

## Message from The Chairman

$\mathscr{T}$HE Editor has asked me for a foreword for this, the first issue of the "S.E.C. Magazine." I comply the more readily, and with the greater pleasure, because it affords me the opportunity of expressing the sincere good wishes for its success of my fellow-Commissioners and myself.

The institution of this publication, although an innovation as far as the Electricity Commission is concerned, would be nothing now in the organisations of large undertakings devoted to the service of the public, whether under private or public control, and we cannot be accused of megalomania if we openly claim that we are already a large undertaking, and, owing to the nature of our activities, inevitably subject to the process of continued further expansion.


Mr. FRANCIS WILLIAM CLEMENTS M.Inst.C.E., M.I.E.E., M.I.E.(Aust.I. Chairman of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria Some, however, may ask-"But why a Magazine? What relation is there between delving for tertiary vegetable detritus; the consolidation of the same into briquettes, and the generation and distribution of a form of energy, which warrants a new and extended use of printer's ink?'" Is not the answer that that entity known as the "S.E.C." is not only a conglomerate of technical activities and processes; of entering figures into books; of machine writing and calculating; of inditing and poring over reports; of preparing drawings according to established conventions, and so on-but in its composition there also enters the human clement represented by the 5600 "fcatherless bipeds" or "souls" on the Commission's register?

This human material is segregated into departments and teams carrying out various technical processes. It is scattered horizontally throughout the whole of the State, and vertically between 3000 ft . above and 60 ft . below sea level, and the bond of human fellowship between the individual components is necessarily poor, even in the large metropolitan buildings, where, during working hours, individuals are largely separated from one another by diaphragms of reinforced concrete, and probably know one another mainly from casual meetings in the lifts or on the stairs. Individuals or groups thus live and work in more or less isolation.

It is largely to assist in breaking down this isolation that the "S.E.C. Mayazine" is being started on its way, and to this end it is the intention of the Editor and those more immediately collaborating with him that it shall be thoroughly representative of the social, recreational and non-official activities of the whole of the Commission's employees. I feel sure that, as time progresses, that talent, at present more or less latent, but known to exist within the organisation, will be readily placed at the disposal of the new venture, and thus. cnhance its interest and usefulness.

I commend the new Magazine with confidence to the gooduill and co-operation of all in the Commission's service.



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The "S.E.C. Magazine" is published at the beginning of each month. Its primary object is to acquaint those in the Commission's service of matters of interest within the organisation.

It aims at fostering good fellowship, by making those in the Commission's service individually better acquainted, and by stimulating interest in each other's work, as well as in the social, recreational and other non-official activities of the whole of the Commission's employees. It also aims at being representative of the talent and specialised work and knowledge of members of the organisation.

Contributions of special articles, news, topical and humorous sketches and verse, and personal and other items of special or general interest to members are cordially invited.

## A GOOD CONCEIT OF OURSELVES

The knowledge that their particular organisation is forging ahead is always a source of personal satisfaction to those associated with its activities. We in the Commission's service, therefore, may well be conceded a feeling of pride in the achievements of the national system of electricity and fuel supply to date, as well as in the outward and visible signs of continued virility and progress in the future. Many have shared in the building up of the Commission's organisation as it exists to-day. To the creators of Yallourn and the inter-connected system of power stations and transmission lines serving both city and country are joined the pioneers of electricity supply in the greater part of the metropolis of Melbourne and in the provincial cities of Ballarat, Bendigo and Geelong. Success by each was only achieved after the surmounting of great diffculties and the solving of many problems during anxious and strentuous days of construction and development.

Having been through much the same kind of mill, in much the same kind of business, we now find ourselves together in the one organ-
isation. The blending of so much knowledge, experience and tradition into a common policy, purpose and tradition cannot but augur well for the further progress of an institution which, having been constituted for the good of the public and the advancement of the State, has to combine the outlook of service with expert engineering and business acumen, so that the public and the State may be provided with maximum advantages at a minimum of cost. Besides, no other public utility perhaps is so inherently rich in the elements of progress and permanency as is electricity. To-day it is lighting the world and lightening all the world's labours, and as each new discovery is but the starting point for the perfection of further uses and refinements of use of electricity we are unable even to imagine the bounds of its future possibilities.

In the busincss of electricity supply on a superlative scale there can be nothing small. or mean, or dull. It is one which kindles the imagination, and will ever be associated with the picturesque, especially in Victoria, where



## Personal Notes and Anecdotes

Everyone was delighted to see Mr. and Mrs. Harper looking so well as they stepped ashore from the "Themistocles" on the 15th April, after their twelve months' sojourn abroad. The members of their family, Misses Joan and Chloe and Mr. James Harper, who accompanied them to England, arrived home some weeks earlier. The party reached England in time for the late King's Jubilee celebrations, took part in many other important functions, and altogether had a pleasant and interesting principally one of investigation, his mission as Chief Engineer Electricity Supply, Generation and Transmission, being to study the latest developments in electricity supply in England, Holland, Belgium, France, Sweden, Norway and Germany.


Mr. H. R. HARPER
Greeting Mr. Harper on his return to Australia was the announcement that he has been awarded the 1934 Kernot Memorial Medal for recognition of his long and distinguished asso ciation with electricity supply in Victoria, re-
garding which he was the first to carry out serious experiments in the use of brown coal, 1.s extremely gratifying to his fellow-officers and numerous friends and admirers.
On the way home Mr. and Mrs. Harper called at East Africa, to visit their son, the Rev. Jack Harper, who is engaged in mission Work at Dodoma, Tanganyika.
As Mr. Harper has kindly undertaken to write an account of his travels for our next issue, the "Magazine" will for the nonce content itself with joining its readers in giving
him a very hearty welcome home.

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Mr. R. P. Norris, Superintendent of the Geelong Power Station, has been appointed to Richmond. pof Assistant
Mr. W. Morrison is Acting Engineer i/c Coal Supply during the absence abroad of
Mr. R. J. McKay.

Mr. J. Inch, of Metropolitan Electricity Supply, Distribution Division, retired on 4th May, after a period of service extending over 16 years. At a happy gathering of many of his Flinders Street friends, Mr. Inch was the recipient of a handsome presentation. All present extended to him their heartfelt wishes for his health and happiness during his well-
earned retirement from active business life. earned retirement from active business life.
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Mr. R. Wilkinson, Assistant Manager, Electrical Development Branch, recently returned from an official visit to New Zealand, where he made rural development the subject of particular study.

Congratulations to Mr. G. S. Schroder, of Metropolitan Electricity Supply Staff, who has been awarded a free place at the Melbourne University, where he is doing the Commerce Course.
Miss Jean Rowland and Mr. Austin Crawford, both of the Electric Inspector's Section, are to be married on 3rd June. On the eve the staffs of the Electric Inspector and typing rooms combined in the presentation to them a handsome clock and vase.


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Mr. Commissioner McClelland was congratulated by the Commission on his appointment as Chairman of the Royal Commission which has been investigating the affairs of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.
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This photograph

vas taken at Cob lenz, when Dr Herman and Mr . Smellie were on their way from Cologne to Mannheim. They have traversed the country at a very rapid rate. European winter condi made the e not comfortable on e, and there have been occasional references in letter to benighted re gions of bad light and cold. However, we have it on good auth ority that Berlin provided some good night out to make up for the hard work. Dr. Her man is due back about the end of October, and Mr. Smellie in August.

Prior to severing her connection with the Staff, Miss V. Randall, of M.E.S., was presented by senior officers with a diamond brooch and by the girls of the Correspondence De partment with a wristlet watch.
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When Mr. Stan. Davies transferred his nthusiasm for his job from Richmond to Yal lourn he immediately began an inspection of the latter station so thorough and comprehensive that it ended only at the top of the last chimney stack. Then, as he sighed like Alexander for more worlds to conquer, his glance fell on the towering chimney at the Briquette Factory, and it is understood he ha been not a little envious of Mr . Charlie Boehm ever since.
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Messrs. C. H. Kernot, A. L. Hargrave, A. A. Francis, L. T. Guy, K. Carrington and G. E. Yonge, members of the Commission's staff, attended the Annual Engineering Conference which was held at Kalgoorlie and Perth at the end of March last.

## MISS RANDALL: AN APPRECIATION

In any large organisation the passing of time inevitably brings many changes in the personnel of the stafl. Men and women come and less and their ful. It happens now and then however that a change engages unusual attention; we realise that a notable personality is going from amongst us, and we experience a severe sense of loss. Such an event occurred the other day, when Miss V. D. Randall, Superintendent of Correspondence in the Electricity Supply Department of Distribution and Sales, retired after 36 years' service.
To perform a task well is an achievement in itself, bringing solid satisfaction to the performer and all concerned; but a task performed with distinction is something which must ever command unstinted admiration. Miss Randall imparted distinctive quality into her work throughout all the years of her association with the Melbourne Electric Supply Company and the State Electricity Commission.
Within the period of Miss Randall's service methods relating to the conduct of correspondence have been revolutionised. The development of the typewriter to its present high state of efficiency, the improvements in filing systems, and the installation of many new
office appliances, have all had her personal attention, and it says much for her conspicuous ability that she has continually adapte herself to new ideas with marked success.
Miss Randall's record of outstanding service is not only something which she herself can look back upon with justifiable pride, but also it has been, and will ever continue to be, helpful to others, in stimulating the desire for the attainment of the highest standard of refinement and efficiency.
Miss Randall's charming personality and the wide scope of her knowledge and interests have won for her a high place in the regard of her many friends and acquaintances. All members of the Commission's staff will join in extending to her the expression of their esteem and regard. That she may long enjoy the inc and ness wherever she may be,

## ENGAGEMENTS

Miss Jean Lent, Head Office Staff, attained her majority on the 24th April, and announce her engagement to Mr. Thomas Rickards, on the same day
The engagement is announced of Miss Jean Hamilton, Main Office, Yallourn, to Mr. Bruce Banks, of the Resident Engineer's Section, Yallourn.
Mr. George O'Brien, Head Office, is en gaged to be married to Miss Alice Johnson.
Miss Lilian Faulkes, Head Office, and Mr. David Wilson have announced their engagement.

## MARRIAGES

Staff members who recently assumed matimonial responsibilities are: Messrs. $H$. DcMillan, H. Giles, G. Mansell, T. P. Pringle, Diller, G. Cupit, H. C. Edwards, V. B. Sharp L. A. Stewart and G. G. Gray (H.O.). To one and all of them and their good wives warmest congratulations are extended, coupled with the hope that the years before them will be full of happiness.

## BIRTHS

Within the last few weeks no less than five sons have arrived to brighten the homes of Staff members. The happy fathers are: W. J. Pimm (M.E.S.) and D. B. McLeod (H.O.).

Little daughters have been presented to Messrs. L. Goodsir (M.E.S.). W. G. Smellie and Ray Weeks (H.O.).
Hearty congratulations to the fathers and mothers of these young Australians.
The mother of the McLeod son and heir was formerly Miss Doreen Lee, whose old staff mates at Head Office joined with the friends of the father in simply showering congratulations and good wishes upon the proud parents.

## OBITUARY

The sympathy of all goes out to several members of the Staff who have recently suffered family bereavements. Those who have passed on are: Mrs. Hocking, mother of Mr. R. Hocking; Mr. Williams, father of Miss E. J. and Mr. P. L. Williams; Mrs. Dickman, mother of Mr. A. H. Dickman; Mrs. Unverhau, mother of Miss B. Unverhau; Mr. A. H. Oxlade, father of Mr. A. H. Oxlade; Mrs. Morrison, mother of Mr. W. Morrison, Yalourn
It is with regret that we record the death, on the 21st April last, of Mr. W. Knox, of Ballarat, who held the position of Chief Accountant of the Electric Supply Company of Victoria Ltd. at the date of his retirement, which took place shortly before the acquisition of that Company's undertakings by the Commission in 1934. The late Mr. Knox, whose 3 association with the Company extended over minent pioneers of electricity supply in Ballarat and Bendigo, the contribution he made to the establishment and progress of those underthe establishment and progress of those underCommission retain very pleasant recollections of his courtesy and efficiency during and after the negotiations for the transference of the Undertakings to the State.

## Special for Yallourn

Forecast from 3DB Tuesday, 24th March.Cloudy, insulated-isolated showers in Gippsland.

## What Next!

Who said that the O.M.E. strung the new line from Queenscliff to Swan Island on sky hooks to save his men from getting their feet

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## MEET THE EXECUTIVES

There is no greater philanthropist than the one who gives his time, thoughts and talents in the service of his fellows. Therefore, the "Magazine" has particular pleasure in introducing to the whole personnel the executives of the various organisations affiliated with the S.E.C. Social League which do so much valuable, self-sacrificing work in contributing to our social, cultural and physical well-being. There are other non-affiliated bodies doing similarly good work which will receive recognition in our next issue. The Social League, which controls the financial and general policies of affiliated bodies, is concerned with promoting and consolidating a spirit of harmony and good fellowship among all persons employed by the Commission, with assisting affiliated clubs and associations, and with coordinating their activities wherever possible and desirable.
S.E.C. SOCIAL LEAGUE


$\underset{\substack{\text { Mr. G. © OBRIEN, } \\ \text { Hon. Secretary. }}}{ }$

Executive Council: Dr. H. Herman, Messrs. A. L. Hargrave J. G. Gerrard, J. F. Rigby and H. Rutherford.

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Naughton, H. Reynolds, E. Lyons, R. B. Hocking. B. Fleming, W. H. Ayton, E. Gough. C. R. Baxter, G. Brain Mapleback and F. Easterby

## Affiliated Bodies

S.E.C. Dramatic Club

 Smellie, L. Goods
Mr. E. Barton.

Technical Officers' Luncheon Committee


Ir. W. A. Pott
Committee: Messrs. H. Buchanan, J. Cannon, I. F. Douglas.
W. S. Mackenzie, H. A. McKittrick and W. ©. Smellie.
S.E.C. Musical Society


Mr. S. W. Davies


Mmittee: Messrs. R. C
Mate andi M. Cooper
S.E.C. Staff Library

S.E.C. Picnic Committee

 Vice-Presidents: Messrs. H. Webb and N. R. Worrall.


M.E.S. Staff Association


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\text { Mr. W. } \underset{\text { President. }}{\text { E. PRENDF }}
$$ Vice-Presidents: Messrs. T. A. Farr and A. E. Hingley.

 Executive Committee: Messrs. J. Locke (Chairman), w. E.
Mascall and G. Sayers (Vice-Chairmen). Misses E.


M.E.S. Younger Set


Committee: Misses
S. Cannon. B. Sansom,
G. Lucas and
E. McFarlane,
Reade S. Cannon, B. Lucas and E. Reade and Messrs. H. .
Stewart, A. Symons (Treasurer)
S.E.C. Athletic Club (Melbourne)


Mr. A. L. Hargrave

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Vice-Presidents. Messrs, R. O. Moore and J. Richardso Committee: Messrs. W. Blatchford, sen., G. Baker, H. Lor back, J. Redwood, C. Garland, R. Raynor, S. Daley,
Loveless. J. Mauger, G. Brain, T. Cranston and G.
Bennett. Bennet
G.E.S. Employees' Athletic and Recreation Club

ice-Presidents: Messrs. J. A. Blake and H. W. Hovenden Committee: Messrs. G. Davie, L. Jewell, W. Traynor, A Jones, C. F. Hood, H. J., N. Burn, J. Thomson, W. J

Ballarat Electricity Supply and Tramways Employees' Social Club


Hon. President: Mr. H. N. Hornabrook Vice-Presidents: Messrs. W, G. Vawdrey and w. S. Lyon Committee: Miss D. Knox, and Messrs. A. V. Mawby, ${ }^{\text {E }}$
 edige . McPherson, J. Jacobs, G. Coombs, T. O'Bern,
A. W. Walker, T. Paree (Assistant Secretary) and A. D.

Bendigo Electricity Supply and Tramways Social and Welfare Club


Mr. C. C. HeNSON,
President.
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Commitee: Messrs. H. Hilliman, J. Blackie, jun., A. A. Aall,
W. Breayley, jun., D. Stevenson, J. Green, G. Strode II. Bre. Masey, jun., D. Stevenson, J. Green, G. Strod
B. . iiller, D. Hester and E. Monoti (Treasurer).
M.E.S. Staff Cricket Club


Mr. R. $\underset{\text { President. }}{\text { J. REABURN, }}$
Mr. I. GROVE,
Hon. Secretary.
Vice-Presidents: Messrs. D. H. Munro and N. W. MacKinnon.



Mr. R. $\underset{\text { President }}{\text { K. GARETT, }}$
Mr. W. G. MARSH,
Hon. Secretary.
Vice-Presidents: Messrs. W. H. Ayton, H. F. F. Speakman,
N. B. Dunstan, F. Barnett and F. Kent, sen. Committee: Messrs. W. R. Chalk, S. Dalton, C. J. Watson,
R. Turner and C. Howell.

Eastern Metropolitan District Branch Cricket Club


Mr. S. w. hamilton,


Mr. C. S. Andrews, the Staff Association secretary, was on leave during the month of ypril, home of his fish stories. Besides fishing, you some of his fish stories. Besides fishing,
his other interests in life include his family and his lodge. The Association is, of course, his hobby.
Mr. Harold Spencer, chairman of the executive committee of the M.E.S. Staff Association, resigned from the staff on 9th March last, preparatory to returning to New Zealand,
where all his relatives reside. Mr. Spencer, who had established himself very firmly in the friendship of everyone at Flinders Street, was the recipient of many farewell gifts, and he was assured by the president of the M.E.S.S.A. (Mr. Prendergast, sen.), of the very high esteem in which he is held by Association members. Mr. Spencer, who was visibly affected by the warmth of the farewell, said the gifts made to him would forever recall for him the happy days he had spent with M.E.S.

## M.E.S. DEBATING CLUB

The Club was formed in August of last year, for the purpose of providing facilities whereby mor the purpose of providing facilities whereby members of the M.E.S. Stain Association public speaking. Since then such topics as "Salary Reductions and Restorations," "Woman's Inferiority," "The Abyssinian War," etc., have been debated at well-attended meetings, and the pros and cons so admirably presented as to tax the keenest discrimination of the
judges. On.
On the evening of Monday, 20th April, members were treated to two addresses of a disMessrs. N. R. Worrall and Harold Greenwood Mr. Worrall gave some reminiscences of his experiences as a soap box orator in out-back Queensland, where audiences were wont to express their lack of appreciation of speakers'
efforts and opinions by hurling at them softefforts and opinions by hurling at them softshelled missiles of odoriferous antiquity. Mr. Greenwood dealt with technical aspects of public speaking in a manner which all present club are held on the third Monday of each club are held on the third Monday of each month, and at the May meeting (on Monday,
the 18th), Mr. Greenwood further instructed members and their friends on Elocution and Voice Production. Members of the audience were given the opportunity to test themselves before an audience and to profit from Mr . Greenwood's extensive knowledge of his subject and his pleasing manner of imparting it to others.

The club's office-bearers are as follow:President, Mr. H. J. Hodges; committee, Mr. ford, Mr. W. Mascall, Mr. J. F. Locke secre-tary-treasurer, Mr. H. Roberts.

## METROPOLITAN YOUNGER SET

As an Auxiliary to the Children's Hospital, the Metropolitan Younger Set was organised some two years ago for the purpose of raising $\Varangle 50$ per annum, the sum necessary to permanently maintain a cot in the Children's Hospital.
After a year fraught with the difficulties usually experienced in the initial period of simto pay $£ 50$ to the the Younger Set was able the inmates many articles of wearing apparel, as well as books, fruits, sweets, toys,
All members of the MESSA a
All members of the M.E.S.S.A. are eligible for membership of the Younger Set, and the
annual subscription of $2 /-$ is paid to the Hospital without deduction. At an early date the Committee will consider the desirability of altering the constitution, so as to enable supporters at Head Office and Richmond Works to become members.
It has been suggested that the cot now maintained by the Younger Set be endowed in the name of the Staff. This suggestion will be further considered when the membership of the Ugly Man appeal are reviewed. As the committee is now directing every effort towards this appeal, its success is assured.

## M.E.S. STAFF ASSOCIATION BOOK CLUB

President.-Mr. H. A. E. Rutherford (Stores).
Corrmittee.-Miss N. Binns (Correspondence), . J. Locke (Stores), Mr. L. Roddick (Distribu tion).
Hon. Sec.-Mr. P. G. Dow (Distribution).
The Book Club, which is affiliated with the Staff Association, was inaugurated in August 1932, and is actually a co-operative Lending Library, stocked with the better class literature which is usually not available at the average lending library.
The wide range of interest of members is indicated by the appearance of books on subjects so widely divergent as science, history, philosophy, economics, travel, adventure, religion, biography, plays and poetry, as well as good modern novels.

The books placed in the library are chosen by individual members, the order being arranged by ballot each year, and as there are approximately 50 in the club, it is possible to place new books on the shelves nearly every week. After circulating for seven or eight months, the books are withdrawn and returned to the member who chose them. In this way nearly 700 books have passed through the library since its inception, about 120 being available to members at any time.

For a small fortnightly subscription, members are thus enabled to obtain books, at conbers are thus enabled to obtain dooks, at con-
cession rates, up to the full value of their subscriptions, as a nucleus for a home library in addition to participating in the ordinary benefits of a high-class book club.

BOUQUETS AND BRICKETS
"At Redcliffs," near Mildura, millions of gallons of water are pumped from the Murray River to irrigate the orchids in those parts, the "pumping fuel being briquettes exclusively." "Australian Manufacturer,", 18/4/1936. Which accounts for Mildura's production of so much dried fruit.

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In the vaults of the Castlemaine Art Gallery and Museum an interesting exhibit bears the and Museum an int

From Mr. Twigg.

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& \text { made at Yallourn, Victoria, }
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$$ Yallourn,

$5 / 2 / 1925$.
We cannot twigg the why or wherefore of the "c" in "Bricquette," unless it's intended as a graceful compliment to Kastlemaine.






## M.E.S. STAFF CRICKET CLUB

A team was fielded in each of the three grades of the Mercantile Cricket Association, and although no premiership honours were gained, the season was successful, as all three teams finished well up in their respective grades. They also performed well in the competition "for the S.E.C. Social League
The season's trophies, which will be presented at the Club's annual social evening to be held in July, were won by the following:-
"A" Team.-H. Martin, batting (av. 27) ; R.
Mountain, bowling (av. 9.83); H. Martin, Mountain
fielding.
"B" Team.-J. Sullivan, batting (av. 30.37) ; F. Burnett, bowling (av. 5.36); A. Dredge, fielding.
"C" Team.-B. Lauritz, batting (av. 11.28); J. MacPherson, bowling (av. 7.97) ; P. Hackett, most improved player.
H. Martin (score 97), highest individual score.
A party of members of the Club visited Yallourn during the last week-end in March and played a match against a local combination. The match, which was enjoyed by all, was played in perfect weather and won by Yal-
lourn. On the Saturday night Clarrie Brown lourn. On the Saturday night Clarrie Brown party to the Yallourn Bowling Club, and, in consequence, onlookers were amazed and delighted with an exhibition of bowls exactly as it should not be played. A most interesting inspection of the Open Cut and Power House was made on the Sunday morning, with a pleasant outing to beautiful Bulga Park on the Sunday afternoon. The team's advice to any member of the staff who has not yet visited Yallourn is that he should lose no time in doing o, because apart from its intense interest, 1 Victoria.

## gEELONG WINS THE S.E.C. SOCIAL

LEAGUE SHIELD
This shield has been in existence for four years, and has been competed for by three teams from M.E.S., two from Richmond, and one each from Geelong, Dandenong, Footscray
named club, which experienced great difficulty in mustering a side for the 1935-36 games, has been disbanded. Richmond "A" has won M.E.S. "A" twice (1932-33 and 1934-35), and holders, were eliminated in the 1935-36 semifinal by Geelong, which then met M.E.S. "A" in the final. There was a thrilling finish. Replying to the M.E.S. score of 134, Geelong, after a fair start ( 3 for 64) slumped badly, and eight were down for 85. Then H. J. N. Burn went to the wickets and became the hero of the match. With $S$. Hodges and $C$. Bennett to help him, he stoutly defied the bowling until, amid intense excitement, the opponents' score was passed, Geelong eventually winning by 13 runs. Burn was heartily congratulated on his sterling and timely performance, and on being top scorer for the game
Details are as follow:-
M.E.S. "A."

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Mountain, b Hodges
C. Smith, st, b Hodges

Pepperell, b Hodges

Sundries
Total ..... ..... ...... ..... ..... ...... ..... ..... ...... ..... ........... $\overline{134}$
Bowling.-Hodges 5 for 53; Burn 0 for 23; Yeoman 5 for 54; Hynson 0 for 14.
Hood b G.E.S.
Hood, b Sheldon
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Baker, b Pepper
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Pender, c Cornwall, b Pepperell
Yeoman, lbw, b Birchall
Hynson, st, b Birchall
Fleming, c Cornwall, b Birchall
Burn, not out
Burn, not out
Hodge, run out
Bennett, c Smith, b Birchall
Sundries ……… ....
Total ..... ...... ..... ...... ...... ..... ...... ...... ...... ..... ...... 147

Bowling.-Sheldon 1 for 20; Mountain 0 for 48; Pepperell 2 for 10; Birchall 5 for 43; C. Smith 0 for 12.

As is usual with these matches, the meeting was pleasantly social in character. M.E.S " $A$ " entertained the Geelong visitors at lunch at the M.C.C. Hotel, when felicitations and good wishes were exchanged. In the unavoidable absence of the president of the M.E.S.
Staff Club, (Mr. R. J. Raeburn), the honorary Staff Club, (Mr. R. J. Raeburn), the honorary - secretary (Mr. Ian Grove) heartily welcomed the visitors, on whose

The players emerged from luncheon to find that in their absence all of the boundary lags had been removed. In the amusing an extempore flag race which ensued most of the flags were recovered from small boys in the neighbourhood.

## GEELONG INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION

Although this team had a lean year, socially it was a very happy combination, and is cer tainly not discouraged by its lack of success on ention to practice and had some of the star bensen struck form at the same time, the team might have got into the final four. As it was, it finished up in the first semi-final Due to the generosity of several patrons of the club, very nice trophies were made available for competition among the members of the " $A$ " team. These were won by the following: F. Ponting, batting average; S. Hodges bowling ; L. Baker, fielding ; C. F. Hood, high est number of catches; F. Yeoman, best utility player; H. J. N. Burn, most improved player $B$. Anderson, best attendance at practice; $F$ Ponting, first century for year. The team was well led by F. Ponting, with C. Hood as vice captain.
G.E.S. MIDWEEK ASSOCIATION

The G.E.S. team had a very successful year, and after a strenuous game against A.B.C. (Butterworth's) in the semi-final, played the two of the G.E.S. team struck form at the right time. When J. Pender went in to bat, G.E.S. was 3 wickets for 36 , but at the finish of the first day's play J. Pender was 110 not out, C. Hood 105 not out, and the score was 3 for 236. C. Hood did not improve on his score, but J. Pender carried his total to 166 before he was caught on the boundary. The innings closed for 301.

The collapse of the Pastrycooks for 40 runs against the strong bowling of G.E.S. made against the strong bowling of G. cooks' second innings was better, 109 runs being registered, which left G.E.S. winners of the "Walker Cup" by an innings and 152 runs.
G.E.S. was captained by H. Hynson, with C. Hood as vice-captain
C. Hood had the best batting average for the season (67.5), and T. C. Calder the best bowling average ( 8 runs per wicket).

## G.E.S. SOCIAL TEAM

This team was composed of players a little under pennant game standard, and played social games on Saturday afternoons Inti tute, Grovedale, Belmont, etc. Although not competing for a premiership the games were keen and thoroughly enjoyed by the members of the team, which finished up with a majority of games in its favour.
Not the least enjoyable feature of these Saturday afternoon games was the afternoon tance. This always put the finishing touch on the social aspect of the outing and all games were played in a happy holiday and fine sporting spirit.
Mr. R. Bartlett had charge of the team-in fact he was captain, manager and secretary combined, and did a thoroughly good job.


## M.E.S. (RICHMOND WORKS) WIN RICHMOND INDUSTRIAL

## COMPETITION

A fitting conclusion to the happy and suc cessful season enjoyed by the M.E.S. (Rich mond Works) Cricket Club was its fine win in the final of the Richmond Industrial Competition against Bryant \& May. This was a match full of good and interesting cricket, and he winners thoroughly deserved their victory. With six wickets in hand and one run wanted, Doyle clinched matters by hitting a beautifu ix. He had the distinction of carrying his bat in both innings. Details :-

## BRYMAY.

## First Innings.


Bowling.-Murdoch 2 for 21; Scott 0 for 11; Lee 1 for 30; Doyle 6 for 56; Jonas 0 for 13.

## Second Innings.

J. Hodges, c Moore, b Doyle
L. Barker, c Heagney, b Jones …….... ..... ..... 2
L. Sutterby, b Murdoch ...... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... 15
E. Ferguson, b Murdoch ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... 21
E. Whitton, b Murdoch
W. Thorne, b Murdoch
. Morne, b Murdo
… .....
… 83
A. Duffy, c Heagney, b Murdoch

Walker, st Cox, b Doyle
Curtis, c Jonas, b Doyle
O'Shannassy, not out Sundries
Total
( 0 for -Doyle 3 for 98 Heagney 0 for 7 Lee 0 for 30; Bayliss 0 for 1; Murdoch 6 for 84; Jonas 1 for 34.
M.E.S. (RICHMOND WORKS).

## First Innings.

C. Moore, b Duffy ..... ...... ...... ..... ...... ..... ..... ...... 73
e. Cox, b Thorne ..... ...... ..... ...... ..... ...... ............ 1 J. McDonnell, b Hodges
J. Murdoch, c Curtis, b Thorne
J. Doyle, not out
A. Heagney, c O'Shannassy, b Thorne
L. Jonas, c Ferguson, b Hodges
. Scott, c Barker, b Thorne
R. Powell, st O'Shannassy, b Hodges
G. Lee, lbw, b Sutterby

Lee, lbw, b Sutterby
Total $\qquad$
Bowling.-Duffy 1 for 52; Thorne 4 for 91; Ferguson 0 for 45; Sutterby 1 for 62; Walker 0 for 10; Hodges 4 for 43 .

## Second Innings

C. Moore, c Barker, b Hodges
E. Cox, st O'Shannassy, b Hodges
J. McDonnell, c Barker, b Hodge
J. Murdoch, c Duffy, b Hodges
J. Doyle, not out

Sundries.


4 wickets for …․ .… ...... ..... ...... ..... ...... ..... 102
Bowling.-Thorne 0 for 32; Ferguson 0 for 14; Hodges 4 for 40; Sutterby 0 for 14.
J. McDonnell had best batting average for the year (39.99) and J. Murdoch the best bowling (9.76).

## FOOTSCRAY DEPOT CRICKET CLUB

This club, which plays with the Footscray and District Industrial Cricket Association has done well during the past three years.
The 1934 team reached the semi-finals of the "B" Grade competition, but was eliminated by the premiership club of that season.
In the Centenary season of 1935 they were successful in gaining the " B " Grade premiership against very strong opposition, winning the final game against Sunshine Potteries by 3 wickets.
For the season just closed the club was promoted to the "A" Grade competition, and created a record in the history of the Foots cray and District Industrial Cricket Associa tion by reaching the final game in the firs year of its elevation from " $B$ " Grade.

The great spirit of comradeship which sustains the clul was demonstrated at its second annual smoke social on the lst May. This was ing representatives of the Footscray and District Industrial Cricket Association, the Footscray (Sub-District) Cricket Club and the Mt Lyell Club ("A" Grade premiers of 1936).

The 1936 team was captained by R. Akers, and trophies were won by W. Bell, D. O'Shannassy, J. Holdsworth and J. Staff. Mr. P. L. Brett had the pleasant task of presenting the trophies to the winners.
As a mark of their appreciation of his splendid services to the club over a number of years, the players and committee made a specia presentation of a wristlet watch to the popu lar and indefatigable secretary, W. Marsh.
During the evening an excellent and entertaining programme of songs and other items was provided, the artists being Messrs. E. Nel E. Charlesworth, W. Baker and F. Kent.

## FUEL SALES BRANCH CRICKET CLUB

Although they lost the semi-final in the Mercantile Association "B" Section to John Danks (the premier team), the Fuel Sale Cricket Club had a most enjoyable and satis factory season, winning five and losing three matches in the home and home series.

The friendly spirit in which all games were played was most pleasing, and the social contact with business firms such as Myer's, Buckley \& Nunn's, Payne's, etc., could hardly hav been made under happier auspices
Outstanding Performances.-The vice-captain, E. J. Luttrell, was the most successful. He captured 39 wickets for 247 runs (av. 6.33 ) and also took the batting honours with 351 uns in 10 innings (av. 35). Other prominent for 94 (av. 7.23), and M. Davies, whose analysis showed 17 wickets, 133 runs (av. 7.8) In batting, J. Ballantyne scored 296 runs in 12 innings (av. 24.7). The club is very for tunate in its secretary, Mr. Chas. Smith, whose efforts were responsible in no small measure for the very successful season. Mr. G. Staley reserves commendation for his able captaincy
Summarised Results.-Matches won: Replacement Parts, by an innings and 26 runs Gordon \& Gotch, by one wicket; Buckley \& Nunn, by 56 on first innings; Bank of Australasia, by an innings and 65 (in this game
E. J. Luttrell made 114 n.o., and took 14 wic kets for 27 runs, and as a result was awarded a "Herald" bat); Payne's, by 10 runs on firs kets; Danks, J., \& Co., by 133 runs on first innings; Federal Taxation, by 92 runs on first innings.

## TRIANGULAR CONTEST-BALLARAT

## BENDIGO AND GEELONG

The initial contest for the inter-branch hield presented by the Managers of Ballara Bendigo and Geelong (Messrs. Hornabrook McNaught and Meakin respectively), took place on 28th-30th March.
Maximum points that could be gained were 10 for cricket, 8 for billiards, 6 for table tennis, 6 for quoits, 4 for hookey, and 3 for parlour bowls.
The Geelong team gained the honours in Tilliards, table tennis and quoits, collecting 20 of a possible 37 points.
The Ballarat team gained 3 points for parour bowls and 10 for cricket, and the Ben digo team 4 points for hookey.
When the games concluded on the Saturday night, Geelong Electricity Supply was in the happy position of having won the shield without having to rely on its cricket team on the Monday. It then had a comfortable win over Bendigo, scoring 159 against 72. For Geelong, the top scorers were L. Baker (35) and C. Hood (32). The most successful bowler was H. Burn, with 3 for 24 . For Bendigo, J. Guy also to 3 wickets for 36 Blacie , and the bowling honours with 5 for 24
In the match against Ballarat Electricity Supply, however, Geelong Electricity Supply were all out for 56 (R. Fleming 24 not out and J. Hynson 11), P. Kay taking 5 for 15 122 . Page 4 for 14 . Ballarat's response was 20) (E. Davey 36, P. Kay 21 and B. Brown S. 4 for 33) and H. Burn (2 for 24)

## TENNIS

A tennis match between the technical officers and the Drawing Office staff at Head Office was played on the Milton Courts on the evening of the 29th March, and resulted in a winners or the former by eight games. Ninnis, G. H. Bilsborrow, Merigan, Woodrow, Findieson, Finlayson, Bell and Tweddell, and the

## AN ENJOYABLE PICNIC

## Employees' Eighth Annual Reunion

The Aspendale Park Racecourse was the scene of the Annual Picnic, which was held scene of the Annual Picnic, which was held postponed from Monday, 27th January (Foundation Day), to mark the sorrow felt at the death of King George V.


Final of Tug-of-War-Eastern. Metropolitan
(left) winning from M.E.S. District.
The attendance, although it did not reach last year's record high level, was satisfactory, in view of the postponement. Approximately 2.000 were present, and the committee desires to take this opportunity of recording its gratitude to the Commission for enabling those who desired to do so to attend the pienic in the morning

Altogether, the outing was one of the most enjoyable and successful yet held. The president (Mr. J. D. Macdonald) and his energetic and enthusiastic staff of helpers are sin-

cerely congratulated on the smooth disposal of a full programme, in which provision was made for the interest and entertainment of everyone. Special reference is due to Mr. R. H.
Robinson who carried out the exacting and multifarious duties of hon. secretary with his
sual umruililed effectiveness, and to the de oted band of ladies, who worked so hard and unselfishly in making the day a memorable one for the children.
An interesting new event was a mile amaeur cycle race, which attracted a good entry and provided one of the most exciting finishes of the day.
Noteworthy was the success of the Aus tin family. H. C. Austin carried off second


Mrs. Austin winning the Married Laties' Race
prize in the old buffers' race; his son, $\Lambda$ Austin, won both the 75 yds. and 100 yds, pro fessional races; and his daughter-in-law, Mrs A. Austin, won the married ladies' race.

The tug-of-war and wood-chop excited the usual interest. The former event went to the Fastern Metropolitan team for the second yea in succession.
An entirely new line of entertainment was provided by Mr. J. P. Kellow, of the Flinder balloon bursting by aeroplane for a display o

H. Well, shows the way home in the olll
the air currents were so strong that the bal Coons travelled out of the spectators' view beore the pilot could burst them. However, if an aerial display of bursting balloons, they of an interesting competition in guessing the
height of the 'plane as it first circled the arena. The guesses of the several hundred who participated varied from 300 ft . to $15,000 \mathrm{ft}$. The plied the correct answer, 2,950 ft. and his reward was half-an-hour's free flight, which he thoroughly enjoyed.
The presentation of prizes was made by the Chairman of the Commission (Mr. F. W Clements), who had much pleasure in distri-

buting a handsome collection of trophies to the winners.

In the evening a most enjoyable dance, held in a hall under the grandstand, provided a fit ting conclusion to a happy day. Reg. Rowe's orchestra supplied the music.

The full list of prize-winners in the various events is as follows :-

75 yds. Professional Handicap: A. Mustin 1 G. Loller 2; T. Krieger 3. Time, 7 9-10th secs


100 yds Professional Handicap: A. Austin 1; G. Neil 2; T. Kreiger 3. Time. 10 secs.

220 yds. Professional Handicap: $\Lambda$. Burns 1 ). Hall 2; W. Crosling 3. T'ime, 21 4-10tl secs.

100 yds. Amateur Handicap: A. Jones 1; F. Tobias 2 ; R. Strongman 3. Time, 103 -10th secs.
220 ydl. Amateur Handicap: C. Page 1. Arthur Jones 2. Time, 229-10th secs.
880 yds. Amateur Handicap: Alf. R. Jones 1; F. Tobias 2. Time, $1.48 \frac{1}{2}$ secs.
Amateur Relay Race: M.E.S., Flinders St. (H. Hale, C. Page, G. Loveless and M. Bowd). Time, $45 \frac{1}{2}$ secs.
Professional Relay Race: M.E.S., Richmond (G. Neil, L. Baker, K. Gallaher, P. (heffer). Time, 44 1-5th secs.

1 Mile Cycle Race-F'. Murray 1; L. McLaren 2; R. McPherson 3. Time, 2.20 3-10th secs.

Tug-of-War: Eastern Metropolitan "A" (H. Beaton, captain).

C. Sweeney (left) wins the final of the Wood Chop
from E. C. Beech and R. J. Beech, who deal-heated.

Wood-Chop: C. Sweeney 1; E. C. Beech and R. J. Beech (dead heat) 2. Time, 68 secs.

Men's Race (40 years and over): W. P. Skidmore 1; L. Clark 2; J. Rush 3.

Old Buffers' Race: H. Webb) 1; H. C. Austin 2; R. Turner 3.

Married Ladies’ Race: Mrs. Austin 1; Mrs. Curtis 2.

Single Ladies' Race: Miss Goddard 1; Miss Mahoney 2.

Siamese Race: Hansen-Miss Campbell
Stepping the Chain: K. McKenzie

## Picnic Sidelights

Mr. Walker's men must be all up the pole when they can't muster a team for the tug-,-war.
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Some of the kiddies were very upset because they didn't get a donkey ride. So were some who did!
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Is it true that the wood-choppers are to have a nice little 640 acre paddock all to them elves for future competitions?

As a preventive of hoarseness, the announcers are thinking of getting a gramophone keep off the track,"

What consternation there was when the milk supply gave out! The tragedy occurred just as the secretary had made a fifth and finally successful attempt to dash away for lunch. However, officers experienced in dealing with failures of supply soon had the "juice" turned on again.

TECHNICAL TERMS ILLUSTRATED-No. 1.

"LINE DROP."


## YALLOURN REMINISCENCES <br> By "EFKAEM"

"You'll be wanting to see where the Power Station's to be. D'ye see where yon smoke's rising through the trees? That's the wee steam shovel that's just but started on the grading work. Ye'll need to keep well to the eft if you're going over, there's a wee bit swamp between."
The year was 1921, the scene the old Eastern Camp, and the directions were addressed to a humble "electrician" on the first day of his arrival at "The Electricity Commission's works near Morwell." (The name "Yallourn" had, of course, been decided on, and was in official use, but had not had time to become generally attached.) Who the kindly Scotchman was, those who were there in ' 21 will readily ,,guess. Yes, a real good sort was "Andy," so long as you did not interfere with his job-the erection and, later, operation o the little "T.P.P." If you did, the rolling "r's" would fairly shake you.
That is just about all there was of Yallourn February 1921-the siding on the Old Brown Coal ine railway the temporary stor Brown Coal Mine railway, the temporary stor and offices, the camp buildings, the nucleus of the T.P.P

Yes, things were a bit rough. I know that after the first day or so I felt that the heroes of the stories of construction camps in Amer ica had nothing on us at Yallourn.

What a pity some of us did not keep a diary of the happenings of those first few years of the life of the camps and on the job; of the things that do not appear in progress reports.

Take, for instance, the time we held the wake on Charlie-the navvy ganger. Poor old Charlie could "shift muck" with anyone. From Monday till Saturday midday he did so with sober efficiency, but in the week-ends he relaxed. Then followed an unvarying programme, which involved a trip to Morwell on Saturday afternoon, and a return to the camp about midnight with a skinful of whisky and further supply which would be steadily consumed until, some time in the early hours of Sunday morning, he passed into a peaceful sleep. Nothing that happened in the camp would then have any effect on Charlie until about 7 p.m., when he usually awoke and proceeded to devour straight a large German sausage brought from Morwell and kept since then under his pillow. Unless one has actually awakened from a similar sleep, the experience, I suppose, is hard to imagine, but it may be taken for granted, I think, that the surroundings would be somewhat nebulous for a while. We can then form a faint idea of what poor Charlie's feelings were on this particular occasion, as he wearily opened his eyes and gradually took in the scene.
The little room was dark other than for the light of four candles, two at his feet and two at his head. In his hands, folded on his breast, was a white paper lily, and on either side of his bunk were four men with sombre countenances, dolefully enunciating commiserating remarks in the past tense about "poor old Charlie." "He wasn't a bad old chap." "No, it's a pity he let the booze kill him." "I suppose his heart was a bit weak, poor old chap."

It was crucl really, because for quite a while Charlie was olviously very doubtful as to just which world he was actually in. Even when he slowly, and apparently experimentally, moved an arm, and, later, partially sat up and protested feebly and without conviction that "he wasn't dead," his doubts remained, because no one took the least notice, bat continued the dirge.

The story should, of course, conclude on a moral note that "Charlie never went on the
bust again," but, unfortunately, it has to be recorded that, after a week of hurt silence, the memory of his ordeal was not sufficient to interfere with routine.

Yes, a lot of funny things happened in the old Eastern Mess. There was, for instance, the night the "General" welcomed to the Mess Yallourn's first clergyman. But perhaps that had better wait until another time.

## WORDS OF WISDOM

If you must kill time, try working it to death.

Believe in yourself-but keep it a secret.

Cobwebs form in the unused human attic.

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Consistently toe the mark, and you'll hit the mark.
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Songs are remembered longer than sermons.

Always do more than you promise, rather than promise more than you do.

What can't be cured must be insured.

The wife of a careless man is almost a widow.

Try and you may; don't and you won't.
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The spirit of a business generally takes its character from the man at the head.

If you want a job done, take it to a busy man; the other kind hasn't time.

If you want to flatter somebody, just look serious and ask him what he thinks of the general situation.

Another sign of the change of scason is that the gloomy-looking fellow you see on the streets isn't a business man; he's a football coach.

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