rule played a great game on the wing for St George's; C. Watt, E. Meaney and P. Malley were outstanding, adapting themselves to the conditions.

St Georges Road are drawn against the unbeaten Thornbury Presbyterian team on Saturday at Merri Park, and a great tussle is expected.

UNITED CHURCHES' ASSOCIATION

FOOTSCRAY UNITED v JOHN VALE

Played at Footscray. Winning the toss Footscray elected to kick with the aid of a strong breeze and in the first quarter they established a handy lead. The second term opened with scrambling play as a result of the greasy ball, and the rain came down in torrents, which made good football out of the question. The second half needs little description. Pools of water lay all over the ground and many duckings were experienced by the players. Despite Footscray's big lead in the early stages of the game, John Vale did well to get within nine points of their opponents at the finish. Final scores:

Footscray United: 10 goals 7 behinds.
John Vale: 8 goals 17 behinds.

Goal-kickers for John Vale: Cole (3), Tribe (2), Carthew, Spinks, L. Wintle. Best players: M. Carthew (umpire's vote), Tribe, Bevan, Reid and L. Wintle.

The umpire had a difficult game to handle, but did well under the circumstances.

To-morrow (Saturday) John Vale play Parkside at "Kellett Park" (the Brick Co.'s paddock).

Northcote Church of Christ v Fairfield Baptists

Played at McDonell Park. Northcote won the toss for the first time since the opening match and kicked towards the southern goals, aided by a stiff breeze. Northcote, by bad kicking, failed to secure a big lead by the first change. Northcote: 2—8; Fairfield: 0—2. Northcote successfully held their opponents in the second term, and the scoring was at a minimum. Northcote: 3—9; Fairfield: 1—2.

Church of Christ further increased their lead during the third quarter which was played in heavy rain. Conditions were very unfavorable for both players and supporters, scores at three-quarter time being—Northcote 5—13 to Fairfield 3—6. Fairfield made a great effort to win the game in the final term but the leeway was too great for them to overake their opponents.

Final Scores:—

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Northcote	6	15	51
Fairfield	5	10	40

Best Players:—A. Stabb (umpire's vote), Keech, Reece, Emselle, and Ireland deserves special mention for his fine forward play in adverse conditions.

C.Y.M.S. ASSOCIATION

PRESTON v CLIFTON HILL

On Saturday Preston met Clifton Hill at Ilinxby Park. The home team was still seriously weakened by the absence of W. White, upon whose experience the forwards usually depend for their success. Without him they were all at sea. Winning the toss Clifton Hill made full use of the wind, but the beautiful system of the Clifton Hill forwards was time and again frustrated by the forceful tactics of the Preston backs. Dobrigh was showing great improvement on the half-back line, and one of his marks was a gem. Considering the force of the wind, Preston had done well to confine Clifton Hill to four goals. Scores—Preston 0—2; Clifton Hill: 4—3.

In the second quarter Preston's weakness on the forward line proved fatal. Unable to combine under the pressure of a powerful opposing defence division, the smaller men showed quite plainly that a big centre-half-forward would make all the difference to the attack. Smyth was showing great improvement on the half-forward line, but he is still lacking in the dash and forcefulness so necessary to the position. In this quarter the Preston wingmen were being overshadowed by clever opponents, and the rain, which began to fall in the middle of the term seemed to dampen the ardor of the back men. Perhaps the only two players at top form for Preston were Pat Fricker and J. McGregor. Half-Time scores — Preston 1—3; Clifton Hill: 6—5.

A terrific downpour heralded the opening of the third term, and the big men of both teams found it difficult to keep their feet and almost impossible to mark. Roving cleverly McGregor excelled in the mud, and was the only player whose form was consistent throughout a struggling contest. Brown showed flashes of form, while Mussett proved more effective as a soccer player than during the Australian rules of a dry first term. The game developed into a scramble, and was brightened only by the clever work of Smyth, who looked like a pack with a kick off the ground. Three-quarter—Preston 2—6; Clifton Hill: 8—8.

In the last quarter the game was absolutely ruined by the rain. W. Ryan, Preston's big ruck man, was unable to keep his feet, and the small men were the most of the important movers. McGregor and Pollock being most useful in the heavy work. Throughout the game it had been noticeable that the captain, W. Monagle, had packed the defences to the detriment of the forward division. This and their inability to adapt themselves to the wet conditions were great factors in the defeat of Preston.

Final Scores:—

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Clifton Hill	10	9	69
Preston	3	7	25

Preston goal-kickers: Kelly, Smyth, P. Fricker.
Consistent players: McGregor, P. Fricker.

BASEBALL

Northcote and Preston Churches Association

Croxton B v Thornbury Presbyterians

Played at Fitzroy Racecourse on Saturday. Owing to the rain the ground was extremely muddy, and a great deal of amusement was caused by the players sliding and slipping in the mud. As a result of heavy rain during the afternoon, there was only one hour's play. In the hour Croxton showed that they had the game well in hand, as, batting in their fourth innings, they scored 5 runs, which, however, did not count in the final tally. The most prominent were:—

Croxton—Fielding: W. Wood; batting: A. J. Berchdoll, H. Webster; Thornbury—Fielding: E. Baker; Batting: G. Logan, D. Fidler.

Mr C. Owen umpired. Scores:—
Croxton B: 3,0,2.—5.
Thornbury: 1,0,1.—2.

PRESTON CLUB

A Team were beaten by Kew, 8—4 being the score. The most notable feature was the number of errors by Preston.

B Team played a return match with Y.M.C.A. and had their revenge, scores being 8—1. The whole team played to win, the best amongst them being Jenner, Allen, and Hills.

C Team met Brunswick and were thrashing for their blood and after playing an errorless game, came out victors scores being 13—3 in favor of Preston. Preston were best served by Morton (1 home run), Wescott, McNamara, and Hopper.

Teams for Saturday

A Team v Williamstown, at Preston: Wescott, Goller, Duffield, Thornicroft, Perryman, Crawley, Spoor, Moore, Gordon, Butler.

B Team v Williamstown, at Williamstown: Jeanes, Allen, Thurgood, Hills, Nolder, Spicer, Fowler, Stracker Westwood, Dyer.

C Team v Altona, at Preston: Wescott, Morton, Naunton, McNamara, White, Hills, Hopper, Hamilton, Dorant, Robinson.

CRICKET

JIKA ASSOCIATION

INVITATION EXTENDED TO CLUBS TO AFFILIATE

(by "Observer")

WITH the high standard of cricket played and a record number of clubs the Association had a very successful season, both financially and socially.

Comprising two Grades A and B, Presionite and Preston C.Y.M.S. are the Premierships of their respective grades. The committee is desirous of making the ensuing season, 1934-35, an even greater success, and this ambition can only be accomplished by inducing clubs to join the association and therefore they have pleasure in extending invitations to clubs in and around the district who are playing in the local parks and sharing wickets with clubs at present in the Association.

Several advantages are gained outside of cricket which are at present essential from a club point of view in reference to finance. The grounds are centrally covering from Dennis to Reservoir and excessive time and travelling expenses are eliminated. Invitations have been forwarded to various clubs and well-known business firms and several clubs have accepted.

Nominations are now being called and close on August 3 (see the advertising column) and the annual meeting will be held in the Library, Jika (Town Hall building), High street, Preston, at 8 p.m. on Thursday, August 9. 'Phone JW 2408 for further particulars.

SPORTING SECRETARIES

The Sporting Editor invites Secretaries of sporting bodies to forward reports of their clubs' activities for publication in the "Leader." Matter should be written on one side of the paper only (preferably in ink) and should reach the Sporting Editor before mid-day on Tuesdays, or earlier if possible. Early copy receives first preference.

RIFLE SHOOTING

MILITIA SHOOTS

Units of the Victorian Militia Rifle Clubs' Union fired the opening round of the Sargood and Kellow Shield matches on Saturday afternoon under wintry conditions at Williamstown. In the Sargood Shield shoot Corporal Cassin (57th Battalion) was the highest individual scorer with 48. The 58th Batt with 345 pts took first place in the Kellow Shield (Preston) was found with 333 and the 60th (Westgarth) fifth with 331.

In the B Grade shoot for the Kellow Shield, pride of place was taken by Melbourne University Rifles with 323 points.

PRESTON CLUB

Preston Club fired the first shoot for the 1934-35 season from 400 yards for the Court trophy. Scores:—

J. Pilgrott, 45-5-46; S. Chynoweth, 42-4-46; H. Court, 40-4-44; T. Griffiths, 42-2-44; R. Alford, 36-8-44; W. Vines, 40-4-44; G. Bignell, 35-9-43; J. Baker, 36-6-42; A. Perrett, 31-7-38; F. Miller, 35-3-38.

The Miniature Trophy was won by R. Alford. Scores:—R. Alford, 55-2-60; G. Bignell, 53-1-60; A. Perrett, 57-3-60; T. Griffiths, 53-1-59; J. Pilgrott, 54-3-57; H. Court, 53-2-55.

The 1933-34 Championship Trophy donated by Mr Zwar, M.L.A., was won by G. Bignell.

The Grand Aggregate Trophy, donated by Mr H. H. Olney, M.L.C., was won by G. Bignell 1, H. Court 2, T. Griffiths 3.

The Home Aggregate Trophy, donated by Mr W. Howe, was won by T. Griffiths, who also won the Porter Cup.

The B Grade Championship was won by R. Alford.

Householder Awakes

DISTURBS THIEF IN ROOM

In the early hours of Sunday morning Mr. David Downie, of Oakover road, Preston awoke to find a man in his bedroom.

He attempted to seize the intruder, who fled through the front door, taking with him the sum of £1/18/.

First Muddy Contest .·. Leaders Hard Pressed

PRESTON'S OVERWHELMING VICTORY

Palpably Weak Opposition at Brunswick

PLAYER FELLED IN ONE-SIDED CONTEST

BLACKMORE EXONERATED WITH A CAUTION

(By "Follower")

Preston encountered weak opposition at Brunswick last Saturday Preston's co-operation and team work were far too great a handicap for a young team of practically inexperienced players to overcome. Preston registered their highest score for the season.

THE TEAMS

PRESTON.—Backs: Hugo, Smith, Cannaway. Half - backs: Uren, Beard, Hearn. Murray. Centres: Dowling, Robinson, Underhill. Half-forwards: L. Robinson, Farrell, Arthur. Forwards: Deschen, McSwain (c.), Brown, Polkemmer: Street, Doyle, Rieger: Ward. Rover: Dowling.

BRUNSWICK. — Backs: Spokes, Blackmore, Reaburn. Half - backs: Peck, Beard, R. Thompson. Centres: Hall, Thompson, Mitchell, W. Ellaway. Half-forwards: Kennedy, Gillon, Palmer. Forwards: Franks, Justice, Lloyd. Followers: Jenkins (c.), Prisant. Rover: Dowling.

Preston's Changes

Judging by the expressions heard whist moving amongst Preston supporters it was fully expected that three or four changes would be made in the side which played on the previous Saturday. The selectors decided to omit Spargo, Hughson and W. Robinson. Their places were filled by L. Murray (from Melbourne), Farrell (from Police) and Brown (formerly of Northcote), all of whom were playing their first game for the season. Captain McSwain, re-appeared after an absence of a fortnight through a bruised foot, and Dineen also reappeared. To make room Cameron and McEachern (both injured) were unable to take the field.

McSwain's New Role

McSwain played in a new role as ruck ineak (quite a different position to his customary one as full back). Murray, a beautiful left foot kick, took up his place on the half-back flank; Dineen played at the pivot; Brown went forward pocket, being second rover. Farrell was stationed at the all-important post of half-forward. The three new players were decidedly impressive, Brown revelling in the muddy conditions.

Little interest was centred in the meeting of Preston and Brunswick in the latter's ground, as the respective positions on the premiership ladder made the prospects of Brunswick overcoming the strong Preston side were remote.

THE PLAY

The visiting team opened up in a rather sprightly way, introducing fast systematic drives which Brunswick failing to offset to any marked degree, three goals being rattled up. Brunswick then advanced when a free to Justice was rewarded with full points. Attacking instantly, Justice was again successful under similar circumstances.

Operating round the outer wing Preston were repeatedly the attackers, Dowling playing grandly.

When Brunswick attacked they were driven off by the fine defence of Hugo and Murray, two splendid left-foot kicks, whose methods, whilst aided by the breeze, were an object lesson, coming through forcefully and finishing off with a powerful kick.

Preston On Top

Preston were masters of the situation. On advancing, Brunswick, though McSwain was operating too far out to be effective. This conclusion was soon dispelled, as with a great kick he scored a goal.

The scores at the first change were:

	Gls	Bds	Pts
PRESTON	8	3	53
BRUNSWICK	2	0	12

Red and Whites Hold Advantage

With the aid of the breeze it was expected that Brunswick would have been more impressive.

However, it must be borne in mind that Brunswick are practically a new side, as several of their leading players were transferred. They are yet to get into working condition.

There was nothing brilliant in the play, as the weakness of the opposition was such that the visitors were never seriously troubled.

By opening up the play and introducing systematic passing, Preston maintained the handy lead they had gained in the opening stage.

Good Shooting

Brunswick, however, when they got within range, made the best use of their opportunities, goals being scored by Boyd and Justice (2). At the long adjournment Preston were in an enviable position, the scores being:—

	Gls	Bds	Pts
PRESTON	10	3	66
BRUNSWICK	5	2	32

Rain Mars Play

After the adjournment W. Robinson replaced Farrell, who had injured his knee.

Rain now set in, making the ball very difficult to handle. Players, therefore, resorted to the only method of overcoming the conditions, i.e., to kick the ball off the ground. This, of course, deprived the game of anything of a spectacular nature, and play was nothing short of a scramble.

The pinging of the bell was appreciated by players and spectators alike. At the last change the scores were:

	Gls	Bds	Pts
PRESTON	14	16	100
BRUNSWICK	6	3	39

A Smart Finish

At the end of the third term Primrod, who injured his forehead in the second quarter, retired. McClelland taking his place.

The last term saw Preston forcing home their advantage. Despite severe buffeting and undue attention, Doyle and Hearn were sticking to their task admirably.

Spiteful Acts

Several spiteful acts were resorted to at this juncture, certain players jumping heedlessly into the packs regardless of consequences. In the meantime Preston continued to score. The worst feature of the term was when Warr, who was spelling on the forward line after a turn of roving, was deliberately struck by an opponent after Brunswick had cleared the objective.

This unseemly act unbalanced the players for a time, when, in the heat of the moment, play was most unpleasant.

No one was disappointed when the game ended, as there was little in the finish to commend itself.

A Big Score

Preston ran out easy winners by compiling their largest score for the season. Final scores:—

	Gls	Bds	Pts
PRESTON	19	20	134
BRUNSWICK	8	3	57

Goal-kickers

Preston.—Brown (6), Warr (4), W. Robinson (2), McSwain (2), L. Robinson (2), Arthur (2), Underhill, Brunswick. — Justice (5), Boyd, Dillon, Franks.

Best Players

Preston were served best by Brown, Hearn, Dowling, Hugo, Smith, Warr, Murray, Doyle and Arthur.

The best players for Brunswick were R. Thompson, Beard, Justice, Boyd, and Primrod.

The Porter Cup

The points for the Porter cup were awarded to Brown, who played his first game with Preston. He played confidently throughout, and showed marked skill in scoring goals, three being obtained in the last term with a greasy ball.

TO-MORROW'S ENGAGEMENT

PRESTON AT HOME TO WILLIAMSTOWN

The completion of the first round of home and home matches will eventuate to-morrow. Preston will meet Williamstown on the Cramer street park. Although the seaniders have shown a marked improvement in their last three contests (drawing with the strong Sandringham team last Saturday), Preston should be able to further enhance their position on the premiership ladder. Williamstown will meet Preston full of confidence, and a really good game should be the outcome, with the honors with the home team.

Blackmore Reprimanded

The meeting of the Association Commissioners was held last Wednesday evening when H. Blackmore (playing full-back) was charged on the information of goal umpire Uren with having struck Warr during the progress of the Preston - Brunswick match last Saturday. The regrettable incident took place during the last quarter.

After hearing the evidence, the chairman said that the tribunal was satisfied that Blackmore struck Warr under extreme provocation, and let him off with a caution.

Rock Refused Clearance

On Wednesday evening last the Umpire and Permit Committee of the V.F.A. refused C. S. Rock the full-forward for the Police Association, his permit to play for Preston on the grounds that Brighton, with whom he played in 1930 before going to Orbost, had first claim on his services. Preston are disappointed at not being able to play Rock who will now have to stand aside for the remainder of the season as permits closed on June 30.

FOOTBALLER FELLED

Game and Players Must Be Protected

While the last term of the Preston and Brunswick match was in progress last Saturday an incident took place which will do incalculable harm to the game if proper steps are not taken by the respective administrative bodies to prevent a repetition of such unseemly conduct. Spelling on the forward line, after doing his turn at roving, Warr was deliberately struck and fell to the ground under the effect of the blow.

If this class of thing is to be allowed to go on, the clubs will be encouraging a type of player (whom they could well do without) to the detriment of players who desire to play the game for all it is worth. Players are rightly entitled to protection from those acts of brutality and the committees concerned cannot shut their eyes o their responsibility in seeing that such protection is forthcoming.

D. WARR, Preston's match - winning force, who has scored 37 goals this season.

It is easy to understand that at times heated moments arise and tempers become frayed (particularly when the scores are close and each side is striving to force a victory), but to take deliberate aim at an opponent when play is nowhere in the vicinity and give vent to personal feelings on an opponent are tactics that cannot be tolerated for one moment. Players who resort to such practices should be made to pay the penalty for their actions, and appreciate the necessity of being able to hold themselves under restraint. If such acts of vengeance are allowed to continue unnoticed the game will lose its charm, and it behoves administrators to make every effort to prevent a repetition of such unsightly conduct. This sort of conduct appeals to only a very small percentage of football spectators, the vast majority of whom desire to see the game played as it should be, and not marred by any deliberate act which may have for its opject the intention of intimidating a player who may be a more skilful exponent of the art.

MELBOURNE BOYS' LEAGUE

JOHN VALE v FAIRFIELD

Fairfield won the toss and kicked with the wind. On the bounce they attacked and quickly scored 3 points. John Vale defenders then settled down and made several attempts to score but the wind was too strong. The quarter ended with Fairfield 1-5 to nil. Fairfield had not made the best use of the wind. In the second term John Vale quickly wiped off their deficit and attacked for the whole of the quarter. The Fairfield backs made gallant attempts to stem the tide but were overwhelmed and at half-time the scores were: John Vale, 7-8; Fairfield, 2-5. Heavy rain fell just after the start of the third quarter and completely spoilt the game. However, the Vale boys seemed to revel in the mud and, taking complete charge right to the end, ran out easy winners. Final scores:—

John Vale: 11 goals 18 behind.
Fairfield: 2 goals 5 behinds.

Goal-kickers.—John Vale: Wilson (3), Akers (2), Cosgrove (2), Redenbach (2), Dennis, Bardwell. Fairfield: Turney, Latham. Best players for John Vale: Dennis (who was congratulated by umpire and opponents), Cosgrove, Wilson, Price, Redenbach and Thomas.

JUNIOR RECHABITES' MATCH

John Vale's third eighteen played a challenge game against Sam Mauger Tent. The match was enjoyed by those taking part, but owing to the heavy rain it was abandoned after the third quarter with the scores:—John Vale, 7-4; Sam Mauger, 2-0.

Results of Other Matches

St. Peter's, 12-12, d Reservoir, 7-6. Ascot Vale, 34-22, d Northcote, 2-5. Coburg, 10-4, d Northcote, 3-6.

NORTHCOTE IN DIFFICULTIES

Camberwell Spring a Surprise

TOO MUCH HANDLING OF PLAYERS IN CRISIS

DISAPPOINTING OUTCOME OF HARD WORK

(By "Rover")

Northcote met with sterling opposition at Camberwell last Saturday when the home side sprang a surprise on them. Camberwell failed to see the match out, and in endeavouring to hold their advantage they gave away far too many free kicks during the crisis. Profiting by this lapse Northcote secured a victory when they appeared to be in difficulties.

THE TEAMS

NORTHCOTE, — Backs: Ackland, Haskett, Hart. Half-backs: Woods, Bates, Powll. Centres: Garrett, Lyngcoln, Clark. Half-forwards: Rogers, Williamson, Lawrence. Forwards: Gray, Seymour, Honig. Followers: Goullet, Meltzke. Rover: Byrne.

CAMBERWELL, — Backs: Finlaywell, Carey, L. Williams. Half-backs: Walker, Wartman, Brett. Centres: Pearce, R. Williams, Clamp. Half - forwards: Collin, Jones, Sneddon. Forwards: Boothman, Mason (c.), Clarke. Followers: Beagley, Meehan. Rover: Tatham.

THE PLAY

Meehan and R. Williams led Camberwell forward on the bounce, but Lyngcoln with a mark turned them aside. Camberwell forced the play from the commencement, and had two points on the board within three minutes. Against the wind they were the more impressive side, with their fast determined play.

Settling down, Northcote attacked straight down the centre, and twice receiving free kicks Seymour added goals, but his next shot hit the post.

Northcote Checked

The home side were battling well against the breeze, and with half the quarter gone they had kept Northcote down to two goals. On the wing Clamp was initiating many movements, but the home forwards were sadly astray.

In defence Williamson was marking well and was mainly responsible for allowing Camberwell to score only three points. Northcote had not so far taken advantage of the wind, and but for excellent defence they would have been in arrears.

Lawrence posted their third goal with a quick dash from a crush in front of goal. Camberwell had performed creditably this quarter, but poor forward work had nullified their efforts. However, they had done well to keep Northcote down to such a low score. Quarter time scores:—

	Gls	Bds	Pts
NORTHCOTE	3	4	22
CAMBERWELL	0	3	3

Camberwell Take the Lead

Adopting long driving kicks, Camberwell were soon in the ascendancy. Clamp, who was beating Garrett on the wing, hoisted their first goal after a fine dash. They were attacking relentlessly and soon overhauled the visitors' total with goals by Meehan and Tatham. The latter was the result of a beautifully judged mark.

The home side were playing impressively and had Northcote defending desperately. Meehan was performing well in the ruck and after a towering mark made no mistake with his shot.

A Good Display

Camberwell were displaying fine team work and understanding, and were giving their best display for the season.

Northcote's forwards were wandering too far afield and were proving no match for the bustling defenders. However, receiving a free kick within easy distance, Seymour piloted his third major.

The home side again swung to the attack, and a sustained offensive was rewarded with goals by Mason and Clamp.

Exploiting fast, forceful play, the home side were now outpointing their opponents. They were keeping in front of their men and making position nicely. Further goals by Beagley and Tatham brought their tally for the quarter to eight. Camberwell had taken full advantage of the breeze, and up to the long interval appeared the better side. Half-time scores:—

	Gls	Bds	Pts
CAMBERWELL	8	9	57
NORTHCOTE	4	6	30

Northcote moved off smartly and after Seymour's shot had fallen short Ross, receiving a free, raised both flags. The visitors were now having most of the play, but the greasy ball was proving very difficult to handle.

Maintaining a determined offensive Northcote broke through twice to score goals by Ross and Lawrence. Under the wet conditions kicking became inaccurate and marking difficult, but Northcote were more comfortable and forced Camberwell to keep on the defensive.

Jones' kicking was an exception, for combining dash with long kicks he was proving a stumbling block to the visitors. He sent the home side forward and Clamp raised both flags.

The game was by no means spectacular, and much of the former pace had disappeared. The players were hunting in packs, and were adopting soccer tactics. Northcote continued to attack, and Rogers' goal reduced their deficit to 13 points. Three-quarter time scores:—

	Gls	Bds	Pts
CAMBERWELL	9	9	63
NORTHCOTE	7	8	50

In the Northcote side Byrne now replaced Seymour (injured thigh).

Northcote opened confidently and Rogers soon increased their score by six points. They were infusing team work into their play and had the home defenders on their mettle.

When Honig marked his resultant goal reduced Northcote's deficit to a point. Camberwell were now tiring quickly, and, keen to seize their opportunity, Northcote added two goals, which gave them a handy lead of 11 points.

Camberwell fought back desperately, but after marking Mason missed an easy shot. Northcote were staging a fine finishing effort, and howling fine stamina.

Byrne was making his presence felt with effective ruck work. The visitors' defenders were playing grandly, performing as one man. This was in sharp contrast to the opposing backs, who were giving away many free kicks in the crisis.

Northcote's small men were adopting sound tactics in scouting around the packs. Their forwards made position cleverly and repeatedly stormed the goal. They were attacking on the ball.

Northcote had played their best football in the second half and left no doubt as to their superiority. The final scores were:—

	Gls	Bds	Pts
NORTHCOTE	11	9	75
CAMBERWELL	9	11	65

Goal-kickers

Northcote—Seymour (3), Lawrence (3), Rogers (2), Ross, Honig and Meltzcke.

Camberwell.—Clamp (3), Tatham (2), Meehan (2), Mason and Beagley.

Best Players

Northcote.—Ross, Goullett, Rogers, Williamson, Meltzcke, and Honig.

Camberwell.—Meehan, Tatham, R. Williams, Clamp, Brett and Jones.

SATURDAY'S ENGAGEMENT

To-morrow Northcote will be at home to Brunswick and they should experience little difficulty in disposing of the Magpies. This will end the first round of home and home matches.

PREMIERSHIP LIST

Clubs	P	W	L	P.C.	Pts
Northcote	10	9	1	153.46	36
Preston	10	7	3	121.46	28
Prahran	10	7	3	115.56	28
Oakleigh	10	7	3	115.43	28
Coburg	10	6	4	99.88	24
Sandringham	10	5	4	99.78	22
Port Melb.	10	5	5	95.85	20
Camberwell	10	4	6	98.19	16
Yarraville	10	4	6	94.37	16
Brighton	10	3	7	85.62	12
Williamstown	10	1	8	88.26	6
Brunswick	10	1	9	73.80	4

Sandringham and Williamstown have played a drawn game.

LAST SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Prahran, 15-9, d Yarraville, 11-15.
Williamstown, 14-10, drew with Sandringham, 14-10.
Oakleigh, 8-19, d Brighton, 8-7.
Coburg, 13-21, d Port Melb., 9-16.

GOAL-KICKERS

Seymour (Northcote), 78, still holds first place, followed by Hawkins (Prahran), 49; J. Buckley (Yarraville), 45; Denning (Oakleigh), 45; Warr (Preston), 37; Fraser (Oakleigh), 33; Gray (Northcote), 29.

Church Notices

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
NORTHCOTE
Sunday, July 15
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer, Subject, "Prince and Saviour."
7 p.m.—The Lord's Supper. Subject, "Watchman, What of the Night?"
Preacher: Rev. A. H. Constable.
All Welcome.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Tyler Street, Preston
July 15: 7th Sunday after Trinity
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10 a.m.—Children's Church.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer.
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer.
Preacher: The Vicar (Rev. F. Parsons)

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY
Shatesbury Pde. (off High St.)
"The Church With a Welcome"
July 15: 7th Sunday after Trinity
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Matins.
7 p.m.—Evensong.
Celebrant and Preacher: The Vicar (Rev. W. H. Chamberlain)

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
Bayview Street, Northcote
July 15: 7th Sunday after Trinity
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m. — Holy Communion and Sermon.
7 p.m.—Evensong.
Preacher: The Vicar (Rev. Thomas Cole, Th. Schol.)

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Impounding Notice

Justices Act 1915
INFORMATION OR COMPLAINT FOR AN OFFENCE PUNISHABLE SUMMARILY AND SUMMONS THEREON.
In the Court of Petty Sessions at Northcote, in the Central Bailiwick. By WILLIAM JOHN JONES, Cattle Ranger to the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of Northcote, Informant.
Unknown Owner, of ——, Defendant.
The information of William John Jones, of Northcote, in the State of Victoria, who saith that on the 6th day of July, 1934, at Northcote, in the said Bailiwick and State, the said Unknown Owner, being the owner of certain cattle, to wit, one Dark Brown Gelding, about 16 hands, light delivery cart, short tail, scar off fetlock, no visible brands, found on certain land off Victoria Road, such land not being a common and such that there is no fence dividing such land from the said street without anyone having charge of the said cattle.
WILLIAM J. JONES,
Informant.
To Unknown Owner aforesaid.
WHEREAS the above information has this day been laid before me one of His Majesty's justices of the peace in and for the Central Bailiwick of the said State. These are therefore to command you in His Majesty's name to be and appear on the 17th day of July, 1934, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the said Court of Petty Sessions at Northcote to answer to the said information and to be further dealt with according to law.
Dated at Northcote the 12th day of July, 1934.
WM. HAYES, J.P.
(Stamp fee 2/6 cancelled)
Note.—If not claimed the Court will be asked for an order to sell at 12 noon the same day.

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"NELSON CONFIDES—"
It is not generally known that the Trafalgar message, "England expects this day that every man will do his duty," was originally ordered by Nelson to be sent out as "Nelson confides this day," &c. But there was no code flag for either "Nelson" or "confides," so the wording was altered.
There is an interesting room in the vaults of Lloyds, in London, where there may be seen many fascinating Nelson relics among them a log-book of one Henry Andrews, master of the Nalad. He read this message at 11.35, and repeated it in the flag signalling code then in use. As there was no code combination for the word 'duty' four flags had to be flown, spelling it out letter by letter.
It is a remarkable fact that this particular flag signalling code has never been used since.

AMUSEMENTS

SECRETARIES! Ensure the success of your next dance or picture night or function. Advertise it in the "Leader." Phone JW1046.

Australian Women's National League
PRESTON Branch will hold its Quarterly Meeting on MONDAY, JULY 16, at 2.30 p.m., in Preston Town Hall. Speaker, Mrs. Berry. All welcome.

Preston Presbyterian Church
(Cramer Street).
THE LADIES' GUILD
will hold a Social Afternoon and Sale of Gifts and Cakes on THURSDAY, JULY 19, at 3 p.m. Games, Competitions, etc. Admission, a smile. Afternoon tea 6d.
M. STEWART, Hon. Sec.

NEXT SATURDAY EVENING in the Salvation Army Hall, Preston
MAJOR SEATON
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"Among the Wild Men of the Far North."
Don't fail to hear this lecture.
Adults 6d. Children 3d.
All West Australians invited.

Thornbury Ladies' Bowling Club
A CARD AFTERNOON will be held in the Club Rooms on THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 19, at 2.30. Proceeds in aid of Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society. Good prizes.
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NORTHCOTE ELECT ASSEMBLY DANCES
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Auction Sale of
ALL that PIECE of LAND having a frontage of 51 feet to William Street, Preston, by a depth of 133 feet 6 inches, being part of Crown Portion 147 at Preston, parish of Jika Jika, County of Bourke, being the land described in Certificate of Title under the Transfer of Land Acts entered in the Register Book Volume 5073, Folio 1014550, and comprised in Instrument of Mortgage No. 548916, and registered on the ninth day of October, 1926, under the provisions of the Transfer of Land Acts. Together with the DOUBLE - FRONTED WEATHERBOARD VILLA of 4 rooms and conveniences thereon. Terms at sale. Certificate of Title may be inspected at the offices of Messrs. W. R. H. Blair & Son, 317 Collins St., Melbourne, solicitors.
F. W. STOTT & SON
203 High St., Northcote, & Preston
Auctioneer.

CYCLING

The Barnet Glass Rubber Company's annual road race is usually held over a course from Melbourne, via Bacchus Marsh to Ballarat and return. This year, in view of the Centenary celebrations and the "Centenary 1000 mile race" around Victoria, the Barnet Glass promoters have decided to alter their course to embrace a mountainous tour. The race, which will be the longest and hardest one day's event of the season's road fixtures, will commence in Melbourne and the riders will then traverse a circular course via Lilydale, Healesville, over the Black Spur to Marysville then through Taggerty and Buxton to Alexandra, and across to Yea. Leaving Yea the route turns southwards to Flowerdale and thence over Mount Slide, past Tommy's Hut, through Whittlesea to Preston. The finish being at Preston, the promoters are desirous of obtaining permission to end the race at the most central position available. This race, which will be limited to approximately 140 selected riders, is just three weeks before the commencement of the Victorian tour and will be of great interest to the cycling fraternity, as the form displayed by competitors will to a large degree decide their chance of being included in the selected 60 Victorian riders for the big race.
It is expected that many spectators will view the finish, and Preston is to be congratulated on having such a splendid sporting fixture terminating in this city.

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Preston v. Williamstown
SATURDAY AFTERNOON — AT PRESTON PARK
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ALLAN McCASKER, Secretary.

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BOARD AND RESIDENCE

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MUNICIPAL NOTICES

City of Northcote
REVISION COURT
NOTICE is hereby given that I have appointed the 23rd DAY of JULY, 1934, at 10 a.m., as the time for holding a REVISION COURT at the Municipal Offices, High Street, Northcote, for the purpose of hearing any CLAIMS for INSERTION or OBJECTION to names on the Voters' Lists for the several Wards of the City that may have been lodged with the Town Clerk, and for Revising such lists.
M. C. JONES, Mayor.

City of Preston
NOTICE OF HOLDING OF REVISION COURT
NOTICE is hereby given that an OPEN COURT will be held at the Town Hall, High Street, Preston, on MONDAY, 23rd JULY, 1934, at 10 o'clock a.m., to REVISE the VOTERS' LISTS and SEPARATE VOTERS' LISTS for the Central Ward, East Ward and West Ward of the City of Preston.
Dated this 13th day of July, 1934.
H. P. ZWAR, M.L.A., J.P.
Mayor of Preston

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IVO GIBSON, Secretary.
Picture Night on Wednesday, July 25
AT THE WESTGARTH THEATRE
DON'T FORGET—
House Party on Saturday, July 14
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BOARD AND RESIDENCE

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C. B. HEARN, Manager and Secretary

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ANNUAL MEETING, Library Hall, Preston, 8 p.m. AUGUST 3.

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Beef Measles and Metro. Board

WHO WILL MEET THE LOSS?

"Country Versus City Dispute" Says Cr. Dennis

CR. B. E. JOHNSON sought information from Cr Dennis, M.H.R., at the council meeting on Monday night as to probable losses which would be incurred through the ban on marketing cattle from the Board's farm; and the probable amount the public would be called upon to pay.
Cr Dennis said that it was to be regretted that the dispute had arisen, but it was a case of "Country v City." The area of the Werribee Farm was 25,000 acres and depastured there at the present time were 15,441 cattle, 1,101 sheep and 10,087 horses. On account of the ban on the sale of these cattle, the Board had something over £100,000 tied up. The Board marketed its fat stock profitably, regulating the supply. If the farm were closed forever against supplying cattle to the markets, the quality of beef marketed would fall, and the price would rise.

Sewerage Plant Could Be Used

It was quite possible for the Board to carry on without the farm, which had involved a capital cost together with drainage &c., of something like £1,000,000.
A sewage disposal plant could be installed quite easily but the extra cost would be about £250,000 per year, which the Board would have to find out of revenue. That of course would mean increased rates.
In the past the profits from the farm had offset to a very large extent the cost of sewage disposal, but there would be no offset if a sewage disposal plant were installed.
Continuing, the said: "The Premier has stated that a thorough investigation will be made by an expert. This the Board welcomes. Leading medical authorities have agreed that there is very little likelihood of endangering public health, even if cattle infected with beef measles are used for human consumption.

An Amazing Offer

"The most amazing part about the whole business," concluded Cr Dennis, was that the Farm Committee was approached by representatives of the graziers with an offer that if the Board gave up trading in cattle, they (the graziers) would assist to market the cattle already on the Board's farm."
Nothing was said by the graziers about beef measles being limited to public health, until after the Board refused to consider the offer. It would appear that the graziers were not much concerned about public health, for if that aspect had been accepted, these very cattle would have been sold upon the open market.
What the graziers were most concerned about, was to eliminate competition from the Werribee Farm, which is the biggest supplier to the markets.

Motion of Confidence

Cr Dennis was thanked for his report, on the motion of Crs Johnson and Green and on the motion of Crs Turner and McAdam, it was resolved to express confidence in the conduct of the Werribee Farm by the Board of Works.
Cr Turner said that this attack by the graziers seemed to be a very deliberate attempt to destroy the value of a very useful public utility.

Preston Commissioner Explains

This question came up for discussion at the Preston Council meeting on Monday evening when Cr H. Swain asked for information in connection with Beef Measles.
The Commissioner (Cr Llewellyn Jones) said there were over 50 known diseases in beef the least important of which was beef measles.
The Board's farm was not the only place in Australia where beef measles occurred, and it would be much better if the "wind-bags" who were making such an outcry in the country could be silenced. There were more lives in the interest behind the scare. He would not like to say what he knew about the meat industry, but he asserted that the subject was being used for political purposes. There were cattle on the farm valued at between £103,000 and £108,000. If the board were prevented from selling them on the market, they could be killed off when too old for any purpose, and replaced, but that would mean a loss of about £40,000 a year. To adopt certain suggestions which had been made for the disposal of sewage in place of the present system would mean an expenditure of £1,000,000, and an enormous annual outlay at the farm.
Even if the Board went to this extreme the possibility of Beef Measles would not be eliminated as it was prevalent in other parts of Australia and other countries breeding bullocks will only treat me again like he has done in the past twenty years.

Fifty-Fifty Basis

Did you write him a letter stating "I am lonely and I want your company. I do not want your money but will go fifty-fifty in everything we do?—I did.
Are these allegations concerning his conduct made so you won't have to return to him?—Not at all.

"Forgive and Forget"

Did you write to him asking that he should "forgive and forget," and come and live at St. Kilda?Yes. I had put up with hardship for twenty years, and I wanted to avoid publicity for the sake of the family.

DAUGHTER'S STORY

Mrs. Lella Cohen, Goldsmith avenue, St. Kilda, daughter of previous witness said: I was married in 1922 in 1927 I went with my parents to live with my grandfather at North Carlton. I remember my mother being hit by my father and the police were called in. I also saw my father strike my mother during the time she had a sandwich shop in Lonsdale street.

Bread Knife Threat

In 1931 my father threatened my mother with a bread knife. I sunk my nails into his hand to try and force him to drop the knife. He has a violent temper.
Towards the end of 1931, one night he asked her by the throat and nearly strangled her. I had to call assistance to drag him off.
Cross examined: Have you any love for your father?—Not much. He has been very cruel to me.

HUSBAND'S EVIDENCE

Dabscheck said: I earn £5 per week. On the house £320 is owed and I have kept all the payments up to date.

Wants Wife Back

I want my wife to return to me. All this evidence that has been given is foreign to me, and I cannot understand the reason for it.

No Bread Knife Threat

Cross examined: You deny that you threatened your wife with a bread knife?—I deny that. I have not lifted my hand to my wife and children more than three times.
Your wife then has told a pack of lies?—I do not wish to complain against her. I hope that a reconciliation will come about and I do not wish to do anything which may widen the breach.

"Will Not Say Anything"

These complaints about you not having a bath, and your refusal to take part in social activities are all lies too?—I will not say anything about it.
Have you given your wife any money in the past three years?—Whilst she was with me I gave her all I earned but a few shillings.
You say you are a clean living man?—Yes.
Then how is it that you didn't have a bath on your daughter's wedding day?—I cannot say. Perhaps I did not have time.
The P.M.: Your wife is a keen business woman?—Yes.
As well as a good wife?—Yes.

Order for £2 per week

The P.M. in announcing that he would make an order for £2 weekly for the wife said he did not think that Dabscheck had been very generous to his wife. He had offered a home, but from the evidence it was doubtful whether he would be generous enough to keep it as it should be.
The surety was fixed at £25 and the husband was ordered to pay £2/1/ costs.

WIFE SAYS SHE WORKED ALL HER MARRIED LIFE

HUSBAND ORDERED TO PAY £2 A WEEK

LANGUAGE, TEMPER AND THREATS, BUT MAN OFFERS A HOME

A wife who had business ability, and a husband who it was alleged had never supported his family, were ranged upon opposites sides at the Northcote court on Tuesday, when Mr. G. Brown, P.M., made an order for £2 weekly for the support of the wife.
The wife was Rate Dabscheck, Goldsmith street, St. Kilda, and the husband, Ephraim Dabscheck, of Emmaline street, Croxton.
Mrs. Dabscheck said: The marriage took place in 1910 and there are a son and daughter, both since married.

Bought House

In 1923 I purchased a house in Emmaline street, Northcote, in the joint names of my husband and myself on Credit Foncier terms. My husband never provided any furniture for the home or clothes for me. I had trained my daughter for the stage, and I acted as her dresser, and as well, conducted dancing classes to support the home.

An Assault

In 1927 my husband and I with our children went to live with my father at North Carlton. There he brutally assaulted me and used filthy language.

Sold Six Grog Pins

In 1929 I got a position as a dress designer and while there paid a £10 fine imposed on my husband for selling six grog. I had paid other fines for him prior to that time.

Borrowed Money

My husband borrowed money from my relatives from time to time, but would then forget all about it.

A Sandwich Venture

In 1931 I opened a sandwich shop in Lonsdale street. One day whilst there he beat me in the street.
On another occasion in the same year he beat me and threatened me with a bread knife. I asked him to keep me and his conduct became dreadful. He said that he would make things so unpleasant that I would have to get out, and he would not have to keep me. He used to say "You are big and strong enough to work, so why should I keep you?" He has not given me a penny since the beginning of 1930.
He now lives in the home which I paid for, and does not give me anything for it.

No Love Left

Cross examined: Have you any love left for your husband?—No.
Did you have any love for him when you left him eighteen months ago?—No.
You left the home?—I was forced to go.

"Took What Was Mine"

You cleared the whole place out?—I only took what was mine, and what I had receipts for.
What was left?—A bed, kitchen utensils, and just what he had bought.
Have you your furniture worth?—About £50.
It is a fact that you wanted to shift to St. Kilda because the Northcote court was not good enough for you?—No.
Why won't you return to him?—Because he will not support me. He

PRESTON COURT

On the Bench

Messrs T. J. McMahon, H. F. Tulloch, A. E. Newton, E. G. Sutton, and Matron Wilson, J.'sP

Short Sitting

The sitting was one of the shortest for some time. The whole of the business was completed by 10.20 a.m.

Ejectments

State Savings Bank obtained ejectment orders against Thelma Smith, Kinnale street, Reservoir, and against John Fishive Hickford street, Reservoir.
Orders were also granted in the following cases, the applicant in each case being agent for the owner:—Roy Fenton v Nance McWilliams, Leamington street, Reservoir; L. Jones v J. Fogarty, High street, Preston.

School Case

William Sparkes, Gordon grove, Preston, was fined for failing to send a child to school the required number of half days.

Debt

Wm. Cook Pty. Ltd., obtained an order against — Park, Main street, Coburg, for £28/5/4 with £2/12/ costs.

CROXTON ARMED HOLD-UP

Laborer Found Not Guilty

In General Sessions on Wednesday before Judge Wolnarski the jury returned a verdict of not guilty in the case in which Vernon Hayes, 21 years, laborer, of Rosbrook, was charged with having attacked and held up Thomas Halliwell at Croxton on June 8, and with having robbed him of £6. Hayes was discharged.

Preston East Ward Elections

CR. ADAMS' CANDIDATURE

Notice of a meeting of the friends and supporters of Cr J. W. Adams' candidature for the above ward is given in another column, for Tuesday July 24, at 8 p.m. The candidate will be present and will answer questions in respect to municipal matters. All interested are invited to attend.

Thornbury Red Cross

The Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary held its monthly meeting in the Dispensary Hall, Thornbury, on Wednesday, July 18, the president Mrs O. Neumann in the chair. A good deal of business was dealt with and a card afternoon arranged for next Wednesday, July 25, when seven ladies, Mesdames E. M. Kitson, R. Byers, L. Kidd, H. A. Bean, M. Wigney, W. J. Clayden and A. Hills, will act as hostesses. A good afternoon is assured, and a casket of chocolates has been donated to be disposed of to help raise funds for the Queen Victoria Hospital.

WEST PRESTON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

The usual monthly dance was held on Wednesday evening, and although the weather was very bad quite a good muster was present, and a small profit was made. Next Wednesday evening an interesting lecture will be given by Mr Pollock. This gentleman recently appeared before the Commission on the Petrol Inquiry and his talk should prove interesting. A cordial invitation is extended to any residents who would care to come along to the Progress Hall.

Mr. Fred Schwaebsch, who is well-known in sporting circles, has commenced business at 252 High street, Northcote, as a chaff and grain merchant. Besides handling these commodities, firewood, briquettes, coal, potatoes, oils, greases, &c, are stocked. Mr. Schwaebsch, who has been a resident of Northcote all his life, has had considerable experience in this class of business in his association with Mr. Bostock. See advertisement.

New Millinery Shop in Preston.—An up-to-date millinery shop has been opened by Miss Ethel Addy at 296 High street, Preston, where the latest early spring styles are on view.

Local Government Act

"ANTIQUATED MEASURE" SAYS CR. TURNER

Amending Bill Before the House

"The Local Government Act, when it was passed 70 years ago was framed by men who were then 70 years behind the times," said Cr. Turner at the meeting of the Northcote Council on Monday evening.
"Under this Act the rules of debate are outrageous, so much so that if the Mayor chooses to rule that black is white, no councillor has any redress unless he sues the Mayor in the local court of Petty Sessions" (Laughter.)

Amending Bill Before House

An Amending Bill is now before the Legislative Assembly, and has reached the second reading stage. The Bill contains some 88 clauses, which embody many of the requests put forward by municipalities in recent years, but I am informed that the Bill is regarded as one of the most contentious seen for some time, and if something is not done to help Shire representatives, by expressions of opinions on the part of the councils, there is every possibility that the measure may not be passed.
Some of the proposed amendments are of tremendous import to councils such as giving the councils full control of all blasting within their areas; the power to deal with all verandahs in streets and the power to limit the time within which Victoria Hayes, 21 years, laborer, of Rosbrook, was charged with having attacked and held up Thomas Halliwell at Croxton on June 8, and with having robbed him of £6. Hayes was discharged.

Points of Order

Continuing, Cr. Turner said: The matters to which I want to refer more particularly do not appear in the Amending Bill.
Cr. Sutch: Is Cr. Turner in order in doing that?
The Mayor (Cr. M. C. Jones): Yes.
Cr. Sutch: I disagree.
Cr. Turner: This is one of the cases where the Mayor has full power to rule as he pleases (Laughter.)

Dual Voting

Continuing, he said: The Amending Bill makes no mention of wiping out dual voting, which is a survival from medieval times.
Cr. Johnson: Is not this extraordinary business?
The Mayor: I think Cr. Turner had better go on.
Cr. Turner: This council has also in the past expressed itself in favor of the abolition of the double penalty (disfranchisement and imposition of interest charges) when rates are not paid by the due date, but no mention of any proposal to abolish the double penalty is made in the Amending Bill. This double penalty should be abolished as a fundamental principle of British justice.

Adult Franchise

In my opinion another thing which could well be adopted is adult franchise for municipal elections. For some strange reason, people even in these enlightened days, speak of this with bated breath (Laughter.)

"Present Act Should Be Scrapped"

Actually speaking the present Act does not want amending. Instead it should be scrapped altogether and then re-made to meet all present day needs.

Councils Should Give Guidance

Cr. Oliver said: Amongst the proposed amendments are some very desirable alterations, but few members of either the Legislative Assembly or the Legislative Council have a sufficiently good knowledge of the working of the Local Government Act to be able to cast an intelligent vote. It is then for the councils, as the bodies to be affected, to give their members guidance.
On the motion of Crs. Turner and Sutch the matter was referred to committee of the council for consideration.

Repairs to Smith Street

The Northcote Council is carrying out road re-construction works in Smith street, Thornbury, between the railway and High street.

Around Northcote

By "Jiko Jiko"

St. John Ambulance Examination

A first-aid examination under the auspices of the St. John Ambulance Brigade was held at the Northcote Fire Station on July 10, at which 18 candidates presented themselves, and there was a 100 per cent. pass. The examiners were:—H. Robb 99, H. Hopson 99, —. Bertram 99, R. Mulley 96, J. Vernall 89, — Walding 89, J. Young 87 S. Gow 87, —. Ivey 84, Bradshaw 84, — Kellett 83, L. O'Dempsey 83, J. A. Bacon 78, S. Parsons 77, —. Mace 74, W. Haddrell 71, J. Stafford 70, E. Mann 70. The examination was carried out by Dr. Bearham. Dr. S. Crawcour was the lecturer to the class and was pleased at the possible pass. P. Robb, who obtained 99, sat for the tenth time and won a bar to his bronze medal. Of the others S. Parsons and J. Vernall are firemen. It is likely that another class will begin on July 31. Anyone interested should get into touch with *Fireman T. H. Murdoch* at 9 Mitchell street, Northcote, or at the Northcote Fire Station.

No Fires

The Northcote Fire Brigade had a quiet time this week as not one call was received.

Buildings in Northcote

During June, 1934, the Northcote Council issued permits for two brick dwellings (estimated value £1450), and one wooden dwelling (£300). Permits for alterations were four brick (£477) and 14 wooden (£315). During the month of July permits have been issued for a brick garage at the corner of St. George's road and Smith street (£500) and Mr. A. Edwards has taken out a permit to build a shop and dwelling at the corner of High and Keon streets (£1500) and for a second storey upon the adjoining shop (£600). Other permits also have been issued and the total so far for July already exceeds the total June figures.

Northcote Unemployed Figures.

For the week ended July 14 there were 564 working for sustenance (cost £608/2/6), 22 not working (£27), and 14 benevolent cases (£6/4/0). The total covered is 611 and the disbursements £635/3/-. During the corresponding fortnight (to July 15) of last year there were 677 registered, and the payments were £435/8/-. At this same period one man was not adopted the "work for sustenance" scheme.

New Justice of the Peace

Mr. H. Burgess, of Thornbury, has been appointed a justice of the peace. He is a member of the Rotary club. H. Burgess, estate agents, of High street, Thornbury.

United Masonic Lodges

The United Masonic Lodges of Northcote have arranged a grand ball to take place in the Northcote Town Hall on Wednesday, July 25. Dancing from 8 p.m. till 1 a.m. will be presided over by Mr. Les Sharp as M.C., and a good orchestra has been engaged. Proceeds are for the Masonic Intermediate Hospital, and tickets (10/6 double) are obtainable from the president (Mr. E. A. Olorenshaw), Normanby Hall, Thornbury, or the secretary (Mr. E. G. Prince), 92 Raleigh street, Thornbury.

Plain and Fancy Dress Ball

A successful plain and fancy dress ball was held in the Northcote Town Hall on Saturday last under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Melbourne. About 60 persons attended in fancy costume and set the judges (Mr. and Mrs. A. Boyd and Mr. Trainor) a difficult task. The most humorous went to Mr. Solomon as Insomnia; the original was divided by Mrs. Lynch (Neglected) and Safety First; poster, Mr. and Mrs. Hayward (Rosella); special prize (Oriental), Miss V. and Mr Clive Lowery. Two pounds in cash prizes were distributed among the lucky competitors.

An Impudent Thief

While Mrs. Alice Crocker, of Station street, Fairfield, was washing clothes at the rear of her house on Monday a thief entered a front bedroom and stole from a drawer in the dressing table a diamond ring and gold watch valued at £30.

Watch and Rings Stolen

During last week-end a thief stole rings and a watch, valued at £27, from the home of Mrs. Winifred Clark, Brooke street, Northcote. The front door had been left unlocked.

Thornbury Younger Set

The monthly meeting was held last week at the home of the secretary, Mr. Alan Kidd, and a large number of members were in attendance. The usual business having been dealt with, arrangements for forthcoming functions were discussed and the following were decided upon:—Skating nights at the Glacitarium on August 7 and 30; and picture night at the Plaza Theatre, Collins street, on August 22. Final arrangements were made for the ball at the Rex. Tickets for any of the above functions may be obtained from the secretary (Mr. A. Kidd), the assistant secretary (Mr. J. Rawady), or members of the Younger Set."

Another Verandah Suffers

Early on Tuesday morning the verandah in front of the Reliable Fish Shop in High street, Croxton, opposite Dennis street, was struck by a motor lorry, causing one of the posts to snap off at the base. The post, which was of cast iron, fell across the footpath, narrowly missing the plate glass window. The verandah blind of the adjoining shop was also damaged. Up to the present the cause of the damage is unknown. This is the fourth time that a High street verandah has suffered in the last month, others being those of Messrs Stott and Son (twice) and Mr. A. Ivice's. The latter is being replaced by a cantilever structure.

Northcote Silver Star Band

A splendid concert was given by the band at the town hall last Friday night. Miss Eileen Sheridan, the popular Northcote soprano, greatly pleased the large audience with her two solos. Mr. Archie Clarke, the well-known entertainer, received a great ovation. Mr. Clarke was the community singing leader in Northcote about four years ago. Miss Thorn Thorsen gave two splendid recitations, and Miss Iris Thorsen was the elocutionist the week previously. Miss Betty Meadows gave an acrobatic dance and one solo, which pleased the audience. Tremendous enthusiasm was displayed in the singing competition for boys and girls. Master Fred Garner won the medals for the boys, and Miss Violet Hardwell for the girls. Mr. Ballhausen, the well-known conductor, motored from another show he was running to see what community singing was like at the Northcote Town Hall on Friday night. Mr. Faletta called him on to the stage, and Northcote people had the pleasure of Mr. Ballhausen conducting for about 20 minutes. Many prominent people from the musical world attend occasionally on a Friday night, and amongst those present last Friday night was Mr. G. M. Eaton, secretary to the V.J.B.A.

Pleasant Sunday Afternoon

On August 5 next, in the Town Hall a pleasant Sunday Afternoon will be held when a first-class programme arranged by Miss Ida Park will be presented. Well-known artists have kindly contented to assist, including Miss Mary Lilley, soprano, and Miss Judy Madio, flautist. The Fitzroy Centenary Junior Choir and Orchestra will also appear. Further particulars will be announced next week.

Pars Taken from Car

A car belonging to Mr. A. H. Morley, of Murray street, Thornbury, was recently stripped after being parked in Spring street on Saturday night. The police saw two men acting suspiciously in the vicinity and detained them, and later preferred larceny charges against them.

2 Motor Cycles in Collision

Two young men were injured when two motor cycles collided at the corner of Flinders street and Spring street, city, last Saturday evening. Edward Norman, aged 20 years, McLaughlin street, Northcote, who was riding along Flinders street, escaped with a cut wrist. William McGregor, aged 20 years, Roger street, Richmond, who was riding on the pillion seat of a machine which was being driven along Spring street, received fractures of the leg and thigh. He was admitted to the Melbourne Hospital. Norman was treated there.

Northcote Branch A.N.A.

Members are reminded that on July 26 a pound night and social will be held in the small town hall. Admission is free to all members and friends, and all are asked to attend and make the social a success, as it will be the first time that the small town hall has been used by the branch since the alterations have been in the lodge room of the town hall. One member was elected a full benefit member and two were nominated. Messrs D. Carney, Brassher and Berry reported on sick members. The Brunswick West A.N.A. are conducting a choral contest for a £100 shield. All A.N.A. members are asked to assist. It was decided that two boards be purchased, to be placed on the Merri and Westgarth stations to advertise the A.N.A. and show the meeting places, secretaries' addresses, etc. An invitation is extended to the Northcote I.O.R., the Northcote branch A.W.A., and the South Preston branch A.N.A. members to attend our forthcoming social.

Percy Rowe Recovering

The injuries sustained by Percy Rowe, the ex-Northcote football coach, who fell from a ladder at the Exhibition Building recently, are not as serious as was first suspected. The Melbourne Hospital authorities state that Rowe's spinal chord was intact, although the vertebrae had been fractured. Rowe is to be put into plaster, and although his recovery will be slow the veteran follower will be quite fit again after a few months.

NORTHCOTE COURT.

Before Mr. G. Brown, P.M., Messrs. D. E. Johnson, P. J. Keane, and Mrs A. Glenfield, J.'s.P.

Headlights Not in Order

Frederick S. Clark, Shaw street, Ivanhoe, who on June 9 drove a motor car without proper headlights was fined £2.

Remand Granted to Police

John Leslie Smith, was charged that on July 15 he had in his possession one barrel of beer and a bottle of beer suspected of having been stolen or unlawfully obtained.

Sergeant Glowski said that the police desired a remand to Fitzroy Court on July 23.

Mr. L. Hartnett (for Smith) asked that the bail be fixed at £25 as before.

Mr. Brown, P.M.: We think that the bail should be £50.

Mr. Hartnett: He has answered to £25 bail. Before you enter it up I should like you to hear me.

Mr. Brown, P.M.: The bench can fix any bail it deems sufficient to ensure that a defendant shall appear at a proper time. I do not like the way you are addressing the bench. It shows a want of respect.

Mr. Hartnett: If I have done anything to offend I apologise, but I must do the best in the interests of my client.

The remand was granted, and bail was fixed at £50.

Drunk and Disorderly

Frederick Woodhead, Mitchell street, Northcote, was charged with having been drunk and disorderly on July 15, and was fined £2 in default 14 days' imprisonment.

Debt

Adam Smith, for whom Mr. Hugh Marsland appeared obtained orders with costs against the following:—John Keane, Latham street, Northcote, £6/17/-; Gilbert Oliver Barnard and Betty Barnard, Goulburn avenue, Preston, £13; and Arthur Ernest Youlton and Mary Annie Youlton, Cutchert road, Reservoir, £7/18/.

Education Cases

The following parents were fined for not sending their children to school:—Gladys Brookes, Beaver's road, Northcote (three charges), £1/10/; Alice Garland, Wimble street Northcote, 2/; Joseph Johnson, Elm street, Northcote (three charges), £1/10/; Alice Mathews, Beaver's road Northcote, 5/; Robert Mount, Smith street, Thornbury, 2/; Frank Wells, Clarke street, Northcote (two charges) £1.

Ejectments

Ejectment orders were granted against J. Jones, Kennedy street, Fairfield, and George Main, High street, Northcote.

Detention of Goods Alleged.

Collingwood Furniture Arcade brought an action against R. D. Wilson, High street, Northcote, claiming the return of goods alleged to be wrongfully detained, or payment of their value, £44.

Ernest Clive, employed by Kiernan and Co., proprietors of the Collingwood Furniture Arcade, said that under a hire purchase agreement certain goods had been sold to Mrs. Ellerton Nash, a sister of the defendant Wilson. Wilson admitted that the furniture was in his possession, but he declined to hand it over until £2 had been paid for storage.

James Francis Tate, street, Fitzroy, employed by Kiernan and Co. said: Wilson refused to give me possession of the furniture even though I produced an order from Mrs. Nash.

There was no appearance of Wilson, and the court ordered that the furniture be returned within seven days, or its value, £44, paid; further that Wilson pay the cost of the action.

Postal Pillars Robbed

During the week-end a thief stole the contents of postal pillar boxes at the Fairfield Park, Dennis and Merri railway stations. The locks on the boxes were forced in each case. It is known that some Northcote letters stolen contained remittances.

Shelter Needed for 'Bus Passengers

Patrons of the Northcote-Ivanhoe 'bus route feel the need of a shelter at the Northcote terminus in Darebin road. This is especially so in winter when there are often 20 or 30 people waiting in the rain for a 'bus. It is true that there is some little shelter at the corner but this is greatly overtaxed when 30 people try to use it. It is up to the 'bus proprietors and council to make a move in the direction of erecting a suitable shelter.

Carnival at Holy Trinity

The Prince and Princess Carnival at Holy Trinity has reached the half-way mark and will conclude on September 12. The Prince and Princess of Charity (Jim Daniels and Edna Clark) have been busily occupied at many functions. Among them was a picture night at the Capitol at which there were over 70 present. A successful Cat Show on Saturday afternoon resulted in Miss Byeford winning the best cat award with a black Persian. Mr Kendall, veterinary surgeon, was the judge.

On Saturday night at the home of Mr and Mrs Ulmer, 10 Martin street, an enjoyable evening was spent. A whist drive on Saturday night in the home of Mr and Mrs Lidsey, 52 Bellantyne street, and on Thursday a card evening in the parish hall are two functions still to be held.

THE WORST STREET IN NORTHCOTE

Sir,—As this is the age of guessing competitions, I suggest that a good subject for a guess would be "Which is the worst street in Northcote?" If such a competition be arranged I shall certainly plump for a certain ancient thoroughfare within a stone's throw of the Town Hall. The body which controlled municipal affairs in this district about 50 years ago caused the said street to be proclaimed a public highway. This means that the cost of constructing and maintaining the road was assumed by the council.

With the exception of a little temporary relief probably 40 years ago the council has put this unhappy street under a ban, as regards improvements. The amount in rates which the council has "milked" from the property owners in or abutting on the said street during the 50 years quoted at the claire would be probably in the vicinity of a couple of thousand pounds. Can you beat it?

August will soon be here, and it is up to the ratepayers to bestir themselves and choose a representative *capable of lifting the curse. I forgot* to mention that the street is only as long as a piece of string.—Yours &c.,

ANTI-ANATHEMATISATION

Northcote, July 18.

GOLF

RESERVOIR CLUB

One of the worst days of the year was the general verdict of last Saturday's play when 44 starters drove off. Mist and heavy rain, competing in a Canadian Foursome. Quite a number returned good cards considering the day. The event was won by Mr Cliland and Miss Wilson, who had net 73; Messrs Richardson and Long net 75 were second. All trophies, suitably engraved, will be presented at the dance to be held in the Central Hall on the 31st inst.

The new course is looking very well and almost a rush has set in to get across to the club's new premises. But the committee consider it advisable to get the course in proper order and to see everything is satisfactory so as to leave a good impression when the links are actually opened.

So popular has Sunday play become it will soon be necessary to put the clock system into operation. Quite a novel match is to take place shortly the partners, husband and wife being prohibited from playing together. Quite an enjoyable day should result.

Dance tickets still continue to go off briskly and a great novelty night will be staged by Mr Ron Clery who has been successful in obtaining some very good performers.

Next Saturday the club has invited all its members across to inspect the new course when all will be able to see the new ground for the first time; refreshments will be provided.

Beautification Requested

PRESTON Council has been requested by L. Tindale to plant trees in Down street; and also that the easement owned by the Board of Works in High street be beautified. The council decided to approach the board to see what can be done in regard to the easement.

School Children Welcomed

AT the Preston Council meeting on Monday the mayor (Cr. Zwar) welcomed a party of schoolboys from the Bell school. The town clerk (Mr Ben Johnson) explained each item of business to the schoolboy visitors.

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CHURCHES

Preston Presbyterian Church

On July 22 the anniversary services will be held at Preston Presbyterian Church, Cramer street. At 11 a.m. the Moderator, the Right Rev. John McKenzie, B.A. will preach; at 2 p.m. Mr. J. R. Nichol will address the combined bible classes, and at 7 p.m. Dr. A. J. Stewart will preach. There will be special music. An announcement appears elsewhere in the church notes.

Preston Methodist Churches

The quarterly meeting of the Preston Circuit was held in the Preston church, on Wednesday evening, July 4, Rev. A. E. Sherlock presiding over a representative gathering of members. The meeting was opened with singing and prayer. The circuit stewards laid welcome to and paid tribute to the wonderful work being done by the ministers, Rev. A. E. Sherlock and Rev. L. S. Saunders. Visitation, missional and pastoral work, the needs of the stewards were carefully with loud acclamation by the members. It was decided to forward a letter of complimentary to the family of the late Rev. J. Leighton, who, for some time, was stationed in our circuit. The matter of an enlarged plan was referred to next meeting. Membership was reported to be 341, including 161, and expenditure £148. The senior steward, Bro. J. Grey stressed the need of the allocations being returned in full each quarter in order to balance the finance. It was decided to forward letters of thanks to several gentlemen who had worked voluntarily at the parsonage. Events for the quarter are:—Preston Church anniversary, September 23; East Preston Sunday School, September 2; Reservoir Sunday School, September 30; Preston Sunday School, August 26; West Preston Church, August 26. Permission was given for the Local Preachers' Appeal on September 9, and for the Prohibition League on September 23. Sunday, October 21, Centenary Thanksgiving Sunday, was the date chosen for a special offering for circuit funds. Suggestions were considered for the increase campaign on behalf of our church paper "The Spectator." Mr. Pearce gave his report in connection with the Sunday Schools, several changes being noted. West Preston: Mr. W. Abbey, superintendent in place of Mr. Burnell, resigned. Preston: Mr. J. S. Grey superintendent in place of Mr. J. C. Nankervis, who has resigned after 41 years service. Reservoir: Mr. Beckwall acting superintendent on behalf of Mr. E. Bell, who has leave of absence. Thomastown had again won the shield with 109 marks, Mr. J. S. Grey, Foreign Mission secretary, reported that the recent deputation had been very successful, results being far ahead of last year. Mr. R. Tivey was re-appointed Home Mission secretary, and Mr. J. S. Grey, Foreign Mission secretary. Mr. W. A. Pearce was appointed circuit organiser for the Centenary Celebrations. Mr. A. J. Pearce was re-appointed circuit press correspondent. In connection with the Young Women's Guild, a combined circuit youth rally is being held on August 15. Next meeting to be held at Thomastown on October 10.

Northcote Presbyterian Church

On Wednesday evening next at 8 p.m. the Right Rev John McKenzie, the Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria, will pay an official visit to the Presbyterian Churches of the Northern Suburbs.

The congregation of Thornbury, Preston, Regent, Reservoir, Epping, Whittlesea, Clifton Hill, and Northcote will gather in the James Street Church to welcome the Moderator. Public worship will be conducted at 7 p.m. when the Moderator will preach. The sermon will be followed by a reception in the School Hall, when the Moderator and members of visiting congregations will be entertained.

The Girls order of the Covenant celebrated their eighth birthday on Monday evening last, when a very happy time was spent. Miss Phemie Ford presided and welcomed the large number who were present. After the Loyal Toast had been honored Miss Helen Evans proposed the toast of "Our Covenant" and spoke of the value of the Order in forming lasting friendships and the opportunity it gave the girls for helping in the larger work of the Church. The Warden responded in suitable terms. "Our Office-bearers" was proposed by Miss Eunice Cahill who expressed the gratitude of the members to the work of the officers. Miss Saxton responded. "Our Church" was proposed by Miss Hannah Shearer, who spoke of the place the Church held in the life of members.

The toast of "Our Sunday School Teachers" was proposed and reference made to the fact that sixteen members of the Order were teaching in the Sunday School, thus carrying out the ideal of the Covenant of identifying itself with the work of the Church. Miss Edna Cogle responded.

Miss Marjory Govan proposed the toast of Miss Betty Daly, who had made a beautiful birthday cake for the occasion. The toast of "Our Wardens" proposed by Miss Joyce Sheddon, brought a very happy evening to a close. Items were rendered by Misses Freda Chapman, Marjorie Govan, Chrissie Gosstray and Winnie Metcalfe.

An enjoyable concert in aid of the senior Cricket Club took place in the Sunday School hall on Wednesday, July 11, when the following programme was rendered:—A Wedding in Fairy Land, by the Children; solo: "A Brown Bird Singing" and "The Little Hills" Clifford Gear; "Sun Bonnets of Blue" action song; solo: "Oh No John," "Comin' Thro' the Rye," Miss Eileen O'Leary; "Alice Blue Gown" Miss Nancy Wood; "The Big Bad Wolf" Children; solo: "The Flower Song" Miss I. Trevaskis; "Japanese Butterfly Land" action song; duet: "Tell Me Where the Fairies Dwell" Misses I. Trevaskis and E. O'Leary; "Sister Bear" Jessie Breame and Others; song: Nancy McGeorge; duet: Misses E. Ford and J. Paull; "Mother Machree" Jean McCall and Nancy McGregor; solo: "Carry Me Home" Dunhart; A. A. Milne's "Songs for Children" by special request; cantata: "Soot and the Fairies," the Children; *National Anthem.*

The programme was excellently rendered and several encores were given and Mrs Urquhart and Miss Ford (who were responsible) are to be complimented on the good work done as pianist. On behalf of the Cricket Club Mr Andy Carruthers moved a vote of thanks to those who assisted.

Salvation Army News

Death of Bandsman Holbrook

The death has occurred of Bandmaster Harry Holbrook. It is 42 years since the Salvation Army established work in Northcote. The first officers, who were "missile officers," were Captain E. M. Otway and Lieutenant M. Tecon. The work has gone on continuously ever since. One of the first soldiers to enrol in the corps was Bandsman Harry Holbrook, who with his father and mother and sister (Mrs Thompson) of Herbert street were appointed soldiers. Before coming to Northcote Bandsman Holbrook was connected with the Salvation Army at Shepparton, Victoria. When the Late Major Head was appointed to Northcote Corps (he being the first male officer to command the corps) a band was formed Bandsman Holbrook was the first drummer. He was well known throughout the city and district as a practical Christian and was prepared to do his best for everyone with whom he came into contact. For many years Bandsman Holbrook conducted a woodyard in Northcote, but ill-health caused him to retire some years ago. His loss will be deplored by the local Corps His cheery presence and smile will be greatly missed and many old soldiers of Northcote will be sorry to hear of his passing.

The funeral took place on Monday afternoon. His remains were brought to the Citadel and a short service was conducted by Major and Mrs Wishart assisted by Major F. Butler and the commandant and Citadel Band. A large assemblage of old friends gathered to pay their last respects to a fine Christian comrade. The Northcote Council was represented by the town clerk (Mr J. Thomson) and Cr Johnson and Mrs Johnson and daughter were present. The cortege was headed by the Citadel Band under the newly-appointed Bandmaster (Bro. G. Turner). The bearers (eight of the women and men) marched to the Cemetery. Quite a number of old Northcote Bandsmen took part.

The service at the graveside was conducted by Major Wishart assisted by Major Butler, a former Northcote Corps officer. The Band accompanied the singing of the old songs that were very moving and impressive.

There will be a memorial service at the Citadel, Northcote, on Sunday night in memory of the late Bandsman Holbrook when Major and Mrs Wishart invite all old friends to be present and all old Northcote Bandsmen and late Commanding Officers.

Fetters of Walks Park Methodist

The members of the Junior Girls Bible Class held a social evening at the home of Mrs Hambly, Jenkins street, on Saturday evening. There was a good attendance and an interesting programme of indoor games was enjoyed. The proceeds were in aid of the Centenary Thanksgiving Fund.

The members of the Y.W.M.M. held a "camp fire" missionary evening at the Parsonage on Tuesday night when Mrs Hinton gave a graphic address portraying work done by workers in the Poona Village Mission. Mrs Indian entertained all present and served refreshments at the close.

On Wednesday afternoon the members of the Ladies' Church Aid held an Australian Tea in aid of Home Missions. Mrs. Indian presided and Mrs Cleverdon gave an address on the work of Home Missions. A satisfactory sum of money was raised.

Northcote Church of Christ

Good audiences assembled at both services on Sunday. Mr. Saunders again spoke morning and evening on the topics "The Source of Power" and "The Gospel of the First Days."

On Tuesday evening the I.C.E. had a special meeting when the Williamstown Consecrated Band rendered a special programme of sacred music. In lieu of the weekly prayer meeting on Wednesday a visit was paid at Brunswick Church of Christ, where an evangelistic mission is being conducted by Dr. Geo. Moore.

On Saturday the tennis team continued its success, defeating Northcote Methodists. The team is undefeated to date, and hopes to win the premiership. A further defeat was suffered by the football team with the result that it is out of the four, now holding fifth place. A social evening by the cricket club on Saturday evening was conducted, when trophies won in the previous season's play were presented. Mr. Ray Anderson was in charge and again proved a capable leader.

High Street Methodist Church

Start the week cheerfully with the following thought:—

"The transforming power of Cheerfulness is the miracle of every day life. Cheerfulness turns drudgery into pleasure. Under the rays of Cheerfulness difficulty is transformed into success, and discouragement into inspiration."

The service last Sunday morning was conducted by Rev. F. T. Cleverdon, in the presence of a good congregation. Instead of the usual children's talk a short baptismal service was conducted, the occasion being that of christening the child of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gray. Nancy Mary Gray was thus brought into the Methodist Church. The text chosen by Rev. Cleverdon was "Peace I leave with you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." St. John 14. "What is the request that Jesus made to his disciples? It is none other than the text," said the preacher, and continuing said, "I do have this peace. It is the sure way out of all our present trying troubles. We may obtain this peace the same way as we may obtain salvation. 'Take the little to come as a little child.' Under the leadership of Mr. A. Burge, the choir rendered the anthem "The Lord is My Shepherd."

Mr. N. C. Hawthorn delivered an interesting address on "Beef" at the Young Men's Class in the afternoon. Quite a number of enlightening statements were put forward by the speaker on this unique subject, and also the members of the class partook in helpful discussion at the conclusion. At the meeting next Sunday afternoon the speaker will be Mr. Orchard, of the Methodist Young People's Department.

The service last Sunday evening was conducted by Rev. Packett, of Queen's College. "At even ere the sun was set" was the anthem rendered by the choir, with Mrs. J. C. Nelson at the helm, and Mrs. Fawcett as soloist. The text chosen by Mr. Packett was found in St. John 2, 11. Rev. Packett expressed the following thoughts. "The tragedy of the world at the present time is that it is Christless. So many societies, institutions, etc. are conducted without any thought of the teachings of Jesus. We should ask Him into our relationships, and so be sure of a perfect, divine security. Men in their blindness reject Him, when they may be sure of a Captain, Guide, Philosopher and best of all, a Friend."

Next Sunday will be known as Decision Day in the Sunday School where children under 14 years will be given the opportunity to make the best and most supreme decision in any life.

Three new members were introduced at the Young Men's Club on Friday night.

At the parsonage last Monday night, Hiry and Mrs Cleverdon were "At Home" to the young ladies of the church. There were about 45 present, and a most enjoyable evening of games and items was spent. Miss Irene Dennis gave a fine recitation, Miss Ida Park rendered a pianoforte solo, and another recitation was given by Miss Nellie Hazelding. At the conclusion all present partook of supper, and words of thanks were expressed to Mr. and Mrs. Cleverdon by Mrs. Cox, for such an excellent evening.

Church of the Epiphany

The vicar, Rev. Thomas Cole, officiated on Sunday last, and the choir rendered the anthem "Holy is the Lord."

On July 12 the Ladies' Guild sponsored a successful afternoon when items were rendered as follows:—Mesdames Court, Webb and Dunallan, songs; Miss Gwenda Riches, elocutionary items; Master Kemp, violin. Mrs. Colten was absent. A pleasant afternoon was spent and afternoon tea was served.

On Sunday evening an "In Memoriam" service will be conducted by the vicar in memory of the late Mrs. Wallis, who was associated with the choir and G.F.S. and was a great church worker.

The vicar is conducting classes in preparation for Confirmation, which is to be administered by Archbishop Head on August 13. Candidates from surrounding parishes will be present on this occasion. Epiphany Church having been chosen as the group centre.

Group meetings for Sunday School teachers throughout the district continue on Monday evenings.

A successful social on Tuesday evening in the parish hall was under the auspices of the G.F.S. and the Tennis Club. Close on a hundred were present and a most enjoyable evening was spent. The respective stalls at the forthcoming fair will benefit.

St. Aidan's, Victoria Road

A social on Saturday night under the auspices of the C.E.M.S. was well attended, and was a financial success.

The monthly meeting of the vestry on Tuesday disclosed that the various funds of the church are in a satisfactory state. It was decided to hold a Fun Fair early in November.

The second son of Mr. Barrett, of Christmas street, is in hospital with pneumonia. His condition is improving. Mrs. Sharp, of Kellett street, is in Bethesda Hospital. Laurie Fry is still attending the Children's Hospital.

All Saints', Preston

Renovations are being carried out about the church and the front is being painted. The lawns surrounding the building are also receiving attention.

St. Mary's Church of England, East Preston

The services were well-attended last Sunday, the vicar (Rev. P. Parsons) being the preacher. Invitations have been issued to the men of the parish by the C.E.M.S. for a smoke social in the parish hall on the 28th inst., and a good attendance is expected. Next Saturday evening a children's fancy dress party is to be held and there are numbers of attractions, including prizes, etc. In all probability Nancy Lee, of 3AW, will be present and *it is hoped* she will bring her ukulele and sing.

The parish envelope secretary reports an increase in the receipts for the half-year and is endeavouring to get 100 regular subscribers this Centenary year. Services as usual next Sunday.

Holy Trinity, Thornbury

The choir of St. Bartholomew's, Burnley, under the direction of Mr. Cecil Trowbridge, will lead the service next Sunday evening, and the organist will be Mr. Percy Derrick, of Burnley. The service will be conducted by the Rev. Charles Cole, vicar of St. Bartholomew's, Burnley. Special music will be rendered including the "Song of Thanksgiving" (Maunder). The vicar of Holy Trinity (Rev. W. H. Chamberlin), with the choir and organist (Mr. David Louden) will journey to Burnley, where a special musical service will be conducted. The unique exchange of clergy and choirs has aroused much interest and large congregations are expected at both churches.

Next Tuesday afternoon the usual fling bridge function will be held in the parish hall.

One of the most interesting of the many useful events being held in connection with the Prince and Princess Carnival is announced for next Tuesday evening, July 24, in the parish hall. The Halcyon Dramatic Company will present "The Physicians" in one act and the three act hilarious farce "Her Reputation." This visiting society has won many laurels for past performances. Proceeds will be shared by the various candidates.

Northcote Congregational Church

O'Reilly's stand in the third Test match, when he restrained his natural tendency to hit out, and kept his wicket up to allow his partner to make the necessary runs, was praised by the Rev. W. H. Rayner last Sunday morning. The preacher found an analogy in the conduct of those disciples to whom Jesus said "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." These men," he said, "underwent an unconscious period of preparation for their new role. Because of their ordinary avocation, they possessed the attributes of courage, which was exemplified when in a tiny craft they faced raging storms on the sea of Galilee; patience, which amounted to a dogged determination to hold on despite all discouragement, and to, with faith in the end; and initiative and enthusiasm, with the supporting element of knowledge, balance by commonsense and tact. As fishermen, they had been self-asserting, accustomed to 'throwing their weight about,' and consequently they had to be taught tolerance, even to the extent of loving those whom they regarded as enemies. As it was essential that they should learn team work in discipleship, any tendency to exalt themselves had to be repressed." The speaker concluded by urging the cultivation of these qualities in the life of every follower of the Nazarene.

The Rev. W. H. Rayner preached again at the evening service. He said: "If some mark of distinction were required to differentiate between the Old and New Testaments, it might be said that in the Old Testament are related stories of men seeking God, but in the New Testament, we find God seeking men. Mr. Rayner indicated the divergent ideas of God as presented in the two volumes. "It was only with the birth of Jesus —that great event which has divided history into two parts—that we obtain the true and undistorted portrait of God," he said. "In Him was revealed for the first time that

". . .the love of God is broader
Than the measures of man's mind,
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind."

The preacher referred to the statue of Christ which has been erected on a summit of the Andes. Standing on the borderline of two South American states, it remains as a constant witness to a peace pact between the two provinces. "The nations of the world" said Mr. Rayner, "could pay off their armies and sink their battleships to-morrow, if the world were truly Christian."

Miss Winifred Meates assisted in song at the evening service last Sunday.

"The person who never makes a mistake, never makes anything else," asserted the Rev. W. H. Rayner at a combined meeting of the Young People's Society on Sunday afternoon. "Do not be constantly endeavouring to justify our shortcomings," he said. "At some time in the experience of every one of us, there is that bitter sense of failure. By recognising and admitting our mistakes," continued Mr. Rayner, "we are taking the first step toward recovery. We are then able to rise on the stepping stones of our dead selves to something nobler and better."

"Crossing the channel, the passenger for the first half of the voyage was afraid they would all be drowned. But during the second half he feared they wouldn't."—One of the laughmakers produced by the Rev. W. H. Rayner at the Young People's meeting on Sunday.

Dealing with the question of the subconscious mind, an address by Mr. G. J. Doward on the subject of "Re-Educating the Mind," interested and benefited a good attendance at the meeting of the Christian Endeavour Society on Monday evening. This lecture constituted the first of a series in "Constructive Psychology" to be presented by Mr. Doward during the ensuing months. The meeting was held at the home of Mr and Mrs F. E. Penhall, 14 Collins street.

An enjoyable afternoon was held by the Ladies' Guild on Wednesday as a further effort to assist the finances of the church.

The Dramatic Society held a business meeting on Monday evening.

"The Young Man Who Failed in His First Test" is the topical subject of an address to be given by Mr. J. F. Armstrong at the meeting of the Young Men's Society on Sunday at 3 p.m. Mr G. J. Doward is to preside.

The Rev. Walter Albiston, secretary to the Congregational Union of Victoria will be the chairman at a general church meeting on Monday, at 8 p.m. A full attendance of members and adherents is desired.

Keen interest is displayed in connection with the programme to be presented by the Prince of Wales Park Methodist Choir on August 7.

Friends need no reminder that a welcome always awaits them at the Northcote Congregational Church—either at the Sunday services or any of the weekly meetings.

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PERSONAL

Saturday, August 18, is the day chosen for the wedding of Beryl Margaret, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yelland, of Spensley street, Clifton Hill, to Mr. Martin Egeberg, of 22 Mcdonald street, Northcote.

Mr. John Thomas Sando, aged 72 years, passed away at the residence of his daughter, Tanner grove, Northcote, on July 9. His wife predeceased him, and other members of the family are Minnie (Mrs M. Gillett), Martha (Mrs. W. Andrews), Ethel (Mrs. A. Clark), Henry and Hazel.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Thomas, of Grandview grove, Northcote, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Gannaway, of 22 Woolhouse street, Northcote, have now a daughter. Both were born in the Lillieville private hospital.

Mrs W. J. Holmes, who received an urgent call to the Devon Hospital, Tasmania, where her mother passed away on the 7th inst., has returned to her home at 14 John street, Preston

Mr K. Sampson, a member of the Epiphany Tennis Club, Northcote, fell on the court and fractured his skull.

Mr and Mrs Fred Pike, Plenty road Preston, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Mr and Mrs Joseph Heycroft, Whalley street, Northcote, are the parents of a son born on July 10.

Mr and Mrs W. Anderson, of Woolhouse street, Northcote, have bestowed the name Graeme James upon a new arrival in July 12.

Mrs A. F. Deacon, Plenty road, East Preston, and three members of the family are laid aside with influenza.

Mr Harold Allchin, who recently underwent an operation, is recuperating at Dandenong.

Mr Ben Howse has resumed duty at the State Savings Bank, High street, Preston.

Mr J. Matthews, from Miller street State School, has been appointed by the Education Department to take charge of West Preston School, in succession to Mr J. F. Roe, retired. Until the arrival Mr Matthews, Miss Black will carry on at West Preston.

Mrs and Miss Howard, of Clifton grove, Preston, have left on a visit to Colombo.

Mr John Joyce died on Monday at South Morang, where he was born 73 years ago. The burial, in charge of Mr Ern Jensen, took place in Diamond Creek Cemetery on Wednesday morning. Father L. Lande read the burial service.

Mrs Mary Ann Barns, 94, years of age, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs W. Shaw, wife of the licensee of the Council Club Hotel, High street, Preston, on Thursday of last week. Deceased was the widow of the late Mr Tom Barns. A son, Mr Alf Barns was the only other remaining member of the family. Prior to the interment in Melbourne General Cemetery on Friday a service was held at Sacred Heart Church Preston. Father Murtagh conducting the service. The graveside service was carried out by Father O'Rourke Mr Ern Jensen had charge of the funeral arrangements.

A sudden death occurred on Sunday last in Preston, in the morning Mr Wm. Henry Ashton, who was 72 years of age, attended Holy Communion at All Saints' Church, High street, Preston. Some two hours later Mr Ashton was cranking a car up, when death resulted from heart failure. A widow and grown-up family survive deceased. On Tuesday the remains were interred in Heidelberg Cemetery, Rev T. Wilkinson, Vicar of All Saints, conducting the service. The burial arrangements were in the hands of Mr Ern Jensen. Mr Ashton had for many years been a resident of Preston and was a highly esteemed citizen.

Mr H. C. Nette, the popular ledger-keeper at the Bank of New South Wales, Preston, is at present away on holiday leave, enjoying a motor trip to Brisbane. Mr H. Rives, of the Inspector's Relieving Staff, is taking the place of Mr Nette.

Commander H. A. Showers, with his wife and daughter are leaving for England on Tuesday next, per R.M.S. Orsova. The Commander, who is a son of Ex-Cr Showers and Mrs Showers, well known residents of Bell street, Preston, is at present stationed at the Naval Depot, Westernport in charge of cadets and is proceeding to England in order to do duty as a member of the Royal Navy. Mrs. H. H. Nelson, D.C.S.W.H., of Collins street, Thornbury, has taken charge of the secretarial duties of Lord Northcote Lodge since the death in War. Bro. Hanton.

Mr and Mrs C. J. Boyle, 79 Victoria road, Northcote, left for a fortnight's tour and will visit the Gippsland Lakes.

On Monday Mrs Howse, of Bell street, Preston, suffered the loss of her brother, Ernest Jones Tew, who died at his home in Ferntree Gully.

Mrs Marion Ann Cowling, wife of Mr Henry Cowling, of Mortlmitton, and a sister of Mrs V. Jeffreys, of Beaconsfield parade, Northcote, died on Monday. The funeral took place on Wednesday, the interment being made at the Melbourne General Cemetery, Carlton. The funeral arrangements were in the hands of Mr H. J. R. Lewis.

Mr and Mrs T. Pert, Carthew grove, Preston, received a visit from the stork on July 14.

The friends of Miss Neelands, of Waterloo road, Northcote, a well-known member of the Methodist Church, Northcote, will regret to hear that she is confined to her bed with foot trouble.

The William Clarence Marshall, 29 years, who collapsed and died at the wheel of his car last Thursday, was deputy Town Clerk of Caulfield. He was also known in Preston, where for a period he was assistant Town Clerk

Mr Norman Fretwell, manager of the State Savings Bank at Alphington has resumed duty after recovering from a serious illness.

The friends of Mr E. Henman, of Maritana avenue, Regent will be pleased to hear that he is slowly recovering from his illness. Mr Henman has been a patient in Caulfield Military Hospital for the past six weeks. Mrs Henman has also been confined to her room for a month, but is now about again.

The many friends of Cr A. E. Newton, J.P., will learn with regret that Mrs Newton is seriously indisposed. For some days Mrs Newton had been suffering from a cold which late last week became worse and at one stage her condition was so serious that it was deemed advisable to remove her to a hospital. But she was in such a weak state of health that this was eventually abandoned. The patient is still at her home in Gilbert road and is receiving the attention of two specialists, who report her condition as slightly improved.

The friends of Mr Frank Trainor of the Commercial Hotel, Northcote, will regret to learn that his wife underwent a most serious operation at the Madeline Private Hospital, Parkville. She is now out of danger although still in a serious condition.

The Week's Social Gossip

Visitors from Ballarat.—The Mayor of Ballarat (Cr. Jarding) and Cr. George Holster, M.L.C. paid a visit to the Northcote Council on Monday evening, and were welcomed by Mayor Jones. Later in the Mayor's room, the guests were requested to convey to the Ballarat Council, civic greetings from Northcote. Mr H. H. Olney, M.L.C., one of the representatives of the Melbourne North Province, was also present at the gathering.

Birthday Party.—The home of Mr and Mrs. W. Dunstan, in Rosoberry avenue, Preston, was the scene of a happy party on Saturday evening, when a number of their daughter's young friends were invited to celebrate the birthdays of Miss Alma Dunstan and Mr. Albert Lakeman. The evening was devoted to dancing, competitions and games. A handsome beaded evening bag was presented by the guests to Miss Dunstan, who is leaving shortly to be married. An appetising supper was served by the hostess, after which the party continued till the wee small hours. Among those present were—Misses Mavis Dunstan, Mrs. and Mrs. R. Bell, Misses Lorna Dunstan, R. Nicholson, E. Bartlett, E. Addie, W. Jewett, M. Griffin, K. Nicholls, D. Holden, Messrs J. Taylor, D. Bell, R. Peyton, P. Carnaffin, R. Morton, H. Webster, C. Thorne, K. Gorrie and T. Flemming.

Hostesses' Dance. — 15 hostesses of the Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary held an enjoyable dance and euchre party in the Northcote Town Hall on Tuesday, July 17 when over 300 attended. The Mesdames H. Dyte, P. Fladher, H. Wood, B. Thomas, F. Black, J. Thayer, W. Thornton, H. A. Bean, C. Banks, A. Page, Francis, R. Pearce, J. Dexter, E. Kirton, and F. Machin were hostesses. The Mayor and Mayoress of Northcote were present, The Mayor congratulated the ladies on such a successful evening which raised the sum of £23/10/ for the Queen Victoria Hospital. The Mayoress presented the prizes for cards to—Gents: Mr Brown, consolation: Mrs Cohen; Ladies: Mrs Meander, consolation: Mrs Glanville. The running and euchre were won by Woods, Hastings street, and the competition dance to Miss Eastwood and Miss Birchall. During the dancing streamers were thrown amongst the dancers by the hostesses from the balcony and the evening closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

Preston Mayoress' Guild. — The Guild will hold a flag bridge card afternoon in the supper room old Town Hall on Thursday next. Proceeds will be given to the Preston Ladies' Benevolent Society. As this will be the last of the series of card afternoons Mrs H. P. Zwar, the Mayoress, will attend as president, members would appreciate a good attendance. Winners will receive nice prizes.

Mrs J. Pugh, of Shaftesbury parade, Thornbury, is suffering from a boil in her ear. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery from this painful ailment.

Mrs. Russell, of Harold street, Thornbury, who has been confined to her bed with an attack of bronchitis, is recovering.

Mrs. Eric Scott, of James street, Northcote, has been suffering from a severe cold.

Kevin Lafferty, 22 years, of Port Fairy, sustained a fractured leg in a fall whilst hunting with he Findon Harriers at Wollert on Friday afternoon of last week.

At the Guild meeting on Tuesday afternoon, a new member, Mrs Winter was welcomed. It was noted that 17 be given to the Women's Hospital from funds. After arrangements had been made for the card afternoon, refreshments provided by the Mayoress were served by Mesdames Condie, and E. G. Green. Those who attended were the Mayoress (Mrs H. P. Zwar) Mesdames L. W. Williams, S. T. Grey, A. K. Allchin, H. Swain, Llewellyn Jones, Condie, E. G. Green, K. D. Bennets, Gallagher, H. A. Bean, Lang, Campbell, and Matron Wilson. *Apologies were received from Mesdames* B. Johnson, G. H. Mott and F. Zwar.

Euchre. — To assist the Mayor's 10,000 Shilling Appeal a euchre party was held on Wednesday afternoon at Preston Memorial Hall by the local branch of the Mothers' Wives' and Sisters' League. Unpleasant weather prevented a larger number from attending. The prizes went to Mrs H. Chalmers (euchre) Mesdames Goldin and Street (specials); Mrs D. Hepburn (lucky number).

Preston Return Ball.—A steady demand is reported for tickets for the Return Ball to be tendered to the Mayor and Mayoress of Preston, Cr H. P. Zwar, M.L.A., and Mrs Zwar, by the citizens of Preston, on Thursday, August 2, 1934. Dancing from 8 p.m. till 2 a.m. Elaborate preparations are being made for a brilliant function. A record attendance is anticipated and the music to be supplied and the catering will be the best obtainable. Tickets may be obtained at the Town Hall, Preston.

Comedy at Preston City Hall.—For aid the local branch of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, St. John's Catholic Players presented a comedy in three acts "Happy - Go - Lucky" at Preston City Hall on Tuesday evening. The hall was well filled. Between the acts items were given by Miss J. Nicholson (elocutionist), Miss Charters (violinist) and Miss Bradstreet (pianist) which were well received

Cards for Red Cross.—The Preston Red Cross Auxiliary held one of their most successful card afternoons on Thursday (12th inst) in the supper room, Preston Town Hall. More than 50 ladies were present and approximately £4 was raised. Mrs R. Duncan won the euchre prize. Among those present were Mesdames A. K. Allchin, R. Duncan, Macomichie, Chapman, E. Willy, F. Sheppard, and Schneider.

Engagement. — The engagement is announced of Lallah Florence, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. C. Dredge, Lorne, Well street, Middle Brighton, and Raymond Edgar, eldest son of Mr and Mrs L. J. Ellerton, Bropke street, Westgarth.

Engagement.—The engagement is announced of Winifred Rhoda, fourth daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Fry, of Murray road, Preston, to Albert Howard, eldest son of Mr and Mrs E. Henman, of "Wren's Nest" Maritana avenue, Regent.

Card Evening. To augment the funds of the Northcote Auxiliary for the Royal Victorian Institute of the Blind on Saturday, July 14, Mrs W. Johnson threw open her home, "Kollmun," Clarke street, Northcote, for a card evening. Over 130 attended and a pleasant and entertaining function was the result. Prizes were won by Rev Thomas Cole and Mrs J. Ross (bridge) and Mr Harold Cole and Mrs Brockie (Kranzy Whist). A pair of stockings were disposed of and became the property of Mrs Rogers. About £18 is the financial result and Mrs W. Johnson and the other hostesses, Mesdames W. F. Brownell, W. J. Clayden, A. Main, Montgomery, A. Nancarrow, S. S. Riches, R. G. Seebeck, and Miss Holden, are to be congratulated on the success of this excellent effort.

Among those present were Mesdames Mayoress of Northcote (Mrs J. C. Horsley), Mr and Mrs Johnson, Mr and Mrs F. W. Johnes, Mr and Mrs Ray Prowse, Mr and Mrs J. A. Thomson, Mr and Mrs J. B. Gould, Mr and Mrs Harvey, Mr and Mrs A. W. Nancarrow, Dr and Mrs Brownell, Mr and Mrs W. J. Clayden, Mr and Mrs L. O. Seebeck, Mr and Mrs Armstrong, Mr and Mrs J. Ross, Mr and Mrs Sheehan, Mr and Mrs Dale, Mr and Mrs H. A. Bean, Mr and Mrs Greenlands, Mr and Mrs Crewley, Mr and Mrs Dodd, Mr and Mrs W. Shaw, Mr and Mrs T. Pollock, Cr and Mrs J. W. French, Mr and Mrs F. Cornish, Mr and Mrs Rundle, Mr and Mrs Worsey, Mr and Mrs Bleckie, Mr and Mrs Simpson, Mr and Mrs Slattery, Mr and Mrs Bennett, Mr and Mrs J. J. Ryan; Mesdames Allen, Scott, Delaney, Campbell, Edmunson, K. Bennett, Cole, Rattigan, Furr, Bailey, Green, Wand, F. C. Dunn, S. Dennis, B. E. Johnson, J. McAdam, Len Roberts, Allchin, J. Jewett, G. H. Mott, Brockie, Hogan, Hoare, Cole, A. Young, Yeomans, Stephens, G. Henderson, J. and C. Lang, G. Mott, D. Hamilton, McMillan, Munro, Grenfell, Scott, M. Gould, G. Holden, G. Riches, M. Smith; Rev T. Cole, Rev J. O. Nicholls, Messrs Parsons, V. Scott, K. Riches, E. Peacock, A. Hughes, H. Cole, T. Henderson, R. R. Mott.

70th Birthday Party. — A surprise party was tendered to Mr Fred ("King") Clayton, late of Greensborough, and now residing in Plenty road, Preston, at Menhennitt's hall, on Saturday evening to celebrate the occasion of his 70th birthday. About 80 guests, comprising mostly descendants, gathered to pay their respects to him, and were entertained with dancing, games and musical items. The 70-year-old Mr Clayton surprised everyone by performing a step dance with remarkable agility and was heartily applauded. A dainty supper was served, during which Cr W. J. Burkett proposed the health of Mr Clayton and Mr Wilfred Clayton responded on behalf of his father. The guest of honor, who has been gold panning in Gippsland, at one time was reminded of that fact by the model of a prospector, together with spade and pick, which held pride of place on top of the two-decker birthday cake. Mr R. Warick thanked Mr C. McDonald, who proved a most capable M.C., and a happy evening was brought to a close in the usual manner, to the strains of "Auld Lang Syne."

Flag Bridge Party. — About 100 friends were entertained at a flag bridge party on Saturday evening in the home of Mrs Fay Hostler, at the home High street, Preston. The rooms were gay with heath, Iceland poppies and violets charmingly arranged in bowls, and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all present. Prize-winners were Misses Shaw and Moorehouse, and Mr Roy Heathcote. After a dainty supper all joined in a community singing around the piano. Earlier in the evening Miss Marjorie McFadden sang "To a Miniature" with Mrs Brown accompanying. Among those present were:—Mr and Mrs H. Crowe, Mr and Mrs A. V. Jones, Mr and Mrs S. Pollard, Mr and Mrs T. Rabey, Mesdames Brown and F. Taylor, Misses Shaw, M. McFadden, Roberts, Moorehouse, Burling, Keenan and Mr Phil Marks.

Engagement. — The engagement is announced of Irene Merle, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs N. A. Anderson, of Clarke street, Northcote, to Kenneth Ramsay, eldest son of the late Mr and Mrs C. J. Buxton, of Northcote.

The question of construction of the footpath in High street, Preston, east side, from Mason street to Southernhay street, has been deferred by the Preston Council for consideration with the estimates for next year.

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Northcote Council Meets

The fortnightly meeting of the Northcote City Fathers was held on Monday. Mayor Jones presided and there were also present Crs. J. O. Hughes, A. J. Cornish, R. E. Johnson, W. Glanfield, J. W. Pearce, J. H. Green, A. McAdam, A. C. Bird, W. Turner, W. Oliver, A. Peters, J. Sutch and S. Dennis, M.H.R.

Water Extension

The Metropolitan Board of Works has agreed to extend water mains for 127 chains in Victoria road (from Kellett street, southwards).

Drainage Works

The Board of Works advised that the government is not prepared to provide supervision and cartage in connection with drainage works carried out under the work for unemployment scheme. As far as Northcote was concerned the Green street—Clarke street drain was estimated to cost £650 and the annual cost of interest at 3 per cent would be £33, the council to be liable for five years. A conference is to be held on July 30 to discuss the matter of provision of supervision and cartage and special labor, and Northcote's representative will be Cr. Oliver.

Cr. Dennis said that Northcote's proportion was very small, and the council should not agree to it at once. He said that the government was not prepared to find supervision, cartage and special labor on this occasion, on the grounds that if that was done all councils would expect it in future.

If this drainage were done now it would be a distinct advantage to this area and would eliminate two crossings.

Cr. Johnson: I think that the council's liability will be more than £33.

Cr. Dennis: I move that the council approve of the expenditure.

Cr. Turner: I'll second the motion. The amount is small compared to the vast advantages of the work.

The council had decided that next year the council must limit the amount it could spend upon providing work for the unemployed. This work would not be done until next year and would afford employment.

The Town Clerk: The Board asked the councils to co-operate to assist it to carry out works in the current year (£35,000). The material for the Green street drain it was estimated would cost £1,400, on which the Northcote Council was asked to pay 2 per cent for five years. If they then the Board would probably have increased borrowing powers, and matters could be adjusted.

Cr. Johnson: I'd like time for consideration that it should not be rushed through. An amendment that the matter go to the committee of the council was lost, and it was decided to agree to the Board's request.

Northcote Sanatorium

This institution forwarded a bill for £25/9/ for a quarter's (estimated) contribution. This is less than last year.

By-Law 63

Public Works Department has advised the council that approval has been given to the council's by-law No. 63, which amends the zoning by-law, and to include Mahony's land in Westgarth street, and Beecher's land in Dundas street, within the shopping area.

Station Street

Wm. Jones, of Station Street State School Committee, wrote concerning the state of the roadway in Station street, between Darebin and Clarendon streets.

Cr. Oliver declared that in his ward there were crevasses half as deep as the council table, which should be filled. There are numerous complaints from people who try to get along this road.

The Public Works Committee will give consideration.

Gracie Street Construction

Mr. Reith objected that as Gracie street was a dead-end it was of no use to him, yet he was expected to pay for it. The same would apply to Elm street, for which he would probably be called upon to pay. His ground had been filled. Mr. Reith did not object to the construction of the street, but he did object to paying for it as he would then have a street in front and at the back of his property.

The Town Clerk said that the matter could not now be finalised as a further notice would have to be served, where a property had changed hands.

The matter was adjourned for one month.

Finance

The following accounts were passed for payment:—P.W. Committee, £2952/11/11; Electric Light Committee, £2461/2/9 (£1975 for current); Parks and Baths Committee, £194/2/3; Finance Committee, £805/9/4.

Construction of Crossings

It was resolved that notice be served upon 45 property owners in Beaconsfield parade, Gladstone avenue, Johnson, Stott, Spencer, Hont, Gracie, Woolhouse, High, Rucker, Hastings streets, Beavor's and St. George's roads to construct vehicular crossings over footpaths leading to their properties.

It was resolved to construct two crossings at the expense of the owner, where a notice to construct had not been complied with.

Seat at Bus Terminus

A seat is to be provided near the bus terminus in Elm street.

North West Drainage Blocks

Consideration will be given by the Northcote Council with its estimates for next year for the beautification of the North Ward drainage blocks.

A Question

Cr. French, who asked why briquettes and coke, costing £20/4/4 had been purchased out of Northcote was informed by Cr. Green that purchases were made direct from the State Electricity Commission and the Gas Company.

The engineer (Mr. Bradley) said the council was carrying at the cheapest rates. He said the cartage was done by the council's cartage contractor.

Ordinary Business

Cr. Dennis spoke of the fares on cable trams. It took 13 minutes to travel from the Thornbury terminus to Clifton Hill; and just twice that time to go into the city. He moved that representations be made for concessions by 1/4d section tickets.—Matter referred to the committee of the council.

Cr. Green said that at last meeting he asked that holes in path leading from Simpson street to Westgarth street be filled. The matter should be taken up with the Railways Department, who owned the abutting land, with a view of getting something permanently done.—Committee of the council.

Cr. French said the custom of manual railway gate keepers seemed to be to keep the gates open for trains and against road traffic, instead of vice versa.—Committee of the council

Cr. Oliver spoke of the nightly congestion of trams at the Thornbury tram terminus. Between 6.30 and 7 p.m. there were never less than half a dozen trams and it made it impossible to cross for two streets back from Dundas street.—Matter to be brought before Tramways Board.

Housebreaking Alleged

YOUNG MAN REMANDED

At Northcote Court on Tuesday, on the application of Sergeant Glowaski, a man named Albert Budge was remanded for a week, bail set in £100 and a surety of £100 being allowed.

The charges against him are:—July 11, breaking and entering the home of Ama Wegner and stealing a watch and tobacco pouch, valued at £2; June 30, breaking and entering the home of Max Wegner, High street, Northcote and stealing property to the value of £5/10/; June 29, breaking and entering the home of George Alfred Hale, Mitchell street, Northcote, and stealing goods to the value of £25; July 13, breaking and entering the home of Rita Blencowe, Ryan street, Northcote and stealing goods valued at £3/5/; July 7, breaking and entering the house of James J. McDonald, Mitchell street, Northcote and stealing goods valued at £2.

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Why Northcote High School Needs an Assembly Hall

NORTHCOTE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCE COMPETITION

Great Interest Evoked

THE parents of the boys attending the High School as well as the citizens of Northcote, are beginning to realise that the School is playing a prominent part in the life of this City. Everyone in Northcote and the surroundings districts is proud of the magnificent building in St George's Road. It is indeed a monument to the education of a future generation.

STILL, this great building, with all its modern facilities, is under a big handicap, being without an Assembly Hall. The modern boy, to be a success in life, must have his vision broadened—and lectures on various subjects, given by prominent men will help in this direction. Realising this, the various committees of the Prince Competition are striving to obtain the necessary funds for the erection of the hall. They are working hard in various directions, striving to obtain the active support of the parents of the boys who will derive all the benefit of it. It does not seem fair that all the work should fall on a few.

We now want to make a strong appeal to the whole of the parents to come to the aid of the committees which are devoting much time and energy to this effort. An open invitation is extended to every parent to attend any committee meetings held in the school hall every week. Mr. W. Houston, 103 Beaver's road, Northcote, or the principal, Mr. Johnson, will be only too pleased to give any information regarding the activities of the various committees conducting this competition for this worthy object. We want your help—it is for your own boy—and every parent must have at heart the future of his son.

COMPETITION ACTIVITIES

The committee of Merri House again held a successful social evening in the school hall, on Saturday, July 14. Mrs. Loving, Mr. Maskell, and Mr. Crowe rendered items which were much appreciated. Mr. Hallett was an accomplished accompanist. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Taylor, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Welsh, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Gould, Mrs. Walmsley, Mrs. McEwan, Mr. and Mrs. Gall, Mr. J. Oakley, Mr. Eddington, Miss V. Armstrong, Miss V. Jackson and Mr. Kitson. On Saturday, August 4, this very live committee intend to hold another social dance in St. Jude's Hall, Alphington.

Euchre Party.—The committee of Diamond House held a euchre party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Nankervis, of Normanby avenue, Thornbury, on Saturday July 14. The night proved a social and financial success, and Mr. Salton in proposing a vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Nankervis for their wonderful entertainment said that the spirit displayed by them acted as an inspiration to the whole committee. Mrs. Diepenau and Mr. Rouche won the prizes. The guests were indeed sorry when the time came to part and all expressed the wish that a similar evening would be held again soon. The next function of Diamond House is a social dance and card party at the school hall, on Saturday July 21. This night promises to be one of the outstanding functions of the competition. Mrs. Nankervis and her committee are working very energetically to make this a complete social success. The charge is within the reach of all—1/—and a real good night is guaranteed for everyone. Full arrangements have been made to post the scores of the test match between every dance.

The committee of Darebin House is holding a house party at the home of Mrs. Dimmack, 97 Pendora street, Thornbury, on Saturday, July 21. An invitation is extended to the parents of the boys of Darebin to come along and spend a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

The committee of Plenty House are working quietly and are planning their activities to cover the whole campaign and soon will launch out in various avenues.

Picture Night.—The picture night at the Regent Theatre, Melbourne, on Wednesday, July 18, which was a combined effort, was a wonderful success. The sale of tickets had to be stopped five days before the show owing to the whole of the supply available being sold.

Every Saturday night during the competition there will be a social dance in the school hall to which everyone is invited.

Progress Voting.—The progress voting list will be published next week so that it will be possible for you to follow the result of the various efforts.

No Rose Pruning Demonstration

Cr. Cornish Annoyed

CR CORNISH told the Northcote Council on Monday that in connection with a proposal he had made that a "bloke" who is doing demonstration should be given one of the council parks that "the disorganisation of the staff would be so great that it would be inadvisable to hold it."

Continuing, he said that the council should encourage residents to beautify and improve their surroundings, and the planting of rose trees was one means of improvement. It was too late to do much this year as the pruning season was about over but he would remember to speak of it earlier next year.

A motion to refer the question to the committee of the council was lost

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Northcote Ladies' Cricket Club had a bye in the DZ Grade.

Presbyterian Girls' Fellowship, A. Grade — Thornbury had a bye; C. Grade—Elsternwick, 15 d Northcote 13; Thornbury had a bye.

Methodist Association—North District: Fairfield 4 Prince of Wales Park, 25-10; Pender's Grove d St. George's Road 30-6; Perry Street d Croxton B, 11-9; South Preston a bye.

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The Cobbers' Club

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DEAR COBBERS.—We've received several entries already for the Games Competition and want you all to send in your entries as soon as possible. One new boy Cobber has been enrolled this week and as Jacko is so elated we wish you'd rake up some girls and delight Fluffy next week. Don't forget, but ask your mates to join in and make the Club bigger.

We went to the football on Saturday and watched Northcote kick all those goals. My word the wind was strong and Jacko insisted on taking his car. Of course the wind almost upset us a number of times and as it was we were blown into a deep gutter and had almost to lift the car out again.

On Sunday we had fowls for dinner and Fluffy, as a great treat was allowed to make the stuffing. Well she fixed it up and Cook put it in the birds and then it was to bake they went. On the table for dinner they looked oh, so brown and appetising and then Grandfather began to carve. When he dived in for some stuffing it was hard and solid! We afterwards found Fluffy had put plaster of paris in instead of salt! Isn't she the limit?

Send along your entries and contributions and don't forget the Games Competition. Love and Greetings from the Pets and

UNCLE PHIL.

Find the Words

NEW COMPETITION

In the following little story there are 23 words which are terms used in our popular outdoor and indoor games. Can you guess them?

When Kitty received her cue to visit the pawn shop the fault she made was to let a forward man over the road have a try to steal her bike. He was a bully, the friend of rooks, and when she called out this rover runs away. She wires the police, but the officer they sent was a dummy, who took her for a cup of tea, and afterwards to a dance. As there was no ball they went for a walk. As Jack was a stale mate Kitty, who huffed at the idea of a wedding, refused to visit the Bishop, so he couldn't catcher.

A prize of 2/6 will be awarded to the Cobber who finds the 23 correct words. Grandpa's decision is final. The Competition closes on JULY 28. Mark your entry "Words Competition" and send it in early.

BIRTHDAYS

All the Cobbers, Uncle Phil and the Pets send the Happiest and Heartiest Birthday Greetings and Best Wishes to Malcolm Junor and Arthur Kent (July 21); Wallace Howden (July 23); Queenie Cox and Norma Wingard (July 24); Mervyn Junor (July 26); and Verdun Wilkinson (July 27).

NEW COBBER

We Welcome to the Clubs Tom Doyle and you should see Jacko crowing over poor Fluffy. We've used your joke Tom, so send some more and a snap of yourself for our Album. Have a shot at the Games Competition. It's such an easy one. Greetings and Best Wishes from the Pets and U.P.

OUR MAIL BAG

Joyce Mackenzie.—How did your visit to the dentist end? Hope both you and your friend are feeling better now and that you were good patients. Try the Games Competition. Greeting from the Pets and U.P.

Reg Keele.—Is your back better now Reg? Jacko says you must have been fighting with the furniture anyhow. How is your Mother? Pets send Best Wishes—U.P.

Sylvia Lawrence.—Hope you have the luck to be in the display Sylvia, but hard work will put you there. Are you trying the Games Competition? Greetings from U.P.

Veral Keele.— You must have grown too much or not enough. Bad luck Vera to be out of it; however you can look on as we'll have to. Congrats on the 100 marks. Will you call for the prize with your certificate. Pets send Best Wishes—U.P.

Bessie Goldstein.—Congratulations Bessie. The prize will be sent along as you ask. Have a try at the Games Competition. Pets send Greetings.—U.P.

CONTRIBUTIONS

JACK TAR

Jack says he'd like some day to be a sailor
We don't think he means it, Nanna and I!
He'd never dare to clamber up the rigging,
Or climb the masts that nearly reach the sky.

Besides, he mustn't sail upon the ocean
He might get drowned! How dreadful that would be!
And then he'd feel so very ill and seasick
If he should ever really go to sea.

This morning Mother took him with her shopping,
And brought him home dressed like a real Jack Tar.
Oh, Nan and I were ever so delighted!
We're waiting now to show him to Papa.

He has a man-o-war's cap and whistle
And on his sleeve a golden anchor too.
He's such a jolly, roughish little sailor
He looks a darling dressed in navy blue!

It doesn't matter if he spoils his clothes now—
Mama says she will get him plenty more,
And buy him every single thing he asks for,
If, he'll but promise her to stay on shore!

(GOOD) Bessie Goldstein.

FRIGHTFUL ACCIDENT

He blushed a fiery red
Her heart went pit-a-pat
She gently hung her head

And looked down at the mat.
He trembled in his speech,
He rose from where he sat,
And shouted with a screech,
"You're sitting on my hat."

(GOOD) Lawrie Taylor.

THE GROCER'S LOVE

The grocer loved a charming girl,
As lovely as the day:
He wondered if she'd marry him
And said "Let SOAP she may."

And straightway to her house he went:
Her lovely face to see,
Exclaiming "Oh! I know full well
That CHEESE the girl for me."

The girl was very kind and said:
"This she was very glad
To see him there, and then remarked,
"What a bad COFFEE had."

And they got most intimate,
And she let him kiss her brow,
But when he spoke of loving, said,
"Oh, do not TEAS me now."

(GOOD) Billy Murray.

JACKO'S VERSION

Mary had a little lamb,
And he was such a problem:
He'd walk across the busy roads
The grasses for to gobble 'em.

Alas! One day he walked too slow,
This darling woolly rover,
And now poor Mary dines alone,
And chews her problem over!

—JACKO.

QUITE SO!

"How is the milk maid?"
He said with a bow.
"It isn't made, sir,
It comes from a cow!"

(GOOD) Ron Houston.

Uncle Sam's Story

ONCA THE FAITHFUL

Part II

But this difficulty was overcome when the man moved to a station where the outbuildings were more distant from the house. There Onca was given a small loose box to himself, and in time even the native servants, who are not of the bravest, grew quite fond of him.

He was never allowed anything but dead meat, and not much of that, and therefore was of a gentle and playful disposition, though he grew at an enormous rate. He would bound to meet his human friends, playfully arching his back, and rubbing his head against them like a cat.

The man had had Onca for nearly a year, and the young cub had become a magnificent animal and a valued pet, when the cry went round one day that a little white girl, the six-year-old-daughter of a neighbour, was missing. She had been seen at the end of the garden playing with Onca, to whom she was much attached, and her father at once assumed that the animal, to whom its master had gradually given more and more liberty, and of whom everyone had entirely lost fear, had turned on his little playmate and attacked her.

In the greatest anguish the neighbour and Onca's owner rode the district seeking for some trace of the little girl.

At last they saw the child's little hat lying on the outskirts of the forest, and they both dashed forward. To their horror they saw Onca come bounding out of the forest at the sound of their approach, rushing to meet them in his usual playful fashion, but with his jaws dripping blood and with a scrap of a tiny muslin frock hanging from them!

In a moment the girl's father had drawn his revolver and shot the animal dead; and then they heard a scream of sorrow. "Oh, Daddy, you've hurt poor Onca!" And there was the little girl seated unharmed on the ground behind a clump of trees, and beyond her the dead body of a full-grown female jaguar with which Onca had fought to the death in defence of his little playmate.

STORYETTES

Chief: Late again! Can't we do something about this?" Office Boy: "Well, sir, we could move the office nearer to my home."

(GOOD) Audrey Doyle.

Stopped.—Auntie (to niece): "They tell me you had the toothache yesterday. Has it stopped?" Niece: "No, I don't; the dentist has got it."

(GOOD) Vera P. Keele.

Maid: "I left my best place because I was told to do what I didn't like." Mistress: "Really; what was that?" Maid: "Look for another job."

(GOOD) Thelma Douglas

Cop: "Who was driving when you hit that car?" Drunk (triumphantly): "None of us, we was all on the back seat."

A bad marriage is like an electric machine, it makes you dance and you can't let go.

(GOOD) Audrey Taylor.

Dad was suddenly awakened by Dave hurrying through the house and banging doors after him. "Cripes, Dave, what's up — is the pig out again?" "No; Bradman's out."

(GOOD) G. Joyce.

Teacher: "I will use my hat to represent the planet Mars. Now does anybody wish to ask any questions?" Tommy: "Please Miss, is Mars inhabited?"

Uncle: "My word you are working hard. I suppose your father will give you something for weeding his garden." Jimmy: "No fear. But he said he'd give me something if I didn't."

(GOOD) Jean Skipper

Hoover: "Did you hear about the flyer who found after making the altitude record that his propeller was all gummed up with butter?" Coaxer: "Butter! Why, how was that?" Hoaxer: "Why, he churned it when he was going through the milky way."

(GOOD) Lily Southam

"Herbert, why are you wearing your glasses in bed?" "I'm getting so short-sighted, my dear, that I can't recognise the people I dream about."

"I gave that man half-a-crown for saving my life." "What did he do?" "Gave me back a shilling change."

(GOOD) J. Francis.

Lady (reading sign on kangaroo cage): "Native of Australia." "and my sister just wrote and said she married one of them!"

Have you heard the favorite ballad of the sturgeon warbling to its young "Where my caviare has rested"

(GOOD) Coleen Mahony

Jones: "Why have you always wool in your ears?" Smith: "I have the bad habit of drumming the table with my fingers and I cannot bear the noise I make."

(GOOD) Marjorie Wood

Visitor (at station): "So you kept me waiting all this time. Didn't your master tell you how to recognise me?" Chauffeur: "Yes sir; but there are plenty of old, bald - headed buffers with red noses and flat feet."

(GOOD)

Young Widow: "I want a nice parrot, please, to keep me company." Dealer: "This 'ere parrot in the cage is the best we have, but I wouldn't sell him without letting you know his one fault; he'll grumble terribly if his food doesn't suit him." Young Widow: "I'll take him. It will seem quite like having a man in the house again."

(GOOD) Joyce Mackenzie.

Little Johnny went down to church and seated himself just in front of the pulpit. The clergyman took as his text "I shall come down and dwell amongst you." He had repeated the words several times, when without warning, the pulpit collapsed. The clergyman got Johnny from under the wreckage and remarked: "I am so sorry. I hope you are not hurt." Johnny replied: 'It can't be helped. Tha' warned me oft' enough."

(GOOD) Sylvia Lawrence.

Maud: Why did you break your engagement with poor Tom? Edith: Hush! Don't tell anyone, but he was growing so horribly fat! When grief has pulled him down a bit I shall take him on again.

(GOOD) C. Henderson

Jack: I want to buy the wife a chicken for supper. What prices are they now? John: I paid 12/ a pair. Jack: Trussed? John: No. Cash on the nail.

(GOOD) L. Joyce

Manager (to office boy): On your way to the bank you will pass the cricket ground. Buy (hopefully): Yes, sir? Manager: Well, pass it!

(GOOD) Tom Doyle

"Are you the man who saved my little Willie when he fell into the river?" "Yes. I am" "Well, where's his hat?"

(GOOD) Pauline Carwood

First Kangaroo: Annabelle, where is my baby. Second Kangaroo: Oh dear, I've had my pocket picked!

As the rat said to the trap:—"Something came and got me in the Spring."

(GOOD) Brian Syd Mahoney

Mother (to small boy): Willie, you've forgotten your tooth-brush! Willie: Aw, mum, I thought I was going for a holiday.

Waiter: Anything to drink, sir? Diner: Yes, ale please. Waiter: Pale, sir? Diner: Good Lord, no! Just a glass.

(GOOD) Alice Southam

Tongue Twister.—By bobbing bluebells beautifully, bumble-bees busily buzz.

What is the difference between a king and a policeman?—The policeman is a copper and the king is a sovereign, so the difference is 19/11.

(GOOD) Enid Lane

Why did Adam bite the apple Eve gave him?—Because he never had a knife.

(GOOD) Agnes Southam

How does a stove feel when it is full of coal?—Grate-full.

(GOOD) Joan Doyle

What goes to bed with a shoe on?—A horse.

When are soldiers like oranges?—When they are in quarters.

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RESERVOIR NOTES

The new railway gatehouse arrived at Reservoir in sections. Workmen are erecting it on the south-western corner adjacent to the crossing, looking north. The entrance gate for vehicular traffic has been moved to opposite Edwardes street. One of the workmen, while removing heavy timber, met with an accident. He was removed by railway ambulance to hospital.

The Debt Extinction Committee met to receive reports. The social organised by Mesdames Hastings, McKinnon and Downey was a social and financial success. It was decided to hold a bazaar and tentative dates were left for the church affiliated bodies to agree upon.

The Progress Hall was opened on Tuesday last by Cr Swain who represented the Mayor and Preston councillors. The president (Mr Robinson) welcomed the official visitor. The hall is now a public one.

Mrs Harvey, of Merrilands, has left Reservoir to reside at Dandenong.

The secretary of the Church Mission Society (Rev R. H. Pethybridge) preached at St. George's to an augmented congregation. The Vicar (Rev Parsons) presented badges to the members of the Boys' Club.

Mr W. Dunstan, who met with a painful accident some time ago, is still suffering from its effects and medical opinion forecasts another painful operation to restore the hand to normal condition.

While excavating on the borders of the Merrilands Estate cobblestones were found, the nature of which gave rise to discussion. Inquiries from old identities have elicited that there was on this site in the early sixties a blue-stone hotel, "The Merrilands Inn." It was a favorite stopping place for bullock teams. An interesting link might be woven round it in the Centenary movement.

The Girls' Fellowship met on Wednesday and decided to give a social towards the funds of the Debt Extinction Fund.

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SHORT STORY

The 19 CLUB

(Concluded)

He led off by saying that the crime of which he'd been convicted had been a burglary in Brussels, of all places.

No one said anything, but all of us thought that it was rather peculiar for a man to be sent to a Dutch penal settlement for an offence, however heinous, against the law of Belgium. He made other equally glaring mistakes too, so it soon became perfectly clear that his story was just a pack of lies from beginning to end, and that he'd never been nearer Java than Southend.

Things got so ridiculous that it was at last put to him he was romancing—and he admitted it without any beating about the bush. He said he wasn't the man Kennedy at all, that he'd never been in prison, and that the whole thing was a hoax. We said, "Ha, ha! very funny, and all that, but if you aren't Kennedy, who are you?"

And then he sprung his great surprise.

You remember that man Heacham, the journalist who'd sent up his card and tried to find out all about the Club? Well—he was Heacham, getting a bit of his own back.

I didn't see at first how he'd got hold of the Kennedy story in connection with us, but he explained with fiendish glee that he occasionally did work for my editor-man, and he'd actually been sent for and given the job of making inquiries about it.

We shouldn't have cared two hoots if he hadn't been so beastly offensive. He strutted up and down and jeered at us, and that wasn't the worst—he was going straight along to the "Daily Whatnot," and the whole story would be in the paper next morning, complete with such a caricature as he knew. He got so truculent that I'm sure that if he hadn't been our guest, someone would have slogged him on the beak.

We told him that we didn't wish the story to appear in the paper, whereupon he completely lost his hair and got awfully excited. He said: "I'm still in the doctor's hands for my heart, if you offer me any violence, I'll be the worse for wear." It was pointed out to him that no one had the slightest intention of using any violence.

We did, however, say that before we left we should like a few minutes to discuss the situation in private, and would he mind going out into the ante-room.

He did, and one of us went with him to keep him company.

Well, the rest of us hadn't been talking more than a moment when a man who'd gone out with Heacham appeared at the door, and said, "I wish you fellows would come out and have a look at this bird. He doesn't seem very well."

So we all crowded in, and—my word — he didn't look at all well. He'd fallen into a chair, apparently in a faint or a fit or something.

One of our members was a doctor, and he examined him for a moment, and then said: "I'm sorry, good people, but this is a bad show! He's man's dead," and he went on to explain that a heavy dinner and overexcitement had caused acute dilation of the heart, when it was a bit groggy and it had snuffed out. Extremely simple, no doubt, from the medical point of view, but devilish awkward from ours.

So we were all standing about looking rather grave, and putting our cigars down, when one man remarked, in a thoughtful kind of way: "What an awful lot of trouble it would have saved if this individual had survived long enough to get home." And then he gave a little nod—just like that — and everyone knows that a nod is sometimes as good as a wink, especially when it comes from anyone as high up in the Service as he was—and his meaning was so utterly scandalous, that I am sure that you will all have grasped it.

Is asked him, I said: "Is it too late, sir, for you to get a game of bridge somewhere?" and he thought no, it wasn't too late. He caught the eye of two or three of similar rank to himself, and they all sauntered out.

When they'd gone we put our heads together and settled our course of action.

We posted a man at the door to keep out stray waiters, and fetched in the hats and coats, including the unfortunate Heacham's. While we were putting his hat on, the man with the largest car was told to go and get it, and send his chauffeur home. As soon as word came through that it was at the door we got a move on.

A sort of advanced guard of five went on ahead to make a demonstration. They were to send all available commissionaires for cars or taxis, and generally clear the entrance of hotel staff. The main body, so to speak, followed a little behind. The main body consisted of another man and me supporting Heacham with the rest of the 19 Club in formation all round us.

We went down the stairs without the slightest check, all laughing and talking, though not feeling in the slightest like it, but when we got in the hall we were confronted with an appalling snag. We'd got to get Heacham through the revolving doors!

Perhaps some of you've tried going through those doors two at once—it's a bit of a squash at the best of times when both or you are alive, but when one of you isn't, you'll admit that it's no fun at all.

When we were half-way through, and quite out of touch with the outer world his hat fell off—I had to retrieve it with one hand, and keep him propped up with the other. The people who were turning the doors saw, and backed water to give me time, but it was a trying experience. I didn't feel happy until we had got him into the car.

We got to Chiswick, and then the last stages of our operations began.

The car dropped us and drove off to a few turnings away. The other man and I carried the man up the garden path and in at the front door. This was easy because we'd got the key, but then we struck another bad patch. When I'd called at the house the first time there'd been linoleum on the hall floor, but this had been taken up, leaving nothing but bare tiles; there wasn't even a mat, and when we stepped on these tiles, straight off the gravel path, you can imagine the row we made—slate pencils weren't in it—and we woke the landlady.

She came to the top of the stairs and called down: "Is that Mr Heacham?" and I said: "Yes" in a high falsetto voice—(after all, it was). Then she said: "Your cocoa's on the kitchen stove," and I said "Thanks very much. Good night," and she mercifully went back to bed.

We got Heacham into the room and switched on the light. We took off his hat and coat and arranged him naturally as we could in the armchair. I went into the kitchen, and got his cocoa and cup and saucer, and poured some out for him.

If we'd been his murderers—and we almost felt like it—we couldn't have taken more pains, but I should like to say that from the first to last he was treated with all due respect. We did not forget to leave the light burning and his own fingerprints on the cup and saucer.

We got away without a sound, picked up the car as arranged, and got home without incident.

There wasn't an inquest or, if there was, it didn't get into the papers, and everything must have passed off quite smoothly, but we had an anxious few days all the same.

We were anxious because I had made on foolish mistake, as all criminals do. On the face of it, it was trifling, but even so it ought to have rooted up the whole of our good work.

I'd come away with Heacham's key in my overcoat pocket.

At Preston Court

THURSDAY, JULY 12

Before Mr. E. R. Stafford, P.M., Messrs A. E. Newton, T. J. McMahon, E. G. Sutton and Matron Wilson, J.'s.P.

Ejectments.

Orders were granted against Mrs. Payne, Tennyson avenue, Preston; A. Upton, Kendall street, West Preston, and A. N. Toll, Mary street, Preston.

Assault Case Withdrawn

On the application of Mr. R. T. Cahir, who appeared for Arthur Holtwood, charges of assault preferred by Hollwood against Ali, Warbanks, Gooch street, Thornbury and Michael Dennis, Sussex street, Preston, were withdrawn.

Sustenance Case.

John Francis Mulcahy, Victoria street, Preston, was charged that on October 30 and on January 5 he obtained sustenance by means of a fraudulent device. Defendant pleaded guilty.

The evidence showed that Mulcahy filed declarations on the dates mentioned, and was later given sustenance work, to which he was not entitled, as the income to the home was greater than that allowed.

Mulcahy said that he had a wife and six children, and had worked for the sustenance received.

Cr. E. P. Norris, who appeared to give evidence on Mulcahy's behalf, said: "This man was a member of the 6th Battalion, A.I.F., and served alongside me at Pozieres, Bullecourt, Ypres, in the critical days when every man counted. He did his job manfully, and was badly passed at the finish. I have known him in Preston and although he has fallen on bad times, he has proved a good citizen. His only offence now is that he fled to get work, so that he would have some money to take home to his wife and family.

The P.M. said that the funds for the relief of unemployed were contributed by everyone so that no one would starve. These funds must be protected. The amounts Mulcahy received were admittedly small, but the acts, the bench felt, called for imprisonment.

A sentence of one month's imprisonment was imposed in the first charge, and the second charge was withdrawn. The sentence was suspended on a bond of £10 to be of good behaviour for twelve months.

Unlighted Bicycles

Ken. Nyes who rode an unlighted bicycle after sunset was fined 10/. William G. Tipping was fined £1 for a similar offence.

Hawker Without License

A case against William G. Shinnick, of having hawked without a license on May 28 was adjourned to a date to be fixed. Defendant said that he had since obtained a license.

Drove Without License

Robert Wright, Alexander street, East Brunswick, was fined 10/ for having ridden a motor cycle without being licensed on May 8. Constable McDonald said that Wright called at the police station to report an accident. Later it was found that his license had expired and had not been renewed.

The P.M. said that in imposing a light fine the bench had taken into consideration the fact that Wright had previously held a license, and had gone voluntarily to the police after the accident.

Lewis Blake, Bell street, Preston, who on May 3 drove a motor car without being licensed was fined £1.

Car Left Standing Without Tail-light

Michael Wilkinson, High street, Preston, was charged that on April 23 he left a vehicle standing without a tail-light.

The evidence was that the vehicle, a motor car, was left standing in Murray road and that a car driven by G. P. Dayo came into collision with it.

Wilkinson said that at the time of the accident it was not dark.

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Wedding Bells

O'CONNOR—SOUMPROU

THERE is something decidedly attractive about an all white wedding and this was much in evidence on Friday, July 6, when Miss Eileen Muriel Soumprou and her retinue entered St. John's Church, Clifton Hill for her marriage with Mr Alfred Edward O'Connor.

Rev Father May performed the ceremony and the bride, who is the daughter of Mr and Mrs L. A. Soumprou, of "Rotheby," Gooch street, Thornbury, was given away by her father.

Cut on classical lines was the bride's rich white satin gown and the skirt was full and gracefully draped. Her tulle veil fell into a long train and was held to the head by a band of satin caught across the nape of the neck with orange blossom with clusters over each ear. White camellias and lily of the valley were arranged in her sheaf bouquet. The groom's gift was a chromium bracelet studded with diamonds.

Attending the bride were the groom's sister, Miss Hilda O'Connor and a friend, Miss Isobel Barnacle. Flowing frocks of white satin were favored and small close-fitting white hats with eye-veils. Each maid carried a white Prayer Book with silk bookmarks and small spray of orange blossom.

Supporting the groom, who is the eldest son of Mr and Mrs H. E. O'Connor, of Mt. Evelyn, were Messrs Charles O'Connor and Victor O'Connor.

The reception and breakfast were held at the home of the bride's parents. For travelling the bride chose a navy blue ensemble suite relieved with white and her navy blue felt hat carried a white trimming also.

On Saturday, July 7, the couple left by the Hobson's Bay for a 12 months' tour of England, the Continent and America.

The Gentle Art of Giving Thanks!

IT may be more blessed to give than to receive but quite certainly it is more difficult to receive graciously than it is to give graciously. The art of giving graceful thanks is a neglected one and particularly is this noticeable at Christmas time.

Strike an Original Note

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"Thank you" alone is not enough Consider the letter which comes to thank you for a wedding present. It merely says "Thank you for the grape-fruit glasses," and then makes no further reference to your present, you are appalled. You are at once convinced you have chosen wrongly that your friend wanted colored glass instead of cut glass or wine glasses instead of grape-fruit glasses.

If she adds some pleasantry regarding the useful size of the glasses, or says how well these look with the dinner service or the wallpaper, you feel certain that she is pleased.

Even so, giving thanks need not end there. There are some gifts which so prove their usefulness that they do indeed go on giving thanks for themselves. Something beautiful or something useful proffers its own thanks every time the donor sees it making itself useful or just being beautiful in your home. This, perhaps, is the subtlest form of giving thanks. We can show our appreciation of a gift long after we have given our verbal thanks, by wearing it, cherishing it, or using it, or showing in some way how it pleases us.

For Hospitality

Gifts are not the only problems. We may also give thanks for hospitality or any special assistance that may have been accorded us in friendly fashion.

Week-end hospitality or longer demands a letter of thanks. These "bread and butter" letters, as they are often called, so frequently lack warmth. Perhaps a similar letter has often been written to the same hostess, and there certainly it is a little difficult to be original. But just as all such week-ends differ in little ways, so can the letters of thanks be made different. If some special entertainment was devised for you, refer to it; if you enjoyed yourself particularly or one thing especially, say so. In such a way you will please the person who tried to please you.

"I am a son of the soil!" shouted the grimy Park orator. "Yes, and I'm sorry for you," exclaimed one in the audience, "for I see you have your father on your hands."

A New Fabric

THE sweet young things of Hollywood are enraptured over the introduction of a new fabric in ribbed cordaneee. This material is being featured by all the youthful sportswomen in a big way and is particularly suitable for tennis, and golfing when the weather is nice and agreeable.

Evelyn Venable, the young Paramount player who has stepped into prominence in recent months by her marvellous work in "Cradle Song" and Now "Double Door," is one of the young worshippers at the shrine of this new material. Her wardrobe includes a tennis frock of lemon ribbed cordaneee which is accentuated with huge brown wooden buttons and a belt of grosgrain. A high neckline is featured by the frock and the tailored line adds chic while the pleated skirt gives plenty of freedom.

Sports Frock
featured by Evelyn Venable who will be seen in forthcoming Paramount Pictures

Travis Banton, designer at the Paramount Hollywood Studios states that he has never experienced such a keen demand for a new material as he is at present getting from the younger players for frocks of cordaneese.

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MY BEAUTY HINT

By Claudette Colbert
(Paramount Star)

TO add a beautiful figure there is one point far more important than various forms of dieting, exercise, &c

If girls would learn to eat very slowly so that the food will digest properly they would find that it takes less food to satisfy their hunger. But, more important than anything, is the habit of standing for fifteen minutes after eating. If you do this, instead of giving in to that temptation to relax or lie down after meals, the figure will stand a far greater chance of being what every woman is simply 'di-eting' to have!

Entertaining the Citizens

NORTHCOTE—FROM BOROUGH TO CITY

(By W. G. SWIFT)

"Lulled in the countless chambers
of the brain,
Our thoughts are linked by many
a hidden chain."

HOW true are the words of the above quotation. While watching the debutantes at the recent mayoral ball, my mind flashes back over the years since the first public function of the borough in 1887.

Time seems nothing when, in the twinkling of an eye, scenes of other days came up as a picture before one.

"Grace was in all her steps; heaven in her eyes," as each debutante with her chosen partner, danced to the sweet strains of the Merry Widow waltz. The first social evening was given by the late Councillor and Mrs. *A. McIntosh in 1887 (the Queen's* Jubilee Year), at the Albert Hall, Clifton Hill.

Quite a stir was created in the village, as public dances were unknown, and, to a certain extent, not approved! However, the evening was agreed, and a return was arranged under the uncommon title of a "Soiree Musicale." The next was a ball given by the late Councillor and Mrs. C. D. Verso, in 1888 at Collingwood Town Hall, the return being also held there.

The front portion of Northcote's municipal buildings, and the present supper room (then known as the small hall) were completed in 1891. The two sections were connected by a wide passage, and in this room the first ball of the town was given by the late Councillor and Mrs. G. H. Plant, a marquee being provided in the space between the buildings for the supper. Although the accommodation was limited, and dancing was not too comfortable, it was a brilliant function and created a standard which has been excellently maintained right down the years. Later on the Northcote District Poultry Society, under an agreement with the council, roofed in the space between the buildings and this was used as a supper room. It was very crude, being without floor or ceiling; to make it a little more comfortable carpets were laid on a bed of sawdust. Owing to its connection with the Poultry Show it was frequently referred to as the "Hen House."

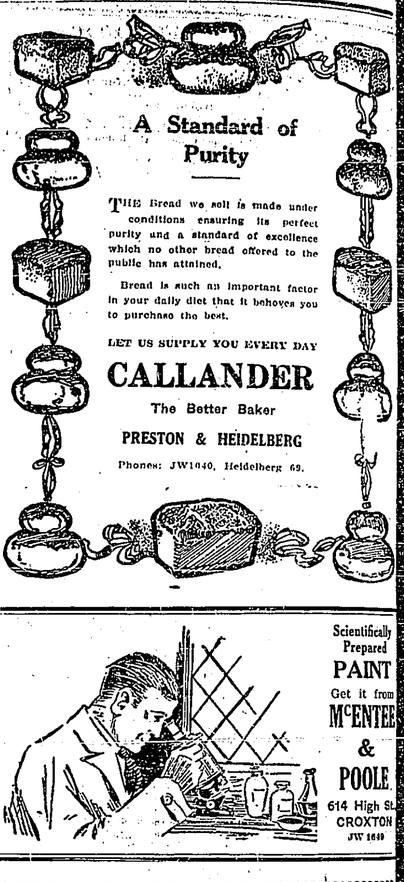
Just here comes to mind a peculiar incident, which occurred during the Federation campaign. The late Hon. Alfred Deakin had arranged to address a meeting in the small hall, but there being such a large attendance the annexe was also used, and he stood in the doorway, nearest to the stage, and held the double audience spellbound with his oratory. The present hall being in course of erection but not ready at the time, Councillor H. Hastings obtained the use of the Northcote Picture Theatre, which had just been completed in 1912, and it was there that the first debutantes were presented in the town. The return was also held there. Each of the previous years the respective mayors held an "At Home" in the small hall previously referred to until the above year, a feature being the decorations to make up for the plain appearance of the buildings.

Then in 1913 Councillor and Mrs. H. E. Johnson held the first ball in the present hall, which was not then so beautifully panelled and equipped as we now see it. This was the first occasion on which debutantes were presented in the municipal buildings. What a time they had at the rehearsals. "All went as merry as a marriage bell," in fact there were quite a number of engagements following the event. Since that year the return ball has continued with added charm, except during the war period.

It is strange when everything runs smoothly on these occasions without the slightest flaw in the general enjoyment, not a thought is given to the arduous task of those responsible for this excellent arrangement, but should a hitch occur everyone notices it. With the warmest pleasure I joined in the happy throng at the mayor's brilliant function, enjoying the scene, and meeting with many old friends. May such annual assemblages long continue.

"For hope shall brighten days to come,
And memory gild the past.

"My boy's taking medicine at Cambridge." "I thought he hadn't been looking well."



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TENNIS

North Suburban Association

Many matches were completed on Saturday, and the ordinary round was played. The gusty weather did not improve tennis conditions. It was a group Methodists remain undefeated, matching College's black day as each of their teams was defeated. In the C group Methodists had their closest win and came separated a most close and even match. Danella Park and Croxton recorded their second defeat. Carlton, still undefeated, were the first to defeat Croxton in the B group Capitol, still undefeated, were the first to defeat Carlton. Reservoir recorded their first win. In the E group Church of Christ are unbeaten, and Thornbury United are their fourth win and are level with Capitol. Spensley St. had their third win. In the F group Croxton are undefeated, and Holy Trinity are beaten at with only one defeat. Capitol and Thornbury also won. Results:—

B Group.—Methodists d Coaching College, 46-37; Danella Park d Carlton, 42-31; Oakover d Epiphany, 42-25; St Andrew's d Croxton, 37-37.

C Group—Claremont d St. Joseph's, 46-23; Danella Park d Carlton, 48-36; Methodists d Coaching College, 48-47; Holy Trinity d Epiphany, 46-35.

D Group.—Capitol d St. James, 53-15; Reservoir d St. Andrew's, 54-29; Capitol d St. Andrew's, 54-19; Coaching College d Epiphany, 47-45.

E Group.—Spensley St. d St. Joseph's, 43-38; Thornbury d Warlan, 43-37; Capitol d Murray, 52-28; Church of Christ d Methodists, 52-29.

F Group.—Holy Trinity d Reservoir, 52-26; Croxton d Coaching College, 43-39; Capitol d Danella Park, 46; Thornbury d Spensley St., 47-

Between Seasons Competition

Entry forms and conditions have been received by all the clubs for the between seasons competition, and the prospects of a large entry are bright.

New Method of Scoring

At the annual meeting on August 8 it is proposed new method of progressive points will be considered. Instead of the usual points for a win, a certain amount of games for and against will be counted. The state of the game at the completion of a match will be taken and added to the previous scores. Unfinished matches will be treated likewise and will thereby be completely eliminate all unfinished matches. The final four will be decided on averages. This and other novel suggestions will be recommended to the meeting.

Umpires' Association

A meeting will be called shortly to discuss the arrangements for the semi-final and final matches, and also the possibility of umpiring in the sixteen seasons competition.

PRESTON ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Preston Tennis Association is advertised to be held in the Regent Pavilion, Gilbert E. Robinson Park, on July 24 at 8 p.m. The business consists of election of officers and making arrangements for the new season. Mr. Arthur J. Pearce, hon. secretary, notifies that clubs desirous of representation should send two delegates. New clubs are welcome.

BASEBALL

Northcote and Preston Association

Westgarth A d Croxton B

Owing to the fact, that, at Smith's Paddock, some ladies were constructing a cricket pitch, and evidently did not know much about it, the playing area was in a terrible condition for last Saturday's baseball match, as large hillocks of clay and stone were strewn over the ground.

Westgarth proved much stronger than Croxton, only batting one short and fielding two subs., only scored 1 run and were unable to prevent large scoring on the part of Westgarth. The best hit of the day was made by R. Lowell (Westgarth) who smashed a beautiful home run to centre field.

Best Players — Westgarth A: R. Bell, A. Burridge, L. Young, H. Herman; Croxton B: G. Webster, H. Webster, A. Berchdolt.

Scores:—

Westgarth A: 5,0,5,8,10,0,4—41.

Croxton B: 1,0,0,0,0,0,0—1.

Mr C. Owen umpired.

Croxton A received a walk-over from Westgarth B.

Epiphany v St George's Reservoir

Epiphany played St. Geo'ge's Reservoir at Merri Park on Saturday last A very strong wind spoiled the game but Reservoir seemed to adapt themselves to the conditions better than Epiphany and ran out easy winners by 19 to 9. Hitting with the wind there were some big hits on both sides. J. Croll (Epiphany) hit a home run and a three-bagger, Hastings and Middleton (Reservoir) a home run each.

Reservoir were best served by Middleton (short stop) and Blockley (first) while Epiphany's best were L. Darsle and K. Gough. Mr Freeman umpired well. Scores:—

St Georges: 1,0,2,5,6,1,1,0,3—19.

Epiphany: 0,0,1,0,1,0,0,5,2—9.

PRESTON CLUB

Saturday's teams are as follow:—

A team v Northcote, at Northcote.—Westcott, Goller, Butler, Duffield, Thornycroft, Freyman, Crawley, Gordon, Moore, Spoor.

B team v Northcote, at Preston.—Nelder, Allen, Thurgood, Hills, Westwood, Stracker, Spicer, Fowler, Dyer, Jeanes.

C team v Newport, at Newport.—Westcott Morton, Naunton, McNamara, Durrant, Hills, Hopper, Hamilton, Robinson, White, Kellar.

ATHLETICS

Gilbert E. Robinson Memorial Run

PRESTON AND NORTHCOTE CLUB

Despite the boisterous conditions at Saturday a good field faced the starter for the four mile handicap—as Gilbert E. Robinson Memorial road race. Owing to several front markers scratching C. Thorne and B. McNabb were the first to leave, and been two set off at a moderately fast pace. Vic Kirkland followed and endeavored to catch them, but most of the following runners set off at a rather slow pace until Arthur Trotman started. He had given the first men nearly a minute start and judging by the pace he started he looked the likely winner, as it seemed hopeless for N. Fisher and W. Wrightman the two back markers, to catch him on account of the high wind into which the runners had to run in the first half of the race. When Wrightman (scratch) started the first runners were round the first bend. Keith Brennan took the lead near the turn, followed closely by Trotman, while Fisher and Wrightman had also made up much ground. Trotman passed Brennan near the foot of Coco's Hill, and Brennan was passed again when about half-way up by Fisher. Wrightman at this stage was about 75 yards behind Fisher. It was seen at this stage that Trotman had taken a little too much out of himself over the first part of the race while Fisher was running with his characteristic machine like method. Brennan, although second, was battling gamely on, trying hard to find a little extra pace to overtake the leaders and 1½ off the rapidly approaching Wrightman. After proceeding to her own work, Fisher gained the lead about a third of a mile from home to finish about 75 yards ahead of Trotman. The interest in the race now centered on the duel between Brennan and Wrightman for third place. Brennan, in a particularly dogged finish, managed to hold off the brilliant Wrightman to beat him in by 5 seconds to secure third place. Results:— N. Fisher (1 min, 39sec.), 1; A. Trotman (2:25), 2; K. Brennan (2:40), 3; W. Wright-man (scr.), 4; G. Connor (2:15), 5; A. Kirkland, 6. Winner's time, 22 min, 37sec. Fastest time, W. Wrightman, 22min, 5sec.

INTER-CLUB RELAY

This year in place of the usual Chelsea to Brighton relay, a relay from Mentone to the city has been substituted. The distance is approximately the same as before. The race will be held on Saturday, and Preston and Northcote A.A.C. will be represented by one team, as follows:—Fisher, N. Brennan, A. Trotman and F. Bates, while the last place will be filled by one of the following:—V. Kirkland, J. Garrett, A Shoppe and G. Kirkland. A bus will leave Preston Town Hall at 4.30 p.m. and travel along High street to Northcote to pick up any members along the route. The bus will then leave the city at 5 p.m. at Alexandra Avenue for Mentone. Members are requested to be punctual in order to avoid a last minute rush at Mentone.

Points Competition

N. Fisher is still leading in the cross-country aggregate with 70 points, followed by G. Connor 54, A. Trotman 51, F. Bates 34, G. Kirkland 28, V. Kirkland 26, J. Garrett 26, W. Weightman 26, A. Thorne 26, K. Brennan 18, A. Shoppe 16.

LAND AND HOUSES SELLING

A block of land in Mansfield street, came into the hands of a Thornbury agent for sale a short time ago. He submitted it to three clients, who within an hour had made a sale at £6 per foot. The agent could have sold the land to two other enquirers within a day or two if it had been available.

"Business in houses is looking up," said Mr. H. Burgess on Wednesday. There are more sales being made, but many investors still want property at bargain rates. Values are hardening. It is impossible to supply the demand for modern houses as few have been built in the past few years, so that the tendency now is for people wanting modern homes to build them.

Another agent, when interviewed on the same subject, said that Northcote properties could be reckoned at £100 to £150 above that of a similar class of house in Preston, due to the fact that travelling costs to the city were cheaper.

SCOUT NEWS

ALL ABOUT THE BOYS

Northcote Site Selected for Jamboree

District Camp Chief Appointed

Nineteen members of Northcote and Preston District Journeyed to Frankston last Sunday morning to select a position for the district camp. A tentative choice was made in a splendid situation immediately next to the shopping area and in a high position overlooking the old arena. The selection is being checked with the site survey to determine if the location will coincide with sectional layout.

As soon as these investigations are completed a second visit will be made to Frankston to make a minute survey of the position so that the district will be laid out architecturally before any work is done on the site.

District Camp Chief

The Acting District Commissioner of Preston (Mr Godfrey Sheldrick) will be camp chief of the District Camp including both Northcote and Preston Scouts. The Northcote Commissioner (Mr C. Homer Fraser) who is State Quartermaster at Headquarters will be too fully occupied with the scout shop at the Jamboree to be able to control the District. Assistant personnel will be announced later.

District Arrangements

In view of the costs necessary to build the archway, lay camp seats for visitors, publish brochure, and cart equipment several efforts are to be held to raise funds.

District Dance

There will be a district dance in the Northcote Scout Hall next Saturday night, July 21, at 8 p.m. All proceeds will be devoted to District camping costs.

Camp Layout Needs

The District layout officers require urgently a list of tents, and flys held by troops likely to be used at the Jamboree, particularly the sizes.

Wood Carving of Archway

Tentative arrangements have been made to have an experienced wood carver teach District scouts how to carve the uprights and plaques for the Archway. Scoutmasters will get the names of interested scouts, and present arrangements are that they will meet in the Northcote Scout Hall Wednesday, August 1 to receive instructions. Final details will be announced next issue.

1st NORTHCOTE ROVERS

Mr Martin Ronnild, National Ski Champion of Australia, gave a splendid talk on Norway to 14 rovers last Tuesday. Rovers were surprised to find they knew so little of such an important nation.

During the course of the talk Mr Ronnild pointed out that Norway has a population of only 3,000,000—half that of Australia. All Education is free and all medical attention is supplied by the Government. During the summer the sun never sets, and in the winter there are only five hours daylight. "If you go to Norway don't work on a farm," he said "Rising at dawn and stopping at sunset would be no joke in the summer!"

1st PRESTON TROOP

The annual Thomas Hurford Competitions will be continued next Wednesday, the items being Kim's Game and Scout's Pace. This competition is held annually to perpetuate the supreme sacrifice made by one of our scouts, Thomas Hurford, who gave his life in attempting to save two boys from drowning in the Yarra at Richmond, on September 4, 1921.

The gymnasium class will meet on Tuesday and the cubs on Thursday.

Preston Scouts to Use City Coat of Arms

The Preston Council has granted permission to the Boy Scouts Association, Preston District, to use the Preston City Council's coat of arms in connection with the forthcoming Centenary Jamboree.

1st WEST PRESTON

Thirteen members of the troop are attending the Jamboree. That is 82 per cent. On Sunday three of the troop were members of a party which went to Frankston, to choose the district camp site for the Jamboree.

APPROACHING AUCTIONS

By J. and H. Burgess (Geo. Hontorson, auctioneer) on Wednesday, August 1, at 3 p.m., on property, 6 Irene St., Preston, modern W.B. villa, 4 rooms, S.O., and all conveniences. See advertisement.

Popular Head Master Farewelled

Mr. J. F. Roe Entertained at West Preston School

After 43 years' honorable service in the Education Department Mr. J. F. Roe, Dip. Ed., ceased duty as head of West Preston School at 4.45 p.m. on Friday, July 13, when he signed off for the last time. The occasion of fading three farewells in the one day was a big strain, and it is little wonder he "cracked up" towards the finish.

The Mothers' Club entertained the retiring head and staff to dinner in the pavilion room, where the tables were daintily set out by the mothers. The president, Mrs. Payne, in wishing Mr. Roe good-bye on behalf of the mothers referred to the harmonious relations between the club members and Mr. Roe, who, she said, was always most kind and courteous, and co-operated with them in their efforts for the good of the school.

Responding, Mr. Roe thanked the *mothers for their help during his* regime. Many of the mothers were, he saw, his personal friends. He thanked them for their hospitality and then laid claim to the best cream cake on the table; this was duly handed to him amidst much laughter by Madame President.

Mr. Stapleton and Mr. McDonald on behalf of the staff endorsed Mr. Roe's remarks, "This pleasant little function ended to the strains of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

At 2.30 p.m. the children assembled in the quadrangle to say farewell Many parents were in attendance which was evidence of the retiring Head's popularity. Among the visitors on the balcony were Cr. G. Coburn (Melton); Cr. J. P. McKeough (Oakleigh), Mrs. Coburn, niece of the head—and former members of the staff. The mayor, Cr. H. F. Zwar, M.L.A. presided. To band accompaniment the pupils rendered lustily "the Best School of All," under the baton of Bandmaster F. Smith Apologies from the Director of Education, Mr. McRae, Mr. G. A. Osborne, M.A., Mr. H. Jackson, correspondent, school committee, were read In thecourse of his remarks the Mayor referred to two of Mr. Roe's outstanding qualities—his kindness and punctuality. As chairman of the committee he knew the service given by Mr. Roe and on behalf of the parents and committee he wished to express to him their thanks and hoped that he would enjoy to the full his well-earned rest.

Mr. E. I. Leach, M.A., district inspector, in expressing regret at Mr. Roe's retirement, said that Mr. Roe, whose work had the hall mark of efficiency, was certainly not old in his outlook. In spite of difficulties he still kept on until he attained his present high position. He mentioned especially the happy spirit of comradeship that prevailed throughout the school—due in no small measure to Mr. Roe, and he urged the pupils to emulate Mr. Roe's example of devotion to duty and high standard of citizenship.

Pastor Fisher referred to the very friendly relationship that existed between the ministers and Mr. Roe and joined with the other speakers in wishing him health and happiness in the years to come.

The chairman then called on Master Howard Abbot who in a capable speech thanked Mr. Roe on behalf of the pupils for his kindness and consideration to them, and then presented to him a travelling bag and cheque which he asked him to accept as a memento of his four and a half years as their head and as an expression of the esteem and affection from the pupils.

Mr. Roe, who was visibly affected by the gifts and cheers of the pupils, thanked them for their kindness and said he felt it was not a time for eccelly presents but he saw that the pupils had denied themselves of lollies and chewing gum to purchase him a present and for that reason he appreciated their kindness the more. On taking charge of the school his aims had been—a high standard of conduct and the happiness of the pupils. He knew of no greater parody than an unhappy child. In the course of his duty as schoolmaster and as a citizen he had at times to do stern things but he did them without malice, and he left the West Preston School with the kindliest feelings to both parents and pupils.

The singing of "Auld Lang Syne," the giving of three rousing cheers, and the singing of the National Anthem brought the pupils' farewell to a close. Then all marched out in orderly style. After the dismissal of the children about thirty teachers and visitors partook of afternoon tea.

Mr. Stapleton, who presided, referred to Mr. Roe's charitableness and his happy knack of getting the best from one and all.

Mr. Leach said that a suitable motto for Mr Roe was

"Kindness in another's troubles,
Courage in your own."

Although he had only paid one formal visit to the school he went away feeling that all were giving of their best and this was due to the inspiration of Mr. Roe.

Mr McIntyre referred to the fact that Mr. Roe had taught his father and that Mr. Roe was still affectionately referred to by his old pupils in whose minds he had left his impression over forty years ago.

Cr. J. P. McKeogh (Oakleigh) ex-Superintendent of Police, said he had been associated with Mr. Roe at Mytleford over twenty years ago on his school committee. He had found him to be a man of the strictest integrity, with a generous heart and wide vision.

Cr. G. Coburn (Melton) said that as a former teacher at Melton, Mr. Roe was held in high esteem as a teacher and citizen. He was an ideal secretary of the Mechanics' Institute, organised local functions, and was an enthusiast in the football team. He was pleased to join with the Preston people in honoring the guest.

Miss Black, infant mistress, who on behalf of the staff presented Mr. Roe with a cheque, spoke of the happy relations that had always existed in the school and wished the retiring head health and happiness in his years of leisure.

Mr. Roe in reply said that a head teacher was only as strong as his staff and the success of the school was due to the loyal co-operation of the teachers, all of whom had worked hard and conscientiously. He gave his staff a free hand and they upheld the best traditions of the profession. He was there was not a member on his staff and the only fault he had with them was that they worked too hard. It was a pleasure to work with such a fine body of men and women, and he always felt there was mutual trust between them and himself. He knew the staff would not think he was making invidious distinctions when he said Miss Black's wonderful loyalty and strength of character were factors in helping him to govern the school. Miss Hulett, in addition to her own work, transacted the financial part of the school; to her he was deeply indebted as he was to them all.

The singing of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" concluded an afternoon that left a deep impression on the retiring head.

NORTHCOTE FREE LIBRARY

Inspected by Mr. Ralph Munn

THE VISITOR IMPRESSED

MR RALPH MUNN, of the Carnegie Institute, Pittsburg, U.S.A., who has been in Australia these last few months inspecting libraries in the various States, paid a visit to the Northcote Free Library on Wednesday. He was received by the president (Cr W. Hayes, J.P.) and Cr W. Oliver, J.P., who were accompanied by Mr J. A. Thomson, Town Clerk, and Mr J. S. Whalley, representing his brother the secretary (Mr R. J. Whiley) who is at present out of the State.

Mr Munn was well impressed. He said it was a pleasure to come into a library so important as that of the vast majority of the libraries and Mechanics' Institutes he had visited in Australia. He particularly praised the fine range of educational literature provided, and commented upon the fine order in which the building is kept. The bright cleanliness of the interior especially attracted him, as in the murky atmosphere between the ministers and Mr. Roe and joined with the other speakers in wishing him health and happiness in the years to come.

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Mr. Leach said that a suitable motto for Mr Roe was

"Kindness in another's troubles,
Courage in your own."

Although he had only paid one formal visit to the school he went away feeling that all were giving of their best and this was due to the inspiration of Mr. Roe.

Mr McIntyre referred to the fact that Mr. Roe had taught his father and that Mr. Roe was still affectionately referred to by his old pupils in whose minds he had left his impression over forty years ago.

Cr. J. P. McKeogh (Oakleigh) ex-Superintendent of Police, said he had been associated with Mr. Roe at Mytleford over twenty years ago on his school committee. He had found him to be a man of the strictest integrity, with a generous heart and wide vision.

Cr. G. Coburn (Melton) said that as a former teacher at Melton, Mr. Roe was held in high esteem as a teacher and citizen. He was an ideal secretary of the Mechanics' Institute, organised local functions, and was an enthusiast in the football team. He was pleased to join with the Preston people in honoring the guest.

Miss Black, infant mistress, who on behalf of the staff presented Mr. Roe with a cheque, spoke of the happy relations that had always existed in the school and wished the retiring head health and happiness in his years of leisure.

Mr. Roe in reply said that a head teacher was only as strong as his staff and the success of the school was due to the loyal co-operation of the teachers, all of whom had worked hard and conscientiously. He gave his staff a free hand and they upheld the best traditions of the profession. He was there was not a member on his staff and the only fault he had with them was that they worked too hard. It was a pleasure to work with such a fine body of men and women, and he always felt there was mutual trust between them and himself. He knew the staff would not think he was making invidious distinctions when he said Miss Black's wonderful loyalty and strength of character were factors in helping him to govern the school. Miss Hulett, in addition to her own work, transacted the financial part of the school; to her he was deeply indebted as he was to them all.

The singing of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" concluded an afternoon that left a deep impression on the retiring head.

OBITUARY

ARTHUR JOHN HOTTON

Mr Arthur John Hotton, of Hoddle street, Abbotsford, passed away on Sunday at the Fairfield Hospital. He was well-known in Northcote, especially in Masonic circles being secretary to the Lord Northcote Lodge, of which he was a foundation member for some years; and a Past Junior Grand Deacon of the order. Mr Hotton was a single man and had, of recent years, devoted much of his time to lodge matters. He had a "heart of gold" and performed many kind deeds in a quiet way.

The funeral moved from the Basilica street Masonic Temple on Tuesday afternoon for the Preston Cemetery where the interment was made. Representatives of the Lord Northcote and Chelsea Lodges, the Mayor of Northcote, and Mr J. A. Thomson, and district lodges attended and floral tributes were received from sister lodges. Rev J. O. Hughes P.G.D., conducted the Masonic service at the graveside and assisted Wor. Bro. Briggs, Grand Chaplain, late of St. James, Thornbury, who conducted the funeral service.

The Preston Council has decided to plant lambertianas in Crispe and Gower Parks this winter, if possible.

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FOOTBALL

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NORTH MELBOURNE v PRESTON

At Royal Park. This game was marred by a terrific wind blowing from goal to goal. The Preston team was weakened by the absence of several star players, and only seventeen men were available. The winning of the toss was of great advantage to North, and they played splendidly, scoring 5-4 to Preston's nil in the first term. The Preston defence was good, but the forwards were continually straying across the centre, and so any opportunities of scoring against the wind (and those opportunities were few) were ruined. Monagle, Brown and Kelly played cleverly for Preston. It was apparent that Kelly was at the top of his form, his marking being especially impressive. The second quarter was most disastrous to Preston. The forwards were now expected to make full use of the wind, but they wandered erratically in pursuit of the ball, not even making an attempt to play systematically. Monagle continued to play cleverly, and his two goals, both scored in this term, were the result of excellent position play. He was supported most by the Ryan brothers, whose weight was very valuable in the crushes, and by McGregor, who proved as brilliantly as usual. No doubt the team was unlucky in its attempts at goal, yet weak forward play must be blamed for the poor score in this quarter. Half-time scores:—Preston, 3-7; N. Melbourne, 6-4.

In the third quarter brilliant forward play enabled North to further increase their lead until it seemed that a hopeless task had been set for Preston. In this term, as throughout the game, it was noticeable that P. Fricker was attempting some wonderful marks, but was not quite as sure as usual. Luck and the wind were against him. Bad play by the wing back men led to the scoring of two lucky goals by North. When the full back was forced away from goals the pocket men neglected to close in. Jackson was using his weight more than usual, but he continued to kick badly. More confidence and greater powers of concentration are the most urgent needs at the present time. Three-quarter time scores:—Preston, 3-7; North Melbourne, 12-6.

In the last quarter Preston played very exciting football, but no credit for a brilliant quarter is due to the forwards. The back men had been sent forward, and it was they and the ruck men who provided all the sparkle. Kelly capped a wonderful performance by scoring three goals, and he was ably assisted by McGregor, Ryan brothers and Pat Fricker. By dazzling kicking and systematic ground play the former back men almost saved the game for Preston, adding 6-2 to North Melbourne's nil. Final scores:—

North Melb.—12 goals 6 behinds.
Preston.—9 goals 2 behinds.

Best Players.—N. Monagle, Kelly, Ryan brothers, McGregor, Brown, Fricker. Goal-kickers:—Kelly (3), W. Ryan (2), W. Monagle (2), P. Fricker, McGregor.

To-morrow Preston play North Fitzroy at Hanby Park.

SPORTING SECRETARIES

The Sporting Editor invites Secretaries of sporting bodies to forward reports of their clubs' activities for publication in the "Leader." Matter should be written on one side of the paper only (preferably in ink) and should reach the Sporting Editor before mid-day on Tuesdays, or earlier if possible. Early copy receives first preference.

PROTESTANT CHURCHES

St George's Road Methodists v Thornbury Presbyterians

This match at Merri Park on Saturday had been looked forward to all the season, by players and spectators alike; but it was marred by a driving north wind. Umpire Arm strong was in charge, and gave a fair exhibition with the whistle, maintaining excellent control, whilst loosening up in his decisions to allow the game to be fought out fairly. There was no quarter asked for or given by either side. St. George's Road took full advantage of the wind in the first quarter, and rattled up 6—2 to Thornbury's 1—7. In the second quarter faulty forward work kept Thornbury still in arrears. The half-time bell rang with scores at—St George's Road 6—3; Thornbury Presbyterian 4—6.

The third quarter was almost a repetition of the first with Eric Mead of St. George's Road maintaining his great improvement form on the half-back wing. He initiated many a sturdy rush down the ground. The wind was the dominating factor all day, and the scores at the final change read—St George's Road 10—7 Thornbury Presbyterians, 4—7.

In the last quarter the reputations or both teams as traditional finishers were put to the test. Thornbury took full advantage of the wind by adding 6—7 to 0—1 by St George's Road. They forced their way through the opposition and maintained their reputation as an unbeaten team by an easy goal shortly before the final bell.

Final Scores:—	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Thornbury Pres.	10	14	74
St. George's Rd	10	8	68

A pleasant feature was the attendance of the ministers of the two churches, which was appreciated as an evidence of the real interest they take in the young people in their charge.

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SOCCER

SCHOOLBOYS' ASSOCIATION

Heidelberg at Northcote. Players will meet at the corner of St. George's

Northcote Club

On Saturday, Northcote will play and Miller streets, Preston. The team will be selected from the following players on the ground.—R. Keon, R. Liddiett, J. Liddiett, P. McKernan, A. McKernan, L. Barratt, D2. Duncan, J. Lamond, Glasborough, Davies, C. Nelson, W. Newsome, A. Newsome, E. Mays, W. Russell.

The best and fairest players against Preston last Saturday were L. Davies, R. Liddiett, A. McKernan. Owing to many players being absent last week through sickness, Northcote was easily beaten by Preston, 8—0.

NORTHCOTE MOTOR CYCLE CLUB

The half-yearly social and dance on Saturday, July 14, was a great success, being well attended by Northcote and Preston members. Messrs Fred L. Yott and A. Cliff Wilson, the president and secretary of the Motor Cycle Union of Victoria, were present. Mr. Yott presented the trophies.

Points for the new members' trophy are as follow:—G. Gosney 7, H. Ford 3, R. Leadbetter 2, R. Walker 1, L. Walker 1, M. Buckenshire 1.

Points for the consistency trophy:—S. Meadows 42, G. Gosney 42, R. Voss 30, L. Walker 29, B. Jordan 28, A. Gray 26, W. Bishop 26.

Points for side-car passengers' trophy.—L. Johnson 4, N. Book 3, G. Gormon 3, A. Gray 1.

Arrangements are being made for the treasure hunt and novelty sports meeting at Eltham on Sunday, July 29. Entry fees for treasure hunt are ladies 6d., gents 6d.; and for novelty sports ladies 6d., gents 6d.

THE PUNTERS' NOTEBOOK

Points of Form for Future Guidance

SELECTIONS FOR CAULFIELD ON SATURDAY

(By "Luteplayer")

Chief points of the form on the final day of the V.R.C. fixture at Flemington are entered in the notebook for the future guidance of backers.

FULJAM.—Came from a long way back to gain third place in Doutta Galla Hurdle. It was a surprisingly good effort, considering the way he failed in a Steeple at the Valley, and the 'Chasers' Flat Race the previous Wednesday. Unreliable, but Saturday's form is a sample of what he can do when he likes ,and if he will run up to that gallop there is a win not far distant.

SARAKOS.—Although he cut up badly in the Doutta Galla Hurdle after having his usual long lead, it should not take him long to regain winning form. In his race at Caulfield last month he sustained an injury and had to be eased in his work, and although he galloped well last week he was short of work, so he should be much improved by the race. The strong wind he ran into from the six helped to pull him up.

L'ELITE.—Ran a great race in the Lawn Handicap, but found Great Don a little too brilliant for him. Following a run of in and out displays he appears to have returned to something of the form of his two-year-old days, but luck is not going with him, for his second on Saturday made his third successive placing of that nature.

DOMINANT. — Prominent all the way and a good third in the Lawn Handicap. The form was a big improvement on his previous three outings and may be indicative of a return to winning form.

SOME HERO.—Never looked like winning the Lawn Handicap, but ran on well in fourth place. A creditable effort and flatt can be depended upon to place the brother to Hell Mark for another win.

DESERT DREAM.—Made a smart beginning in the Lawn Handicap than in the previous three races, and battled on gamely in fifth place, a proverbial "whisker" behind Some Hero. Keeping near enough to the money to claim some consideration in future races.

GEYSER.—Displayed any amount of pace and weakened last furlong to sixth place in the Lawn Handicap—a good trial for a two-year-old among seasoned sprinters.

WATCHFUL.—Find some backing for the Lawn Handicap, but lacked the brilliance for a race of that type. Finished eighth and somewhat similarly placed all the way. Is in good heart, but probably will be all the better for the race, and first appearance in a mile handicap held claim attention.

WINDLEON.—In a good position for the greater part of the Trial Hurdle and ran on fairly in second place. A winner of two hurdle races at Casterton, and runner-up to Meek and Mild in the Jumpers' Flat at Sunbury. Looks a fair sort and should appear among the winners of minor hurdle races in Melbourne.

SEVEN HILLS.—Came from a long way back to gain third place in Trial Hurdle. Previous start was a similar placing in a Trial Hurdle at Moorlington and should win a race or two over the battens. A stable mate of, and fully related to, Lanfrol.

COUNTSMARTHURTH.—Although he may not have defeated the winner, probably would have finished second in Trial Hurdle but for meeting with interference from Illured when the last-named fell at the final obstacle. Early in the race hit a hurdle, which stendied him for a while. Should improve sufficiently to win similar type of race and will do best when allowed to race unrestrained.

COPPERFIELD.—Finished a very bad third in the National Steeple, and although that actual form was no recommendation for the immediate future there are several points concerning him to be kept in mind. In the first place he has proved himself a safe jumper, possessing stamina, and his present lack of brilliance may be due to the fact that he is comparatively fresh from the hunting field. A five-year-old, he is a young horse as far as jumpers go, and Trainer Hoysted is sure to sharpen him up and believe long he may be displaying improved form.

KING OF ARMS.—Ran a good race but was no match for Prince Flavio in the Footscray Steeple, and his second place in Trial Hurdle was another and made his third successive minor placing. There are a poor lot of chasers about at present, and this gives some hope of him scoring a win. His form, if moderate, is consistent, and, like Prince Flavio, he may improve.

GREENDON. — After having had every chance he finished third in the Footscray Steeple, but has to be considered in the same light as King of Arms. His record is now one win and three thirds in his last four starts so that he literally is keeping a place for himself in the considerations of weak steeple company.

GALLIBROOK.—One of the Vendors all the way and finished second in July Handicap. Did not actually weaken but the winner (Semblis) had a little more dash at the finish. He was his best effort in four starts after arriving from the West, but also showed fairly in previous three starts over shorter distances. May do better when ridden helping the field. Before leaving the West he won over a mile and a mile and a half respectively.

EAGLE EYE.—Proved that failure in the Winter Handicap was all wrong by finishing close third in the July Handicap. One of the leaders all the way and struggled on gamely. He should have a chance of luck before long.

GAY KING.—Appears to be an improving gallopee. Just missed a place in the July Handicap. A fair run back to near the turn, where he regained extra ground through and round the field. It was a good effort and one worth considering for future race.

NELLIE'S TIP.—Did not note whether anything happened to him at the start of the July Handicap, but when the field settled down he was in the ruck. Still there turning for home, but finished fast in fifth place. That run, following his win the previous Wednesday, points to him being in good fettle following.

NOEL SOLDAT.—Registered a fair performance in the July Handicap. Meeting with interference at the start caused mainly by Gallibrook cutting across sharply, was knocked back last. Could not obtain a run in a straight until too late, and in the circumstances did well to finish sixth.

COUNT ORLOFF.—Shared with Noel Soldat the interference at the start and he was second last when the field settled down. When a mount is obviously knocked out of the race, as in the case of Count Orloff, Frank Dempsey does not ask them to attempt the impossible, so that little notice need be taken of Count Orloff's failure to make much ground. He is very fit and sure to be prominent in another race.

Selections

Leamington Hurdle
THE MIRROR
SARAKOS
PRIME SEAL

Lillimur Two-year-old
STAR LOVER
TRITELEIA
CHELANDRIC

Murrumbeena Handicap
DICK DEVON
GLIDEWAY
GALLIBROOK

Godfrey Watson Steeple
PRINCE FLAVIOL
KING OF ARMS
WHURLIG

Kambrook Trial
(Apprentice Riders)
HIS HIGHNESS
JELDIWALLAH
RIGHTSPEAR

Malvin Welter
NELLIE'S TIP
MATARAM
CELOTEN

BEST BETS
The best bets may be The Mirror and Dick Devon.

CRICKET

Queen Carnival to Help Finance English Visit

PRESTON LADIES' CLUB

The Victorian Women's Cricket Association are running a Queen Carnival to raise funds to meet expenses of the forthcoming visit of the England Women's cricket team. Each club will enter a Queen into the competition, and it is expected that £400 will be raised as a result of their efforts.

Miss Hilda Hills has been selected as Queen of Preston Club, and every effort will be made to have her crowned as the successful Queen. Miss Hills has represented her club

In inter-state games for the last three seasons, and has been the premier wicket-keeper of women cricket in Australia. A strong committee will be formed to organise and conduct functions to further her interests.

NORTHCOTE CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Northcote Cricket Club will be held on Tuesday, August 14, at 8 p.m., at the town hall. Mr. A. E. Johnson, hon. secretary, in an announcement elsewhere, notifies that nominations for office-bearers must be in his hands at his address, 36 Victoria road, Northcote, by Monday, August 6, at 7 p.m.

To-morrow's Game: Can Preston Stop Leaders?

BRUNSWICK SWAMPED IN RAIN OF GOALS

Northcote Win at Every Turn

GAME PROLONGED BY TEN MINUTES

(By "Rover")

Last Saturday saw the completion of the first round of home and home matches. Northcote continued their forward march by swamping Brunswick. The Green and Golds are now two clear matches ahead of their nearest opponents (Preston), and their percentage figures are phenomenal. So far Northcote have lowered their colors only once—to the strong Oakleigh team; but the other games have been won in such a manner as to leave no doubt as to the ultimate premiership team.

THE TEAMS

NORTHCOTE.— Backs, Ackland, Wilson, Lyancolin, half-backs, Woods Hart, Powell; centres, Garrett, Hart, Rogers; half-forwards, Rogers, Williamson, Kouchen; forwards, Gray Byrne, Hosking; followers, Goullet, Kennedy; rover, Ross.

BRUNSWICK, Backs, W. Spokes, McAmore, Raeburn; half-backs, Ward, Board, Jordan; centres, Mitchell, Hunt, W. Ellaway; half-forwards, Lawrence, R. Thompson, Palmer; forwards, Boyd, Justice, Franke; followers, Jenkins, Prismall; rover, Dowling.

THE PLAY

The match was played on the Western ground.

With slight assistance from the wind Brunswick were first away and Woods turned opening goal. Boyd, with a single, notched the first score.

The visitors displayed good pace and Boyd capped a clever burst with full points.

Brunswick's Defence

Northcote advanced by the wing, but strong defensive play by Prismall saved.

Byrne with a splendid mark broke through to goal.

A Cross Breeze

Either side was impressive and a cross breeze blowing across the ground hampered marking and kicking.

The defenders turned attacks at speed. Ross then goaled from an acute angle. Northcote began to press attacks, and the Brunswick backs, among whom Raeburn and Spokes were prominent, turned several advances. Byrne marked and kicked his second goal.

Weak Forward Work

Brunswick attacked incessantly but weak forward work allowed the Northcote defenders to clear without trouble.

Slater is the ball the green and Golds maintained the offensive.

Ross snapped a single, their first for the quarter. Concerted play by Byrne and Ross enabled Byrne to kick a major.

Byrne Doing Well

In spite of the absence of Seymour forwards showed fine understanding, and Byrne was capably filling the champion's shoes.

Haskett marked high to stem a Brunswick thrust and commenced a move which culminated in Byrne goaling for the bell.

QUARTER-TIME SCORES:

	Gls.	Bds.	Pts.
NORTHCOTE	5	3	33
BRUNSWICK	1	2	8

Green and Golds Go Further Ahead

Northcote, superior in the ruck, worked strongly. Brunswick's defences made scoring difficult.

Williamson conspicuous for high marking, piloted first goal for the quarter.

Defenders' Tactics

Each side tried to advance, but the defenders forced the forwards to kick into the wind.

Hart, on the wing created many dangers.

After a long scoreless period Brunswick penetrated for a goal from the wing. Following advances were fully checked by Haskett and Woods and a marked with judgement.

Northcote on Top

Hart led the home side forward and Byrne play among the forwards yielded Gray and Byrne to goal. In 3 Northcote held sway in the air but their small men were proving active.

An advance led by Jenkins was nipped by Woods who marked, Byrne led down a glorious mark and added the opening.

Spokes Injured

Spokes left the field (injured shoulder) and was replaced by Thompson. Northcote, by solid defence, better co-ordination, and more effective forward work, countered Brunswick's spasmodic dashes and at half-time held a winning lead.

HALF-TIME SCORES:

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Northcote	10	3	63
Brunswick	3	4	16

A MORE EVEN QUARTER

Brunswick opened with great domination and Palmer goaled in a run. Jenkins and Dowling staged a sustained offensive and Palmer goal was marked for goals.

Haskett Conspicuous

Brunswick continued to attack but Haskett was in top form, his marking and kicking being a feature of the play.

Points Scored

Northcote came through but could only manage points until Rogers notched a big one.

Brunswick determined

Brunswick's purposeful methods worried the Green and Gold defenders, but their forward work left much to be desired. The visitors lacked understanding and were consistently beaten in the air.

Brunswick Moves

After Ross, who was roving effectively, obtained Northcote's twelfth goal, Brunswick in a burst showed their best play for the match. Although scoring only singles they gave the Northcote defenders a lot of trouble.

Byrne and Ross marked and the former notched his sixth goal.

THREE-QUARTER TIME SCORES

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Northcote	13	7	85
Brunswick	5	10	40

GOAL-KICKING GALORE

Williamson opened the quarter with a long shot, for a goal. Byrne capped a series of bursts with three goals, bringing his total to nine. Brunswick replied immediately and Justice, leading out, scored his first goal.

The Machine Works

Northcote completely swept aside all opposition and added goal after goal with somewhat monotonous regularity. Their advances were interspersed now and again by belated efforts by Brunswick, who struggled on gamely.

Byrne's Dozen

Byrne piloted another three goals; his total of 12 being an excellent performance. The forwards generally lacked the Northcote goaling at will.

Game Prolonged

The fact that 10 minutes extra time was played in the last quarter again illustrated the great power method of time-keeping needs revision.

Final Scores:—	Gls	Bhds	Pts
NORTHCOTE	24	15	159
BRUNSWICK	11	11	77

Goal-Kickers

Northcote—Byrne (12), Gray (3), Williamson (2), Rogers (2), Ross (2), Ackland, Meltzke, Bates. Brunswick—Palmer (5), Justice (2), Franke, Boyd, Jenkin, Raeburn.

Best Players

Northcote.—Byrne, Woods, Hart, Ross, Haskett, Williamson, and Rogers.

Brunswick—Palmer, Dowling, Jordan, Ellaway, Franke, and W. Spokes.

LAST SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Oakleigh, 6—15 (55) d Port Melbourne 8—1 (52).
Northcote 24—15 (159) d Brunswick 11—11 (77).
Prahran 17—26 (122) d Brighton 8—12 (61).
Preston 15—25 (115) d Williamstown 10—10 (70).
Coburg 10—13 (73) d Camberwell 9—12 (66).
Sandringham 12—22 (94) d Yarraville 8—16 (54).

PREMIERSHIP LIST

	P	W	L	%	Pts
Northcote	11	10	1	158.00	40
Preston	11	8	3	125.00	32
Prahran	11	8	3	120.79	32
Oakleigh	11	8	3	114.89	32
Sandringham	11	6	4	102.30	26
Coburg	10	6	4	100.00	24
Port Melb.	11	5	6	95.77	20
Yarraville	10	4	6	91.67	16
Camberwell	11	4	7	97.59	16
Brighton	11	3	8	81.60	12
Williamstown	11	1	9	67.59	6
Brunswick	11	1	10	70.52	4

TWELFTH ROUND ON SATURDAY

Northcote v Preston at Northcote.
Oakleigh v Camberwell at Oakleigh
Coburg v Brunswick at Coburg.
Prahran v Port Melbourne, at Toorak Park.
Sandringham v Brighton at Hampton.
Williamstown v Yarraville at Williamstown.

Goal-kickers

SEYMOUR (Northcote) .78 (0)
HAWKINS (Prahran) ..54 (5)
DENNING (Oakleigh) . 49 (4)
J. BUCKLEY (Yarrvle) . 47 (2)
Warr (Preston) .42 (5); Fraser (Oakleigh) 33 (0); Gray (Northcote) 32 (3); Cahill (Williamstown) 32 (3); Johnson (Sandringham) 27 (0); Lilburne (Brighton) 26 (2).

ASSOCIATION SECONDS

PRESTON GET HOME

Williamstown Waste Opportunities Preston, 9—10, d Williamstown, 6—17, in a game in which Preston had most of the play. Best Players—Preston: Oakleigh, Chateley, Hardiman, Finnigan, Pitts, and Connell. Williamstown: Quinn, McCallum, Watt, Drew, Lee, Jamieson. Goal-kickers-Preston: Oakleigh (3), Moran (2), McEachran (2), Hughson, and Connell. Williamstown: McDonald (2), Moloney (2), Watt, and Drew.

NORTHCOTE AGAIN DEFEATED

Narrow Victory by Brunswick

Brunswick, 4—17 d Northcote, 4—7 This was an uninteresting game, as the wind was strong and the standard of football low. Best Players—Brunswick: McGrath, Ellaway, Lewis, Clemens, Whitely, and Paton. Goal-kickers — Brunswick: A. Gillon (2), Glover, and McGrath.

MATCH AT PRESTON ON SATURDAY

To-morrow afternoon the locals will meet at Preston, where Northcote are hopeful of turning the tables. A keen game is anticipated.

FURTHER BID FOR ROCK

The committee have arranged to interview the Brighton Club on Monday evening to see if there is any possibility of the Seasiders clearing Rock to Preston. The officials are particularly anxious to secure Rock for the forward position and are hopeful of Brighton releasing him.

Railway Gates at Reservoir

PRESTON Council has been advised by the Railway Department that the construction of the railway gates at the Reservoir railway crossing will be commenced immediately.

THE SEASON'S ATTRACTION

NORTHCOTE v PRESTON—THE MATCH OF THE DAY

A Great Game Anticipated

THE second round of the home and home matches will commence to-morrow, when the Northcote and Preston teams will stage what is known as the "Interstate Match." A great battle for supremacy is expected.

THE game will provide the 'matee of the day," and should draw an exceptionally large crowd to the Northcote Park.

Both Sides Confident

Throughout the season Northcote have proved most consistent.

Preston are now a far stronger side than when they last encountered, and were comfortably defeated by last year's premiers at the opening match of the season. However, both sides are confident of the ultimate result. The question of the match may probably be as to how far Preston can check Northcote's attack, for with Seymour as the spearhead, the Green and Gold are in the happy position of having the best forward line in the Association.

McSwain to Strengthen Attack

Preston's attack is unquestionably weak (usually) but with McSwain as goal sneak, should be able to withstand the busting tactics usually used against a full forward.

The game should teem with interest, as in past years, and spectators at Northcote Park will see a thrilling game from bounce to bell, fought right to the finish.

Preston are confident that they can turn the tables; while Northcote, with their almost unbroken succession of victories behind them, are quietly confident.

TO-MOROW'S PROBABLE TEAMS

NORTHCOTE'S GOAL

(22) Smith (P)
(20) Seymour (N)

(13) Hugo (P) (11) Cannaway (P)
(2) Gray (N) (4) Byrne (N)

(4) Murray (P) (17) Street (P) (14) Brewis (P)
(18) Lawrence (N) (10) Williamson (N) (7) Rogers (N)

(9) Harding (P) (8) Warr (P) (12) Doyle, (P)
Rover

(10) Dowling (P) (19) Dineen (P) (6) Underhill (P)
(22) Clark (N) (9) Lyngcolin (N) (24) Garrett (N)

(1) Goulett (N) (3) Ross (N) (12) Meltzeko (N)
Rover

(15 Robinson (P) (26) Farrell (P) (20) Arthur (P)
(23) Woods (N) (17) Bates (N) (21) Powell (N)

(27) Boschen (P) (24) Brown (P)
(6) Hart (N) (8 Ackland (N)

(1) McSwain (P)
(5) Haskett (N)

PRESTON'S GOAL

The above name and numbers of the players (with their respective positions) should serve as an interesting and useful guide to those patrons who propose to visit the Northcote Park on Saturday afternoon to see the two local teams enwrapped in another desperate struggle for supremacy. The game should attract a very large attendance.

PRESTON'S OVERPOWERING DEFENCE

Game Fight By Williamstown

FINE AERIAL WORK BY THE SEASIDERS

(By "Follower.")

Despite Williamstown's fine aerial display, when judgment and anticipation were far ahead of Preston, they were no match for the racy tactics and forceful defence of the Red and Whites. Both sides were weak in attack, and many opportunities to score were wasted.

THE TEAMS

Preston included F. Sparge and Cameron in place of Cannaway and L. Robinson, who were injured whilst playing against Brunswick.

Preston. — Backs: Hugo, Smith, Sparge; half-backs: Murray, Hearn, Brewis; centres: Dowling, Dineen, Underhill; half-forwards: Cameron, Farrell, Arthur; forwards: Boschen, McSwain, Brown; followers: Street, Doyle, rover: Warr.

Williamtown. — Backs: Simmons Brookes, Drew; half-backs: E. Dellar, R. Dellar, Martin; centres: Cook, Taylor, Fisher; half-forwards: Pitt, Cahill, McGillivray; forwards: Stebbins, Hyde, Burke; followers: McCabe McAdam; rover: Blake.

Little Interest

Little interest was centred in this game as Preston last Saturday due to the fact that Williamstown was second from the bottom of the list, and Preston second highest on the list. The attendance of spectators was the smallest seen at the Park this season.

THE PDAY

Cahill won the toss for the visitors and had first use of a strong north wind which blew directly through the goals.

Williamstown opened smartly but owing to Preston's solid defence, were unable to register any score until several minutes had passed.

First Goal

Still attacking, the Seasiders managed to penetrate as Hyde goaled. Preston, by short passing, carried the ball in front, when Farrell was freed. McSwain piloted the possible.

Another onslaught by the home side, a dash by Brown, took the ball to Warr, who did the rest.

Town Uses the Wind

Williamstown, using long driving kicks, were successful as Cahill scored two goals quickly. Preston's next attack broke on the fine marking of the goal defender, Brooks.

Sound Defence

Preston's defence was sound throughout the term. The Seasiders managed to penetrate for the fourth time, Burke scoring.

QUARTER SCORES:

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Williamstown	4	6	30
Preston	2	0	12

The Scores Evened

Preston were in a favorable position as they changed ends and supporters anticipated a big score.

Town's Defence

The defence of Williamstown was an effective barrier, the work of Captain Cahill and Brooks being particularly effective.

The high wind made it hard to judge the flight of the ball.

Goals Against the Wind

Williamstown forced play forward and Hyde capped the effort with a goal. Brooks and McCabe battled to keep Preston out. A flying shot by Arthur broke through the defence.

Dowling, with the call over his man, began forward moves.

Street came down in the pack. He was carried off the field with an injured leg, and was replaced by W. Robinson.

The wind was a disturbing element and two kicks were sufficient to take the ball from one end of the ground to the other. Play swung towards the Seasiders' objective. Doyle checked. Dineen got possession and the long kick bounced the ball between the behind posts.

Williamstown again surged forward when McGillivray found the opening on the bell.

HALF-TIME SCORES

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Preston	6	13	49
Williamstown	6	6	42

A HARD-FOUGHT TERM

In the third term Preston's defenders had plenty to do. C. Drew notched a good goal. Preston went forward when R. Dellar, freed, turned the advance which ultimately ended in C. Drew goaling, he profiting by a mis-kick in by Smith.

Cahill, marking, forwarded to Hyde and another goal came.

Constant Attacks

The constant attacking of the visitors had Preston defenders on their mettle. Another Preston advance saw McSwain hand - ball to Warr for a six-pointer. He got another soon after.

Williamstown had added 4 goals 4 behinds during the term (the last goal being scored by Cahill as the bell sounded) as against Preston's 2 goals, 2 behinds (all scored by Warr)

THREE-QUARTER SCORES:

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Williamstown	10	10	70
Preston	8	15	63

PRESTON'S STRONG FINISH

With a deficit of only seven points, and the strong breeze in their favor, it was a foregone conclusion that the match must fall to Preston. Williamstown crumpled under the continuous bombardment through their defenders worked hard to keep the attackers out.

Town Does Not Score

Preston, by good football, rattled on 7 goals 10 behinds whilst their opponents failed to score.

FINAL SCORES.:

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
PRESTON	15	25	115
WILLAMSTOWN	10	10	70

Goal-Kickers

Preston—Warr (5), McSwain (4), Arthur (3), Underhill, Boscher and Cameron.

Williamstown.—Cahill (3), Hyde (3), C. Drew (2), Burke, and McGillivray.

Best Players

Preston's best were Dowling, Warr, Hugo, Arthur, Boschen.

Williamstown were best served by Cahill, McCabe, Martin, E. Dellar, Brooks, C.Drew, and McGillivray.

Church Notices

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH NORTHCOTE
Sunday, July 22
11 a.m.—Holy Communion.
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer.
Preacher, Rev. A. H. Constable.
All Welcome.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Tyler Street, Preston.
July 22: 8th Sunday after Trinity
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10 a.m.—Children's Church.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer.
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer.
Preacher: The Vicar
(Rev. F. Parsons)

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July 22: 8th Sunday after Trinity
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11 a.m.—Choral Eucharist.
4.15 p.m.—Holy Baptism.
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Unique Parochial Exchange
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CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
Bayview Street, Northcote
Sunday, July 22: Trinity VIII.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.
7 p.m.—In Memoriam to the Late Mrs. Wallis. G.F.S. attend.
Preacher, the Vicar (Rev. Thomas Cole, Th. School.)

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Reception at 8.45 p.m.
All members and adherents are asked to be present.

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ANNIVERSARY SERVICES
Sunday, July 22
11 a.m.—The Moderator, The Right Rev. John McKenzie, M.A.
7 p.m.—My J. R. Nicol will address the Combined Bible Classes.
7.30—Rev. A. J. Stewart
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AT the Preston Council on Monday night Cr Adams outlined the great progress made by the band since the new arrangements regarding the municipal band had been agreed to. He said that previous bands had flourished and faded away, but since a committee was formed after a meeting had been called and the appointment of a bandmaster to control, the band was now on the way to becoming a credit to the municipality. There were 32 new members and they were assisted by a committee of citizens with Mr W. H. Webber as chairman.

Mr Webber, in supporting Cr Adams, congratulated the council on the way they had altered the position and considered that in the appointment of Mr W. May as the conductor, the best man was chosen and he would, with the band, be a credit to the city. Reply by Mr May.

Mr May thanked the councillors and citizens for their loyal support and said the improvement of the band was amazing. In outlining his musical career he said he was for 16 years in control of the Glenelg (South Aus.) Municipal Band, and was for many years with the Grand Opera Company. While in Dunedin, the musical director of the Grand Opera Company, Snr. Mastro Rossi, presented him with his baton as a mark of esteem. Mr. May thanked Messrs. Holmes and Baker, members of the band, who had always assisted him in band instruction.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR

On June 28 Regent Baptist Intermediates held their monthly meeting. Encouraging reports were received from all convenors and a deeper interest is being developed in committee work. Letters from missionaries in different parts of the world gave us the latest news from the mission fields.

Two meetings of special interest held during the month by Northcote Church of Christ Y.P. Society were the Bendigo Electors' Night and a music night. The echoes meeting was taken by the delegates who attended the State Convention at Bendigo. At the music night Mr Chris Reekie provided a feast of song and spoke on "The Place of Music in our Worship". The last meeting of the month was report night and the work for the past quarter was reviewed and further activities planned for the coming quarter.

At Preston Methodist Y.P. Society meeting on July 10 Rev A. L. Sherlock was the speaker and Miss E. Knight leader. This was the monthly Consecration meeting. On July 17 an interesting meeting was held when Mr Beckett, Methodist Home Missioner at Walhalla, spoke of his work in that district. Miss Ed. Knight was leader. Miss E. Thrupp sang the solo entitled "My Task" which was appropriate to the meeting. There were about 21 present.

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NORTHCOTE CRICKET CLUB
THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Northcote Cricket Club will be held in the Northcote Town Hall (Small Hall) on TUESDAY, 14th AUGUST, 1934, at 8 p.m.
NOMINATIONS for Office Bearers for the forthcoming season must be in the hands of the Secretary, A. E. Johnson, 36 Victoria Road, Northcote, N.16, by MONDAY, AUGUST 6th, at 7 p.m.
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ANNUAL MEETING, Library Hall, Preston, 8 p.m. AUGUST 9.

Northcote P.C. Dance
Dancers are looking forward to Wednesday, July 25, on which date the players of the Northcote Football Club are holding their second fortnightly dance. The moderate price of 1/6 is charged for admission, this amount, including supper and tax. The previous dance was an outstanding success and the players are looking forward to having another large crowd.

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"HANDICAPPED FROM THE START"

Husband Who Is In The Navy

PAID WIFE'S PEOPLE DEBTS AND INTEREST

"These young people are handicapped from the start," said Mr. G. Brown, P.M., at the Northcote court on Tuesday. "The husband is in the Navy, and his occupation takes him to sea most of his time. The circumstances are unusual, and I think it would be better for all concerned if a reconciliation could be effected."

These comments were made when making a maintenance order in favor of Emma Mary Clara Sparrow, of High Street, Thornbury, against her husband, Reginald James George Sparrow, a mechanician on H.A.M.S. Australia.

Mrs. Sparrow said: The marriage took place in 1928, and there are two children. I am now living with my parents in High street, Thornbury.

Mostly With Parents

Soon after the marriage I went to Portland with him, and was away for about two and a half years. Apart from a short time when we lived at Christmas street, Northcote, then at Wood street, Preston, and for another short time at Gibbis street, East Melbourne, I have always resided with my parents.

Whilst we were at Christmas street, last year, I accused him of having a girl in Sydney. He became angry and struck me. He left for Sydney next day.

Agreed to go to Sydney

In May last, when he was home on leave I got a flat at Gibbis street, East Melbourne and did my best to make his stay pleasant. He asked me to go to Sydney. I agreed. Then he received notice of having my brother in the navy, and he gave me a ring. I was very upset. He told me that is only one of the many I am going to get."

When he got his deferred pay totalling about £500 he bought a car. One night after coming home from a dance I asked him to let me have the next day to do some shopping. I was staying with my people in Thornbury, and he with his people at Reservoir. He refused my request, and called me some horrible name. Then he cleared out and left me, taking the car keys with him.

£8 Per Fortnight

Up to the end of May he allowed me £8 per fortnight.

The Deferred Pay

Mr. H. H. Gray (for the husband): He has always been very liberal with his earnings?—Yes.

He got £500 deferred pay in December last?—Something like that.

He paid your father £105?—He stated that.

With the balance he cleared the lay and then traded it in and paid £125 on another?—Yes.

He also bought £75 worth of furniture?—Yes.

When he returned to Sydney you were at a house at Wood street, Preston?—Yes.

And when he came over again you said only a room at East Melbourne? —I had been ill and could not do any better.

It has suggested that as the Australia has its base at Sydney you should go over there?—I agreed to go.

About the Car

On one occasion you took the car when you knew he wanted it?—It is my car.

Exactly. Bought with his money? —I meet the payments out of my allowance.

Have you been to dances with a man named Pearce?—No.

But you went to a dance with some friends and partnered a man named Pearce?—Yes.

When was that?—In October last year.

Will you go to Sydney now?—No.

Reconciliation Urged

The P.M. at this stage urged that every effort should be made to effect a reconciliation. The wife apparently had not much to complain about. This couple was handicapped from the start as the husband was away so much at sea. That was unavoidable as he had to follow his occupation.

It was intimated that reconciliation efforts had failed.

HUSBAND'S EVIDENCE

Sparrow said: I am a mechanician on the H.A.M.S. Australia and earn £4/17/2 per week. I came from Sydney for the purposes of this case. The ship has its headquarters at Sydney, and my wife and I would be more together if she would reside in Sydney.

Paid Debts and Interest

In December last I got my deferred pay. I paid my wife's people £105 which they said I owed them. They remembered everything they had done for me in making the reckoning, and added interest as well.

Trouble With Parents

When I returned to Sydney after leaving my wife at a house in Wood street, Preston, she wined me that the house was sold, and asked if she could go home to her parents. I refused the request, as I knew that if she took the furniture there, there would be trouble over it. On one previous occasion I had to send her parcels of goods to her over some of my furniture which they held. I am not welcomed by her parents.

When I came over again in May my wife had a room in East Melbourne. She said she was not well enough to look for something better, but all the same on the following night she went out to a dance.

Nothing in Differences

After the first "row" she complained of, we went out to tea together and everything was all right. There was nothing in the second one and I did not call her horrible names. I simply asked her concerning the truth of certain things, which had been reported to me.

Cross-examined: If your wife goes to Sydney, how long will you be there?—Several days. Then I'll have to relain my ship.

Do you consider this offer a genuine one?—It was until I got certain information.

What do you mean by that?—I will make a home for her for the sake of the children.

Order Made

The P.M. in announcing that an order would be made, said that the terms of it would be such that it would make each realise that she and he would be missing something. The wife would not get as much as she formerly did, and there would be no interference with the husband's ability to earn. An order would be made for £1/5/ a week for the wife, and 10/ for each of the two children.

AN APPRECIATION

To Mr. Harris,
Commissioner Victorian Railways.

Dear Sir,—I would like it known to you of a trustworthy and honest boy porter at Westgarth rail station, whose name is Porter James Westgarth. While waiting for the train proceeding to Melbourne I lost my purse containing my monthly ticket, £1 and some silver enclosed. After leaving the above station I noticed my loss. Leaving the train at North Richmond I made same known to the station master, who communicated with the station master at Westgarth. The boy had found my purse and handed it over to him, which I promptly received from the station master at North Richmond in quick time. I feel very grateful and wish to convey my sincere thanks.

ELIZABETH OLDIS.

26/7/1934.

Tramways Board Obsolete

Northern Municipalities Confer

LACK OF TRAMWAY FACILITIES CONDEMNED

GENERAL dissatisfaction was expressed at the meeting of the Council of the Northern Municipalities which took place at Northcote Town Hall on Friday, July 20.

Mr E. L. Kiernan, M.L.C., said it was time the municipalities went to the Tramways Board and demanded to know when the cable tramways in the northern suburbs would be converted to electric propulsion. In his opinion the Board was obsolete and should be reconstructed to include representatives of the municipalities similar to that of the Board of Works.

"Each year," said Mr Kiernan, "legislation was rushed through extending the life of this body for another year." The members of the Board had originally been appointed for three years, and the life had been extended on five occasions for a period of one year."

In supporting, Mr H. H. Abney, M.L.C., said it was unfair to private bus owners who were pioneering routes, in the districts only to give them security of tenure. At present owners of buses were registered by the Bus Advisory Board for a period of 12 months. They never knew from year to year when their livelihood would be taken from them.

Cr Sparks, Collingwood, moved and Cr Geo. Hooper (Brunswick), seconded a motion that the matter be referred to the municipalities for discussion and a recommendation was carried unanimously.

Cr Sparks then moved that the conference ask the Tramways Board to modernise the cable tramway route through Smith street, Collingwood, to Northcote, with the object of eventually linking up Ivanhoe, Heidelberg, and Preston.

Cr Westfield (Heidelberg) seconded the motion, which was agreed to.

PRESBYTERIAN MODERATOR VISITS NORTHCOTE

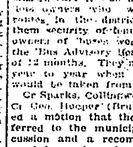
Warm Welcome Extended By Northern Churches

THE "MASTER OF THE PULPIT" SPEAKS

The State Moderator of the Presbyterian Church (the Rev. John Mackenzie, M.A.) visited the James Street, Northcote, Presbyterian Church on Wednesday evening. There was a good attendance of representatives from Clifton Hill, Northcote, Preston, Thornbury, Regent, Reservoir, Epping and Whittlesea. After a short service in the church a reception was tendered to the Moderator in the Sunday school hall.

THE ONE-TALENT MAN

SPEAKING in the church the Moderator took as his text the three servants and the talents, showing how the servants who received the five, and the two talents, doubled them, whilst the one who received The Moderator only one buried it. Thus, when the master returned he rewarded the first two, but dismissed the one-talent man. In considering this parable people sometimes put the five-talent man in the courts of the place, the two-talent man in the middle courts, and the one-talent man in the outer courts. At present talent of Bible days was worth about £250 — which in those days was a fortune. So one talent was to-day, and it behoves every man, even though he be but a one-talent man, to make the fullest use of his one talent and develop it to its fullest extent. If he could not lead, at least he could choose capable and consecrated leaders to carry out the National, State and Christian work.



Right Rev. John Mackenzie M.A.

The choir, under Mr G. Reid, rendered the anthem "I Will Give Thanks" in a beautiful manner.

WORDS OF WELCOME

THE official guests at the reception were Cr and Mrs M. C. Jones (Mayor and Mayoress of Northcote), Revs A. J. Stewart (Preston Presbyterian), Thomas Colth (Anglican), F. T. Cleverdon (Methodist), Watkins (Moderator's Chaplain), Rev A. T. Jones presided.

Rev A. J. Stewart, in welcoming the Moderator, said that the democracy and the Scotch Church were allied. While democracy was in some lands treated with disrespect and even contempt he was pleased to be able to say that Presbyterians always respected constituted authority and were deeply sensible of democratic responsibilities. This was so because the church was under the leadership

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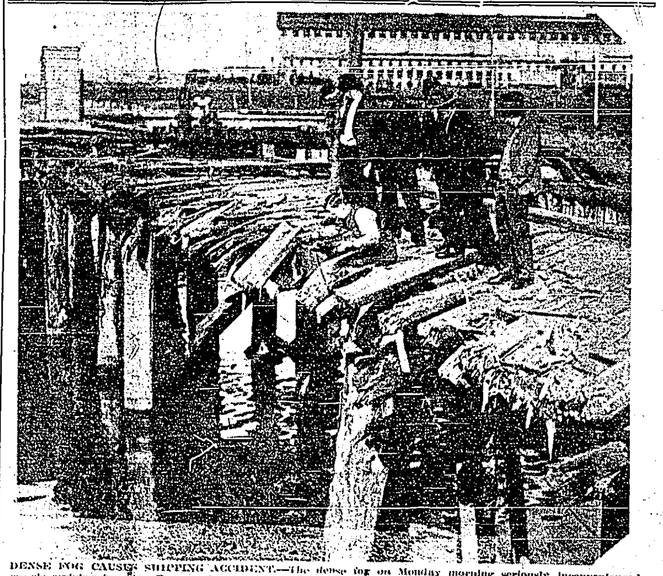

DENSE FOG CAUSES SHIPPING ACCIDENT.—The dense fog on Monday morning seriously inconvenienced vessels arriving in port. Damage done to the Commonwealth Oil Company's wharf at Newport when the German steamer Rendsburg crashed into the wharf, splintering heavy 10-inch beams.

(Photo by Courtesy of the Argus, Melbourne)

Activities at Preston

By The Rousabout.

They Say—

THAT a rumour was freely circulated in Preston during the week that Mayor Zwar did not intend to seek further mayoral honors at the expiration of his term of office in August.

The Mr. and Mrs. G. Ferguson, of Cramer street, Preston, hope to take part in a Centenary golf tournament.

That Mr. Jack Green, Bell street, was the recipient on Wednesday of birthday congratulations.

That Sergeant Lang has forsaken the keeping of dogs and taken to poultry.

That the friends of Mrs. A. E. Newton will be pleased to learn that her state of health is on the up grade.

That Mr. F. W. Suithers, manager of the Preston branch of the Bank of N.S.W., is recovering from a severe attack of influenza.

That Mrs. Crook is to be asked to *join the Mothers' Club in connection* with Bell State school.

Scarl, Lane will spend a few days at Nanurkah, and Senior Constable Nolan, from Northcote, will relieve.

That First Constable Dean, of Preston, is doing relieving duty at Ivanhoe.

That the mayor said, regarding the football match between Preston and Northcote (when the former were victorious), "It was worth paying £1 to see."

That Mr. Whittle has been carrying on duties at Tyler street school since the demise of Mr. Warren.

That Mr. G. Fryer, from Moonee Ponds, will take the place as head at Tyler street.

That the mayoral return ball on Thursday next promises to be something special.

That Mayor Zwar is paying a flying visit to Adelaide. He left on Thursday and will return on Friday.

That Miss J. Butler, from Warracknabeal, joins the teaching staff at West Preston State school.

That Miss E. A. Threlfell goes from West Preston to Warracknabeal.

That Mayor Zwar attended a concert for the benefit of old age pensioners in Preston on Wednesday evening and then went on to the annual meeting of Preston Rowing Club.

Snooker

PRESTON branch R.S.S.I.L.A. played snooker with Essendon and were beaten by 3 games to 1. Next game is against Coburg.

Anglers and Cards

IN their quiet evening moments the members of the Preston Angling Club try their hands at cards. They recently held a function at which prizes were distributed and there were victorious by 14 games to 10. They next meet North and West Melbourne anglers at Preston.

Help the Ugly Man

MR. "Mickie" Underhill seeks honors as an "ugly man." Messrs G. Timms (hon. secretary), P. Clements (treasurer) and R. Clements (committee) have banded themselves together to forward his interests. "Mickie" will represent the general committee of the Preston Football Club in the ugly man competition to raise funds on behalf of the club. The other candidate in the competition is said to be Mr. Ralph, who feels annoyed that Mr. Underhill claims the title of "Ugly Underhill."

Tyler Street State School

THANKS to the efforts of the mayor the Education Department has set aside £600 to be spent on re-grading the grounds. In addition the balcony of the school is to be enclosed with glass. The work will be carried out as soon as arrangements are made with the Public Works Department.

The Dog Came Back

MR. and Mrs. Green and family, of Bell street, mourned the loss of a well-liked mongrel dog for about three weeks. It went astray whilst chasing a hare out Bacchus Marsh way. A few days ago the animal, with drooping tail, sad eyes, and lean body, found his way back to the Green domicile.

A Poisoned Finger

PETER Shaw, a son of the licensee of the Council Club Hotel, recently purchased a bag of Stewart Island oysters. When opening one a piece of shell entered one of the fingers of his right hand and the result was a poisoned finger.

Return Mayoral Ball

THE complimentary return ball to the mayor and mayoress will take place on Thursday, August 2. Applications for tickets should reach the secretary not later than Monday next.

Mr. J. F. Roe Again Honored

MR. Roe, who has retired from the headmastership of West Preston State School, was farewelled at the Helen Street State School Northcote, at a gathering of headmasters of No. 4 Inspectoral District. Presentations to Mr. Roe, who said nice things about the people concerned, and the latter said nice things about Mr. Roe, consisted of an umbrella and a smoker's outfit.

Mothercraft and Baby Health Work

UNDER the auspices of the Reservoir Progress Association, Sister Holland, in charge of the Baby Health Centre at Preston and Reservoir, gave a lecture at the Progress Hall before a large audience. Sister Holland mentioned that some 15 years ago, mainly through the efforts of the late Mr. G. E. Robinson, a part time Baby Health Centre in conjunction with Coburg was opened in Preston. The work had progressed so well that now an excellently-equipped centre in Gower street was open on five days each week, and a second centre had been established at Reservoir. Mr. E. G. Sutton, J.P., was deserving of a great deal of credit for assistance and support in the latter move. Before the days of the health centre at Preston the death rate among infants under the age of one year was 10 per cent. Two years ago it was 2.5 per cent. It had to be remembered that to every baby who died six were maimed more or less. The Government subsidises the salary of a sister at a Health Centre to the extent of £100 per annum, the local council making up the difference. The name of Dr. Sir Truby King, said the speaker, was known the wide world over for his scientific research for the great work of caring for the babies being undertaken and carried out on the present-day extensive scale. A cordial vote of thanks was recorded Sister Holland for her address.

Centenary Celebrations

A MEETING of the Centenary celebrations committee has been convened by the mayor to be held at the supper room, Preston Town Hall, on Thursday, August 16, at 8 p.m. All interested in Preston's effort in connection with the floral parade and pageant of grand procession of beautifully decorated cars and floats and various celebrations for the forthcoming Centenary of Victoria, including preparation of strong post of welcome on procession route are requested to attend.

Kendall Street Swing Bridge

QUITE a number of complaints have been received from residents of Kendall street as to the unsatisfactory approach to the swing bridge from the Preston side. It is stated that the approach from the Coburg side is all that could be desired. It is understood that the Preston Council will be approached with a view of altering the undesirable state of affairs. A lady who mentioned the matter to the writer said that on a recent occasion when wheeling a perambulator she had a narrow escape from serious injury owing to the slippery state of the approaches.

Yet Another Building

BUILDING proceeds apace in Preston. The latest is a five-roomed brick villa in Murray road west, at a cost of £668.

Clothes Line Cleared

MRS. Mitchell, Gilbert road, mourns the loss of a line full of clothes, which were stolen during last Saturday night.

Mayor's Shilling Appeal

A MOUNT previously acknowledged, £161/16/3; envelope, 1/-; Mat. ron Wilson's section, 14/7; F. H. Suithers, 10/6; Try Your Skill, 10/6; Regent Central Progress Association section, 14/1; Try Your Skill, 15/7; total at close of appeal, £165/2/6. Since received:—Try Your Skill, 1/4; Cr. Swain's Section, 1/-; Matron Wilson's section, 2/-; Preston Lawn Tennis Association, £2/2/-; Try Your Skill, 10/6; do., 4/9; do., 8/3; Regent Central Progress Association, 4/-; Mrs. Breen, West Preston Progress Association, 9/-; Howe and Co. Pty. Ltd., £5/5/-; employes Howe and Co. Pty Ltd., 17/3; total, £175/7/7.

Horticultural Society for Preston

THE mayor has convened a public meeting of citizens of Preston, to be held at the supper room, Preston Town Hall, on Monday, August 27, at 8 p.m., to form a horticultural society. At this proposal is one which will meet with approval from many enthusiasts of horticulture in the city it is hoped that the meeting will receive the attendance, support and interest that it deserves. The mayor is to be commended on his activity in this direction. Recent displays held by the Preston Tramways Employes' Horticultural Society demonstrate what can be done in the growth of plants and flowers in this district.

Centenary Choir

A FEDERATED choir with a membership of 250 has been formed by suburban schools' Mothers' Clubs with the object of singing during the Centenary celebrations. Representatives from West Preston and Preston Girls' School Mothers' Clubs are among the assembly who meet every Monday evening at McEwan House, Little Collins street, Melbourne, under the conductorship of Miss Grace Evans. An invitation is extended to members of all district school mothers' clubs interested in good music. Further particulars may be obtained from Mrs. Chas. Paterson, 22 Bond street, West Preston.

Preston Angling Club

LAST Sunday the members of the Piscatorial Council and members of angling clubs were the guests of the Ballarat Fish Acclimatisation Society and the Ballarat Angling Club. Eight members of the Preston Angling Club were present and they spent an enjoyable and instructive time. The visitors were met at Ballarat station by the vice-president (Mr. Groves), the secretary (Mr. Quaife) of the Acclimatisation Society and Mr. Mudie (president) and Mr. Fraser (secretary) of the Ballarat Anglers, and members of the committees of both. A bus and several private cars were available to take visitors to the Memorial Hall, Sturt street, where they were welcomed to Ballarat by Mr. Groves. Mr. Archer, president of the Piscatorial Council, responded on behalf of the visitors, after which light refreshments were partaken of. Then the party was driven to the hatcheries on the shores of Lake Wendouree, after being conducted over the hatching room, where were seen one million and a half trout eggs in the process of hatching. The visitors subsequently were shown the operation of "stripping" trout, both male and female, and the method of fertilising the ova. About twenty of the visiting party were then driven to Lake Burrumbeet, 12 miles out of Ballarat. Upon returning the party was again entertained at the hall. Messrs. Kneebone, Tatterson and McIntyre expressed thanks to the visitors for the hospitality extended during the visit.

Preston Municipal Band

ON Sunday morning the band had a visit from Cr J. W. Adams, and during the interval members listened to a short address by this gentleman who expressed surprise at the advancement made in such a short period. He felt sure that if the players retained their enthusiasm it would not be long before the band would command the respect and pride of the citizens of the City of Preston. The Bandmaster (Mr W. May) thanked Cr Adams and mentioned it was the intention of the band to give a recital at an early date. The playing strength is at present 36 members.

Community Singing

RECEIPTS for Friday last were £5. Miss Elsie De Ray gave a delightful turn in song and dance, and Mr. Leslie, with his humor, gave the patrons many bright moments. Mrs. Herf (the accompanist) gave fine duties at the piano in her usual able manner. Artists for Friday next are Ted Anson, the fiddling jester, and Miss Ena Gordon (soprano). Mr. Leo Leslie was welcomed as a member of the Preston branch R.S.S.I.L.A. He is with the R.A.A.F. in France, enlisting during his stage tour of England in 1914.

Unemployment Figures

THIS week's figures are as follow:—Working in return for sustenance, 543, at a cost of £610/7/4. Sustenance and not working in return, 16, costing £6/16/6; registered for work only, 177 men, 28 women.

Boys' Unemployment Movement

LAST Thursday was the renewal date for applications made through the above movement, and only 21 boys in this city took advantage of the organisation to obtain employment. All registrations are now dealt with by this office, and there is no need for applicants to now attend the city.

Preston Auxiliary for Blind

THERE was a good representation of the Preston Auxiliary for the Blind at the seventh annual meeting of the Council of Auxiliaries held in the Royal Victorian Institute for Blind at St. Kilda road. Lady Huntingfield was present, and was presented with a silver bowl, the symbol of the Blind Institute. In response she congratulated the 160 auxiliaries on their fine achievement in raising the magnificent sum of £714 during the year which was £1000 more than the effort last year and urged ladies to carry on the wonderful work. Two blind babies were presented to Lady Huntingfield, one, a small child from Preston, receiving expert care and attention, being trained to take their places in the world. A delightful programme was rendered by the blind artists and afternoon tea brought a close to a delightful afternoon. Those who represented the Preston Auxiliary were.—The President Mrs Chapman; vice-president Mrs Todd, accompanied by Miss Beryl Todd, Mrs Carr hon sec., Mrs Knoll, hon treasurer, and Miss and Mrs Calaway.

Preston Red Cross Auxiliary

AT the last meeting at the town hall the mayoress (Mrs. H. P. Zwar) presided over a good attendance. £1/1/0 was received from Mrs. M. Cheese for the Melbourne Hospital Appeal. A recent card afternoon was a decided success, nearly £3 being the result. Refreshments on that occasion were Mesdames Cathie, Mather, Allchin, Thompson, Kaufman and F. Sheppard. The next afternoon is on August 9. The hostesses will be Mesdames Duncan, Parker, McIntosh, Maconochie, Scott and Jones. Among those present at the meeting were Mesdames H. P. Zwar, Allchin, Chapman, F. Sheppard, McIntosh, Moore, Dow, Parker, Janos, Cathie, Mather, Scott, J. Maconochie, Thompson, McGregor, Banfield, Duncan, Kaufman and Bradford. Next meeting, August 1 (nominations).

PRESTON JUNIOR ANGLING CLUB

The Anglers' Hall, Murray road, Preston, was the scene of much festivity on Wednesday, July 18, when he parents and friends of the boys of the Preston Junior Angling Club indulged in dancing and games on the occasion of the club's first annual social and presentation night.

The guest of the evening was the mayor, who was welcomed by Mr. T. Butler (president) and Mr. L. Downey (controller). Mr. Zwar suitably responded and congratulated the senior officials on the conduct and training of the boys. Among those present were visitors from other clubs and senior club officials including the president of the Junior Club (Mr. D. McIntyre). The boys are to be congratulated on the effective decorative scheme of the room. The club song is welcome was well rendered by the boys.

The surprise of the evening was a birthday cake presented to the club by Messrs. E. Gardiner and C. Harrigan. Mayor Zwar requested Mrs. T. Butler to cut the cake, which was distributed among those present. The knife, suitably inscribed, was presented to Mrs. Butler as a memento of the occasion.

The catering was in the hands of Mesdames L. Downey, E. Shaw, W. Curwood and F. Foxwell, assisted by the senior boys.

The mayor presented trophies to the following, who had won them during the past season:—Douglas Wade, championship (presented by (Mr. Dayes) and Mr. W. Sone's trophy; Bertie Lawson, cup for most improved boy; Eric Sharp, gold medal for heaviest fish and progress; Tom Spencer (most improved boy) for attendance and behaviour. Others who won trophies were George Campbell, K. McKitterick, L. Sargent, A. Beck, W. Halich and F. Keskenin. Qualifying certificates were presented to Ivan Optiz, Eric Sharp and Alf Black. Surprise gifts were presented to the following for services rendered:—Mr. T. Winterton (transport driver), Mr. L. Downey (controller) and Ivan Optiz, late hon. secretary (two lines donated by Mrs. G. P. Daye).

During the evening trophies were promised to the club by the following:—Mr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A. (six cups), Mr. and Mrs. D. Coole, Mr. Mottershead, Mr. A. Watkins, Mr. L. R. Hocking, Mr. and Mrs. T. Butler, Mr. Harvey, Mr. C. Harrigan, Mrs. A. Bowles (large cup), Mr. Deacon, Mr. Hibert (planter) and Mr. Lee. Hibert planter carried out her duties at the piano in her usual able manner. Artists for Friday next are Ted Anson, the fiddling jester, and Miss Ena Gordon (soprano). Mr. Leo Leslie was welcomed as a member of the Preston branch R.S.S.I.L.A. He is with the R.A.A.F. in France, enlisting during his stage tour of England in 1914.

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RESERVOIR NOTES

A meeting of cricket enthusiasts was held at Mr. Davis' saloon on July 19, to form a Reservoir second eleven. Mr. F. McIntosh was elected secretary and treasurer. It is desirous of entering the Jika Association.

Keen comment is being passed on the structure to be the gate-house. It seems remarkable that such an edifice is allowed to occupy such a prominent position. If a private citizen attempted to place a similar building on a private block he would be stopped by building inspectors and regulations.

A cement watertrough for the use of dogs and horses has been placed near the old watertrough in the reserve opposite Balah street. It is the gift of "Annie and William Hill, Australia." The smaller vessel for dogs to drink from is a quaint and modern idea.

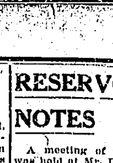
Mrs. Thrower, of Edwardes street has been ill, but is recovering slowly.

The Reservoir Branch of the A.W.N.L. held its quarterly meeting on July 17. Mrs. Hartle-Ryan, J.P., presided over a good attendance. A musical programme was provided by Mrs. Lloyd and Miss McFadden, each item being enjoyed and encored. Afternoon tea was served. The special visitors were Cr. Dennis, M.H.R. and Cr. Zwar, M.L.A. Mrs. Zwar was not able to be present owing to a previous engagement. Mr. Zwar spoke on the thankless task of economy, the public service commission, and the increased price of milk and sugar.

Mr. Dennis spoke on the over-government of Australia, the tragedy of unemployment for boys and girls, and the encouragement of local industries by tariff adjustments.

It has been claimed that Reservoir contains another link in the old lodge that stands on Broadway. It is stated that here Rolfe Boldrewood wrote that great Australian novel "Robbery Under Arms."

The material for the constructional works of the gates on the crossing has arrived. It seems a remarkable fact that £50 was spent only a few months ago on this crossing, at the time the contemplated building of the gates being known to the authorities.



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CHURCHES

Church of the Epiphany, Northcote

The service on Sunday evening took the form of an In Memoriam to Mrs Wallis, who was associated with the G.F.S. and was a great church worker. The vicar took as his text the words from the order of Holy Communion: "Come unto me all that travail or are heavy laden and I will refresh you." The vicar spoke feelingly of Mrs. Wallis' association with the church and of her just reward in the Higher Life. The choir rendered the anthem "What Are These."

On Saturday afternoon last members of the G.F.S. attended a service at St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, when a service was held in memory of the late Mrs. Jerram, late secretary, who was associated with the G.F.S. in an official capacity for many years.

A social evening was tendered to the Trombadours on Tuesday evening by Mr. Allen Church, at 1Mrs. Wright's, when between 30 and 40 spent a pleasant evening. Mrs. Cohen was made the recipient of a cut glass flower-bowl, and Mr. F. C. Hills (producer) was presented with a smoker's stand. The vicar (Rev. Thomas Cole) made the presentations.

Representatives of Epiphany branch G.F.S. attended the annual meeting of their society at Christ Church, South Yarra, on Tuesday evening, when Lady Huntingfield presided.

Prince of Wales Park Methodist Church will commence their winter tournament of indoor games on Thursday night, which has every promise of success and will be held each Thursday evening during the winter months.

Rev. T. H. Indian was the speaker at the Young Men's Bible Class on Sunday afternoon.

The C.A.F.M. held their monthly meeting on Wednesday afternoon, when a large number of women listened with interest to an address delivered by Mrs. T. C. Carne, who spent several years in India doing missionary work. Afternoon tea was served by Mesdames Britten and Barclay.

All Saints' Church, Northcote

On Thursday of last week a successful afternoon was held at the vicarage in furtherance of the interests of the Ladies' Work Party. Mrs. Carstable was hostess and a goodly number of guests were present. Items were given by Mrs. Southwell and the Misses Le Huray, Marshall and Welch.

On Sunday evening next a China Inland Mission valedictory service will be held. Miss Ada Elliott, who was associated with the C.I.M. as a Sunday school teacher, has been accepted for service by the C.I.M. and hopes to go to China in September. The preacher will be the Rev. C. N. Lack, and Miss Elliott will also speak.

Christian Science

"Truth" will be the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, Sunday, July 29. The Golden Text is from Psalms 25: 5 "Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day." Among the citations which comprise the lesson-sermon is the following from the Bible: "And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein." (Mark 10: 13-15). 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: "Willingness to become as a little child and to leave the old for the new, renders thought receptive of the advanced ideas, Gladness to leave the fixed landmarks and joy to see them disappear—this disposition helps to precipitate the ultimate harmony. The purification of sense and soul is proof of progress. "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God." Page 323.

High Street Methodist Church

Begin the day with the following thought:—

"The Fellow who is Pulling on the Oar hasn't time to Rock the Boat."

In the presence of a fair congregation, Ex-Stoker Stevens, of the Royal Navy, conducted the service last Sabbath morning. Mr. Stevens delivered an inspiring talk to the children, his main thought being, "Making a good start." Just a few years ago a young man might have been seen throwing a ball at a cricket stump many times each day. The young man is at present in England and has made the very fine score of 304 in the Test match at Leeds. He was able to make this score because he had "made a good start" when he was young. An athlete must be very quick and make a good start in order to win the race.

Very few people ever climb to any height on foot, unless in youth they make the necessary good start. "Great was the Company" was the anthem rendered by the choir. The preacher took his text from Corinthians 2-6 and a most interesting talk followed. "We are instruments in God's hands. It is not by hurling out texts that any good will be done, but rather it is by personal touch," said Mr. Stevens in the course of his address.

At the Sunday school in the afternoon, Rev. Padre Gault conducted a Decision Service, at which the children were given the opportunity to become followers of Jesus.

A visit by members of Preston Methodist Bible Class was paid to High Street Young Men's Society in the afternoon, where an enjoyable meeting was conducted. Mr. Elmer, leader of the Preston class, and Hon. J. G. Membrey, leader of the High Street Society, both delivered enthusiastic talks. Mr. Stubbs rendered four fine solos.

At the evening service Rev. F. T Cleverdon conducted the visit. Rev. Padre Gault was the speaker. The anthem was entitled "Seek ye the Lord," with Mr. H. G. Anthony as soloist. The text for Rev Gault's address was found in St. John 7: 43. At the conclusion of the service a short *after-meeting was held*, at which an appeal was made to those who had not made their stand for Christ to do so. Quite a number made this stand.

Visitors can be assured of a warm welcome at any of the numerous gatherings connected with the High Street Methodist Church.

St Mary's Church of England, East Preston

Tickets and programmes are being sold for the grand pageant "The Vision," which is being produced at the Melbourne Town Hall, on 27th, 28th, 30th, and 31st inst., at 8 p.m. Over 100 people are taking part in this play which promises to be very fine. There will be a choir under the direction of Mr. A. W. Martin (organist of Christ Church, St. Kilda). Mr. Martin was at one time a chorister at St. Mary's Church. Also on 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th prox, a play will be produced at the Garrick Theatre, Melbourne, which is strongly recommended to attention. One night's proceeds will go towards the Home Mission fund.

Northcote Baptist Church

On July 18 the annual business meeting of the church was held. It was decided that a monthly social and a social should be arranged and held by the Sunday school every three months. On Monday night last a successful social was held by the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavour. The proceeds were devoted to church work. Two pastor (Rev. S. E. Dorman) preached two illuminating sermons on Sunday last. Ordinance of Believers Baptism was observed at the evening service.

Northcote Church of Christ

On July 19 students of the College of the Bible took charge of the Christian Endeavour meeting.

The table tennis team connected with the Boys' Club met Middle Park C team on Friday evening and were narrowly defeated.

On Sunday attendances at services were fair. The preachers' topics were "Worship in the First Church" and "The Church That Jesus Built."

Holy Trinity, Thornbury

The unique exchange of the clergy and choirs of St. Bartholomew's, Burnley, and Holy Trinity, Thornbury, which took place last month, was by successful. Large congregations attended both churches. At Thornbury an adaption of Maunder's "Song of Thanksgiving" was rendered under the direction of Mr. Cecil Trowbridge. Mr. Percy Derrick presided at the memorial organ. Much enthusiasm was displayed by members who took part and indications are that the idea is appreciated by the congregation. The Rev. Geo. Gilder delivered an appropriate address. Later the parishioners of Holy Trinity served super to the visitors in the parish hall.

The vicar (Rev. W. H. Chamberlain) will officiate throughout the day next Sunday.

Sunday week is the anniversary of a very historic event—the laying of the foundation stone by Sir Stanley Argyle. Special reference to the importance of this event will be made at the services. Visiting preachers of note will be present, the Rev. R. H. B. Williams and Rev. J. H. Dewhurst.

Northcote Congregational Church

Mr. H. Wells, of the Congregational College, was the preacher at the morning service last Sunday. Mr Wilson, lay preacher, Collins Street Baptist Church, preached in the evening.

It was decided at a church meeting on Monday evening to invite the Rev W. H. Rayner, B.A., B.D., of Ballarat, to accept the pastorate of the Northcote Congregational Church. The meeting was presided over by the Rev Walter Ashiston.

When Disraeli had concluded his first attempt at a parliamentary oration, he said: "Gentlemen, you are laughing at me to-day—but the time will come when you will want to hear me!" How Disraeli's determination won through and conquered his imperfections as a public speaker, provided a fitting illustration for an address delivered by Mr J. F. Armstrong at the meeting of the Young Men's Society last Sunday. Using the story of Mark's failure and recovery as the basis of a thoughtful and helpful talk, Mr. Armstrong urged his listeners not to be discouraged by failure, but to regard all seeming defeats as stepping stones to better things.

Torrential rain, mud, and bitter cold, could not dampen the ardor of the large band of enthusiasts who attended a recent meeting of the Dramatic Club. Marked by tremendous enthusiasm and giving every indication of the dawning of a new period of prosperity in the life of the club, the meeting decided on several ambitious schemes for the future. Intending members are requested to interview the producer (Mr W. Fanning) or the secretary (Miss Sheila Penhall) at the school hall, on Wednesday evening next.

The merits and demerits of Free Trade and Protection are to be discussed at the meeting of the Young Men's Society on Sunday afternoon in the school hall, Armadale street, at 3 p.m.

A musical and elocutionary treat might best describe the concert to be given by the Prince of Wales Park Methodist Choir on Tuesday week, August 7. Tickets are on sale at 1/ each, and as accommodation is necessarily limited, early application is advisable.

"The Sunday School on the Air"—a weekly broadcast feature from Station 3DB—has become an established institution in Melbourne's radio fare and increasingly large numbers of listeners tune in each Sunday at 5 p.m. for this unique session. Local listeners will find an added interest in the broadcast on Sunday, August 12 when a party of scholars from the Northcote Congregational Sunday School are to assist.

A Thought to Ponder.—Half the misery in the world comes from trying to appear, instead of trying to be, what one is not.

THE WORST STREET IN NORTHCOTE

WEARY WILLIE'S LAMENT

(To the Editor)

Sir,—I would like to endorse the views of "Ambulant Attention" on the worst street in Northcote. There can be no doubt that he refers to Darden street. I also support his claim that practically nothing has been done to this street in the last 40 (or is it 50?) years. The street was at one time half made—that is, half the width of the roadway was metalled and one path asphalted. The road metal has been innocent of blinding for many years (I forget how long), and the footpath has been slowly disintegrating for the last ten or twelve years. A few of the larger holes were filled about 18 months ago, but there are some holes now which are even bigger. The said footpath is breaking away badly along the channel and it is a wonder that pedestrians have not suffered twisted ankles or broken legs before this—but they probably know the pitfalls too well by this time! Apparently our only hope seems to be that somebody (preferably a councillor) should *suffer in this manner, and then probably* the council may be goaded into action sufficiently long for the street attended to. We can but wait and hope. Yours etc.,

WEARY WILLIE.

(P.S.—I forgot to mention that the street has a most misleading name—misleading in its present state, anyway!)

OUR DIRTY STREETS

(To the Editor)

Sir,—In your last issue in reference to the guessing competition, "Which is the worst street in Northcote?" I nominate the street running by the side of the Northcote State School. This thoroughfare, particularly at north end, which is very narrow and carries a lot of traffic, is hard to beat. It is badly in need of being swept at least every week. When I attended the above school many years ago the head master took a great pride in his school and its surroundings. Every day after lunch two of the school boys used to gather up all the papers, orange peel, etc. The trees in the school ground are good to look upon, but it would be very gratifying if the fallen leaves were swept up every day so as not to cause the neighbors any annoyance by being blown about the street. Hoping that our city fathers will give attention to this matter. Yours etc.,

RATEPAYER.

SHELTER FOR BUS PASSENGERS

(To the Editor)

Sir,—I read with interest a paragraph with reference to a much-needed shelter for bus passengers at the intersection of Dennis and High streets. I endorse this view as one of those who waited in the rain during the past few days, and it seems to me that it is time the Northcote Council got a move on and did something. After all, who pays for it all year in and year out? The person who owns property, of course! Many of us had a great struggle to find money to pay the rates a few weeks ago, yet when it comes to getting anything done with the money, that is another thing. Thanking you, sir, for this space. Yours etc.,

NORTHCOTE BUS PASSENGER

July 16, 1934.

Campaign for Assembly Hall

Northcote High School

PRINCE COMPETITION

INTEREST BECOMING KEEN

THE boy of to-day is the man of to-morrow and it is our duty to see that he is fully prepared for his future. In the very difficult period ahead we should strive for a higher education and broader outlook for the boy so that his success is assured—and the benefits he will derive from the Assembly Hall will make him face his future vocation more confidently.

THE interest being shown by every one in this competition is a great inspiration to the committee of the four Princes. Now that the necessity of an Assembly Hall is realised as an important adjunct in the education of the future generation the citizens of Northcote are asked for their full support to help the early erection of the building.

VOTES TO DATE

The first votes recorded show that Diamond House has forged ahead, with Merri House next:—

Prince of Diamond . . .	1642
Prince of Merri	963
Prince of Darebin . . .	442
Prince of Plenty	442

All the committees are working enthusiastically and are striving earnestly to raise the necessary funds to place their Prince at the head of the list.

COMPETITION ACTIVITIES

A very successful social evening was held on Saturday night at the school hall by the committee of Diamond House. Everyone who attended thoroughly enjoyed the evening. The songs rendered by Miss Maisie Allan were much appreciated. Mr and Mrs Hill were successful in the euchre tournament and other prizes were won by Miss E. Jones, Mrs Vibert and Mr E. Stray.

Among those present were — Mesdames Nankervis, Anderson, Roach, Seymour, Pitt, Blamey, Delpenau, Henderson, Mustard, Sutton, Fraser, Uhlir, Brown, Mouston, Misses V. Armstrong, V. Jackson, E. Aston, D. Allan, K. Kerr, A. Pitt, and Messrs. Anderson, Barclay, Blamey, Blair, Delpenau, Dobson, Houston, Henderson, and Sutton.

The next function by the Diamond House is an Australian tea to be held on Tuesday, July 31 at 2.30 p.m. A fine musical programme has been arranged. The object is to bring a gift and buy a gift. An invitation is extended to the citizens of Northcote to attend this function and everyone is assured of an enjoyable and profitable afternoon.

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The committee of Darebin House held a very successful house party at the home of Mrs Dimmack last Saturday night. Mrs Henderson assisted Mrs Dimmack to entertain the guests with competitions, games, and dancing. Mrs Hench was kept busy at the piano. Present were — Mrs Fowler, Mrs Casey, Mr Ferguson, Mr Boyle and Mr Sheehy. Little Miss Dimmack donated a beautiful doll which was won by Mr Durrant.

Among those present were Mrs Dudley (mother of the Prince), Mrs Firth, Mrs B. Casey, Mr Henderson, Mr Blackney, Mr Boyle, and Mr Sheehy.

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The committee of Plenty House will hold a social dance in the school hall on Saturday night, July 28. Good music, good dance floor, musical items and cards all for the low price of 1/ Make up your party now and come along.

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The committee of Merri House are holding a social dance in St. Jude's hall, Alphington, on Saturday, August 4. This, too, will be a good night.

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Full arrangements have been made for the production of the comedy drama "The Ghost Bird" by the Herald-Sun Theatrical Society. The play will be produced under the personal direction of Mr Maurice Nodine (late of J. C. Williamson Ltd). The tickets are obtainable from all members of the committee and from the school. As accommodation is limited early application is necessary — the booking is well advanced.

"THE MERRY MALONES"

Brightness is the keynote of "The Merry Malones" appearing now at the Apollo Theatre, Bourke street, Melbourne. From the opening note to the last curtain, the production moves with a swing and zest which catches and completely carries the audience, who do not forget to show their appreciation by prolonged applause.

The dancing, especially the acrobatic turns of Cis and Buddy Roberts, causes great enthusiasm, and that of Joan de Beere and the ballet girls and men are diverse, interesting and rythmic.

As scene follows scene in quick succession, a kaleidoscopic parade of dressing is displayed, always colorful yet harmonious and right up-to-the-minute.

Leading the vocalists is John Moore whose voice is well-known to theatre patrons, and Rene Maxwell has scope for her dramatic soprano. Polly Walker playing the lead and making her first appearance in Australia has a delightful personality, and as Molly Malone carries the play along with a spontaneousness and naturalness which enter into her singing and dancing. Robert Capron as an eccentric billionaire is entertaining, and FlorenzAmes as John Malone, Molly's father, is responsible for many of the yes and laughs. Keith Connelly, Shirley Dale, Leal Douglas, Muriel Petty and George Moon Jun, all are convincing and add to the fun.

The orchestra is under the direction of Maurice Guttridge, and the production is supervised by Mr. Ernest G. Rolls, who is noted for his brilliant presentations of talent, dressing and scenic effects. All who attend the Apollo Theatre are sure of a good night's entertainment.

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THANKS

VIVIAN.—The Family of the late Mrs. Vivian desire to THANK all relatives and friends for letters, telegrams and floral tributes in their sudden and loss, particularly thanking Mr. Robertson, Mr. Gery, Mr. Grant and friends of the N. and P. Scottish Society. Will all please accept this as a personal acknowledgment of their deepest gratitude, 27 Kellett St., Northcote.

SILVER WEDDING

NEWTON-COURT. — On 28th July, 1909, at Launceston, by the Rev. M. Lawther, Ethel May, second daughter of James and the late H. Court, to Percy James, youngest son of the late J. and E. Newton.

IN MEMORIAM

HENDERSON. — In loving memory of our dear mother, who passed away at 2 Bond St., Preston, 26th July, 1933; also our dear father, 8th January, 1934; and brother Dave, 23rd September, 1927.
In memory, a constant thought.
In heart, a silent sorrow.
—Inserted by their loving family.

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PERSONAL

Mr. Leach, Highview road, East Preston, who for some days has been indisposed and confined to his bed, is now about again.

Cr. A. F. Showers, a member of the Essendon Council, representative on Metropolitan Board of Works, and representative of Preston and Western Suburbs on the Fire Board, is standing for re-election this year to the latter board. So far there is no opposition.

Friends of Mrs A. E. Newton, wife of Cr A. E. Newton, of Preston, will be relieved to hear her condition is improving and that she is well on the way to a complete recovery.

Mr E. R. Bryan a student of the Teacher's College, has won a H. B. Higgins Scholarship worth £40 for the study of poetry in classical and modern languages. Mr Bryan was educated at Northcote High School. He is in his third year of the education course, and after next year will start to teach in schools.

On the 23rd inst Mr Francis Joseph Pemberton, of 2 Beaconsfield parade, Croxton was appointed a Justice of the Peace by the Executive Council. Mr Pemberton has been a highly-respected resident of this city for 28 years. He is a member of a well-known pioneering Beechworth family and was for some years closely connected with gold mining in the Ovens district, acting in the capacity of mining engineer. Owing to the decline of this industry Mr Pemberton in 1900 joined the Public Service and now holds the position of Senior-Inspector of Factories of Victoria. He is a student of early Victorian settlement and when on visits of inspection to country towns he never misses an opportunity of adding to his knowledge concerning the early days. The new magistrate is a popular member of the Thornbury Bowling Club.

Colin, five-year-old son of Mr A. J. Fisher, of Cramer street, Preston, contracted diphtheria last week and is now an inmate of the Fairfield J. D. Hospital.

Members of the Preston Ladies' Benevolent Society paid a visit to Epworth Hospital last week to see Miles J. S. Bean, their secretary, who has been an inmate there for several weeks. They found her bright and cheerful and slightly on the improve.

Mr O. J. Naumann, of Normanby avenue, Thornbury, is on an extended business trip to Brisbane.

The Week's Social Gossip

Card Evening—To augment the Numurrny Tennis Club funds, Mr and Mrs W. Burland entertained about 30 members and friends at their home in Ilona street, Regent, on Thursday evening (19th inst.). Krazy Whist was played and the prizes were won by Miss Millie Mulghan (ladies) and Mr F. Clements (gentlemen). Among others present were:—Mr and Mrs P. Welshe, Mr and Mrs H. Kinnard, Mr and Mrs F. Clements, Mr and Mrs Strahan, Mr and Mrs E. Imbey, Mr and Mrs G. Vessey, Mr and Mrs Wilson; Mesdames Jackson and Watson; Misses G. Bartlett, Jean Brown and Shirley Chessell; Messrs Jackson, W. Nairne, T. Hall, L. Whiteoak and S. S. Saldwell. The host and hostess were accorded a hearty vote of thanks for their hospitality.

To Help Wardrop House.—To assist the funds of Wardrop House, Northcote, the city by the Ivy, Jean, Queen street, Preston, lent their home on Saturday evening for a function. The evening took the form of bridge, while some players indulged in crazy whist. During the evening the progress scores of the cricket were made available. The bridge prize was awarded to Mrs K. D. Bennets and Mrs C. Sinclair, the consolation to Mrs E. Kidd. For the crazy whist Mr White was the highest and Mrs Nauman. Amongst those present were:—Mr and Mrs R. Sinclair, Mr and Mrs H. Hayden, Mr and Mrs W. Shaw, Mr and Mrs Greenland, Mr and Mrs Quick, Mr and Mrs Ross, Mr and Mrs T. Pollock, Mr and Mrs E. L. Sharp, Mr and Mrs Kidd, Mr and Mrs Lakeman, Cr and Mrs Geo H. Mott, Mesdames Clifton, Smith, D. Seebeck, K. D. Bennets, L. W. Williams, A. K. Allchin, N. Main, Gallagher, White, Naumann, O'Shea, Patterson; Miss Walters; Messrs A. F. P. Gallagher, Alexander, J. E. Russell, and G. Potter.

After supper had been served Mr T. Pollock, on behalf of Wardrop House, thanked Mr and Mrs Bean for their hospitality and for making their home available for such a pleasant evening. Both Mr and Mrs Bean responded.

Silver Wedding.—The silver wedding of Mr and Mrs P. J. Newton, old residents of Hotham street, Preston, was celebrated on July 28. The parties were married in 1909 at Launceston by the Rev M. Lowther. Mrs Newton was a Miss Court.

On Holidays.—Mr J. Hartnett J.P. of Westbourne grove, Northcote, has returned after spending a holiday at the Golf House, Mt. Macedon, with his son, Dr Frank Hartnett, of Camberwell.

Wedding Quietly Celebrated.—At 6 p.m. on Saturday a wedding was quietly celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Thornbury, when Eileen, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Williams, 64 Shaftesbury parade Thornbury, was married to Mr A. J. Thomas, only son of Mr and Mrs J. Thomas, of eBndigo. Relatives were invited to the home of the bride's parents where the wedding breakfast was partaken of.

Week-end at Warragul. — Misses Thelma Rumbelow and Daisy Ramsdale were among a party of young people of Preston who spent last week-end at Warragul.

Hostesses Afternoon.—Seven hostesses of the Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary, Mesdames L. A. Kilsby, R. Byers, L. Kidd, H. A. Bean, M. Wigney, W. J. Clayden, and A. Hills held an enjoyable flag bridge afternoon on Wednesday July 22 in the Dispensary for the purpose of help augment the funds of the Queen Victoria Hospital There were 100 ladies present. Prizes went to Mrs Eastwood, Mrs Delaynoy Mrs Winney jun., consolations to Mrs Field, Mrs Boreham, Mrs Clewley. A box of chocolates became the property of Mrs Seebeck. Around the tables were Mesdames O. Neumann, J. A. Thomson, W. Shaw, Hopkins, E. L. Sharp, Page, Lackman, Delaney, Griffiths, Frances, Boreham, Kirton, Gamble, H. C. Dyir, E. Love, L. O. Seebeck, McCristal, G. H. Mott, S. S. Riches, Wood, Thomas, P. Flather, T. Greenlands, Cummings, C. Banks, Kidd sen., Black, Forbes, Muehar, J. Jowett, Crow, J. J. Ryan, Johnson, Pierce, Little, Birchall, Walpole and Kelleghor.

A card afternoon will be held in the Masonic Hall, Bastings street, Northcote, on August 8, to raise funds for the Queen Victoria Hospital Hostesses will be Mesdames R. Pearce L. Hopkins, O. Neumann, E. Woods, G McNamara, D. Runting, C. Creighton, A. Hicks, D. Mott, W. Clutterbuck, M. Reid, A. Gamble, and B. Thomas.

£7 Raised for Northcote Bed. — "Cloverly," 55 James street, Northcote was the scene of a happy evening on Saturday when Mrs P. G. Dunn threw open her home for a Krazy Whist evening under the auspices of Northcote Younger Set. Proceeds will go to the Northcote Red Cross Auxiliary bed at Melbourne Hospital. Seventy were present, owning and prizes were won by Miss Irene Eckhardt and Miss Norma Oldis (ladies), and Messrs Lew Stone and Vic Hosking (gentlemen).

The president of the Younger Set (Mr B. Hosking) supported by Mr F. Hatfield, expressed the auxiliary's appreciation of Mr and Mrs Dunn's hospitality and the Mayoress of North cote (Mrs M. C. Jones) spoke on behalf of the Northcote Red Cross Auxiliary, and Mr Dunn suitably responded. A pair of stockings, donated by Mrs Rattigan, was won by Miss J Watts Younger Set committee members are — President: Mr Ben Hosking; vice-presidents: Miss Mavis Jones and Mr R. R. Gray; secretary: Mr E. C. Eckhardt; treasurer: Miss A. Brewer; committee: Misses Loris Myers and A. Gray, Messrs Max Dunn W. Steele, H. Marriner and R. Mott.

Among those present were the Mayoress of Northcote (Mrs Jones) and Miss Mavis Jones, Mr and Mrs J. A. Thomson, Mr and Mrs J. R. Good, Mr and Mrs Vic Hosking, Cr and Mrs A. McAdam, Mr and Mrs Brockie; Mesdames J. H. Green, Rattigan, J. C. Horsley, J. H. Merrick, R. Thompson (sec. Northcote Red Cross) Myers, S. S. Riches, Love, F. Kenney, and E. Martin; Misses Doris Smith, N. Hallam, Loris Myers, Maisie Gould, K. and A. Brewer, N. McNeilly, I. Eckhardt, Lesleigh Green, D. Hosking, N. Oldis, Scott, G. Mott, R. Crawley, N. Harkness, E. Hunt, and E. Walker; Messrs Trevor McLean, A. Jones, Ben Hosking, F. Hatfield, V. Scott, R. Percival, E. C Eckhardt, Max Dunn, R. Mott, M. Matthews, I. Stone, A. Carpenter, S. Dixon.

Approaching Wedding.—A wedding of local interest will take place on August 15 when the marriage of Miss Mona McGrath and Mr Hector McColl Jones will be celebrated at the Newman Chapel, Newman College.

A.W.N.L. Meeting.—The quarterly meeting of the Preston Branch of the Australian Women's National League was held in Preston Town Hall on Monday afternoon (July 16). The president, Mrs Wilson, J.P., in presiding, welcomed the visitors — Mrs Hartle-Ryan from Central, the Mayoresses, Mrs H. P. Zwar, Cr S. Dennis, M.H.R., and Mr Dennis, and Mrs Calvert, President of the Reservoir branch. Apologies were received from the Mayor (Cr H. P. Zwar, M.L.A.) and a number of ladies who were unable to attend through illness. The meeting was well attended, there being nearly 70 present. League colors, mauve and gold were well in evidence in the decorations. The tables were covered with cloths of mauve with gold lettering worked into the corners. Each table bore a vase of wattle.

In an interesting address, Mr Dennis spoke of his political career which was warmly applauded. Mrs Hartle-Ryan spoke encouragingly to all members and explained how they would be able to assist in the near future.

The programme arranged by Mrs T Shaw was of the highest order. Artists were—Violins: E. and P. Jones, pupils of Miss M. Cotchin; Miss Seddon (elocutionist) and Mrs O. Larsen (vocal), *accompanied by Mrs Howe.* They were accorded a hearty vote of thanks. A great meeting was brought to a close with the singing of the National Anthem.

Engagement.—The engagement is announced of Jean, only daughter of Mr and Mrs O. J. Neumann, Nautilus Normanby avenue, Thornbury, to Kenneth R., youngest son of Mr and Mrs Charles H. White, 66 Park street North Fitzroy.

Council of Northern Suburbs.—At the conclusion of the meeting of the council of Northern Municipalities which met at Northcote on Friday evening, July 20, reference was made to the valuable assistance given by the Mayor of Northcote (Cr M. C. Jones) who officiated during the past year as chairman, and Mr J. A. Thomson, town clerk, Northcote, who had acted as secretary. Eulogistic remarks were made by several speakers and votes of thanks were recorded

Card Afternoon.—To augment the funds of the Northcote Auxiliary for the Royal Victorian Institute of the Blind Mrs G. S. Scott and Miss M. Scott gave an enjoyable card afternoon at their home, 121 Clarke street on Friday July 20. Krazy Whist was played, prize-winners being Mrs Dalley and Mrs Hooper. A supper-cloth was disposed of and became the property of Mrs Armstrong. £3 was raised Those present were:—Mesdames B. E. Johnson, Brownell, R. Prowse, T. Pollock, W. J. Clayden, L. O. Seebeck, Clewley, Farr, J. Jowett, Shewan, S. S. Riches, A. Main, Hooper, Armstrong, Bailey, Gibbard, May and Misses Holden, McMillan, and G. Riches.

Musical Afternoon.—Work for the forthcoming fair to be held in aid of the James Street Presbyterian Church is in full swing and on Tuesday afternoon a number of ladies spent a pleasant time at the school hall. The convenors of the work still Mesdames Cogle and Paull, had arranged an enjoyable programme contributed by: — Miss Sturtivant, violin; Miss Thornton, recitation; and Miss L. Wallace and Miss V. Lavter, solos, Mrs Conner officiated at the piano.

Afternoon tea was served and Mrs Cogle thanked the artists for so willingly helping.

Among those present were:—Mesdames A. T. Jones, Eabrey, V. Hosking, Chapman, Gibbard, Maver, E. C. Yeomans, T. Pollock, F. G. Dunn, W. French, O. Metcher, B. Cogle, A. J. Gill, A. Carruthers, R. Main, R. Bennetts, Emmet, E. Milne, H. Wallace, Tovey, Dundas, Webster, M. Ellis, Kirkby, Whitechurch, Crowe, Govern Paull, Irwin, Nourish, S. Muir, Robertson, Kinsman, Higgs, A. W. Bean, A. Allen, A. McLennon, May, Threlkeld, Woods, Edwards, H. Bolle, Butcher, Maggs, McMullan, Junor, J. A. Thomson, and C. Cogle. Also the Misses Jones, Woodleigh, McMullan and Bradley.

Pre-Wedding Gathering.—On Wednesday afternoon last, at the home of Mrs. G. P. McDonald, friends of Miss B. Cohen, Mitchell street, Northcote, gathered to do her honor on the occasion of her approaching marriage. During the afternoon items were rendered by the Misses B. Cohen and B McDonald and Mrs J. A. Thomson while Mrs D. Cohen officiated at the piano. Miss B. McDonald and Miss E. Locke assisted with a dainty afternoon tea after which the hostess, Mrs J. P. McDonald, asked Mrs J. A. Thomson, to make a presentation on behalf of all present. In accepting the gift, a crystal toilet set, Miss Cohen thanked everyone sincerely for the honor accorded her.

The prize-winners in the guessing competition which was enthusiastically entered into, were Mrs D. Cohen and Mrs L. Smith.

Those present were:—Mrs J. P. McDonald (hostess), Miss B. Cohen, Mesdames, J. Cohen, D., Cohen, L. Smith, J. A. Thomson, A. Smith, B. Campbell, W. Sherry sen., W. Sherry jun., B. Saunders, W. Hatfield, E. Robertson and F. G. Smith and the Misses H. Sherry, B. McDonald and E. Locke.

UNITED MASONIC BALL

AT Northcote Town Hall on Wednesday evening a ball was held under the auspices of the Thornbury, City of Northcote, and Halcyon Masonic Lodges. Despite inclement weather there was an attendance of over 400, and a most successful function culminated. The guests were received from a raised dais by the Worshipful Master of the Thornbury Lodge and Mrs A. Olorenshaw; the Worshipful Master of the City of Northcote Lodge and Mrs A. G. Johnson, and the Worshipful Master of the Halcyon Lodge and Mrs W. J. Wills. The hall had been charmingly decorated and the stage was embowered with greenery and was used as a lounge.

Wor. Bro. E. E. Sharp as Master of Ceremonies kept the dancers moving whilst his witticisms and laughter created much amusement. Music was provided by Mr Ron Bohme's orchestra.

On behalf of the gathering Wor. Bro. Olorenshaw extended a cordial welcome to the Mayor and Mayoress of Northcote (Cr and Mrs M. C. Jones) and their daughter Miss Mavis Jones; and to the Town Clerk and Mrs J. A. Thomson, each of the ladies mentioned being made the recipient of a bouquet. Wor Bro. Olorenshaw spoke of the splendid service rendered to the city by the Mayor and Mayoress and their daughter and said that they had done splendid work during a most adverse time. Responding, the Mayor congratulated the Masonic Lodges on their work and spoke of the fine work of the various Worshipful Masters, who had never than maintained the high dignity of their offices.

The supper was in the hands of Mrs Olorenshaw, of Normanby Hall, Thornbury, and as usual it was of a very high standard. The tables were decorated with Iceland poppies in silver vases. So great was the attendance that two sittings were necessary.

The arrangements were in the hands of a strong committee representative of the three lodges, with Wor. Bro Olorenshaw, W.M., as the chairman and Bro E. C Prince as hon. secretary; and the committee is to be commended upon the completeness of the preparations.

Amongst the visitors were—Wor Bro C. S. Jornston, W.M. or Preston Lodge and W.M. J. Holliday, P.M. of the same lodge; Cr and Mrs Olver, Cr and Mrs J. H. Green, Cr and Mrs A. McAdam, Cr and Mrs J. W. French, Cr and Mrs John Tully (ex-president Doncaster Shire), Mr and Mrs W. S. Neelands, Mr and Mrs A. W. Nancarrow, Mr and Mrs J. H. Merrick, Mr and Mrs L. Seebeck, Mr and Mrs E. Kirton, Mr and Mrs Arthur Jackson. Proceeds are for the Masonic Intermediate Hospital.

Cyclist's Scalp Torn

Secures £29 Damages

Alfred Footitt, Buckland street, South Melbourne, told Mr. G. Brown, P.M. at Northcote Court, on Tuesday, that on April 24 last he was knocked down by a motor truck near the corner of Herbert street and Arthur street, Northcote.

He brought an action against Lionel Hickley and Robert A. Smith, of Epping, driver and owner respectively of the motor truck, and the amount claimed was £50

Footitt said: I am a collector employed by E. L. Gates, High street, Northcote. On April 24, at about 11 a.m. I was riding a bicycle along Herbert street on my correct side of the road. As I got near Arthur street, a motor truck swung out of that street, cutting the corner, and crashed me against a picket fence.

Seven Stitches

My scalp was torn, and my nose was smashed. I was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital, where seven stitches were inserted in the scalp wound, and I was detained for twelve hours for observation.

Repairs to my bicycle cost £2/8/. I told the hospital authorities I was in poor circumstances and paid them £1 plus 10/6 for an X-ray. I lost three weeks' work at £3 a week.

"Isn't That Enough?"

On May 5 I went to Epping in a car to see Smith, and asked him if I could see Hickley. Smith, when he heard what I had come about, said "He took you to hospital, didn't he, isn't that enough?"

Mr. Kelly (for the defence) subpoenaed that upon answers to interrogatories filed for plaintiff, no verdict could be made against the defendants. These answers, which the complainant had adopted as part of his case differed considerably from the evidence given by Footitt himself, and if they were all taken as evidence, would tend to prove contributory negligence on the part of the cyclist.

After considerable legal argument the P.M. said he would make a joint order against both defendants for £17/5/6 for the losses and expenses occasioned to Footitt by the collision, plus £15 damages for pain and suffering; together with £10/18/1 costs.

Mr. Kelly obtained a stay of proceedings with the object of reviewing the decision.

New Prisoner (to gaoler, pointing to window): Why the bars, mate? Field of burglars.

SEVERAL HOUSEBREAKING COUNTS

BAKER FOR TRIAL

At Northcote Court on Tuesday, before Mr. B. E. Johnson and Mrs. A. A. Glanfield, J.s.P. a young man was committed for trial on several charges of breaking and entering. He was Alfred Hudge, baker, of Warrandyte, and the charges were in respect of the following:—July 13, breaking, entering and stealing from the home of Ilita Blencowe, Ryan street, gold watch and 5/ in money, to the value of £3/5; July 7, James Parker McDonald, Mitchell street, gold brooch, silver case and a quantity of butter and eggs, value £2; June 30, Max Wegener, High street, Northcote, side of bacon and £3 in money, value £6/10/; June 29, George Alfred Hele, Mitchell street, diamond cluster ring, £1 note, wristlet watch, brooch, string of beads, value £25; July 11, Alma Wagner, High street, watch and tobacco pouch, value £2

After evidence of the thefts had been given by householders, Constable Grundy related how he, with other police had gone to Hudge's home. Here a search disclosed a number of articles, which were later identified as part of the stolen property.

Hudge was committed for trial at General Sessions.

Milk Delivered After Midday

MILK BOARD PROSECUTION

First of Its Kind

In the first prosecution of its kind in Northcote under the new Milk Board Act, a woman was fined 10/ at Northcote Court, on Tuesday. She was Mrs. V. Murray, and the charge was that on June 5 she caused milk to be delivered in the metropolitan area after the hour of noon.

The evidence showed that at 1.26 p.m. on June 5, Dairy Supervisor Rutledge, who is also an officer under the Milk Board, saw a man deliver milk to a customer in Bent street, Northcote, for a cart bearing defendant's name.

Mrs. Murray said the cart belonged to her and was driven by her son. She had given explicit instructions that no milk was to be sold or delivered by her carts after mid-day.

A fine of 10/ with 2/6 costs was imposed.

A charge against the son, Albert Murray, was withdrawn.

Motor Bus in Collision

RUNS INTO CAR

Verdict For Full Damages

Stating that a motor bus had run into his car from the rear, Harry Samuel Beeby, manufacturer, of Harp street, Kew, brought an action against Alan Cathcart Still, trading as the Northcote Garage and Bus Service, High street, Northcote, claiming £7/16/6 damages. The case was heard by Mr. G. Brown, P.M.

Beeby said: On January 3 last, at about 7.30 p.m. I was driving my car in Arthurton road, Northcote. After I crossed the Merri Creek bridge into Northcote I had to travel very slowly when going through a mob of about 600 sheep. I was almost clear of the sheep when one jumped in front of my car, and I stopped. A motor bus then crashed into the rear of my car. I spoke to the driver of the bus and exchanged particulars with him.

'Keeping to Schedule"

He then said "Come on. Push the car out of the way. I've got to get along, as I have to drive to schedule." I said "What if you kill a man?" and he replied "I've still got to keep to my schedule."

Similar evidence was given by Clarence Leslie Hooper, railway signalman, of Clarence street, East Brunswick, and Mrs. Beeby.

Bus Driver's Side

Mark Weston, Gray street, Yarraville, the bus driver said "I have been driving cars and buses for 18 years, and this is the first time I have ever been involved in an accident. I closed up directly behind Beeby's car to go through the sheep. His car was clear of the mob and I was about four feet behind, when he suddenly stopped, although I had given him plenty of warning that I was immediately behind. Beeby gave no warning that he was going to stop.

Joseph Percival Hayes, Stewart street, Brunswick, motor body builder, and Charles Winch, Sydney road, Brunswick, who were passengers in the bus gave similar evidence.

Mr. Brown, P.M. made an order for the full amount claimed, with £6/17/ costs.

New Water Mains for Preston

AT the last meeting of the Preston Council the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works advised that the Water Supply Committee has decided to recommend the Board to lay a 3-inch main in Combie street, from South street westwards for a distance of 3 chains; to extend the mains in Cramer street from Grange road to Belmont street 41 chains. Also an extension in High street from Murray road to Wilcox street, 12 chains (4-inch main).

THOMASTOWN

The erratic driving of a milk motor lorry nearly caused the death of Ray Hood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hood, of the post office. Swerving from one side of the road to the other, the front wheel narrowly missed the lad, who was standing on the roadside. The Epping police were notified.

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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
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32 x 5.00	28/6	34 x 5.77	32/6	730 x 130	25/	33 x 5	32/6
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Dear Cobbers.—What a great tussle was the match between Northcote and Preston on Saturday, and even though it was so cold we all went quite satisfied with the way the teams played. Of course, Fluffy and Grandfather were disappointed because Northcote didn't win, but, as Jacko wisely said, both teams could not win.

We've received a number of entries for the Games Competition but would like lots more. So if yours isn't in yet send it along right away so that it will arrive in time.

On Friday night about 10 o'clock Grandfather and I were intent on listening to the cricket when we heard stealthy sort of noises in the front of the house. Grandfather took down his gun and I grabbed the poker, and off we went quietly to investigate. We found one of the front windows open and at last trailed the intruder. Would you believe it? It was only those impish Pets "playing burglars," as they explained it. Anyhow we gave them a good scare, but they did lunch at our weapons.

This is all till next week. Send in your entries and contributions. Greetings from the Pets and

UNCLE PHIL.

Find the Words

NEW COMPETITION

In the following little story there are 23 words which are terms used in our popular outdoor and indoor games. Can you guess them?

When Kitty recived her cue to visit the pawn shop the fauik she made was to let a forward man over the road have a try to steal her box. He was a bully, the friend of rooks, and when she called out this rover runs away. She wires the police, but the officer they sent was a dummy, who took her for a cup of tea, and afterwards to a dance. As there was no ball they went for a walk. As Jack was a stale mate Kitty, who huffed at the idea of a wedding, refused to visit the Bishop, so he couldn't catcher.

A prize of 2/6 will be awarded to the Cobber who finds the 23 correct words. Grandpa's decision is final. The Competition closes on JULY 28. Mark your entry "Words Competition" and send it in early.

BIRTHDAYS

All the Cobbers, Uncle Phil and the Pets send the happiest and heartiest of Birthday Wishes and Greetings to Margaret Tierney (July 28), Keith Harvey and Ronald Watson (July 29), Billy Sparks (July 30), Beryl Cameron, Roy Hubble and Ronald Houston (Aug. 1) and Jack Moyes (Aug. 2).

OUR MAIL BAG

18 Waterloo Rd., Northcote

Dear Uncle Phil.—I received my certificate and I am very pleased to be in the Cobbers' Club. I am leader of the 2nd Thornbury Cub Pack and last Saturday we went to the Zoo and had a very good time. I send my love to Jacko and Fluffy. In my next letter I will tell you about my pets.
(GOOD) Ken Sforcina.

(You are an important member of the Cub Pack, Ken. The Pets say your visit to the Zoo must have been great. We're just longing to hear about it and your pets. Try the Games Competition. Greetings from the Pets and U.P.)

Audrey Taylor.—Bravo for the 100 marks, Audrey. Please send along a coupon with the stamps and we'll forward the certificate. Then you can sell for the prize which is ready. Have a try at the Games Competition —U.P.

Reg Keele.—Bravo, Reg, on another prize of 100 marks. Please call with your certificate on Tuesday and it will be ready. You seem to have liked visiting the dentist. We are glad it didn't hurt much. Best wishes from the Pets and U.P.

Shirley Wood.—Congratulations on the 100 marks, Shirley. Will you call with your certificate and the prize will be ready. The games entry arrived safely. How is the baby brother? Love and greetings from the Pets and U.P.

Joyce Mackenzie.—You seem pleased with the result of your visit to the dentist. He must have been nice. Fluffy says she'll go there to have her teeth attended to. Don't forget your entry for the Games Competition.—U.P.

CONTRIBUTIONS

A TONGUE TWISTER

See how many times you can say this quickly:—Bill had a bill board. Bill also had a board bill. The board bill bored Bill, so Bill sold his bill board to pay his board bill. Then the board bill no longer bored Bill.
(GOOD) Thelma Douglas

THE ELFMAN

I met a little Elfman once
Down where the Hills's blow,
I ask him why he was so small,
And why he didn't grow,
He slightly frowned and looked me up and down,
"I am quite as big for me," he said,
"As you are big for you!"
(GOOD) Pauline Garwood

THE HANDSOME FIREMAN

He was a handsome young fireman,
Valiant and bold as could be;
At night all alert to grab hatchet and shirt
In case of a fire, don't you see?
Harry the Hero they called him,
A nickname he'd well-earned, because:
There can be no dispute that from helmet to boot,
He was a handsome young fireman, he was.
—Jacko.

THE MAY BUDGET

The bricklayers had just finished the foundations of a house on a suburban estate when a workman carrying a ladder stopped to watch them lay the first row of bricks. One of the bricklayers, looking up from his work and catching sight of the man, said, "I say, lads, we'd better hurry up. There's a chap 'ere waiting to clean the winders."
(GOOD) Jean May

He had lived all his life in the depths of the Highlands; this was his first visit to a great city. Walking into an enormous post office he said, "Half a pound of ham, please." "We don't sell ham here," said the amused girl behind the grille. "Ye dinna?" he exclaimed in surprise. "Lassie, ye're awfu' far behind the times. In the post office of the place where I come fra' they sell ham and eggs and apples and fire lighters and a hundred things beside."
(GOOD) Gwen May

A finely bred whippet, complete with wasp-like waist, was being led through the streets of a Scottish town. It attracted the notice of a wistful-looking small boy, who patted its head, admired its beautiful chest expansion, then gazed at the spot where he imagined the animal's stomach ought to have been. "Puir wee doggie," he said, "have you been playing with your Aberdeen auntie, too?"
(GOOD) Mabel May

He had been dining far too well, and, hailing a taxi, crawled singerly inside after giving the driver his destination. It happened that the opposite door had been left unlatched, and tumbling against it the inebriated one promptly fell out. He picked himself up and accosted the highly amused driver. "That's pretty quick work. How much do I owe you?"
(GOOD) Henry May

ROMAN NUMERALS

Here is a description of how the Romans got their letter signs for different numbers.

They counted according to a decimal system: I I I I I I I I X. Thus we get X for ten. Then they had to distinguish the numbers before the X sign. Now V is just the upper half of X; so if X equals ten, V equals five. See how it grows! I, II, III; four was one before five, or IV, and six one after, or VI, and so on.

For the larger numbers they took the C from "centum," their name for one hundred, and the lower half of this became the L for fifty. They took the M from "mille," their name for thousand. Now, the M was shaped like two D's back to back; they took one D and made it stand for half a thousand, or five hundred.

This little explanation should make it much easier to remember how to read the Roman numerals.

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STORYETTES

First Motorist: "Have you ever been pinched for going too fast?" Second Motorist: "No, but I have been slapped."

Cannibal Queen: "I don't quite know what to make of my husband." Her Friend: "Don't worry. I'll send you my new cookery book. It's full of suggestions."
(GOOD) A. Taylor

Doctor: "Is the night nurse giving you proper attention?" Patient: "Not exactly, but I'm perfectly satisfied."
(GOOD) Brian Mahony

Teacher: "What do you mean by chalking your name on my desk, Thomas?" Thomas: "Well, sir, I hadn't a knife to carve it with, sir."
(GOOD) Audrey Doyle.

Inspector of Flying Field: "Tomorrow you will solo." Student (who used to be violinist): "And who will accompany me?"
(GOOD) G. Joyce.

A man caught a boy in his garden stealing apples; and handed him to the police. As it was the boy's first offence the magistrate let him off but told him never to yield to such temptation again, adding, "You should have flown from the evil one." "I did, sir, but he caught me before I got over the fence."
(GOOD) Joyce Mackenzie.

Pond Mother (to school master): "My little Clarrie is so sensitive. Please do not punish him. Just thrash the boy next to him—that will frighten Clarence."
(GOOD) J. Moylan

"Do sunflowers grow from sunflower seeds, and poppies from poppy seeds?" Dick asked the gardener. "Yes, of course," was the reply. "Then I'm going to sow some canary seed and grow canaries," said little Dick.

Teacher: "How many P's are in soup?" May: "Please, sir, my mother puts in twopence worth."
(GOOD) Ressie Goldstein

Mr. Cobb has married Miss Webb. He knew they were meant to be joined as soon as he spied her.

"That puts a different complexion on things" said the girl with the powder puff.
(GOOD) Lawrie Taylor

Dick: "Lend me your pen, Bob." Bob: "Yes, certainly." Dick: "Have you got any writing paper?" Bob: "Yes, help yourself." Dick: "I don't suppose there are any envelopes knocking about?" Bob: "Yes, take what you like." Dick: "By the way, what's your girl's address?"
(GOOD) Jean Skipper

What He Would Say. — "Why, Johnny," said the teacher, looking at a lad's dirty hands meaningly, "what would you say if I came to school with mud on my fingers and wrists?" Johnny: "I should ask you how you enjoyed playing with the mud pies."

Traveller: "How much do you charge for carrying baggage?" Porter: "Sixpence for the first and threepence for all the others." Traveller: "Good I'll carry the first and you can take this."
(GOOD) Lily Southam

Father (reading school report): "Aren't you ashamed to be at the bottom in a class of twenty-eight boys?" Willie: "It might be worse" Father: "How could it be?" Willie: "Suppose there were forty boys in the class."
(GOOD) Jessie Thomas

Little Willie was complaining because his brother had been given a larger helping of pudding than he had. "But you must remember," said his mother gently, "that Harry is older than you." "That's just it!" wept Willie. "He was eating pudding for three years before I was born."
(GOOD) Bill Stead

Bad Both Ways.—Thin Man: "Why don't you go in for golf?" Fat Man: "No use. If I place the ball where I can see it I can't reach it. If I put it where I can reach it I can't see it."
(GOOD) Vera Kbech

Stranger: "What is the argument about, boys?" Reggie: "There is no argument at all. Robert thinks I'm not going to give him a piece of my apple, and I'm thinking the same."
(GOOD) Tom Doyle

A Limited Promise.—She: "Will you love me if I grow fat?" He: "No. I promised for better or worse—not through thick and thin."
(GOOD) C. Henderson

A countryman was using the telephone in a city public box, but he could not make himself understood. The operator kept telling him to shout louder. "If I could shout any louder," he said, "I shouldn't be using your old machine at all," was the exasperated reply.
(GOOD) Joyce Lawrence

Magistrate (to man charged with unlawfully receiving the dole): "What right have you receiving the dole when you have a weatherboard house of your own?" Defendant: "Yes, but I'm not a white ant, am I?"
(GOOD) L. Joyce.

Kindly Action.—Mother (to son sliding down banisters): "What are you doing there, Cyril?" Cyril: "I'm making trousers for poor orphan boys, mummy."

"Now, children, stop quarrelling. Can't you ever agree?" "We have agreed this time, mother. Jack wants the biggest piece of cake, and so do I."
(GOOD) Marjorie Wood

Our next little song will be "When the Stove Pipe Fell the Soot Followed Suit."
(GOOD) Ron Houston.

An American and an Australian were talking about the height of their buildings. The American said that their sky-scrapers were so near the sun that you could get sunburnt through your clothes. "That's nothing," said the Australian. "A lady dropped her baby off one of our buildings and when he reached the ground he walked into the post office to ask for the old age pension."
(GOOD) Vera P. Keele.

"Which is the most unlucky month to be married in?" "Goodness me! What a poor memory you have, my dear. We were married in March."
(GOOD) Joan Doyle

A little boy came into the sitting room with jam all around his mouth. His mother eyed him suspiciously and said, "Bertie, you have been eating the jam again." To which Bertie replied, "Don't go by appearances, mother." His mother replied, "No, Bertie, I go by disappearances."
(GOOD) Cyril C. Stead

"The percentage of questionable jokes in a theatre is very small," declared an actor. "Merely a vulgar fraction."

The man who brags, "I run things in my house," usually refers to the lawn mower, washing machine, vacuum cleaner, baby carriage and some errands.
(GOOD) Alice Southam

"All I got at her house was a cup of Shamrock tea," remarked a young fellow. "What on earth is Shamrock tea?" asked his companion. "You know the kind made with three leaves," was the reply.
(GOOD) Reggie Keele.

Why is it silly to kill pigs?—Because they are only cured afterwards.

What animal is most like a dog?—A puppy.
(GOOD) Sylvia Lawrence

WHY THINGS ARE DONE

WHY A FREEMASON WEARS AN APRON.

As we all know, Freemasons wear as part of their regalia or ceremonial dress an apron of silk, and we may have wondered how such a practice originated.

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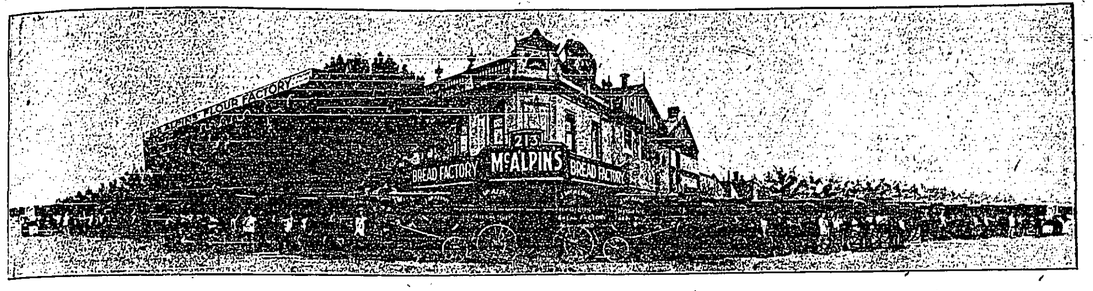

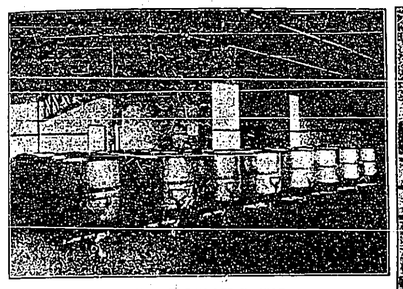

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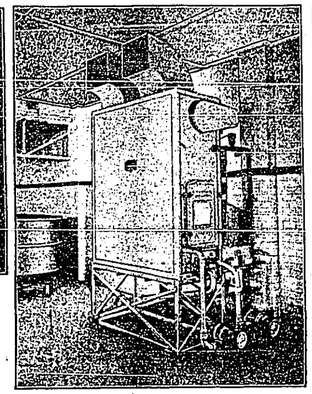

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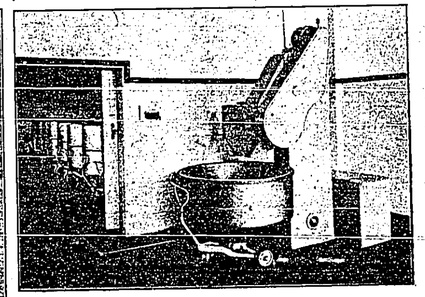

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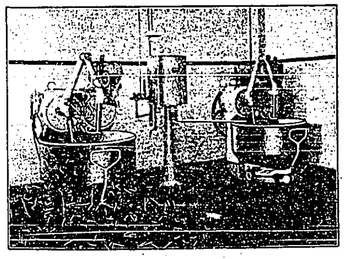

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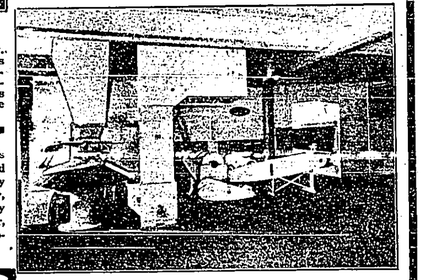

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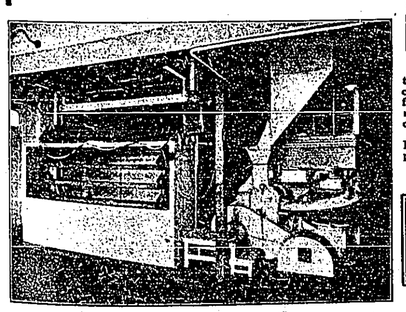

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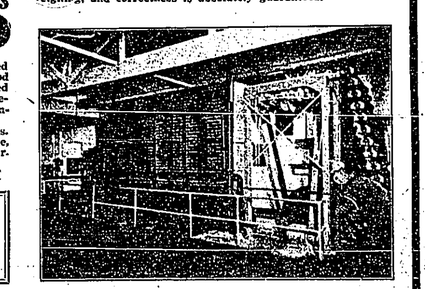

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OUR SHORT STORY

M'ARA'S HANDS

ROY M'ARA was an amateur boxer. Night at the head of the first class. He was also—or had been—a clerk in a shipping office. Mary Seaton was a shorthand typist, working for a firm of corn brokers in Lombard street, London, E.C. They met at the little seaside town of Rozhaven, and there, having looked into each other's eyes, they chucked convention aside and declared themselves friends.

It started as a quite ordinary holiday flirtation, and might have ended as such had the police not arrested Mary on a charge of forgery.

The arrest took place at Rozhaven's pierhead, when, apart from Mary herself, M'Ara, and a middle-aged man half asleep in a deckchair, there was no one about. Two plain-clothes men approached Mary, while a uniformed constable swayed slowly from heel to toe a dozen or so yards away.

At first M'Ara paid no attention to the newcomers. He was occupied with concocting a good-bye speech which was to go somewhat like this:

'Look here, Mary, I've got to tackle a darn difficult job. I've got to say that though you're a great girl, and knowing you has been wonderful, I'm going to make this our last meeting. If ever things come right for me I'll find you fast enough, somehow or other, and if you haven't fixed up with anyone else I'll ask you to marry me. Y'see, though I've never been in love before, I expect that's what has happened to me.

"Of course, it isn't to be supposed you should care as much as I do; but even if you did, it would be useless. For the time being, anyway, I'm a sort of wash-out. I've lost my job, and don't see any sign of another turning up. I was crazy enough to come here to do in my last ten pounds, and I've less than three left. I'll be leaving for London to-morrow, and my address will be the Embankment. So cheerio, and Heaven bless you! And that's that!"

Actually this speech was never uttered. Instead, M'Ara heard himself listening to incredible things. Heard the gentle-faced Mary charged with crime; heard the little, bewildered gasp which came from her, and then heard her indignant, almost hysterical, denials.

"My name is Mary Seaton," she said, "but you've made some mistake I've never done anything wrong. Why, I—it's silly, and—"

M'Ara was on his feet now, battle lights in his blue eyes, every sense alert, his hands clenching. He, too, spoke, but scarcely knew what he said beyond this:

"Take your hand off that girl's arm, confound you!"

Instead of obeying, the bigger of the plain-clothes men took a firmer grip of Mary's arm. Three or four seconds later he was on his back on the pier, and M'Ara, usually the cool-headed boxer, had become a temporarily maddened and entirely reckless fighting-man.

Even so, he brought his highly specialised skill and science to bear, and the result was a glorious, if brief three-to-one scrap, which dazed the police officers, terrified poor Mary, and was watched through wide eyes by the startled middle-aged man in the deckchair.

The end was inevitable, however, and, for M'Ara, vastly humiliating. He saw a pale, still protesting Mary go off with the battered plain-clothes man. He himself went, meekly enough now that the war fever had died in him, with the uniformed constable, who glanced sideways at him now and then with admiration rather than enmity.

"You're of stuff, mister—I'll say that for you" the constable remarked when they were nearing the local police station. "But you'll have to spend the night in the station, and it's lucky for you that the magistrate is sitting to-morrow. What did you want to interfere for? That young woman will be put away for a long spell, and you're better clear of her, believe me!"

"You're a fool!" said M'Ara. "I don't make me want to start hitting you again. I might hurt you next time. That young woman, as you call her, would have been my wife if she'd cared for me, and I'd been in the marrying class. Anyhow, your pals have got the wrong person. She said so herself, and if she doesn't know, who does?"

All things considered he was very well treated at the station, and in the early evening he was taken to the prisoners' private quarters, and there left alone with a blushing Mary Seaton.

"It's all right, Roy" she told him. "I wouldn't stay for more than a minute or two, but I had to come and tell you. You might have been thinking dreadful things about me."

"Not me!" he answered sturdily. "A forger—you! A criminal of any kind! Those bone-headed goats had long got to look at you to know that you couldn't do anything that wasn't dead right. And don't you worry about me, Mary. I'll be up before the local beak in the morning, but I shouldn't think he'd send me to quod. Probably give me a lecture and take what money I've left. That'll be about all. And that reminds me—"

He paused for so long that she prompted him with a: "Yes, Roy?"

"Oh, it's nothing much!" he said "But I suppose we might as well say good bye here. A queer place for one—then it's a queer world, I've—I've got kind of fond of Mary, and that's why I sort of hope I never see you again. Y'see, I'm by way of being a down-and-out. I've no job, no rich friends, no special ability, except with those hands of mine. And they have not been much good to me."

"I think they're wonderful hands," said Mary. "Let me see them. They fought for me. It was splendid of you—mad, but splendid! I—I'm fond of you, too, Roy! Why shouldn't I say it? I thought, maybe, you were just flirting, but if you weren't—well I wasn't! You understand, don't you?"

He nodded, but the sudden elation which came to him was followed swiftly by gloom.

"Forget me," he said. "You are the one this matters. What are they going to do with you? When is this awful mistake going to be cleared up?"

She smiled.

"It's been cleared up, Roy. I'm free again. The Mary Seaton they wanted has been arrested in Bristol. Thank you, dear, for believing in my honesty!"

"Thanks be blowed!" he retorted. "How could I believe anything else? You're so wonderful, Mary—so ideal in every way!"

And then he proceeded to say many of the things he had been silently rehearsing on the pier.

"Maybe my ship will come in some day, and then I'll have a look round for you," he finished. "Probably you'll be married by that time. But I'm not coming till my hands hold something.

Neither he nor she quite knew how they parted, but by noon on the following day M'Ara was free. He had been fined forty shillings, and, having paid the fine, found himself in possession of the sum of seven shillings and fourpence. Fortunately he'd paid for his rooms in advance, and had a return ticket to town.

Gloomily he went to the house where he had been staying, and where he expected to be greeted by a scolding landlady. Instead, he found a landlady who came as near to graciousness as was possible for her when she said:

"Good morning, Mr M'Ara! I heard about the little bit of trouble yesterday, but I'm not fond of those interfering policeman myself, and I'm glad you gave them a tap or two, but I mustn't be keeping you, for there's a gentleman waiting in the front parlor to see you. Mr Arthur Osmond, the name is."

"Arthur Osmond?" M'Ara repeated. "You—this is some joke, of course What's the idea, Mrs Cran?"

"There's no idea, Mr M'Ara. I never saw Mr Osmond before, nor heard of him, leastways, matter. All I know is that he seems to be an extremely nice gentleman."

"Arthur Osmond?" M'Ara repeated and this time he spoke in a whisper "Good heavens, this is one of the biggest fight promoters in England! In the front parlor, you say? Well, I only hope you're not suffering from an hallucination!"

A few seconds later he found himself facing the middle-aged man who had been seated in a deckchair on the Rozhaven pierhead, while he, M'Ara, was having his bout with the policemen.

"Good enough," Osmond said, towards the end of their talk. "There you have the situation, my boy. I'd heard about you, of course, and thought of getting in touch with you; but, by George, I never thought to see you for the first time in action on Rozhaven pier against three cops! You were great! I knew that all right, even before I discovered your name Well, I'm prepared to be behind you financially from this minute.

"You've told me you're not keen on being a professional boxer, but I'm telling you that in a couple of years you'll be able to chuck the game and retire to a chicken farm or something Don't think I'm doing you any favor, M'Ara. You're going to make a big packet of money, but I'm going to do very well out of you. And, by the way, there'd be no objection to you getting married while the big money was still on the way."

"That reminds me," he said, 'there's a girl I know who—"

Mr Osmond smiled and rose.

"Miss Mary Seaton," he said. "I know. I got in touch with her before I called here. She and I had quite a long talk. She told me something about your hands being empty, and that you were rather worried about it. I asked her if she'd object to being the wife of a professional fighting-man, and she said not at all "If the fighting-man was Roy M'Ara. So then I told her that you and hands were very for from being empty—that you had a fortune in them. If I were you I'd go to her now."

"I will!" said M'Ara. "She's staying at a boarding-house on the front. I can get there in five minutes."

"No doubt; but at the moment she is waiting in the next room. I brought her with me and told your landlady to say nothing. Right you are, then, M'Ara! Come to my hotel tonight, and we'll fix up everything. By Jove I'm glad I chose to sit on the pierhead that afternoon!"

He was gone on that, and when M'Ara saw Mary he said.

"Osmond tells me I have a fortune in my hands, and that he told you, and——"

She interrupted him.

"It's wonderful about Mr Osmond; but even if he'd never appeared I wasn't going to lose sight of you, Roy. I don't like the idea of you fighting, but I'm just crazy to have that chicken farm Mr Osmond has been suggesting."

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Benevolent Society Annual Meeting

PRESTON Ladies' Benevolent Society will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday afternoon in the Council Chamber, Preston Town Hall. The Mayor (Cr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A.) will preside and all interested are cordially invited to be present.

DIVORCES A RECORD ?

It is expected that a record number of divorce suits will be heard this year. Last year 586 petitions were lodged, compared with 695 in the record year, 1933. Figures for the year so far are 26 ahead of last year (calculated on a corresponding period basis).

In the first half of this year 299 petitions were lodged—35 by husbands and 184 by wives. For the corresponding period of last year the total was 283.

Other Litigation Declines

But on the whole litigation continues to decline. To date 450 Supreme Court writs have been issued, compared with 495 last year, and 625 in 1932 (also calculated on a corresponding period basis).

Northcote Downed by Preston in Keen Game

RED AND WHITES SNATCH THREE-POINT VICTORY

Northcote Fail At Critical Time

STIRRING PLAY CAUSES INTENSE EXCITEMENT

(By "Follower")

For the first time since 1931 Northcote, on their own ground, sustained defeat last Saturday when Preston, amidst intense excitement, snatched a three-point victory. The success of the visitors was due to dogged persistency. A thrilling last quarter burst by Preston temporarily paralysed Northcote. Just before the bell an opening was presented to the green and golds to regain their advantage but they could not do it.

From the start Preston were keen to win, and their men fought hard against their strong opponents. Northcote held the advantage from the start and looked the better organised side.

Splendid Spirit

It was a great game, void of bitterness, played hard throughout, and in such a manner as to advance the standard of Association football considerably.

Noted Players Absent

Both sides entered the playing arena confidently, each being deprived of leading players. Northcote were handicapped by the absence of Seymour, the brilliant goal kicker in the association whilst Preston were without their consistent wingman (Dowling) and follower (Street).

THE TEAMS

NORTHCOTE.— Backs, Lyngcoln, Haskett, Ackland; half-backs, Woods, Giles, Powell; centres, Ludlow, Hart, Garrett; half-forwards, Simmonds, Williamson, Honig; forwards, Gray, Byrne, Lawrence; followers, Goulett, Mellbride; rover, Ross.

PRESTON.— Backs, Smith, Hugo, Cunnaway; half-backs, Brewis, Hardiman, Murray; centres, L. Robinson, Dineen, Cameron; half-forwards, Cameron, Farrell, Arthur; forwards, Boschen, McSwain, Brown; followers, McEachern, Doyle; rover, Warr.

The Attendance

The attendance did not come up to expectations, nevertheless those who were present got their money's worth. There were about 5000 present.

THE PLAY

Preston opened their attack by kicking towards the grand stand goal.

First Score

Play had been in progress for seven minutes before Preston, marking nicely near Dineen, drove to Williamson, who place-kicked the first goal.

For Preston McSwain was freed and kicked the same. McSwain missed from another shot, but Cameron made amends.

Hustling Tactics

Hart was more than a match for Dineen in the air, and made repeated appearances for his forwards, who were pushed out of position by Preston's vigorous defence.

Northcote advanced when Ross and Byrne combined for a goal by the latter.

Preston were putting their all into the game. A move forward by Preston was successful as Brown goaled.

The Scores Equal

Northcote advanced again when Gray, always on the look out, passed to Byrne, who levelled the scores.

QUARTER-TIME SCORES:

	Gls.	Bds.	Pts.
Northcote	3	1	17
Preston	3	1	17

NORTHCOTE GO AHEAD

Preston attacked immediately on the change over, when a misunderstanding by Powell let McSwain in for a single.

The Green and Golds Move

Northcote by concerted action, headed by Meltzcke attacked towards the stand when Byrne goaled with a snap.

Rallying forward again the side won using their weight to advantage. A free to Honig had the ball up to Byrne who again scored full points.

Northcote appeared to be the better organised team, their moves being well directed, though they were inclined to work a little too close to the wings.

From Hart, who was doing well in the centre, the next Northcote advance was initiated and Simmonds got a minor.

Preston Fight Back

At last Preston found an opening, when Warr registered a single.

Northcote Again

Repulsing Preston's next move, Northcote came forward when the ball Gray passed to Garrett, who made another opening for Byrne. He, however, missed the chance.

Concentrating on the offensive Northcote were playing good football.

Brown shepherded Smith off the ball as it left the boot of Simmonds, who had been freed.

Lyngcoln Replaced

At this stage Lyngcoln left the ground (injured thigh), his place being filled by Rogers.

Preston Get Going

Preston, who had been somewhat out of the play, surged forward. Doyle missed an easy chance though Warr made amends shortly afterwards.

In another Preston forward move Brown played to McSwain, and the scores were once more even.

Short Passing Effective

Northcote began another advance through Hart. Short passing was effective. The diminutive Ross, rovering excellently, gave a further opportunity to the left-footer Simmonds, who again failed. A moment or two later Ross followed similarly from a running shot, close in.

Too Many Chances

Preston were giving their opponents too much latitude. Northcote's next goal came from Gray.

Northcote's Term

The term ended with Northcote satisfied with the headway they had made, despite the fact that a couple of bad misses had prevented them from increasing their lead.

It was Northcote's term, due to their organised attacks, and aided by the fact that Preston did not keep up with their men.

HALF-TIME SCORES

	Gls.	Bds.	Pts.
Northcote	7	5	49
Preston	5	4	34

Northcote Hold Lead

No sooner had the ball been bounced on resumption than Goulett hit out to Ross, and in a flash Lawrence got possession and goaled, increasing Northcote's lead to 15 points.

Preston Rally

Feeling that Northcote were trying to force an early victory, Preston rallied.

In a flash McEachern had booted a single.

Northcote made a determined effort to relieve the strain but were unsuccessful. Arthur got a single when he hit the post and then Brown goaled.

Smashing Aerial Work

Northcote launched an offensive, which revealed Smith marking brilliantly, turning attack after attack.

Play swung towards Preston territory and was repulsed by Ackland and Woods. Garrett carried on the pass to Byrne for a hard-earned goal.

Heavy Ground Causes Congestion

The rather heavy state of the turf caused the play to be congested at times and players were resorting to "kicking off the carpet."

A little more discretion in doing so would have been welcomed, as several players required the attention of the trainers as the outcome of misdirected kicks at the ball. Hart (Northcote), and Doyle (Preston fared worst.

Positions Re-Shuffled

Farrell was brought into the ruck for Preston, and with Baxter followed splendidly, getting the hit out to their rover.

Preston's Followers

Noting this Goulett brought Byrne to a check, but nothing could stop the Preston followers, who were dominating the play in this department.

Northcote attacked vigorously. Gray getting a major. Preston attacked forcefully, handing out some hard bumps in their attempt to reach the objective. Cameron passed to Farrell for another goal.

Powell, Hurt, Continues

Powell received a nasty knock on the nose which put him out of the game for some time. As Northcote had availed themselves of the right of using their 19th man, rather than see his side play a man short, Powell decided to continue.

Even Play

The game was very even, neither side being able to make any decided of headway owing to the dashing defence, Smith (Preston) being delightful with his marking which foiled many a Northcote attack.

For Preston Boschen was conspicuous throughout the term, and with Dineen being more successful in the centre, several opportunities were presented to the visitors.

A final rally by Preston before the term ended was brought to fruition as Warr accounted for another goal. The third term ended a shade in favor of Preston, who had managed to reduce their deficit by a single point.

THREE-QUARTER SCORES:

	Gls	Bhds	Pts
Northcote	11	7	73
Preston	9	7	61

A THRILLING FINISH

At the outset W. Robinson replaced Underhill, who injured his thigh.

The last term saw Preston attacking strongly, and the side was not long in reducing its deficit. Warr and Doyle co-operated to send the ball to Brown, who just made the distance.

Heartened by this success, the red and whites were off again, only to find the halfforward out of position.

Hard, Vigorous Game

Preston were now playing a more vigorous game than Northcote, who strove to keep the game open, as they frequently played wide out at the wings. Here Northcote were more than holding their own. Northcote gave the impression that they were tiring.

Preston attacked incessantly A shot by McSwain was marked on the line by Haskett. Concentrating on the offensive Preston were dominating the play. Bates and Powell combined at a critical moment to beat off the attackers.

Attack and Counter

Preston swung play forward again, both sides struggling desperately for supremacy. Slowly pressure took effect as Preston drew nearer to their opponents and McSwain notched a single.

Lead for First Time

Then came a burst of cheering from Preston supporters after a sparkling burst of play which McEachern capped with a goal. This gave Preston the lead for the first time in the game.

Northcote Replies

An electrifying drive by Northcote drew the attention of the crowd. Further cheering eventuated as Powell, scoring a single, made scores level.

Plenty of Thrills

From thence onward the game provided continuous thrills. Intently following the progress of the game, cheers and counter-cheers resulted as now one side and now the other progressed towards its objective.

Superb Defence

Northcote came within reach of attaining the lead again, to be checked by a magnificent mark by Smith.

From this repulse Dineen forwarded, and a single by McSwain gave Preston the lead again. Cameron shortly afterwards goaled giving Preston a seven-point lead. There was wild excitement.

Northcote Changes

For Northcote Byrne was brought on to the ball. The premiership side came forward when a free to Simmonds was of no avail.

Hugo cleared the ball from the danger zone and on the plain went towards Preston's citadel where a point was taken by Brown.

Many Singles

Woods relieved the pressure by passing to Hart. On play went and Ross gave Simmonds a further opportunity. Only a single came and then another single by Ross brought North cote to within six points of Preston.

Tense Struggle

Preston, with their backs to the wall, now played tenaciously to avert defeat. Hugo and Brewis were particularly effective.

Still Northcote continued to attack for a run of singles. Preston stubbornly strove to hold their advantage

Gray flashed the ball out to Lawrence who passed to Simmonds. Marking right in front it looked a certain kicker, which would have meant victory, but the ball soared wide for a single.

Umpire Mowlan presented a further opportunity to Honig. Hugo, who had been defending excellently, marked the ball behind the crush right in the goal-mouth. But before the umpire could see it Northcote players attacked him and a free was awarded to Honig. His kick registered a single.

It was a goal-less term for Northcote, who recorded a sequence of 7 singles.

FINAL SCORES:

PRESTON	12	11	83
NORTHCOTE	11	14	80

GOAL-KICKERS

Preston: Warr (2), Brown (3), McSwain (2), Boscher, Farrell, McEachern, Cameron.

Northcote: Gray (4), Byrne (3), Williamson, Goulett, Simmonds, Lawrence.

1932 MATCH RECALLED

The finish was reminiscent of 1932 when Northcote snatched victory from Preston by the last kick of the day. The ball just beating the bell, dribbled through the goal posts.

BEST PLAYERS

In Smith Preston had their best player, and probably the best of the 36. He marked brilliantly, and showed great confidence. He secured the points for the Porter Cup. Others to do well were Boschor and Farrell, who followed splendidly. Harding, Warr (who was handicapped by playing with an injured arm), Canpaway, Dineen, Hugo and McSwain.

Northcote had three players at their top in Grey, Hart, and Ross, who were outstanding throughout a hard game. Others to do well were:—Haskett, Ackland, Garrett, and Goulett who followed unfailingly until the last term, and Meltzcke.

Ben Hosking Trophy

The points for the Ben Hosking Trophy were awarded to Northcote's vice-captain, "Sandy" Gray who played a shrewd and clever game.

Northcote Congratulates Preston

Speaking in the Preston dressing room at the conclusion of the match, Cr S. Dennis, M.H.R., on behalf of Mr W. S. Stott, the president of Northcote Club, heartily congratulated Preston on their success.

Cr Dennis recalled that after the opening match he had prophesied that Preston would prove a side to be reckoned with, and his words had come true.

Cr Zwar Elated

Cr H. P. Zwar, M.L.A., Preston's president, who was elated at his club's achievement, heartily congratulated the team, and made an appeal to players to concentrate on training, as he felt certain that if they did, the Centenary pennant would be forthcoming.

An Amusing Incident

Cr Zwar's remarks were interrupted by a little ardent supporter for Northcote, looking disappointed, and wearing his long green and gold streamers, who interjected "You wouldn't have won if we had Seymour in." The outburst from the little hero worshipper caused great laughter.

TO-MORROW'S ENGAGEMENTS

PRESTON AT HOME TO COBURG

Preston will meet Coburg full of confidence at the Cramer Street Park to-morrow afternoon. The indications are that Preston will win after a good game, Coburg is still fighting for a place in the four.

NORTHCOTE PLAY WILLIAMSTOWN

Northcote will meet Williamstown at Northcote Park when they should have little difficulty in accounting for the Seasiders.

ANALYSIS OF PRESTON PLAYERS

The following analysis of the kicks partaken in by the Preston players will prove interesting information to red and white fans. The palm goes to Smith, the full back, who had 32 kicks; Ward 17; Harding 16; Murray 16; Dineen 16; McEachern 16; Farrell 15; Boscher 14; Arthur 14; Doyle 11; Hugo 11; McSwain 11; Brewis 12, Brown 12; Cameron 10; Cannaway 10; L. Robinson 10; W. Robinson 8 (appeared at end of third term); Underhill 7 (left ground at end of third quarter).

Time Off

The following time off was signalled throughout the match:—1st quarter 2min 57sec; 2nd: 4min 12sec; 3rd: 4min; last quarter: 3min 53sec.

PREMIERSHIP LIST

	P	W	L	%	Pts
Northcote	12	10	2	152.79	40
Prahran	12	9	3	125.82	36
Preston	12	9	3	123.16	36
Oakleigh	12	8	4	111.39	32
Coburg	11	7	4	103.57	28
Sandringham	12	6	6	101.45	24
Yarraville	11	5	6	94.18	20
Camberwell	12	5	7	99.80	20
Port. Melb.	12	5	7	89.45	20
Brighton	12	4	8	84.00	16
Williamstown*	12	1	10	68.69	6
Brunswick	12	1	11	70.09	4

*Denotes drawn game.

PRESTON NOTES

Brighton Refuse to Relieve Bock

Further overtures were made to the Brighton committee by Preston officials to secure the release of Bock. The seaside's, however, have again refused the request.

Dowling is all right again and will play against Coburg to-morrow.

Street is a doubtful starter in Saturday's game. The tall follower is not anxious to take too much liberty with his knee.

PAIRS FROM NORTHCOTE

Seymour, Northcote's spearhead in attack, is quite all right again, and will be seen in action on the forward line tomorrow. Frank should be able to include a few more goals to his already large bag.

"Tiger" Powell and Lyngcoln, who were injured against Preston, are hopeful of being able to take their respective positions in the side on Saturday.

Eru Hart made an excellent job of the pivot position last Saturday. He marked splendidly and it was through no fault of his that the forwards failed to turn the many opportunities to better advantage.

RESULTS OF ASSOCIATION GAMES

Preston 12—11 (83) d Northcote 11—14 (80).

Brighton 14—15 (99) d Sandringham 11—21 (87).

Camberwell 13—20 (98) d Oakleigh 10—17 (77).

Prahran 22—12 (144) d Port Melbourne 10—15 (75).

Yarraville 15—12 (102) d Williamstown 12—13 (84).

Coburg 12—21 (93) d Brunswick 8—12 (60)

ASSOCIATION GOAL-KICKERS

SEYMOUR (Northcote) . 78 (0)
HAWKINS (Prahran) . 65 (11)
J. BUCKLEY (Yarraville) 53 (6)
Downing (Oakleigh) 49 (0): Warr (Preston) 45 (3); Fraser (Oakleigh) 37 (14); Gray (Northcote) 36 (4); Cahill (Williamstown) 36 (1); Dowling (Sandringham) 28 (7); Anderson (Brunswick) 28 (0); Johnson (Sandringham) 27 (0).

ATTENDANCES IMPROVE

The improvement in attendances at Association games on Saturday was probably due to the fact that most of the games were between neighboring teams. The figures are:—

Northcote v Preston .	5,000	£70
Prahran v Port Melb. .	3,000	40
Camberwell v Oakleigh .	2,500	35
Brighton v Sandringham .	2,000	25
Coburg v Brunswick .	1,500	19
Yarraville v W'mstown .	1,000	12
Total	15,000	£190

SATURDAY'S DRAW

Saturday's matches will be:—

Williamstown v Northcote, at Northcote.

Preston v Coburg, at Preston.

Brunswick v Oakleigh, at Brunswick.

Brighton v Yarraville, at Elsternwick Park.

Camberwell v Prahran, at Camberwell.

Port Melbourne v Sandringham, at North Port.

ASSOCIATION SECONDS

NORTHCOTE TURN TABLES ON PRESTON

Easy Victory for Visitors

Northcote, 15—13, d Preston 9—16 Both sides played splendid football. Northcote's forward lines were in good form, and showed great accuracy in shooting for goal. The Preston side was stronger in the air and ruck, but was weak on the forward line. Best Players—Northcote: Frame, Koochew, Alexander, Walks, Sharwood, and Donnelly. Preston: Chately, Hughson, Finnegan, Pitts, Hardiman, Cruickshank, Slattery Goal-kickers—Northcote: Long (4), Dunstone. (2), Black (2), Sharwood (2), Clark, Sharwood, Noel, Koochew, Whitechurch. Preston: Boyd (3), Hughson (2), Cruickshank (2); Hardiman, and Croft.

UNITED CHURCHES' ASSOCIATION

Northcote Church of Christ v John Vale Old Boys

Played at McDonell Park. John Vale won the toss and chose the southern goal, favored by a slight breeze. Although the heavy state of the ground was against good football occasionally flashes of systematic play were seen. In general play the teams were evenly matched, but John Vale forwards were superior to those of Northcote. John Vale, 4-2; Northcote, 0-5. In the second term Northcote played much better, but the opposing backs were too clever for their forwards. John Vale, 8-5; Northcote, 2-6. Northcote in the third term showed their best form of the match, attacking constantly, and they reduced their deficit to 9 points at lemons. John Vale, 8-6; Northcote, 6-8. In the final term John Vale were superior everywhere and ran out easy winners by 24 points. Final scores:—John Vale, 10-10; Northcote, 6-10.

Goal-kickers for Northcote: Reece (2), R. Saunders (2), Murray, Hammond. John Vale: R. Trigg (8), L. Bevan (2). Best players for Northcote were Reece (umpire's vote), Emselle, Hammond, A. Stabb, Guy, Bird.

MELBOURNE BOYS' LEAGUE

John Vale v Essendon Stars

John Vale, winning the toss, kicked to the southern end and attacked strongly from the bounce, but the Essendon back line kept scoring at a minimum, and the quarter ended:—John Vale, 3-1 to 0-2. After the change fast play was witnessed, the ball travelling from end to end with both teams defending well. The forwards were only able to break through occasionally, the scores at half-time being:—John Vale 5-4 to 2-2. Essendon made determined efforts after the long interval, and by good passing and playing the open game they were masters during the quarter, although John Vale still held a slight lead—John Vale, 6-6; Essendon, 5-4. The last quarter saw both teams putting all they knew into the game, the pace being a cracker. John Vale made many forward moves with poor results, although they added 3-7. Essendon strove hard to make up their leeway, but John Vale's back line held fast and two solitary points was Essendon's reward. The game ended in a comfortable win for John Vale. Final scores:—John Vale, 9-13; Essendon Stars, 5-6. Goal-kickers for John Vale: Bardwell (3), Dennis (3), Smith, Wilson, Latham. Essendon: Dalton, Delmo, Dandy, Ryan, Morgan. Best players for John Vale: Cosgrove (best and fairest), Dennis, Richards, Pace, Akers, Thomas, Latham. Essendon: Dalton, Delmo, Garland.

TOPICS for WOMEN

Wedding Bells

Foster—Thompson

WHITE azaleas and asparagus fern decked the Methodist Church, Regent, on July 7 when Rev A. L. Sherlock solemnised the wedding of Mr John Foster and Miss Thompson. The bride is the only daughter of the late Mr and Mrs R. Thompson, of Bendigo and the niece of Mrs. P. Chadwick, of Wood street, Preston. The groom is the only son of Mr and Mrs J. Foster, of Sharp street, Regent.

Entering the church on the arm of her brother, Mr James Thompson, who gave her away, the bride made a charming figure in her gown of ivory ring velvet with cowl neck and tight sleeves. The back panel of the full skirt lengthed into a graceful train. Her embroidered veil, lent by a cousin, was arranged cap-fashion with a halo and camellias and azaleas were her flowers camellias and azaleas were her flowers.

Miss Grace Hawker and Miss Marjorie Wild (cousin of the bride) acted as bridesmaids and wore frocks of pale green ring velvet styled with full sleeves tightening into fitted bodices to waist and the full skirt fell into a short train. Matching velvet halos were worn and each carried a sheaf of pink carnations. Mr Raymond Spicer was best man and Mr Jack Orr (cousin of the groom) was groomsman. During the ceremony Mrs J. Murray, of Ballarat, (an aunt of the groom) sang "All Joy Be Thine."

The bride and groom were piped in and out of the church by Piper H. Yorston.

At the Northcote Town Hall, Westbourne grove, 80 guests were entertained at a delightful and happy reception and wedding breakfast. For her frocking the bride's aunt chose a floral marocain gown with black hat and coat and carried mauve pansies. The groom's mother was dressed in a navy marocain frock and coat ensemble and her hat matched. Autumn tinted pansies formed her posy.

After the honeymoon spent at Upper Macedon, the couple will make their home in Spring street, Reservoir.

Coffey—Blundell

REV T. WILKINSON officiated at All Saints' Church of England, Preston, on Saturday, June 30, when Miss Sophie Essie Blundell became the wife of Mr Richard Henry Coffey. The groom is the eldest son of Mr and Mrs R. Coffey, of 15 Cheddar road, Reservoir, and the bride is the eldest daughter of Mrs Blundell and the late Mr R. J. Blundell, of "Shilt" Royal Parade, Reservoir. White heath, chrysanthemums, and maiden-hair fern decorated the altar, and an old friend of the family, Mr D. Nichols, of Braemar street, Essendon, gave the bride away.

For her bridal gown the bride chose gleaming white satin cut on close-fitting lines with a graceful train, and her beautiful Limerick lace veil was arranged in halo fashion around the head and caught with orange blossom sprays. Her shower bouquet was composed of white heath, chrysanthemums rose, white and pink carnations, cherillies and maiden-hair fern.

Attending the bride were her sister, Miss Phyllis Blundell and the groom's sister, Miss Ivy Coffey, both attired daintily in pink matt crepe cut on similar lines to the bride's frock and their close-fitting hats of the same material were banded with pleated silver lame. Pink carnations rose and pink and white heath formed their bouquets.

Mr Norman Paddle acted as best man and Mr Thomas Anderson as groomsman. Mr and Mrs H. Paddle of "Halcyon," 2 Garden street, Regent, lent their home where a most enjoyable reception and wedding breakfast were held.

Steel lame relieved the smart black ensemble worn by the bride's mother and the groom's mother chose a navy blue marocain frock trimmed with gray. Each carried a bouquet of red roses, carnations and heath.

For the honeymoon, which was spent touring, the bride wore a beige frock and coat with hat, gloves and shoes en suite. On their return the couple will reside in Daventry street, Reservoir.

Sullivan—Davies

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, Northcote, was the setting for the quiet and beautiful wedding, on June 30, of Miss Doris Davies and Mr. Maurice O'Sullivan.

The bride, who is the only daughter of Mrs. H. Davies and the late Mr. F. Davies, of Bridge street, Northcote, was given away by her uncle, Mr. P. Barrett. She wore a lustrous ivory satin frock cut on princess lines, having a turtle neck and long tightly fitting cowl sleeves. The back panel of the clinging skirt formed a graceful train, set off with a beautifully embroidered veil mounted on tulle and fastened with a halo of orange blossom. Her bouquet was of arum lilies and gladioli.

Miss Vera Walsh and Miss Lena Barrett, as bridesmaids, made a very charming pair in their frocks of patou pink georgette, fashioned with cowl necks, the skirts falling into soft flares to form short trains. Long pink mittens were worn and they carried sheafs of pink gladioli and heath.

The bridegroom is the younger son of Mrs. O'Sullivan and the late Mr. Edmund O'Sullivan, of Northcote (late of South Melbourne). Mr. W. J. Gartner was the best man, Mr. R. Murnell acting as groomsman.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Fr. Fitzpatrick, and Mr. Albert Baker gave a delightful rendering of "O Salutaris" during the signing of the register. Members of the Children of Mary and Northcote Catholic Young Men's Society formed a guard of honour.

A reception was held after the ceremony at "The Palms," Alexandra avenue, where about ninety guests were received by Mrs. Davies, who was wearing a modish frock of brown figured cotelle, and by Mrs. O'Sullivan, who chose a gown of black matalasse.

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Make the orange kind first. Choose good-sized ones, that have a bright, clean appearance.

Orange Marmalade

Six oranges, one lemon, four and a half pints of water, four pounds of sugar.

Cut the fruit in halves, take out pips and juice. Slice rinds very thinly add water, and leave to soak for 24 hours, adding juice and pips, tied in a muslin bag. When ready, put pulp into a preserving pan, bring to boiling point, and simmer until about half the quantity has boiled away. Then add sugar, stir until it has dissolved, and boil for about ten minutes or until the marmalade will set when tested in a cold saucer. Pour into clean pots and tie down at once. Use cellophane or ordinary jam covers, and label the jars.

Orange Jelly

Five oranges, one sweet orange, one lemon, five pints of water.

Cut fruit in slices, remove pips, add water, and leave to stand for 24 hours. Tie pips in muslin bag, and boil with pulp slowly until it has reduced by about half. Strain through clean cloth, leaving to drip overnight. Measure juice and add one pound of sugar to each pint. Boil until it sets when tested on cold saucer (about ten minutes), and pour into clean jars. Cover when cold.

Lemon Marmalade

Four lemons, four pints or water, sugar.

Cut and rind off washed lemons, and cut up very finely. Peel off pith and tie this in a muslin bag with the pips. Place this in pan with peel and fleshy part and the water. Boil until contents of pan are reduced to about half and are thick. Remove muslin containing pips &c. Add one pound of sugar to one pound of pulp, bring to the boil, and boil for about ten minutes, or until it sets on a cold saucer. Pour into pots and seal at once.

Grapefruit Marmalade

Three grapefruit, four lemons, eight pints of water, five pounds of sugar.

Wash fruit and cut in halves, squeeze out juice. Shred rind and pith (do not use pips or centre), and, with juice and water, soak 24 hours. Next day, boil this until reduced by half. Add sugar, stir while coming to the boil, and boil for about ten minutes, or until it sets when tested. Pot and cover.

TO RE-KNIT WOOL

WHEN unravelling the old work the wool should be wound into loose hanks, tied securely at one end to keep it from tangling. The wool should then be washed in lukewarm water; it is not necessary to use soap unless it is very dirty. When drying it a piece of tape or string should be passed through the hank, and then tied on to the clothes line, so that the wool can hang freely from it. Do this on a warm day, but not when there is a very strong wind, as it is less likely to become tangled. When dry, the wool may be rewound into balls and used again.

Court Shorts

Mr. Brown, P.M. (to witness under cross-examination): I do not think it would upset you so much if you looked at me.

Solicitor: That's hardly a compliment, sir (Laughter).

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Solicitor (questioning witness): Were you afraid that if you opened your mouth you would "put your foot in it," to use a common expression?

Witness: No. My mouth is not large enough to put my foot in (Laughter).

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Solicitor (cross examining witness): You seem very suspicious.

Witness: Yes I am. I am suspicious of all cross-examination, for you see I have been listening to previous cases to-day (Laughter).

Housekeeping Hints

Those Picture Frames

IT is just as important to clean the picture frames of a room as the furniture. For wooden frames use a good furniture polish, for gilt frames use the juice of an onion. If you find a bit of gilt frame missing, mould on a scrap of plasticene and, when hardened, gild it to match the rest of the frame. Clean the glasses of your pictures with methylated spirits and polish with a chamois leather.

A Polishing Wrinkle

When polishing furniture always use two dusters, one for holding the furniture and the other for polishing. This method entirely prevents the fingers marking the wood as you turn it about while cleaning is in progress. This is quite a good method to practise while you do the daily dusting

Renovating Walls

After removing the surface dirt by rubbing down papered walls with stale bread, or a firm dough-and water dough, look for finger marks and greasy spots. These will usually disappear if a warm iron is applied over blotting paper, to the spot. Should this treatment not be successful, the same Fuller's earth with a little water and paste this over the mark with a kitchen table-knife. Brush the paste off with a clean stiff brush when it has set

Petrol Helps

Soiled upholstered furniture sometimes presents a problem. There are two good ways of dealing with this. If you can take the furniture out of doors, rub over the soiled parts with a duster dipped in petrol. As petrol is highly inflammable it must never be used near any light or open flame. If the work must be done indoors, heat some fig dust in the oven and rub this over the surface of the upholstery with a soft duster. Change the place on the duster immediately it becomes soiled. When you have been all over the furniture, brush off the fig dust with a clean clothes brush or use a vacuum cleaner.

MERRI CREEK IMPROVEMENTS

Northcote Council Has a Scheme

AT the meeting of the council of the Northern Municipalities held at the Northcote Town Hall on July 20 the Town Clerk of Northcote reported that the engineers concerned in the scheme in connection with the Merri Creek improvements had met. The engineer for Northcote (Mr V. J. Bradley) had a scheme prepared in which it was proposed that four locks would be constructed, one on the west side of Heidelberg bridge, another on the east side of the bridge, the third near the High street railway viaduct and the fourth between Merri and Rushall railway stations. This scheme would be discussed by the Northcote Council at its next meeting.

Mr H. H. Olney, M.L.C., said the Minister for Sustenance (Dr Shields) was very interested in the scheme and early application should be made for any grant required.

Mr Kiernan, M.L.C., said it was first necessary for the conference to adopt a scheme. This should be done without delay.

The Mayor of Coburg said that Dr Shields had recently visited Coburg and was impressed by the valuable improvements made there.

It was decided to expedite the promotion of a scheme acceptable to the conference.

SHORTER LOCKS

WITH this summer's striking hat fashions it seems inevitable, that shorter locks will out-smart the long bob.

A think a woman's coiffure is a thing which she should judge herself, but there is no doubt that shorter cuts are smarter at the moment and for those to whom it is becoming a haircut is due.

Claudette Colbert, now playing the role of Cleopatra in the picture of that title, wears the long hairdresses of that era. But her own svelte coiffure is the epitome of chic. In her new summer wardrobe, Claudette has some of the nicest hats and every one of them emphasises the smartness of her closely-shorn tresses.

Many women are tired of curls on their necks and in summer they find it difficult to keep them neatly coiffed. Therefore, this news of shorter hair should be accepted joyfully. However, the hair should be kept soft and feminine around the face. The fringe necessary for the very fashionable and frilly sort of fashions which will predominate in this summer's mode.

SPACE SAVING

WHEN dealing with a small bedroom with a bay window one good idea is a built-in fitment with shelves and drawers. Its flat top is up to reveal a mirror on its surface, and the flap hides a recess for the ordinary dressing-table accessories—pots and bottles, brush and comb and so forth. The shelves in the lower section of the fitment should be removable, resting on ledges, so that they can be moved to suit the space required.

A space-saving idea for a double-duty room is a fold-down table about two sides of the table, making it necessary to provide only half the number of chairs. The fitting occupies an otherwise wasted corner and is a great improvement on the more conventional placing of the meal-table. A bachelor girl or young wife whose entertaining must all be done in one room will find this idea a great help. It centralises the business of eating, and when the meal is over everybody returns to the "sitting-room" side of the same room.

Another idea wisely solves the problem "where can I write a letter? Have a fitment made with a folding flap writing bed, which covers in a space of half the writing area, and a small shelf to hold paper, envelopes, &c. The lower part, under the writing shelf should be made into cupboards which are really handy for books of reference, telephone books, time-tables and so forth. The days when a "fitment" was an ugly makeshift of match - boarding, cretonne frills and amateurish carpentry have gone. The modern built-in furniture is furniture, but with just that difference from the old that, instead of being work-making, heavy, and ugly, it is labor-saving, light and very beautiful.

EPPING

Personal

Miss Doris Shallard has been operated upon for tonsil trouble.

Miss Doris Dell, who has had her appendix removed, is slowly recovering.

Mrs. Cliff Smith has been admitted to a Preston hospital, suffering from pneumonia.

Stone Walls Being Crushed

Stone walls given by Mr. J. Bold are being crushed by Gale Bros' crusher, and the metal is to be used for council repairs.

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MODERATOR'S VISIT

(Continued from Front Page)

...wright and capable men, of whom the Moderator was a great example. He commended the Moderator, on behalf of the congregations, not only because he was the head of the church, or solely for his work's sake, but that welcome was also enhanced by the knowledge that he was a distinct ornament to his office. Everywhere present appreciated the personal grace and character of the Rev Jonathan Jenkins, whose work for the Church had been characterised by fidelity of purpose, balance of judgment, and a spirit of pronouncemenie. The Moderator had won the affection and respect of his followers and all present welcomed him from the bottom of their hearts (Applause).

Cr Jones (Mayor of Northcote) extended a welcome to the Moderator on behalf of the City of Northcote. Presbyterians were well represented in the city and men of outstanding character, as the Moderator, were always appreciated. Northcote Council was concentrating on keeping the sanctity of the Sabbath and in this work it was being up to the high moral standard set by previous councils. The Moderator had given great service to the Christian movement, especially in regard to his interest in youth and youth problems — which meeting shelf should be made into cupboards which are really handy for books of reference, telephone books time-tables and so forth. The days when a "fitment" was an ugly makeshift of match - boarding, cretonne frills and amateurish carpentry have gone. The modern built-in furniture is furniture, but with just that difference from the old that, instead of being work-making, heavy, and ugly, it is labor-saving, light and very beautiful.

"MASTER OF THE PULPIT"

Rev E. T. Cleverdon (High Street Methodist) also supported, and in a very speech referred to the Scotchman's "raising ways," and his own association with the Presbyterian Church. The Moderator was recognised as one of the "masters of the pulpit" in Australia, and he took pleasure in extending to him a hearty welcome from the Methodist Church.

THE MODERATOR REPLIES

THE Rev John Mackenzie, State Moderator, who was greeted with applause, tendered his thanks for the warm reception and generous welcome. It was a great joy and pleasure to him to be present at such a meeting. He was pleased to see the friendship which existed between ministry and hoped that it would be forerunner of unity in the years to come. He felt that churches should try and find points of agreement between themselves instead of points of difference, and should be the Christ-like view.

The Presbyterian Church had combined with the Methodist Church in this work for 20 years to his knowledge and he would like to see this spirit extended to other branches of church work and to other denominations. He felt there was a need for closer bonds of friendship between churches, and could move into a united whole. God's work was based on a world-wide scale and felt that Australians should realise that unite themselves together. It is time to come Australia would be in the forefront of the nations of the world and would then be looked to as an example (Applause).

Supper was served by the ladies of the Northcote Congregation and Doxology and God Save the King ended the evening.

Social Items

Interspersed between the speakers by Lane rendered the following songs: "Come With Me Queen or Fairy," "Bonnie Hills of Scotland," "Dry down Derry," and "Love's Old Sweet Song." Mrs Connor officiated at the piano.

Rev A. T. Jones was an able chairman and welcomed the visiting clergy and members of the various congregations. Apologies were received from Rev J. O. Hughes, and Rev T. Hutton (Epping).

THOSE PRESENT

Among those present were: — Mr and Mrs W. H. Searle (Preston), Mr and Mrs T. Pollock, Mr and Mrs J. Hoare, Mr and Mrs Grainger, Mr and Mrs M. Ellis, Mr and Mrs Mackay and Mrs A. S. Carruthers, Mr and Mrs Threlkeld, Mr and Mrs S. G. Lee, Mr and Mrs J. A. Thomson, Mr and Mrs J. H. Paull, Mr and Mrs Fred Forbes (Whittlesea); Mr and Mrs Smith (Epping), Mr and Mrs J. Kebatsch (Epping); Mesdames C. Sandeman, A. M. Kinsman, J. Perkins, G. H. Cogle, E. Junor, Wolcroft, J. May, Hector Lewis, Parish, H. J. Gordon, W. Harvey, Eabry, E. Read (Rossmoyne Street Church), Armstrong (Reservoir), G. Baker (Reservoir), Ross, Roberts, Gibbard, A. T. Jones, J. Jenkins, M. Ragg, R. Higgs, McMullin, M. Smith; Misses M. H. Adams, Junor, Lowrie, E. Pocknall, Bradley, Cogle, E. S. Ford, Frances Cummings, O. Bagnall, N. Mackay, W. Wedgwood, J. Higgs; Messrs F. J. Pemberton, J. J. Lockhart, Gilbert Holmes, E. F. Walker, W. Beecher, Fred Johnston (Whittlesea), W. Harvey, J. McLeod, and Ronald Robinson.

Northcote Horticultural Society

THE ANNUAL MEETING

Office-Bearers Elected

THE annual meeting of the Northcote Horticultural Society was held on the 11th inst in the Lodge Room, of Northcote Town Hall. A large number of members were present. The report and balance sheet were read and adopted. The report disclosed that a considerable amount of valuable horticultural work had been carried out during the year. Owing to the very bad weather experienced on the day of the autumn show, the loss on that important function was considerably heavier than usual.

Office-bearers for the coming year were elected as follows:—President: Mr W. H. Dunallan; patrons: Cr J. H. Green, Wm. Gibson, John Lukey, vice-presidents: Mrs R. Bennett, Miss G. Lancaster, Messrs A. C. Thomas, J. W. Twentyman, C. J. Alexander, A. Coxen, F. Munks; committee: Messrs Gibson, Dailey, Lovelace, Mott, Corry, Coxen, Dunallan, Hambly, A. L. Johnson, Misses L. Lancaster and J. Bennett, Messrs Eobine, Hutley, Tooth, Rayner, McNamara, Brown, J. H. Johnson, Glassford, A. L. Johnson, H. Madden, and E. Harris; auditor: Mr A. J Tanner; treasurer: Mr H. Gibson; secretary: Mr W. Beattie.

Trophies Presented

Trophies won during the year were presented as follows Open Cut Flowers (President's Trophy): Mr C. J. Alexander. Novice Cut Flowers: Mr S. Glassford. Amateur Bunches of Roses: Mr R. Gibson, Bunches of Roses for growers with not more than 100 plants: Mr J. Brown. Bunch of Australian-raised Roses: Mr W. H. Dunallan. Basket of Flowers: Miss J. Bennett. 3 Vases of Arranged Flowers: Mrs Corry.

Surprise presentations were also made to the secretary and treasurer in recognition of their services during the year.

At the conclusion of business a euchre tournament was held and much enjoyed. The winners were:—Ladies: Mrs Hambly; gentlemen: Mr Carpenter. Supper was served by the Ladies' Committee which brought to a close a most enjoyable and harmonious meeting.

Sidelights on the Moderator's Visit

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One Tasmanian to Another

MAYOR JONES: In Tasmania the people are afraid of going out at night for fear they will fall over the edge and I warn the Moderator of this when he visits Tasmania next

Rev Cleverdon (also a Tasmanian) expressed dissent until he was told the Mayor was also a Tasmanian.

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IN apologising for the Rev J. O. Hughes (Anglican) it was disclosed that he was at one time associated with the Presbyterian Church.

Rev Thomas Cole (Anglican) also admitted that he attended a Presbyterian Sunday School for a time.

Rev F. T. Cleverdon (Methodist): I cannot claim associations like that —but I married an excellent Presbyterian wife (Laughter).

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THE MODERATOR compared Scotland and Tasmania in that they were both small countries, and tended always to be on the defensive when their pride was mentioned. However (turning to Mayor Jones and Mr Cleverdon): Men of both countries are recognised the world over as big men — instature and ability.

Pleasant Sunday Afternoon

On Sunday afternoon, August 5 at the Town Hall, Northcote, at 3 p.m. a Pleasant Sunday Afternoon will be held and a collection will be taken on behalf of Northcote Creche funds. A first-class programme has been arranged by Miss Ida Park, consisting of the following artists:—Miss Mary Lilley, contralto; Alan Storr, boy soprano; Miss Judith Amadio, flautist; Miss Mabel King, soprano; Miss Christie, soprano; Blanche Chidzey, elocutionist; Mavis Mosley, soprano, and the Pitzroy Centenary Junior choir and orchestra.

Use of Cricket Grounds

Northcote Council elsewhere invites applications closing August 17 from cricket clubs for use of grounds under its control for the 1934-35 season.

SCOUT NEWS

ALL ABOUT THE BOYS

PREPARATIONS OF ARCHWAY

Lessons in Woodcarving

Arrangements have been completed for Mr. A. Jaansu, of East Melbourne, a specialty craftsman, to demonstrate the methods of woodcarving to scouts of both Northcote and Preston District. Scoutmasters may take this notice as official, and endeavour to get all scouts of the troops interested to attend. The demonstration will be held in the Northcote Scout Hall, Arthurton road, on Wednesday, August 1, at 8 p.m. Mr. Jansun will demonstrate methods and also show several examples. Only simple carpentering tools available in most home kits will be used.

Impressive Carving Scheme

The archway supports which will be mounted on bricks donated by a leading Northcote establishment, are to be twelve-inch uprights carved in district symbols. Sevpral fifteen-inch planes—one each of Northcote and Preston (by permission) coat of arms, one of the Jamboree badge, and one of the Scout badge will also adorn the archway.

A fence of carved stakes, one done by each scout attending the Jamboree will flank the archway, with loops of white rope setting off the erection. Each scout will be supplied with instructions and duplicated design, which will be carved by knife on a specified size of timber.

9000 Victorian Scouts

The latest figures from head-quarters show that 9000 applications to attend the Jamboree have been received. It is a splendid response.

Indiana's Big Shout.

Citizens of Ballarat have formed themselves into a committee, with the object of interesting old scouts, and others in positions to group together, and "shout" scouts who cannot afford to attend. Every precaution will be taken to see that each boy "shouted" is genuinely unable to attend.

Local Scheme Expected

It is proposed to endeavour to organise a similar scheme in Northcote, and interested men in the city will be asked to co-operate in the endeavour. About 30 scouts in the city have been unable to subscribe.

Presentation to Mr Franks

At the district dance on Saturday night in the Northcote scout hall, a gold tie pin was presented to Mr A. E. Franks, retiring district scoutmaster, by the District Commissioner on behalf of the district officers. Appreciation of his splendid six years' service was expressed and acclaimed by all present.

2nd THORNBURY

A group committee meeting was held on Wednesday night. A parents "get together" social will be held on Saturday, July 28. All interested members are invited to attend. At recent visit to Port Melbourne settlement for scouts a football match was arranged for July 28.

A Patrol Leaders' day will be held on the second Saturday in August when the P.L's will arrange the details and hand a report to the Scoutmaster for the quarter's competitions.

4th NORTHCOTE BAPTIST CHURCH

A large batch of scouts have just qualified for second class badge. It is expected every scout in the troop will have qualified for this badge by the time of the Jamboree, December 27.

SCOUTS READ THE "LEADER"

A plebiscite of the scouts attending the Jamboree, asking for various details, asked one question — "Do you read the Northcote 'Leader' ?" 60 per cent answered Yes. "Do you read the scout column ?" 86 per cent. answered yes.

1st WEST PRESTON

On Saturday the troop paid a visit to the Eastern Hill Fire Station and spent an interesting afternoon. A grand view of Melbourne was seen from the tower, and the descriptions of how the various appliances worked were highly interesting. Nine of the scouts parents are offering hospitality to overseas boys before and after the Jamboree. A large audience is expected at the concert to be held on Saturday, July 28 at St. Cecelia's Church of England, Kendall street.

4th PRESTON SCOUTS AND CUBS

A representative gathering of parents of scouts and cubs of the 4th Preston district was held on Monday when it was unanimously decided to form a group committee of parents. A strong committee was formed with Mr A. F. Deacon as president and Mr C. T. Barling as secretary pro-tem. It is the committee's intention to raise funds for the purchase of equipment for use at the forthcoming Jamboree and future camps. In addition material will be purchased for handicraft and hobbies classes for the cubs. Mr F. Higham has been appointed scout master and the group scout master for the district (Mr G. Sheldrick) was in attendance and in a comprehensive review of the scout movement gave members of the committee much useful information.

1st PRESTON TROOP

Recently eighteen members spent an enjoyable week-end at the residence of Mr Luly at Altona. Much nautical knowledge was acquired and Mr Luly gave a talk on the sea and on different lighthouses around the coast. The troop has received a letter from the Janefield Presbyterian Church expressing thanks for the concert recently given in aid of their funds. We are contemplating repeating the concert at Austin Hospital at an early date. Last Wednesday Kim's Game and Scout's Pace were the items in the annual Thomas Hurford Competitions.

BOWLS

THORNBURY CLUB

Presentation of Trophies

THE annual social and presentation of trophies took place on Wednesday evening and passed off most successfully these being a large attendance of members and visitors and a happy time being spent in dancing and at cards. The Mayor (Cr M. C. Jones) prior to presenting the trophies, congratulated the president (Mr T. Wardley) on being the club's chief officer in one of the most successful years in the club's history. He also said that the Thornbury Club as a social and recreation centre was a distinct asset to the community. In his happiest manner he then presented the trophies as follow: — Men's Club, Championship: J. S. Whalley; runner-up: T. Wardley. Handicap: V. Smith; runner-up: M. Sharp. Century: M. Sharp; runner-up: J. S. Whalley. Ladies Club—Championship: Mrs Richardson; runner-up: Mrs Stewart. Handicap (President's trophy): Mrs Richardson, Mr Wardley's trophy: Mrs Outram; runner-up: *Mrs Ferguson. Century* (Mr F. Cornish's trophy): Mrs Wearne; runner-up (Mr Pollock's trophy): Mrs Pickford. Mrs Forbes' Trophy won by Mrs Wearne and Mrs V. Smith. Mr Hales' trophy: Mrs Wearne and Mrs Palmer. Holden Cup (Mrs Hogan's nated by Mrs Gannon): Mrs L. Roberts.

In thanking the ladies for their splendid efforts on behalf of the club Mrs Wardley took occasion to thank Mrs Wearne (the indy president) bon voyage on the trip she was about to take. The euchre prizes went to Mr Wyatt and Miss Nelson.

Crazy Whist for Charity

On the following day the ladies held a crazy whist afternoon for the benefit of the Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society. This was a first effort in charity's cause, and it was a pronounced success, the attendance being large, the arrangements excellent and the financial result most satisfactory. The hostesses were Mesdames Wearne, Forbes, Jory, V. Smith, McKenzie, Palmer, Holden, Outram, Pickford, Ferguson, and Cogle. At the close of play the president (Mrs Wearne) said she was pleased to announce that as the result of the effort they would be able to hand a to the Ladies' Benevolent Society. The Mayoress (Mrs Jones) cordially thanked the ladies for their fine effort and then presented the prizes—1st to Mrs Curry, 2nd to Mrs W. Johnson and consolation to Mrs Gregg.

Many members of the Ladies' Club farewelled Mrs Wearne in leaving for Queensland.

PRESTON LADIES' CLUB

Enjoyable Gala Night

ANOTHER successful social fixture was brought to fruition by the members of the Preston Ladies' Bowling Club on Wednesday July 18.

At the invitation of the ladies about eighty guests gathered at the club pavilion to pay honor to the club and to spend a pleasant evening. The proceedings opened with a spiritedly contested euchre tournament. At the conclusion a count up revealed that Mrs H. Henshaw was the successful lady while Mr J. Welch collected the gentlemen's trophy. The lucky number was then elucidated and a long-standing friend in Mrs Aitchin was the recipient of the second prize and Bert Hill was enabled to receive the gentleman's prize. Next was listed a most interesting and humorous item. Slips of paper bearing lines or of popular choruses were handed out.

"Choral" Contest

Those possessing papers showing lines or a particular chorus were set to find their companions and later to render the chorus before that eminently talented adjudicator, Cr H. Swain. After a very careful selection the rendering of "After the Ball" by a choir under the baton (a feather duster) of Mrs J. Ross was declared the winner. Handsome prizes were awarded the party.

No social event conducted by these ladies is complete without supper—and on this occasion they served up something that quite eclipsed their usual high standard. In this event there were all prizes, blanks being conspicuous by their absence — at the conclusion.

The Event-Winners

Attention was then given to the prize list. The prizes were distributed by Mr W. B. Howe, president of the Bowling Club who was in good form, each presentation being accompanied by an apt speech. — Championship: Mrs Appleton; runner-up: Mrs Condie (donated by Mrs Appleton). President's Trophy: Mrs Binney (donated by Mrs Hoven). Vice-presidents' trophy (mixed pair): Mrs Binney and W. Shaw (donated by Mrs McIntyre). Vice-Presidents' Trophy (proportional bowls): B: Mrs Howe. C: Mrs Sellwood (donated by Mrs Davidson, Dr Yule's Trophy: Mrs Binney and Mr Welch. Mixed Pairs: Mrs Howe and Mr Rae. Mixed Pairs: Cr Zwar's Trophy: Mrs Shaw: Mrs Shepherd's Trophy: Mrs Carthew.

Misses Beryl McIntosh and G. Henshaw were recipients of presents for their assistance during the year at social functions. The popular president of the Ladies' Club (Mrs Hoven) was then presented with a bowls case to mark the high esteem in which she is held by the members.

To Mr Henshaw (secretary) was handed a wallet from the Ladies' Club and a dainty collection of china from the Men's Club to mark the enthusiastic manner in which she had carried out her duties.

To that highly-esteemed member Mrs McIntyre was presented a suitably inscribed clock. The members of the Men's Club are quite conscious of the value of this lady's services to the club especially in her attention to the Saturday afternoon refreshments

The hour then being somewhat late a pleasant evening was brought to a close with "Auld Lang Syne" — May there be more of them.

Among Those Present

Among those present were:—Mr and Mrs W. B. Howe, Miss Howe, Mr and Mrs H. Henshaw, Mr and Mrs McIntyre, Mr and Mrs W. J. Inglis, Mr and Mrs Farr, Mr and Mrs W. Tatchell, Mr and Mrs A. Green, Mr and Mrs Dahl, Mr and Mrs T. Shaw, Mr and Mrs L. W. Williams, Mr and Mrs McIntosh, Cr and Mrs H. Swain, Mr and Mrs Colgan, Mr and Mrs Carthew, Mr and Mrs Condie, Mr and Mrs Sheppard, Mr and Mrs Quirk; Mesdames Flemming, K. Aitchin, Richardson, Davidson, J. Binney, Sinclair, and Cousins; Misses Welch and McIntosh, Messrs Welch and D. Ross.

STAR OF NORTHCOTE, I.O.R.

Bro. H. T. Morris, C.R., presided over a large attendance on July 19. Four new members were welcomed and several nominations received. An invitation to a social evening was received from Northcote A.N.A., and two representatives were appointed to attend. Bro. W. Brown tendered his resignation as corresponding superintendent of Dennis Junior Tent, but has consented to carry on until September when a new superintendent will be appointed. All superintendents are requested to attend an important meeting to-night (Friday) in the Rechabite Hall.

In the chose of business the usual quarterly social evening was conducted, when a large number of the younger members and friends enjoyed a programme of mixed dancing. The oldest members indulged in a quiet game of euchre in the anteroom. After supper dancing was continued until Auld Lang Syne terminated a pleasant evening.

The syllabus item for next meeting on August 2 is a gents' euchre tournament, and a large attendance is expected to take part in the search for the elusive trumps.

MR. DENNIS FOR BATMAN

CAMPAIGN COUNCIL ELECTED

Members of the United Australia party in the Batman electorate met at the Town Hall, Northcote, on July 19 and requested the retiring U.A.P. member (Mr Dennis) to contest the seat again. Appreciation of the work of Mr Dennis was expressed, and a campaign council was elected.

Mr Dennis entered the Federal Parliament by defeating the Labor candidate (Mr F. Brennan) in 1931. Mr Brennan at that time was Attorney-General in the Scullin ministry, and the seat had always been regarded as a Labor stronghold.

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FOOTBALL

C.Y.M.S. ASSOCIATION

PRESTON v NORTH FITZROY

At Haxby Park Preston met a weak side from North Fitzroy on Saturday. The Preston team was seriously weakened by the absence of White and Tamuck. These and all members of the team are requested, if fit, to be present to-morrow at the corner of Bell street and Plenty road at 2 p.m. to journey to Williamstown. This team is on top of the ladder, and defeated Preston by one point only on their previous meeting.

Last Saturday, realising the weakness of the North Fitzroy team, Preston was content to gain a great score in the first term, and then to settle down and prevent the opposing forwards from scoring. Preston's most prominent player in this quarter was P. Fricker. His marking was perfect, and his kicking the best seen in the team this year. Each of his three goals for the term was a gem, and his clever ground play was an important factor in the success of the forwards. Preston's triumph in this term was greatly aided by the fact that the forwards had kept the game open in obedience to the orders of the captain. If he perseveres in ordering the forwards to open out more, better system in attack will be seen in the remaining matches. Quarter time scores:—Preston, 6-7; North Fitzroy, 0-1.

In the second quarter Preston slackened the pace, and North Fitzroy, taking advantage of this, was able to score more for the quarter than did the home team. In this quarter Sleith was the greatest batter for Preston. He was leading up to the reception of short passes in much more confident fashion than heretofore, and it is to be hoped that he perseveres in this style of game. It won for him many opportunities, some of which he ruined by kicking the torpedo punt. This seems to come from the side of his boot, and on Saturday his kicks often swung right across goals. When he is near the goal a flat punt would suit him better. At present he is sacrificing direction to distance and torpedo spin. Of the defenders the Ryan brothers seemed the most effective, Will being especially useful with long driving kicks and solid ground play. Musselt was not quite as good as usual on the wing. More serious training would probably stand him in good stead. In this quarter the forwards began to crowd the play, thus of their own accord spoiling their opportunities of scoring. Half-time scores:—Preston, 8-11; North Fitzroy, 3-1.

The third term was remarkable for the strength displayed by the Preston following division. The Rovers had been excellent all day. Fitzroy is proving a great ground player, and is ably supported McGregor. Both should go far in the football world. O'Meara seemed to lack sufficient training, as he, like Musselt, seemed very tired at times, and his form was not as good as earlier in the season. Brown's defence was fine, and he further enhanced his claims for inclusion in the ranks of the best centre half-backs in the competition. Kelly was proving his value as a utility player, being equally serviceable in defending and in feeding the forwards, who, however, missed countless opportunities owing to crowded play. Three-quarter time scores:—Preston, 8-15; North Fitzroy, 4-3.

The final term revealed the same dreary crowding of play among the Preston forwards, in great contrast to the brilliant first quarter rally. Dobrigh and B. Baker were showing great improvement, and a few more games should give them the confidence that enables football sense to be revealed. Like Smyth, they are yet rather raw, and fearful of attempting anything spectacular. Sleith continued his clever position play, but his kicking was erratic. With a little more concentration on his kicking he brilliant against Williamstown next week. Final scores:—

Preston, 9 goals 20 behinds.
North Fitzroy, 5 goals 8 behinds.
Preston goal-kickers:—P. Fricker (3), Sleith (3), Flack, McGregor, Kelly. Best players:—Fricker brothers, W. Ryan, Kelly, Sleith.

SPORTING SECRETARIES

The Sporting Editor invites Secretaries of sporting bodies to forward reports of their clubs' activities for publication in the "Leader." Matter should be written on one side of the paper only (preferably in ink) and should reach the Sporting Editor before Tuesdays, or earlier if possible. Early copy receives first preference.

PROTESTANT CHURCHES

Napier Street Presbyterians v Preston Presbyterians

Napier Street opened the scoring with a goal half-way through the first quarter. The scoring was kept even until the last quarter, when excellent play by the Napier Street forward line gave them an easy victory, they scoring nine goals in this term. Final scores:—Napier Street, 20-14; Preston, 8-2. Goalkickers for Preston: L. Hills (2), N. Johnston (2), A. Bassett, E. Gibbs, W. Gurney, M. Johnston. Best players:—W. Moore, H. Johnston, T. Edwards, M. Johnston.

Thornbury Presbyterians v Kensington Methodists.

Played at Hayes Park, Kensington winning the toss kicked toward the eastern goal and within a few minutes of play kicked a goal. A very even quarter finished with Thornbury one point in front. In the second quarter Thornbury took charge and adding 4—8 had a handy lead at half time, the scores being Thornbury 6—8 to 2—1. Kensington did not score in this quarter which was noticeable for the spectacular high marking of Paterson. On resumption Thornbury, still playing the open game, had their advantage and at three quarter-time the scores were Thornbury 7—11 to 3—4. Kensington attacking in the last term were repulsed, Power showing fine form on the back line. The game ended with the scores:

Thornbury—9 goals, 13 behinds.
Kensington—3 goals, 9 behinds.
Goalkickers: Thornbury—Paterson 5, Hooper 1, Henning 2, Randall 1. Best Players.—Thornbury, Paterson, L. Cheffers, Indian, J. Hooper, Butler, N. Jordan.

SOCCER

Schoolboys' Association

NORTHCOTE CLUB

Saturday, July 28, kick off 11 a.m., Northcote v Moreland at rear of Preston Ice Works, St. George's road, Preston. The following Northcote players are selected:—Goal, A. McKernan; right back, D. Duncan; left back, P. McKernan; left half, J. Glasshorough; centre, J. E. May; right half, W. Newsome; outside left, J. Lilliecut; inside left, L. Barratt; centre forward, R. Liddicut; inside right, R. Keene; outside right, J. Lamont. Reserves, A. Newsom, W. Russell, Nelson.

The best and fairest players against Heidelberg last Saturday were J. Liddicut, L. Barratt, J. Glasshorough. In Jack Liddicut, a lad only 11 years old, the club is fortunate in having one of the best outside lefts playing schoolboy soccer. He is well in the running for the cup for the best and fairest player donated by the club's secretary (Mr. W. R. Cooper), better known about the district amongst the boys as "Digger."

The club holds a meeting every Thursday evening at the clubrooms, 2 Dally street, Northcote, when new members are heartily welcomed. Training nights are Tuesdays and Thursdays on the ground at the rear of the Northcote Brick Co.

Schoolboy soccer is spreading rapidly throughout Victoria, and next season will find many new clubs taking the field. Any boys between 11 and 15 years need not wait until next season. Join up at once. Membership fee is 3d.

Last week's matches resulted:—

South-Eastern Division.—Geelong Road d St. Augustine's, 8-1; University High A d Brighton, 2-1; North Melbourne d Graham St., 4-0; Tottenham d University High B, 2-1.

North-Eastern Division.—Coburg d Bell, 3-1; Heidelberg d Northcote, 5-0. Other results of this division are not yet to hand.

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HOCKEY

Grade A1.—Ivanhoe d Herald-Sun, 2-1; Fairfield drew with Camberwell, 1-1.

A2 Grade.—Brunswick d Fairfield, 5-1. Fairfield played only seven men.

C Grade.—Old Scotch d 57/60 Batt, 7-2.

THE PUNTERS' NOTEBOOK

Hyperion a Likely Cup Colt

POINTS OF FORM FOR FUTURE GUIDANCE

(By "Luteplayer")

Included among the winners at Caulfield last Saturday was a colt who may claim serious consideration as a candidate for classic honors and the Melbourne Cup.

Has Jack Holt got hold of another champion from West Australia? This was the question put by many racegoers after seeing Hyperion win the second division of the Caulfield Two-year-old last Saturday.

The thought of the colt being a potential champion is, of course, suggendered by the phenomenal success that the "Mordialloc wizard" has had with horses from the Western State, namely, Everhaly, Maple, Mistico, Second Wind and Eaglewood.

Without allowing thought of these good performers to influence judgment, it can be said that is Hyperion Holt has a colt of great promise.

In the West Hyperion's eight starts resulted in four wins, two seconds and two thirds. His victories include the W.A.T.C. Sires' Produce Stakes. Last Saturday Hyperion was having his first start in Victoria, and Holt did not think he was forward enough to win, but he expected him to run a good race. However, the colt proved to be of a higher class than his rivals.

Not too well placed early, he improved his position coming to the turn, and, pushing through at the distance, went on to win a good deal more comfortably than his margin of three-quarters of a length might suggest.

Described in the race book as a black, Hyperion is really a dark brown, and he galloped like the stayer his breeding labels him. His sire, Pantheon, an English-bred stallion, was a sound stayer and he has scored success at the stud, as Peter Pan gained him high honors in this direction by winning the Melbourne Cup. Opera, the dam of Hyperion, is a Comedy King mare, tracing back to St. Simon.

On his breeding and record to date Hyperion has good prospects of becoming a contender for Derby and Melbourne Cup honors.

LIKELY IMPROVERS

The following are the chief points of the Caulfield form selected for the future guidance of backers:—

ELEGANCE.—Badly placed at half way stage of the first division of Two-year-old, but finished strongly to gain second place. Previous form fair, and is capable of winning races.

STAR LOVER.—Although he was beaten into third place in first division of Two-year-old after having held a commanding lead coming to the turn, can be fancied for another win. Racing will improve his stamina as it did his dam.

COLLINGWOOD.—Having his first race since March, ran on strongly in fourth place in first division of Two-year-old, and the race will improve him. Won at his first start in the spring and then went amiss. Was unable to strike form in the Autumn, but Saturday's showing was suggestive of a return to his early spring promise.

TAKATA.—Prominent to near turn and then dropped right out of first division of Two-year-old. However, taking into consideration that it was his first run for more than three months, he can be expected to make improvement.

SARAKOS.—Second to Baanya in Hurdle, demonstrated that he had been improved by his Flemington race. Owing to remaining inches of his rider he did not establish his usual long lead, but struggled on better. The run should make him about Cherry Blue for his next start.

MYSTIC PEAK.—Coming home well from a fair way back to gain third place in Hurdle. But for meeting with interference from Sarakos after jumping the last hurdle he would have been second. Impresses as a very promising hurdler.

THE MIRROR. — Fell at hurdle near the half mile, but it can be overlooked as his rider appeared to buckle him coming to the obstacle. Was going extra well and making up ground rapidly at the time of the mishap.

PERSEN. — Well placed all the way in second division of Two-year-old and looked a certain winner until Hyperion broke through near the distance. It was a good display, however, and one worth following, as time may prove the winner to be a cut above the ordinary.

RIMER.—Came from last with a great run to finish third in second division of Two-year-old, also shaped fairly at previous two starts. She may be a filly heading for a win.

BARNUM. — Was another doing well at the finish of second division of Two-year-old and occupied fourth position. Similarly placed at previous start at Flemington in June when he also finished well.

GALLIBROOK. — Beaten in last stride of Murrumbeena Handicap. Rider appeared to be a little too confident. It was, however, a good gallop, and he should not take long to make amends.

DICK DEVON.—Second last to a half mile in Murrumbeena Handicap and then covered extra ground on outside. Finished strongly to gain third place.

MOVIE STAR. — In third position most of the way in Murrumbeena Handicap and struggled on strongly finish fourth. Found 13 miles too far on this occasion, but is likely improve as a performer over a distance.

EAGLE EYE. Made the running and finished fifth in Murrumbeena Handicap. Will be better suited by a mile and a quarter.

THRAWN.—Rather hard to beat, but did well enough in Sturt Handicap to be considered a future prospect. Finished fifth. Would have been closer had he been able to obtain a run in the straight.

WHURLIC.—In Steeple gave nice four lengths start jumping last fence and then ran him to a neck. This form following his start at Williamstown points to him being a win before long.

SODINO.—His close third in division of Trial was about his form to date. Well placed from start, he was moving up nicely the outside three from home, but something happened to him and he dropped back four horses. He then took him up on the rails after recovering lost ground blocked until well into the straight. He was pushed through and in the finish was half a neck behind the winners. On that form he looks early winner of a race.

THRIBAR.—A good worker on tracks, he displayed some promising finishing fourth in the first division of the Trial. Came from a long back.

KNOCKTEMPLE.—Had no chance with Wallaplan in second division of the Trial, but his second was a creditable gallop and he may be in line up for another win.

MARIE GAY.—Third in second division of Trial after being with poor judgment. Rushed to the tail end of the field at the third to third at the half mile. In the circumstances did well to hold to placing.

FOLK LORE—Surprised everyone connections by being prominent the way and finishing second in Welter. Will be all the better for the outing and this "up" may be useful in future.

NELLIE'S TIP.—Again unlucky Welter. As she left the mark sandwiched and dropped out. Has to gain third place.

NUIT D'OR.—Was fancied for Welter but could only finish fourth. Never dangerous, but run on the First race for some time and is expected to improve.

Selections for Moonee Valley

Aberfeldie Hurdle
THE MIRROR
OLD HOME
RODDA

Essoe Handicap
HYPERION
COLLINGWOOD
ELEGANCE

Lindsay Gordon Steeple
FULHAM
OWA
WHURLIC

Glen Orin Handicap
GALLIBROOK
GAY KING
NOEL SOLDAT

Derrimut Handicap
SOME HERO
WATCHFUL
DESERT DREAM

Sunset Welter
NELLIE'S TIP
PROSTRATION
NUIT D'OR

BEST BETS

The best bets may be Hyperion Gallibrook.

NORTHCOTE MOTOR CYCLE CLUB

On Sunday the club will leave corner of High street and Heidelberg road at 10.15 a.m. for a trip to Eltham, commencing from Sherlock's Reservoir. Novelty sports will be held at Eltham in the afternoon for ladies and gentlemen. Entry fee for the sure hunt is 6d., and for novelty sports 6d. A general meeting will be held on Monday, August 6.

A cinema for motorists has been established at Camden, New Jersey. There is accommodation for 400 cars covering an area of 250,000 square feet, and an elaborate system of loudspeakers enables all to hear in comfort from their car seats.

Around Northcote

By "Jiko Jiko"

A.W.A.

The local branch of the A.W.A. held their fortnightly meeting in the lodge room, Town Hall, Northcote, on July 16. The president, Mrs Dean, was in the chair, with usual number of officers present, and a fair attendance of members.

A discussion on several questions took place with much interest among members. A new member was installed, and Mrs. Dean warmly welcomed her into the lodge. After the business a pleasant evening was passed at cards which Mrs. Hecker won. The next meeting will be held in the lodge room on July 30.

Pender's Grove State School

A penny concert at the school to aid of the relief fund for children of unemployed parents took place last week, and £4 was raised.

On Wednesday of last week a presentation was made to a squad of senior girls in connection with their visit to Garden Week which took place in April last. They were successful in winning annual prize in competition with squads from other State Schools throughout the metropolitan area, points being awarded for general behaviour, interest, discipline, notes and neatness. The presentation took the form of a beautiful colored picture depicting a scene in the Botanical Gardens, showing the lake with Government House in the background, being entitled "Garden Day." Individual prizes in the form of books were won by two eighth grade girls, Lesley Bond (winner of essay competition on Wildflowers) and Margaret Pollard (winner of essay on Garden Week visit). Some 3,500 children, representing 60 schools visited Garden Week and the fact that these prizes were won by Pender's Grove School scholars is something to be proud of. Mr. Gould, secretary of Garden Week, made the presentations and among others present were Messrs Hughes and Osborne (Education Department), and J. Railton (president of Garden Week).

Unemployment Figures

For the week ending July 21 there were 572 men working for sustenance, payments £620/9/6; not working 45, £22/11/; benevolent cases, 11. There were 27 women registered for work.

Last week twenty men were sent away to the country for three months' work, and this week another twenty went. They are being employed by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission at Malmsbury, and by the Forestry Department at various points.

Firewood Shortage

During the cold weather families on sustenance have felt the shortage of firewood keenly. The men are issued with 14 cwt. of wood a week, and in most cases this has to cover all cooking as well as fires.

After 45 Years' Service

Mr. Thomas Aldridge, of 33 Salisbury street, Northcote, retired from the service of the M. and M. Board of Works on Wednesday, upon reaching the retiring age of 65 years. He began with the Board when the government controlled it, and of his 45 years of service, 41 were spent in the Northcote district. His son is also in the service of the Board. Mr. Aldridge has taken a small farm in the Hurstbridge district, where he intends to spend his retiret, where he intends

Thornbury Caterer

Mrs. A. Olorenshaw, of Normanby Hall, Thornbury, the well-known caterer, has been finding business brisk lately. Among many other engagements she has in hand the catering for the Braybrook Handicap. The first of Rs kind to be held,—and it is a tribute to the quality of her service that those responsible should come to Thornbury for their catering.

No Fires

Still another week has passed without any fires in Northcote. The brigade has had a very slack time lately. In the past week one call was received, but it was a false alarm.

Tickets may be obtained from Mr. T. Dodson, 5 Murray street, Thornbury, N.17.

Association Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the association is advertised for Wednesday, August 8, in the Murray pavilion, and all clubs interested are invited to send two delegates. From present indications several new clubs will be represented and an exceptionally fine competition should result. Several novel suggestions will be discussed, and as many matters will be discused the meeting will begin punctually at 8 p.m.

The Mid-Season Competition

Entries will be received until Tuesday, July 31, for the mid-season doubles competition. The matches will consist of teams of four ladies or gents, the prize, to play three sets each pair. Trophies have been donated by Mr. H. Trenshall, High street, Thornbury (Murray Club), and Mr. A. G. Peel, St. George's road, Croxton (Croxton Club).

Bricks Moving

Mr. Smith of the Northcote Brick Company, anticipates a busy time now that the building trade is getting busy again. The company's works are working two kilns full time, giving employment to about 100 men a week, not including carters. Most of the bricks are going south of the Yarra. It is a very hopeful sign.

St. Vincent's Hospital Auxiliary Northcote - Thornbury Branch.—

The Northcote-Thornbury Auxiliary (St. Vincent's Hospital) will benefit as the result of a card afternoon to be held at the Northcote Town Hall, on Tuesday, July 31, at 2.30. A successful function is anticipated and the hostesses are Mesdames Howse, McCristal, Mahoney, Ogden, Bates and Miss M. Carew.

Helen Street State School

Miss Jackson has entered on a month's leave owing to ill-health and intends to spend part of the time on a trip to Queensland.

Both drum and fife bands connected with the school will take part in the Centenary celebrations when a band display will take place. It is expected that 15 brass bands and 10 fife bands from various schools will take part in the demonstration. Pupils from the school will also take part in folk dancing and possibly a pageant.

Church Carnival at Holy Trinity

The Prince and Princess Carnival in aid of the Holy Trinity Church of England is causing keen competition between the Princes and Princesses. The Prince and Princess of Charity (Miss Edna Clark and Mr Jim Daniels) have an enthusiastic committee and many functions have been held.

A euchre party was held at the home of Mr and Mrs Prentice, Stott street, Croxton, on Wednesday and a pleasant night was spent. Among those present were—Mr Daniel, Mr Frawley, Mrs Chamberlain, Mr and Mrs McLean, Mrs and Miss Steele, Mr and Mrs Prentice, Mrs and Miss Clark, Miss Paine; the prizes were won by Mr J. Daniel and Mrs Steele.

On Thursday of last week Miss B. Frawley staged a revue entitled "Toy Town Revue" to a packed house in the parish hall and there were also supporting items rendered by Miss R. Bennett and Master B. Stanford (recitation), also Miss B. Barcus (contralto) and Miss E. Clark (soprano).

On Saturday Mr and Mrs Lidzey of 52 Ballantyne street, Thornbury, gave a whist evening and the prizes were won by Miss Paine and Miss Mitchell and consolations went to Miss Mitchell and Miss Humphreys.

Coming events are—A euchre party and flag bridge evening in the home of Mrs Paine, 17 Kemp street, Croxton, also a card evening in the Kinsland hall, on Saturday, August 4, and in most cases this has to cover all cooking as well as fires.

Girl Guides

The 1st Northcote company will celebrate their tenth anniversary on August 19 and 20. On the former date a church parade has been arranged at 7 p.m. at the Church of the Epiphany, Northcote, when the dedication of an Altar Frontal (presented by past and present members of the company) and a World Flag will take place. A re-union of past guides and friends will be held in the parish hall on August 20, taking the form of a birthday gathering.

Divorce Decrees Nisi

Florence Davis, aged 27 years, of Gladd street, Croxton, was granted a decree nisi for divorce from James Boston Davis, aged 31 years, motor driver, of Gladstone avenue, Croxton on the ground of desertion. The marriage took place on December 9, 1923 and there are two children.

West Preston Progress Association

THE usual fortnightly meeting was held on Wednesday evening. The president (Mr Jones) occupied the chair. Despite the wet weather there was a good attendance. It was decided to urge the council to hurry on with the reconditioning of Regent street and Spring street. Both are in urgent need of attention. The Association is also urging for some attention to the footpath on the west side of Gilbert road, from Murray road to Union street.

General business was curtailed to allow members the opportunity of listening to a lecture from Mr Pollock. This gentleman was recently before the public eye owing to the stand he took as a witness before the recent oil commission. He gave some interesting details on petrol and other oils and also some facts regarding the prospects of obtaining oil in Gippsland and other parts. A vote of thanks was accorded to the speaker.

The next meeting will be held on August 8 and will take the form of a social evening. As the past president's presentation will be made together with the trophies won during the last six months a good attendance is desired. Any member who has not received an invitation should make application. Members are also reminded that the annual subscriptions are now due.

BASEBALL

PRESTON CLUB

Preston A team were badly beaten by Northcote, whose batting proved too strong for Preston and who ran out easy winners by 18-5. Best for Preston: Thornleroft, Wescott and Moore.

It rain met Northcote second nine. In the first round these teams played a tie, and the game was eagerly looked forward to. Preston's batting and all-round work proved too strong for Northcote and they ran out easy winners by 12 to 4. Preston's best were Dyer, Westwood and Spicer.

C team played Newport and after a good performance against the leaders were beaten by a small margin, scores being 5 to 3. Preston all played well, the best being Robinson, Morton and White.

Teams for Saturday

A team v Brighton at Brighton:—Westcott, Golter, Butler, Duffield, Thornleroft, Perriman, Crawley, Gordon, Spoor.

B team v Malvern, at St. Martin's Diamond at 1.15 p.m.—Jennes, Allen, Thurgood, Hills, Nedder, Spicer, Stracker, Dyer, Fowler, Westwood.

C team v Brighton, at Preston:—Morton, Westcott, Naunton, McNamara, Dunnet, Hills, Hopper, Robinson, White, Hamilton.

Northcote and Preston Churches Association

St. George's Road Methodists v Croxton B

Owing to heavy rain the playing arena at the Fitzroy racecourse on Saturday was very muddy, but the players, adapting themselves to the conditions, played good baseball, being evenly matched throughout. It was regrettable that some decisions left the players somewhat perplexed at times; but the game was played cleanly, even though the players themselves were a trifle muddy. In the sixth dig St. George's road scored 5 runners, giving them a good grip on the game. Best players:—St. George's Rd.: Field, L. Tulk, H. Risstrom, R. Hopkins; batting, L. Tulk, L. Webster. Croxton: Field, H. Webster, A. Berchdolt, G. Webster; batting, W. Wood, J. Duthie. Mr Luck umpired. Scores:—

St. George's Road: 0,1,0,0,0,5,2,0—8
Croxton B: 0,1,0,3,2,0,0,0—6.

Epiphany v. Croxton Methodist A

Epiphany met Croxton A at Merri Park in delightful baseball weather. Winning the toss, Epiphany fielded and with three safe hits to centre-field Croxton scored two. Epiphany replied with one—an error to the catcher. More outfield hits scored one for Croxton were shut out—three struck out. Croxton failed to score in the next two innings and Epiphany helped to centre-field dropping an easy fly scored three. Then Croxton scored one more and Epiphany nil. This made the score 4 all and the end of the sixth. Croxton scored one in the seventh and Epiphany three—a wild throw from second to home producing two runs. Epiphany then held Croxton in the remainder of the game and won by 8 to 5.

All Epiphany played well, but special praise must be made of R. Gough (who pitched well, K. Phillips (centre-field) and McIntosh (short stop). For Croxton, Jenkins (first base) showed out, and Eddy, who secured eight struck outs, pitched well, but the fielding was not very good.

Mr. Owen umpired well. Scores:—

Epiphany.—1,0,0,3,0,0,3,1—8
Croxton A.—2,1,0,0,1,0,1,0—5

GOLF

HEIDELBERG CLUB

On Saturday a par competition for Mr. W. J. Broderick's trophy attracted 91 entries. Scores:—2 down, C. Kingsley (8), F. J. O'Neill (7), J. W. O'Connor (14), I. M. Pizzey (14), J. S. Casey (14); 3 down, C. R. Langridge (15), A. J. Murfett (14), R. T. Bowdler (11); 4 down, J. B. Gosney (11), L. R. Dowell (14), Dr. H. Mendelsohn; 5 down, P. S. Rem (9), A. D. Fraser (17), J. S. Jenkins (9), E. B. Matson; 6 down, R. Mitchelhill (14), F. A. Moore (9), C. H. Levens (17), F. A. Merrie (12), T. S. Lingford (14), C. B. Holt (13), T. Hart (11), H. B. Duff (13), F. H. Davies (17), L. H. Burton (12), Y. E. Atyeo (16), M. Burke (17), R. H. Gee (9), A. J. Byron (11), A. A. Chisholm (9), W. H. Ferguson (17), R. Carson (18), C. L. Evans (17).

Next Saturday.—First round of the club championship, concurrently with first round of the Luke cup (three rounds stroke).

Associates

On Tuesday a four ball best ball v bogey match for Mrs. T. S. Lingford's trophies resulted:—Square, Mrs. J. McCann (14) and Mrs. J. S. Casey (18); 2 down, Mrs. Hammet (18) and Mrs. J. H. Evans (18); 3 down, Mrs. C. Simpson (18) and Mrs. J. C. Tulnsh (18), Mrs. J. W. O'Connor (18) and Mrs. W. H. Ferguson (18); 4 down, Mrs. Worle (17) and Mrs. F. Thomas (18); 5 down, Mrs. A. R. Wallis (16) and Miss S. H. Taylor (18), Mrs. F. Atyeo (18) and Miss H. Hooper (18); 6 down, Mrs. T. E. Robbins (18) and Mrs J. R. Edwards (18), Miss O. Green (18) and Mrs. Stanes (18), Miss Wippoll (18) and Mrs. E. J. Farrell (18).

"He Must Have Forgotten Me"

WIFE TELLS THE COURT

And Obtains Maintenance Order

When asked by Mr. G. Brown, P.M. what was the trouble between her husband and herself, Mrs. Ivy Melva Battye, Arthur street, Fairfield said that as far as she knew there was none.

Mrs. Battye sought a maintenance order against her husband, George Battye, of Powelltown, in respect to the support of three children.

The wife said: The marriage took place in 1920 and there are three children. My husband last gave me money four months ago. I am working now to keep myself, but I think he should support the children. He earns about £3/9/ a week, and works in a timber mill.

The P.M.: What is the trouble? Has he forgotten you?

The wife: I think he must have. He has been working all the time.

An order was made for 10/ weekly in respect of each of the three children.

ATHLETICS

CHELSEA TO BRIGHTON RELAY

Conducted by the Victorian Amateur Athletic Association last Saturday, the Chelsea to Brighton relay attracted an entry of 34 teams. St. Stephen's Harriers, the premier cross-country club, proved their superiority by winning all three grades. The runners were despatched from Chelsea station, along Beach road to North road, Brighton, where the dispatches carried by the runners from the Chelsea Council to the Brighton Council were handed to the mayor of Brighton.

To the Preston and Northcote Club this race has always been a "hoodoo." In the first year of the club's entry their team was beaten out of a place on account of the spectators at the finish crowding on to the road and preventing our first runner from finishing. On each subsequent year sickness and other causes have prevented the club being represented by the best team. This year the club had the best team which has ever represented it, but owing to a delay of nearly an hour at Preston the team were unable to arrive at Chelsea in time to start in their grade, despite the defiance of speed laws by the driver of the bus. The team was given permission to start in B grade, but was hopelessly outclassed. The team ran splendidly until it was seen that the position was hopeless when the runners cased off. The sectional times of the runners compared favorably with the times of runners in the lower grade, and the team almost disgarded hope and came into a place in C Grade had they arrived in time. Members are, nevertheless, looking forward to next year's race. Results are as follow:—

A Grade.—St. Stephen's, 74mins. 4sec., 1; Geelong Guild, 75.25, 2; Essendon, 75.37, 3.

B Grade.—St. Stephen's, 76.47, 1; Footscray, 77.55, 2; Collingwood, 78.14, 3.

C Grade.—St. Stephen's, 80.22, 1; Footscray, 80.35, 2; Collingwood, 81.71, 3.

PRESTON & NORTHCOTE CLUB

On Saturday the club's five mile cross-country championship will be conducted at Coburg from the Coburg Harriers' rooms, starting at 3 p.m. Members will take the bus at corner of Bell and High streets at 2.30. The winner of this race holds the Brighton cup for one year. When it has been held by one winner three times it becomes his property. A sealed handicap will be run in conjunction with the championship. On present form the race seems to be between W. Weightman and N. Fisher, with the former favorite. Weightman has run better times in handicap races than Fisher, but with both starting from scratch the result may be different. Providing Fisher can hold Weightman over the early stages he may be able to run on home, as he is a faster finisher.

The club has applied to the V.A.A.A. for two teams in the forthcoming track season. As the programme is likely to be altered this year, and each team will require an extra sprinter, it is hoped that members will scout round to obtain new blood. The club was rather weak in sprinters last season, and it is hoped that this defect will be remedied this year.

Annual Challenge Relay

Members are looking forward to the annual challenge relay with Ivanhoe in a few weeks' time. Preston is anxious to retain the Porter cup, which the club won last year. This event will close the club's cross-country season, giving members about a month's rest before starting track training.

"He proceeded against his neighbor for throwing rubbish into his yard."—News Item. That was over the fence.

Church Notices

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
NORTHCOTE
Sunday, July 29
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m. — Subject, "Temptation." Rev. A. H. Constable.
7 p.m.—China Inland Mission Valedictory to Miss Ada Elliott. Preacher, Rev. C. N. Lack.
All Welcome.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Tyler Street, Preston
July 29—9th Sunday after Trinity.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10 a.m.—Children's Church.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer.
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer.
Preacher: The Vicar (Rev. F. Parsons)

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY
Shaftesbury Pde. (off High St.)
"The Church With a Welcome"
July 29—9th Sunday after Trinity
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Matins.
7 p.m.—Evensong.
Celebrant and Preacher: The Vicar (The Rev. W. H. Chamberlain)

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
Bayview Street, Northcote
Sunday, July 29.—Trinity IX.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Public Baptism.
7 p.m.—Evensong.
Preacher, the Vicar (Rev. Thomas Cole, Th. Schol.)

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Estate Agents, 890 High St., N'cote.
JW1947.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 10
at 3 o'clock at the property,
99 HELEN STREET, NORTHCOTE
By Order of the Mortgagee.
AUCTION Sale of ALL that PIECE of LAND being part of Crown Portion 107 at Northcote, Parish of Jika Jika, County of Bourke, having a frontage of 32 feet 6 inches to the West side of Helen Street, Northcote, by a depth of 153 feet on the Southern boundary and 157 feet on the Northern boundary, and being the Land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 5351, Folio 1070135, together with the BRICK FACTORY and all other erections thereon.
The land is under the Transfer of Land Acts and Title may be inspected at the office of the Solicitors, Messrs. J. A. Wilmoth and Son, 271 Collins Street, Melbourne.
F. W. STOTT & SON
Auctioneer
203 HIGH STREET, NORTHCOTE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2
at 3 o'clock on the property,
48 COOPER STREET, PRESTON
Under instructions from Mortgagee.
AUCTION Sale of ALL that PIECE of LAND, being part of Crown Portion 147, Parish of Jika Jika, County of Bourke, having a frontage of 89 feet 6 inches to the North side of Cooper Street, Preston, by a depth of 331 feet on the Western boundary and 329 feet 7 inches on the Eastern boundary, and being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title entered in the Register Book, Volume 5560, Folio 1111973, together with the D.F. W.B. VILLA of 6 rooms and convs., poultry pens for 1000 birds, feed room, garage, sheds and all erections thereon.
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Good Prizes :: Afternoon Tea
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North Suburban Tennis Association
THE ANNUAL MEETING of the above will be held on WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, in the Murray Pavilion, Murray Road, Preston (next to Preston Station).
S. T. GREY, Hon. Sec.,
Phone JW3146.

Preston Ladies' Benevolent Society
THE ANNUAL MEETING of above Society will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Preston, on TUESDAY, JULY 31, 1934, at 3 p.m. The Mayor (Cr. H. P. Zwar, M.L.A.) will preside. A cordial invitation is given to all interested to attend.

NORTHCOTE CRECHE AND KINDERGARTEN
THE ANNUAL MEETING will be held in the Committee Room of the Northcote Town Hall on JULY 30 at 3 p.m.
Inspection of Creche and Kindergarten, cnr. Oldis Ave. and Bastings Street at 2.30 p.m.
Mrs. J. CORNISH, President.
Mrs. S. DENNIS, Hon. Sec.
33 Walker Street, Westgarth, JW1500

NORTHCOTE CRECHE
PLEASANT SUNDAY AFTERNOON
Town Hall, Northcote.
SUNDAY, 5th AUGUST, at 3 p.m.
Artists:
Miss Mary Lilley, Miss Judith Amadio, Miss Christie, Mr. Wm. Daniels, the Fitzroy Centenary Choir & Orchestra.

MUNICIPAL NOTICES

City of Northcote
CRICKET GROUNDS
APPLICATIONS closing 12 noon on FRIDAY, AUGUST 17th, 1934, are invited from Clubs desiring the use of the following PARKS for the Cricket Season 1934-1935:—
MAYER PARK
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HAYES PARK
The sum of £1/1/- must accompany each application, but will be refunded to unsuccessful clubs.
Applicants are requested to state rank of club, viz:—Junior or Senior, whether matting is used, and the name of Park of which the use is desired.
J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk.
26/7/1934.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Jika Cricket Association
APPLICATIONS are invited from CLUBS desirous of JOINING and UMPIRES OFFICIATING in the above for the 1934-35 Season. Applications must be lodged with the Secretary ON or BEFORE THURSDAY, AUGUST 9. Full particulars from W. H. BURLAND, 20 Rona St., Regent, N.19, phone JW2408.
ANNUAL MEETING, Library Hall, Preston, 8 p.m. AUGUST 9.

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MERRI THEATRE
Circus life with all its romance and thrills forms the theme of "Red Waggon," coming to the Merri on Monday for three nights. The cast includes Greta Nissen, the striking Norwegian star, Charles Bickford, Raquel Torres and Don Alvarado. The story unfolds the life of Joe Prince, born with the fever of the circus in his veins, suffering youthful hardships after being orphaned, until he eventually owns a circus of his own.
John Boles in "I Believed in You," the supporting picture, has a charming new lady in Rosemary Ames. The story deals with the strange adventures of a girl who seeks to solve the mysteries of life and love.
"Sorrell and Son," Warwick Deeping's famous story, will commence on Thursday with H. B. Warner again playing the name part. Peter Penrose plays Kit as a child and Hugh Williams in manhood. The subject of the picture is "different," for it rests almost entirely on the understanding and sympathy between a father and son, and is a change from the more conventional type of screen fare. Henry Edwards in "General John Regan" is also on the programme.

HERE AND THERE

Members of the Church of England Men's Society held a smoke social in St. Mary's hall on Thursday evening. A full report will appear in our next issue.
A meeting of the Return Ball Committee was held at the Preston Town Hall on Wednesday evening, when final arrangements were made for the ball. Roy Chandler's Orchestra has been engaged. The secretary and tresurer (Mr L. W. Williams) reported that applications were coming in for tickets and early application is necessary for those who desire to attend and have not yet secured tickets. All inquiries may be addressed to the secretary at the Preston Town Hall.

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NOTICES

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