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CNS. 'WEAK OVER

Acid
thrown
in face

DANDENONG.— I
 tectives are looki
 for a motorist w
 is alleged to ha
 splashed a quart
 fluid ammonia in
 the face of a m
 in the foyer of t
 Southern Auro
 Hotel.

David John Walk
 of Ravina St.,
 pendale, told pol
 he was standing
 the foyer of t
 Southern Aurora
 10.20 pm.

He heard someo
 shout. "Here, c
 this!"

He turned as a m
 raised a can a
 threw its contents
 almost a quart
 fluid ammonia —
 his face.

Luckily, Walker h
 only half-turned a
 the stream of am
 monia missed h
 eyes.

Walker's assallan
 out of the hot
 leaped into car a
 drove off at hi
 speed.

Det. Tim Thomp
 and First Const. I.
 Cameron are invest
 gating.

TROTS TRACK'

DANDENONG. — A prominent trotting
 identity has accused Dandenong City
 Council of "procrastination and political
 weakness which will cost the city its
 chance of getting a full-scale trotting
 track."

This was alleged by the man in an
 interview yesterday with The Journal.

In a hard-hitting state-
 ment, he said: "Dande-
 nong Council should
 hold the axe over the
 Premier, Sir Henry Bolte,
 and say 'give us a trotting
 track or you are out.
 Labor has promised us a
 trotting track, so what
 about it?'"

"That's what the coun-
 cil should be saying," he
 said.

"Lack of action by coun-
 cil is costing the city thou-
 sands of dollars in revenue
 which could be put to-
 wards swimming pools and
 more amenities for youth."

"Put a station in at
 Yarraman Park and you've
 got it."

"There would be no
 trouble with finance. The
 Trotting Control Board
 would put up the money if
 it could be assured of con-
 trolling the track. Make no
 mistake about that."

"Cranbourne is posing a
 big threat to Dandenong's
 future as a trotting town.
 Cranbourne is working up
 'or night trotting and
 they'll get it believe me,
 unless Dandenong wakes
 up — and quickly."

'Crowds falling'

The man, who did not
 want his name used "for
 personal and political rea-
 sons" said that racehorses
 now using Cranbourne
 could be easily transferred
 to Sandown Park, leaving
 Cranbourne "wide open"
 for both day and night
 trotting.

He said: "Build a good
 half-mile track and they'd
 hold the Interdominion in
 Dandenong, no worries at
 all."

"Attendances are fall-
 ing at the Melbourne
 Showgrounds because
 people are finding it
 harder to make the long
 journey."

"They were getting more
 there just after the war
 than what they have been
 getting this season. People
 on this side of the city
 aren't going to go all that
 way. But put a trotting
 track in Dandenong and
 watch it boom."

"The TCB would shift
 into Dandenong tomorrow
 if the council would give
 it control of Greaves Re-
 servy."

"Trotting is booming.
 Look at all the money the
 TAB and the clubs are
 making out of it. The TAB
 is the greatest milking-
 cow ever."
 "Dandenong is sleeping

Trotting
identity
hits out

or it when they could be
 getting thousands of dol-
 lars in revenue. It's pol-
 itics, that's all.

"If the council would
 push politically they could
 be getting revenue like the
 13 per cent the TAB rakes
 off."

"Multi-thousand dollar
 trotting tracks have been
 built at Shepparton, Mil-
 dra and Ballarat as well
 as other smaller country
 centres. Some Dandenong
 councillors are like old
 women, afraid to do any-
 thing now."

"Do whatever you can
 to get trotting for Dande-
 nong; it's GOT to come,"
 he added.

... St. James
 Dandenong, Rev. Egan Eggleston, is
 two Dandenong pilots, who will compete
 1000-mile Moomba Air Race next month.
 who will fly a Piper, is seen with
 members David Hatswell, Herman
 and John Watson, of Dandenong High
 who will join him on the second "leg" of
 on March 8. With them is Mr. Rob Ri-
 of Brady Rd., Dandenong, who will fly a
 in the race. Mr. Eggleston, who will have
 Air League members James Hillis, of Leeth
 Dandenong, and Barry Edwards, of Hughes
 Dandenong North, with him on the first day
 race, has logged 450 flying hours. Mr. Ri-
 has notched 1000. — Picture by Graham
 Southam.



Dr. blamed for noise

A "certain local councillor" was
 responsible for a controversy over a factory
 in Clayton, it was alleged this week.

It was claimed that the councillor was responsible
 an area being rezoned from light industrial to
 residential — and now ratepayers are at logger-
 heads with a company which has \$250,000 worth
 of plant to install.

... of Jaguar Dr. and a part of Centre Rd.
 ... to The Journal this week that the
 ... which is operating 24 hours a day to main-
 ... production schedule, was making their life

... the noise made sleep impossible; upset
 ... and children, and interfered with
 ... of adult workers.

... Dooley, a director of Dooley's Welding Ser-
 ... Pty. Ltd., of Buckland St. Clayton, the firm

ation has arisen because Jaguar Dr. used to be light
 industrial, but indications are that a certain Oak-
 leigh councillor had it re-zoned residential."

Mr. Keith Meden, of Centre Rd., said yesterday:
 "Given half the chance financially I'd be out of
 this place like a shot. The constant noise is get-
 ting on our nerves. I'm a shift worker and a light
 ting on our nerves. I'm a shift worker and a light
 sleeper and you certainly can't go on existing on
 just two to three hours sleep."

Mrs. Dorothy Shaw, of Centre Rd., who suffers from
 a chronic illness and regularly attends the doctor,
 said: "The banging is like a big hammer and it
 goes on all night. I've been on sleeping tablets for
 three months, but even with these I can't sleep
 properly."

Mrs. Carol Eddy, of Jaguar Dr., said: "They seem to
 have a grinder and there's the sound of grinding
 metal then a hammer. We've been here 10 years
 but it's only lately it seems to go on night and day
 and some weekends as well."