

SHIPS LIGHT UP

MELBOURNE.—The British 9000 ton steamer, Antar, sailed through Port Phillip Heads early on Sunday morning with her lights full on. This is the first ship to enter so since the war began. Antar and all other British ships were signalled by the Admiralty at 7 p.m. on Saturday that the black-out restrictions no longer existed.

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Savage Atrocities Against Australians — Webb Report

CANBERRA.—Authenticated evidence of frightful Japanese atrocities against Australian and US forces is contained in Sir William Webb's report, which the Australian Government has submitted to the War Crimes Commission. The report discloses:

- Bayoneting of soldiers singly and in groups, use of Australian soldiers for bayonet practice, and frightful mutilations to Australian soldiers.
- Organised ceremonial beheadings in conquered territories and appalling outrages against women.
- The Japs ate flesh from dead Australian and US prisoners, ate flesh from their own dead, and dissected men still alive.

Sir William Webb, Chief Justice of Queensland, drew up the report from the evidence of more than 500 witnesses. It records atrocities that would have done credit to the torture chambers of mediaeval days.

The report quotes cases of Australians having been used for bayonet practice with their hands tied behind their backs.

It instances cases of burning, shootings and mutilations of women, besides outrages, all for, as the report puts it, "no reason at all."

The report tells the story of 2 massacres of Australians at Rabaul in which about 150 Australians were bayoneted or shot (see this page).

At Milne Bay, said the report, Sir William Webb confirmed the worst atrocities of the New Guinea campaign. Thirty-nine Australian soldiers and 50 natives were concerned. Seven Australians were bound and bayoneted.

Another was tied to a coconut tree and left with a sufficient length of rope to run a short distance. It was evident he was used as a running target for bayoneting, as the back of his uniform was badly ripped.

Women were frequently victims of the numerous atrocities against natives in the Milne Bay area. Many natives were staked to the ground with signal wire or cord and then ripped with bayonets, dying slowly, or mutilated with knives.

The white flag was not respected and many instances were given of the shooting of defenceless Australians.

Referring to Jap cannibalism, the report said human flesh was found in mess pits and around camp fires. Some Japs admitted having eaten members of their units when in action.

Sir William Webb's report, hav-

ing been submitted to the War Crimes Commission in London, has been forwarded to the United Nations and released in those countries.

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150 RABAU DEFENDERS SLAIN IN 2 PLANTATION MASSACRES

CANBERRA.—The massacre of about 150 Australians at Tol and Waitavalo plantations near Rabaul are told in detail in Sir William Webb's report on Japanese atrocities in the SW Pacific area. The massacres revealed fiendish cruelty.

When the Japs landed at Rabaul in 1942, says the report, the Australian defenders withdrew to various points south and scattered.

After a forced jungle march one of these groups made for Tol plantation on Wide Bay. On February 3, at Tol, a considerable number of Japs in five landing parties were met.

A number of the Australians decided to surrender and hoisted the white flag, but most of the party pushed on. They were later captured and all were given food and treated well initially.

On the morning of February 4, at the plantation house, a roll call was taken and 22 men, thought by the Japs to be those who had surrendered, were separated from the others and taken away. From the remainder, all personal belongings and equipment were collected and the Red Cross badges torn from the uniforms of medical personnel.

The prisoners' hands were tied behind their backs and they were linked with fishing cord in parties of 10 or 12. The parties were then marched in various directions in the undergrowth and shot and bayoneted, or both shot and bayoneted, singly or

in groups. One man escaped and was ultimately rescued by civilians.

Two wounded Australians placed in a hut by a survivor were burnt alive when the Japs fired the hut.

At Waitavalo plantation a party of 11 Australians were stripped of their possessions, plined, and shot from behind with rifles and machine gun. Six men left for dead subsequently, recovered and escaped.

The shootings and bayoneting of the victims was done in the presence or hearing of others awaiting execution and these people either heard screams or saw the murders.

After one Australian had been

Surrender Signed In NW Borneo

LABUAN, Mon.—Lt.-Gen. Baba, commander of the Japanese forces in Borneo, except Balikpapan, and his Chief of Staff (Maj.-Gen. Koruda) flew to a rendezvous from their HQ in N. Borneo this morning. The GOC 9 Div. (Maj.-Gen. Wootton) accepted their surrender this afternoon.



Kickless: Looking through telescopic sights, a US soldier takes aim with the new US Army 57mm recoilless rifle. The weapon is 61 in. long and fires a high-explosive shell weighing about 31b. a distance of 2 miles. Its recoilless design enables infantrymen to fire the rifle from the shoulder in standing or kneeling position.—Sun Pic.

bayoneted, the sight of the murderer wiping his bayonet with a cloth caused an Australian to break for liberty. He was cut down with a sword by a Jap officer and then shot in the head. One Australian was stabbed 6 times in the body and 4 times in the head, but crawled to a beach and was found by other Australians.

The scars of the few survivors examined were consistent with their evidence.

Australians Land At Rabaul

JACQUINOT BAY, Mon.—Australian troops began landing at Rabaul (New Britain) at 4.30 a.m. today. The Australians will round up 100,000 Japanese in the Gazelle Peninsula and in New Ireland.

The occupation is being directed by Maj.-Gen. K. Eather, commanding the 11th Australian Division, who led the Australians in the crucial year when the Japanese were driving on Port Moresby.

She Stole Radio In Self Defence

SYDNEY.—The radio in the room next to Emma Malone's in Johnston-st., Annandale, blared from 6 in the morning till late at night, according to her story, and Emma Malone, 59, a factory hand, likes her sleep. On a recent Saturday afternoon she took the law into her own hands and removed the radio, placing it in a railway cloak-room under another name. On the Sunday the law took her into its hands, and in Central Police Court she was given a 3 months' suspended sentence and released on good behaviour after she explained that anger not avarice was behind the theft. "It was always blowing in my ears, but I didn't intend to get any money on it," she told the magistrate.

Men, Women Trek To Alice Springs For Big Sale

ADELAIDE.—One hundred and fifty business men and women from all States left Adelaide by train on what must be their strangest buying mission.

After 2½ days' train travel they reached Alice Springs to bid in the big sale conducted by the Commonwealth Disposals Commission.

The sale, the biggest ever held in Australia, began yesterday and will continue until Friday or Saturday. Articles for sale will include surplus goods of the Army and the Allied Works Council, and is expected to realise nearly £50,000.

Most of the buyers on the train will live in camps formerly occupied by personnel of the Allied Works Council at Alice Springs. They will have to observe the general rules governing residents of AWC camps and hostels.

A WAAAF, Cpl. Gwen Beaver, 22, of Sydney, and a US serviceman have flown thousands of miles to

Perth to be married. Neither has been to Perth before. The American is a torpedoman who has come from Manila, the WAAAF a corporal who has flown from Sydney. They are in strange city where they do not know anyone, because it was the only place where the American could get leave.

Crime Detectives Confer

Scientific members of every police force in Australia and also New Zealand have assembled in Sydney to discuss and exchange ideas on crime detection. The conference, which is attended by 25 delegates, will last for about 3 weeks. All branches of science now used in crime detection, including radio, ballistics, photography, chemistry, fingerprints, microscopical and analytical tests, are on the agenda for discussion.

Despite the lack of dental attention school children in NW Australia have better teeth than those in southern WA. This was stated by a dental officer of the Public Health Department, who has just returned from a 5-months professional visit to main centres in the North-West.

The Queensland Treasury returns for the 2 months of the financial year ended August 31 showed a deficit of £743,064 compared with a surplus of £150,519 at the corresponding period last year.

One of the heaviest falls of snow for many years occurred in the Lyell district (Tas.) after snow and hail storms had raged throughout the day. Due to snow on the Lyell highway the road was closed to traffic.

Supplies of liquor for annual reunions of returned soldiers will now be made available. The Acting Collector of Customs (Mr W. H. Wildy) has informed the united council of ex-Servicemen's Associations that the policy of refusing supplies for annual reunions has been reviewed, and the Minister has decided that reasonable supplies will be made in future for organisations not already in receipt of a quota.

A Lancastrian mail plane which landed at Guildford airport (WA) has been temporarily withdrawn from the Sydney-London service. The plane left Sydney for Learmonth, en route to London. During the flight it developed engine trouble. Another engine will be flown across from Syd-

Sea Chase For Youth In Sloop; Caught By 2 Ships

PERTH.—A boy aged 16 made off with a sloop at Albany, but was caught after a 27-mile chase by two other vessels.

The lad is alleged to have told his captors that he ran away from Narrogin, where he worked in a printing office, slept for 2 nights on the beach at Albany, and then decided to run away to sea.

He boarded the 28-ft auxiliary sloop, *Eva*, valued at £200, in a borrowed dinghy after transferring a quantity of gear from other boats to the *Eva* and then set off under main-sail and jib.

A look-out man at Manly Peaks Station, 20 miles east of Albany, sighted an unidentified boat drifting under half-sail. Then the chase began from Albany in the auxiliary sloop *Kestrel* and a motor launch with police aboard.

It was not long before the boy became seasick, and he went to sleep with the intention of setting full sail when he woke. When he did wake he found that his pursuers were aboard, and he was brought back.

The *Eva* was towed back to Albany by the motor launch, the journey taking 5 hours. The boy probably will be dealt with by the authorities.

GIVEN PARTY, THEN SACKED

MELBOURNE.—Eight hundred women were entertained at a tea party at Maryborough Explosives Factory before being sacked.

It was a great farewell, with cream cakes (mock cream), and Tivoli artists for entertainment. The party, and speeches by the management, were to express to the women explosives workers the gratitude of their country for their war service.

For 3 years they have been doing exacting and dangerous work. Their jobs have ranged from filling big shells with TNT to the ticklish task of charging detonators.

There has been no glamour in their work. They have had to wear wooden-pegged clogs and buttonless uniforms, have been allowed to have no smokes or matches, bobby pins or hair pins.

BIG DROP IN COAL OUTPUT FORECAST

SYDNEY.—Coal output in 1945 would probably be 1,850,000 tons less than in the record year of 1942, when 12,280,000 tons were mined, said Mr. R. W. Davie, secretary of the Northern Colliery Proprietors' Association. He based his estimate on production during the first half of this year.

To the end of August the loss of coal through strikes this year had been 1,100,000 tons, he said.

SEEKS CHECK ON ROAD ACCIDENTS

SYDNEY.—To check the great increase in road accidents, the Police Traffic Department will press for severe penalties on all convictions for speeding.

In the year ended June 30, 1945, there were 7914 road accidents, compared with 6955 the previous year. Road deaths totalled 371 and injuries 5346, compared with 372 and 4719 in 1943-44.

700 European PWs Reach Australia

SYDNEY.—Over 700 repatriated PWs from Europe, most of them RAAF, have reached Sydney on the liner *Orion*. They were given a warm welcome as they drove through Sydney streets. NSW men were given immediate leave and some interstate men have already left.

Fourth Victory Loan Posters In Tokio

MELBOURNE.—Fourth Victory Loan posters have been sent to Tokio by air. The Fourth Victory Loan opens on September 25. Announcing the despatch of the posters, the Deputy Loans Director for Victoria (Mr E. Leeson) said that apart from Australian service personnel who would participate in the occupation of Japan, other Allied servicemen would want to invest in the loan.

NOTICES

Result "Lowell" Watch Raffle. Winner Dvr. W. Wanklyn, ticket No. 43(H).

LOST

PAYBOOK, Morotal Stadium. Pte. Clarkson, 63 AIB.
CASE, leatherette for 620 folding camera. Return T.A.

FOR SALE

FALCON CAMERA, 127, price 30 guineas. Pte. Philp, 63 AIB.

Another Increase For Tas. Teachers

HOBART.—Tasmanian teachers are to be given another salary increase. Last year the Government allocated an additional £20,000 for salary increases.

The Premier (Mr. Cosgrove) announced at the annual conference of the Teachers' Federation that this year an additional £80,000 would be allocated for salaries. No teacher would get an increase of less than £50 a year, and others would receive up to £80 a year.

Increases are to be retrospective to July 1.

Transcontinental Brevities

"It is a very great pity that there is not an institution where these old derelicts could be sent instead of gaol," Mr. Read, S.M., said in Perth Police Court. He was referring to 3 old men, habitual drunkards, who faced drunk charges in court. The men, aged 83, 79, and 70, were sentenced to 7 days' imprisonment for having been drunk in Perth.

A whale which recently entered the Manning River (NSW) is in an exploratory mood. After a few weeks in the lower river it has come upstream and twice deposited itself near Taree. Men working on a wharf saw the whale pass under the bridge.

When First Constable R. B. Clowes approached a man in Sturt-st., Ballarat (Vic.), on November 13, 1944, to question him, the man's brother, Stanley Roy Page, 28, labourer, struck Clowes with a piece of rusty chain, and ran away. He was subsequently found in Young (NSW) after borrowing a car, which was recovered at Wagga (NSW). He was taken back to Ballarat and sentenced to 6 months' gaol.

Reports from the Goulburn and Eildon Weir (Vic.) in the country and the Yarra and Deep Creek in the metropolitan area indicate that the trout season opened disappointingly. This does not necessarily presage similar failures throughout the season, which ends in April.

A suggestion by the leader of the British Food Mission in Australia (Mr. Bankes Amery) that Masonic lodges and other societies could relieve the food shortage in Britain by sending parcels will be considered by the Grand Lodge of Freemasons.

Negotiations to settle the strike of about 70 Brisbane dredge plant hands, who ceased work 3 weeks ago, are still in progress. Cause of the strike was a reversion to pre-war conditions requiring employees to remain on board dredges from Monday to Friday. Previously the employees, members of the Seamen's Union, were on shift work.

ODD'S THE WORD

At the age of 6 months, John Francis Young had spent all his life in an incubator, had his mother's milk flown 300 miles to him 3 times each week of that 6 months, and never been seen by his mother. John Francis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Young, of Broken Hill, is now home for the first time. He was born 3 months too soon while his mother was on holiday in Adelaide early this year—a tiny mite of 2lb. he was placed in an incubator at Mareeba Babies' Hospital, Woodville. It was a fight to keep John going. Last May he had to have a blood transfusion to counter anaemia.

Snow Maroons Families

Thirty timberworkers, their wives and about 50 children have been cut off by snow for nearly 5 days in the Cumberlands, near Marysville (Vic.). An attempt was made to get supplies of food to them. A tractor from the mills was fitted with a sledge and came half-way to meet supply trucks from the township.

One of the biggest cane fires in the history of the Isis (Qland) occurred on Adie's plantation when 1800 tons of cane was burnt. Sparks from a rubbish fire near the home-stand set alight to a 100-acre block of millable cane, of which a small portion had been harvested. A gusty wind nullified efforts to check the outbreak.

Samuel Leslie Brunt, 54, of Bullarto (Vic.), was struck by a Daylesford-Melbourne train and killed. He was walking along the line between Lyonville and Bullarto.

L/Cpl. Stanley Coward, of the Australian Army Stores, Salisbury, Brisbane, was killed when his bicycle and a military truck collided on Compo-rd., Salisbury.

Rabaul PWs Tell Of Beatings By Japs

RABAUL, Mon.—Stories of hardships and privations in Rabaul were told by some of the 28 Allied PWs now in hospital in Jacquinot Bay.

Capt. V. J. Murray, of Brisbane, said that at one time during intensive Allied bombing of Rabaul, he and 63 others were confined in a cave 35 x 5 feet for periods varying from 48 hours to 12 days.

They had been given arduous work and obliged to unload heavy shipments of rice in big bags and also heavy bags of beans. They were heavily beaten with rods if they dropped a bag. In fact beatings were common, some of the prisoners being beaten for such things as not sitting correctly.

Because a bucket in which they carried water was dented, one of 2 men was beaten over the face with a heavy piece of bamboo by a Jap guard. A Jap doctor removed his eye, but he died 2 days later.

Some had been without boots throughout their imprisonment. Of these some who had ulcers on their legs and ankles, which prevented them from working, were issued with boots on the basis of 2 pairs for 4 men. The boots were size 12 and the men could not wear them. The prisoners' meagre diet comprised mostly rice, thin soup and native foods.

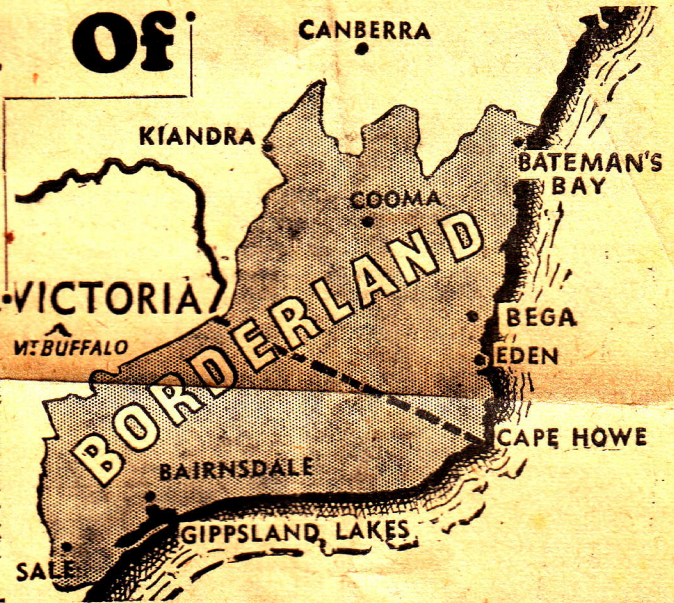
The Jap's attitude changed after the Tokio signing. A group of prisoners were paraded and a Jap officer issued each with a fresh egg and a packet of cigarettes. He then saluted them and wished them farewell. Many Japanese wept when they knew Japan was defeated.

One fanatic cut his throat on the parade ground. After the surrender, the prisoners reported they were issued with new clothes, fed with chicken and given whisky. A Jap sergeant-major loaded the prisoners with tins of fish until they had more than they could eat. The prisoners were also given sums of Japanese yen and were formally thanked for their work by an officer, who asked if they in turn would like to offer their thanks to the Japanese. The men replied with one voice "No."

Three additional planes will be placed on the Bass Strait service when the Nairana goes into dock shortly. Reduction in the number of passengers taken to the mainland by the Nairana resulted in a rush for seats in planes.

THEY'RE AFTER A NEW STATE DOWN SOUTH

MELBOURNE.—Representatives of Victorian shires and municipalities concerned will meet this week to advance a scheme to form a new State in the SE corner of Australia, taking in parts of NSW and Victoria. NSW shires and municipalities concerned have held a meeting. Tentatively called Borderland, the proposed State would have an area of about 20,000 acres. Chief port would be Eden, on Twofold Bay, north of the Victorian border. Bega, centre of a rich dairying district, has been suggested as the capital.



Nazi Fifth Column Caused Fears In SA

ADELAIDE.—So strong was the Nazi fifth column in SA early in the war that it was gravely feared an attempt might be made to destroy industrial plants, explosive stores, and powerhouses, it is now revealed.

In the early days of the war, Tanunda was known to contain many Nazi supporters. Dead silence often used to fall in hotel bars when men in uniform entered, and some children jeered at our soldiers.

Large stocks of arms and ammunition were held privately in certain German areas, and storekeepers were known to be selling greater quantities of ammunition than usual to aliens. It was estimated that about 2,000,000 rounds of .30" ammunition was held in the Nuriootpa area alone.

The subversive activities of an active minority of Australian-born Germans early in 1940 was officially considered to constitute the gravest menace to the security of SA. It was felt that a band of ever 50 active, well-trained saboteurs could do great damage before they could be countered. It was known that the Nazis had the support of Italian Fascist branches established in Adelaide, Port Pirie, and Port Augusta, and other subversive organisations.

There were about 60,000 people of German descent in the State, and while many of them were unquestionably loyal and peaceable citizens, con-

siderable pressure was being put on them at this stage by Nazi leaders. They were told that Germany was bound to win and that it was their duty to support the Fuhrer in this country.

Most German centres in SA had strong rifle clubs. These clubs were reported to be very active, and were turning out many competent riflemen until, late in 1940, their rifles were impounded. Some German pastors were recognised as Nazi leaders. German settlers owned a considerable number of modern trucks, and it was believed that heavy stocks of petrol were held by some farmers in the German districts.

It was also known that meetings of prominent Germans were continually taking place in Adelaide and country centres. This pointed to the existence of an organised control of Nazi activities within the State. When Italy came into the war on June 10, 1940, military authorities in this State had a complete organisation prepared to take known Fascist leaders into custody simultaneously.

NAMES OF VIC. PWs RELEASED

MELBOURNE.— It is officially announced that the following Victorian PWs have been recovered from the Japanese. They are:

Pte. Adolphson, R. G. (Inf.), Ringwood; Pte. Allen, E. (Inf.), Pascoe Vale; Cpl. Anderson, A. (Inf.), Euston, NSW; L/Cpl. Anderson, J. F. (S and T), Hampton; Sig. Adstis, R. (Sigs.), Nicholls Point; Pte. Barnes, V. (Postal), Coburg; Pte. Bell, W. L. G. (Ord.), North Melbourne; Pte. Bishop, H. O. S. (Inf.), Caulfield; Pte. Brown, A. G. (Ord.), Kaniva; Cpl. Campion, V. D. (S and T), Elwood; Lt.-Col. Coates, A. E. (Med.), Toorak; Pte. Cookson, W. R. (Inf.), Nareen; Spr. Corleth, M. (Eng.), Cobram; Pte. Dedman, F. A. (Inf.), Mildura; Cpl. Dennis, A. W. (Med.), Glenhuntly; Col. Derham, A. P. (HQ Unit), Kew; Pte. Derham, T. P. (Med.), Kew; Pte. Dickson, D. H. (Inf.), Abbotsford; Pte. Dowland, W. (Med.), Murrumbidgee; Dvr. Doyle, M. L. (S and T), Lancefield; Cpl. Drury, A. L. (Inf.), Benalla; Pte. Evans, R. A. (S and T), Thomastown; Cpl. Fitzpatrick, F. C. (Inf.), Carlton; Pte. Fitzgerald, J. L. (Inf.), North Essendon; L/Cpl. Frampton, J. H. (S and T), Camberwell; Pte. Glatz, S. A. (Ord.), Quambatook; Pte. Haines, L. L. (Inf.), Fitzroy; Pte. Harriss, G. (Ord.), Fremantle, WA; Spr. Hayward, H. (Eng.), Geelong.

Pte. Hosie, D. G. (Inf.), Northcote; Spr. Hoxley, W. T. (Engr.), Black Rock; Pte. Johns, E. W. V. (Ned.), Irymple; L/Cpl. Jones, H. C. (S and T), Malvern; Sgt. Keane, H. (Inf.), Newport; Capt. Kennedy, J. P. (Inf.), Kew; Lt.-Col. Kent-Hughes, W. S. (HQ Unit), Melbourne; Pte. Kettlewell, G. A. (S and T), Romsey; Pte. Link, J. (S and T), South Melbourne; Cpl. McKenzie, F. F. (Ord.), Melbourne; Pte. McLean, W. J. (Inf.), Barongaroo; Pte. McNeil, A. (Inf.), Camarat; Pte. Magnuson, C. H. (Inf.), Trafalgar; Pte. Marshall, N. G. (Inf.), North Carlton; Pte. Matthews, E. W. (Inf.), Panton Hill; Pte. Meadows, F. F. (Med.), St. Kilda; Pte. Morgan, E. C. (Inf.), Orbest; Pte. Munro, C. (Inf.), Caulfield; Pte. Murnane, J. A. (Inf.), Geelong; Pte. Nickolls, J. (Inf.), East Brunswick; Pte. O'Brien, T. R. (Inf.), Murlake; Pte. Oliver, C. G. (S and T), Caulfield; Pte. O'Loghlin, V. (Inf.), Fitzroy; Pte. Pattison, F. C. G. (Inf.), Aspendale; Pte. Patullo, C. G. (S and T), Pascoe Vale; Gnr. Pearson (Art.), Coburg.

Sleepy Fox Uncertain Epsom Starter

By "AJAX"

Although Sleepy Fox was heavily supported for the Epsom, following his effortless win in the Chelmsford Stakes on Saturday, connections again warned the public that he is not a certain starter.

Munro rode one of his typical Randwick races, sitting in behind the leader, Myrowl, until the home turn, when he shot Sleepy Fox clear to set up a winning lead. Magnificent was never racing smoothly, although he made a belated dash for third place.

Darby Munro described his win on Sleepy Fox as his easiest Chelmsford ride.

Shannon's win in the Tramway Handicap with 15 lb. more than his Epsom weight caused a rush for the Shannon-Removal double but bookmakers refused to do business. Cold Shower was backed to win £50,000, but finished last.

NORTH'S POOR SHOWING

North Melbourne's defeat by Carlton in the first League semi-final was described as a tragedy of errors. Many of North's players were below form, their combination was poor and kicking weak. Collins was the star of the match, kicking 8 goals for Carlton.

A record crowd of 13,000 saw Coburg retain their unbeaten record by defeating Williamstown. Todd kicked 6 goals for Williamstown, taking his total to 179. Titus did not play for Coburg. Points: Coburg 80; Williamstown 68; Port 60; Camberwell 48; Preston 44.

CAULFIELD CUP FAVOURITE

Leonard, who cost 2600 guineas, was backed to favoritism for the Caulfield Cup after his win in a division of the Yarraman Handicap at Mentone. Last week Leonard was heavily supported with Lawrence for the Cup double. Register, Gala Chief and Valcui were other winners to gain support for the Caulfield Cup.

FOTHERGILL WINS COMPETITION

Des Fothergill (Collingwood) is champion League footballer of 1945 season in the Melbourne Herald voting. He won the title by a point—25 to 24—with Alan Ruthven (Fitzroy) a close runner-up, after an exciting duel for 7 weeks, in which the

lead hovered between them. They were level 3 times.

ENGLISH ST. LEGER

More than 150,000 saw Chamossaire win the English St. Leger at York from Rising Light and Stirling Castle, who took the lead after half a mile and retained it until the last 200 yds. Dante, who beat Chamossaire by many many lengths in the Derby, did not start.

KING'S CUP REVIVAL

An Australian racing conference will be held in Melbourne in November for the first time for several years. An important item on the agenda paper will be the revival of the King's Cup, one of Australia's most important races. Because of the war it was last run in 1939. Originally conditions provided that the stake should not be less than £1000 and the distance one mile and a half. There is no maximum, and with the resumption of the race it may reach £5000 or so at Flemington or Randwick.

Three Aims In Occupation Of Japan Told

TOKIO, MON.—The Supreme Allied Commander (Gen. MacArthur) has listed 3 objectives in a blue-print for the Allied occupation of Japan.

They are: (1) Abolition of militarism and militant nationalism; (2) Encouragement of liberal tendencies and processes, such as freedom of religion, press, speech and assembly; (3) Creation of conditions which will ensure that Japan will not again be a menace to the peace of the world.

With nearly 80,000 US troops already in Japan, the surrender conditions would be enforced if necessary, but the Japanese appeared to be doing everything in their power to follow the Allied instructions, Gen. MacArthur's statement said.

Gen. MacArthur pledged that the Japanese would be given the chance to rule under his orders, but warned

100,000 AMERICANS FOR KOREA

TOKIO, Mon.—Japan has officially surrendered in Korea, Northern Honshu and Hokkaido.

EVE OF LONDON CONFERENCE

LONDON, Mon.—Foreign Ministers of the Big Five Powers are arriving in London for the first meeting of the Foreign Ministers' Council, set up at the Potsdam Conference.

They will confer on a wide range of subjects, including a peace treaty for Italy and a settlement in the Balkans. The talks will probably last 10 days.

The Chinese and French representatives arrived yesterday and the US State Secretary (Mr. Byrnes) and the Russian Foreign Commissar (M. Molotov) are expected today. They will be welcomed by the British Foreign Minister (Mr. Bevin).

This is the meeting for which Dr. Evatt is in London.

Women in Melee At Football Final

MELBOURNE.—Women figured in a wild melee at Albury sports ground when Wodonga played South Albury in the premiership final. Many women had blood on their faces when calm was restored.

Male supporters also came to blows during the match. There was a wild rush as soon as the umpire signalled the end of the game. One Wodonga supporter was felled by a blow. The umpire had to be escorted from the field in a car.

The match was won by South Albury by 16 points.

Hodgetts Sent To Gaol For 5 Years

ADELAIDE.—W. H. Hodgetts, stockbroker, was sentenced to 5 years' imprisonment yesterday on 5 charges of fraud, ending one of the most sensational financial cases ever heard in Adelaide.

The judge, in sentencing him, said it was the most painful duty he had had to perform for many years. He urged Hodgetts not to abandon hope of regaining his self-respect.

TONIGHT'S SHOWS
BOOMERANG.—On stage, 1930 hours.: No. 8 Detachment Amenities Entertainment Unit, "Aussies on Parade."
STAG, MAINT, CANTEENS.—That's the Spirit (Jack Oakie, Jimmy Durante, Peggy Ryan), Overseas News

PLANES LAUNCH LIFEBOATS

LONDON, Mon.—The Royal Navy has developed an ingenious "parachute lifeboat" which can be launched from a plane. It has been in use for some time. The boat can be launched in the roughest seas. As it comes to rest in the water the parachutes are automatically released and the boat anchors itself. It has both motor and sails, is equipped with a radio transmitter and carries supplies of food, water and fuel.

Monument To Atomic Bomb

WASHINGTON, Mon.—The Secretary of the Interior (Mr. Ickes) plans to make the site of the first test explosion of the atomic bomb a national monument.

He has ordered the General Land Office to survey the site, now part of the Army's Alamogordo bombing range in New Mexico.

TOKIO, Wed.—At the rate of 100 a day, people are still dying mysteriously and horribly in Hiroshima, more than 30 days after it was hit by the first atomic bomb released on Japan. They were not even injured by the explosion. They are being described as victims of "the atomic plague."

The city, say correspondents who have visited it, looks as though a monster steamroller had passed over it and squashed out of existence. It had a population of 310,000. At least 53,000 were killed, and another 30,000 are missing. They are almost certainly dead.

"You can look around for 25 sq. miles and there is hardly a building standing," said one correspondent.

that militarism would be stamped out

He told his troops they would be sent home as quickly as peace could be secured. They must respect the rights of the vanquished Japanese people. Looting, pillage, rape and other deliberate violations of universal standards of human behaviour would be a stain on their own high honour.

Accepting the surrender of Southern Korea, US Gen. Hodges revealed that 100,000 US occupation troops would take over shortly.

A correspondent writes of defeated and dispirited Japanese leading hundreds of packhorses and heavily laden burrows through Korean cities. They are being watched in silence by the Koreans, who break out in cheers when US trucks pass in the opposite direction.

Vice-Admiral Fletcher, commander of the US Northern Fleet, assumed control of Northern Honshu and Hokkaido in a 45-minute ceremony aboard his flagship. The occupation will be carried out by 8th Army troops, who will be taken north by the Third Amphibious Fleet.

WEBB REPORT (Continued)

NUNS AT GUADALCANAL RAPED AND BAYONETED

On Guadalcanal in August, 1942, says the report, 2 Roman Catholic priests—a Dutchman and an American—and 2 Catholic nuns, aged 25 and 35, were bayoneted. The bodies of the nuns were naked when found.

A third nun, about 50, was allowed to escape. Sir William Webb said he is satisfied that the 2 younger nuns were raped as well as bayoneted.

In another area on Guadalcanal, Japanese soldiers captured 2 escaped US prisoners. They fired pistols at the Americans' feet. The prisoners were later cut open while still alive and their livers removed.

In further atrocities at Milne Bay, an Australian soldier with his hands tied had his stomach ripped out, while 2 others were

tied to trees and bayoneted in the chest and stomach. A man who apparently struggled on the ground was slashed to ribbons and the tops of his ears cut off. This man had about 20 wounds in his body and his eyes were missing when he was found.

In another area, 2 women missionaries were murdered. The Japs dug a hole about 5ft. deep in front of them. The Japs grabbed one and when she struggled, thrust a bayonet in her side. The other missionary hid her face in a cloth or jowel and the Japs drove a bayonet through her neck. In February, 1943, Allied forces disinterred these bodies in the presence of 2 doctors.

Detailing many other killings of Australians and Americans, the report says that at Efogi (New Guinea) an Australian was hung by his wrists from the roof of a structure 8ft. high so that his feet were off the ground.

At Buna, the feet of a US soldier were forced up his back and tied to his hands. He was then stabbed in the chest and stomach as well as in the face. Another American was bound and thrown into a foxhole containing 2ft. of water, then bayoneted.

MEN LEAVE TO OCCUPY NAURU IS.

TOROKINA, Mon.—A force of 250 Australian infantrymen left Torokina yesterday to occupy Nauru, Australia's most important phosphate source.

They embarked during the heaviest rainstorm on Bougainville for months—2 inches fell in about an hour.

They were accompanied by representatives of the British Phosphates Commission, and RAAF and RNZAF units, who will investigate the serviceability of the island's 2 airstrips.

The men are travelling on 2 merchant ships, the Burdekin and City of Glenelg, escorted by HMAS Diamantina. The surrender of the garrison will be signed on board the Diamantina and will be received by Brig. J. R. Stevenson, commander 116 Aust. Inf. Bde. The Jap garrison will be brought to Bougainville for concentration before being returned to Japan.

It is too early yet to estimate when the huge phosphate plant will be working again. The few parts left intact when the Japs arrived have been damaged since by US bombing.

PEARL HARBOUR COURT-MARTIAL

WASHINGTON, Mon.—The Navy is to open a court-martial into the accusations against Vice-Admiral Husband E. Kimmel, who was Navy commander at Pearl Harbour at the time of the Japanese raid on December 7, 1941.

The accusations were contained in the reports by the US Navy and Army Boards which investigated the disaster. When the reports were released the Navy Secretary (Mr. Forrestal) said both Kimmel and Admiral Stark "failed to demonstrate the superior judgment necessary for active command commensurate with their rank and assignments."

Admiral Kimmel is already retired.

Webb Report Stirs Britain

LONDON, Monday.—Sir William Webb's atrocity report made big front page stories in this morning's newspapers.

Typical newspaper headlines are: "Japanese Turn Cannibal" (Daily Telegraph), "Japanese Murder, Rape and Cannibalism," and "Horror Record Sent to United Nations." The newspapers demand that justice be done without delay.

The Australian External Affairs Minister (Dr Evatt) said the new revelations of Japanese brutality would shock the feelings of every decent-minded person.

Such atrocities could only have been perpetrated with the connivance of Japanese officers, reaching to the highest, he said. Those responsible must be punished.

Australian Paratroops Reach Singapore

SINGAPORE, Monday.—Australian paratroops arrived in Singapore today from Labuan to take part in the occupation. Australian transport planes and flying boats carrying medical stores have also reached Singapore to evacuate ill Australian PWs.

Sentence Quisling To Die

OSLO, Mon.—Sentence of death was passed on Vidkun Quisling yesterday for treason as puppet Premier of Norway under German rule.

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