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Well-Known Grazier and Public Man Passes

OBITUARY.

HON. THEODORE BEGGS.

The death occurred at an early hour on Tuesday morning, in his 84th year, following a heart attack, of the Hon. Theodore Beggs, of Erambeen Estate, Beaufort. Deceased who was one of the most highly respected and widely-known residents of the district spent the greater part of his life at Erambeen, where he established a merino stud flock that was celebrated throughout Australia for its high quality.

The late Mr Beggs was a quiet, retiring disposition, but a very capable man of business. Well versed in literary matters, local history, and current affairs, his opinion always carried great weight in any circle in which he voiced it. He was also a very fair and just employer.

Born at Geelong in 1856, he was the second son of Francis and Maria L. Beggs, who came from County Dublin, Ireland and were pioneer pastoralists in the Beaufort district. Mr Beggs was educated privately and began his pastoral career on his father's property Erambeen. On the death of his father, he became manager and a trustee of the property. With two brothers, Messrs. Hugh N. and Robert L. Beggs, Mr Beggs entered into partnership soon afterwards, and held various estates in Victoria. In 1913 the brothers dissolved partnership, and Mr Theodore Beggs took over Erambeen.

He was elected in 1910 for the Nelson Province in the Legislative Council, from which he retired in 1928. He served as a councillor of Gippsland for 30 years, and was twice its president. He was also trustee and guarantor of the Beaufort Bush Nursing Hospital, and took a deep interest and active part in many other movements for the benefit of the district. He was president of the Beaufort Agricultural Society for a number of years, and showed considerable public spirit by accepting the position at a time when the society was at a low ebb and in danger of being disbanded. He was a leading member of the Graziers' Association, and the proprietors' Association, and a director of the Ballarat Trustee, Executors and Agency Co. Ltd.

The flags at the Shire Hall Beaufort, and the Ballarat Trustee's Co's office were flown at half-mast as a tribute of respect to deceased.

The late Mr Beggs is survived by a widow (who was formerly Miss Frances Jane Walpole) and four daughters. Mr Hugh Beggs, of Naree, Naree, is a brother, and Mrs T. E. White, of Cahill, is a sister. There are also a number of nephews and nieces.

Mr Beggs was a member of the Melbourne, Australian, and Ballarat clubs.

The Beggs family is one of the oldest sheep-breeding families in the State, and is famous for its success with merinos. Erambeen carries all fine merino sheep, bred from the old Erambeen blood. The stud there regularly supplied the nucleus for the formerly established studs in the Western district.

The remains of the late Mr Beggs were interred in the family cemetery on Erambeen Estate on Wednesday afternoon.

Disappearance of Sheep.

Senior-detective McGuffey, of the Victorian Bush Nursing Association, is investigating for several weeks the disappearance over a period of three months of numbers of sheep in the Beaufort district, particularly from Langi-Kal-Kay Estate, Traralgon. On Saturday they arrested John Alexander Fisher, laborer, Traralgon, and Edward Bennett, laborer, Beaufort, on a charge of larceny of sheep. Harold Henry George, butcher and grocer, Beaufort, was also arrested on a charge of receiving. The accused were admitted to bail.

AUSTRALIA'S RECORD WOOL CLIP.

MARKETING PROCEEDS SMOOTHLY.

The review issued by the Central Wool Committee, covering its first six months, is a most important, and at the same time, rather unusual document. It is important because it records the successful marketing of a highly complex and colossal marketing scheme, and it is unusual because of the modesty and restraint shown in the presentation of its facts.

It is anticipated that soon after the end of June of this year, the Committee will have disposed of Australia's record clip, and that a sum of not less than £37,000,000 will have been divided amongst the woolgrowers. The clip, it is estimated, will reach the tremendous proportions of 3,400,000 bales.

Interest in this huge transaction is not confined solely to pastoralists and farmers. So far as they relate to the actual operations of the Committee, the statistical items tell the story of efficient business organization, but their significance covers a far wider range. Incidentally, they reveal the smooth working of the system established for the sale and transportation of war necessities, and they demonstrate, if further demonstration is necessary, the predominant power of the British Navy.

The assembling and appraisal of the clip and its safe carriage overseas has been carried out without a hitch. The report, in its fullest implications is therefore, extremely gratifying.

It is plainly evident that all sections of the wool industry have pulled together. A committee can shape and administer a scheme but unless whole-hearted support is given by all the various interests involved, friction must occur and efficiency must suffer. As a co-operative effort on a large scale Australia has every reason to congratulate herself on the success attained.

By the middle of March over 1,600,000 bales of wool, of which 340,000 bales were shipped to destinations other than British ports, had been cleared. This quantity is in excess of normal shipments at similar periods of previous years. Wool purchased by Australian manufacturers amounted to under 154,000, of which the average price per lb. in the greas was 13.4d.

These figures mean that more than half the clip has left Australia or has passed out of the hands of the wool suppliers.

Of the anticipated clip of about 3,400,000 bales, 2,250,000 bales have been actually appraised. Of the balance of 880,000 bales, large quantities have not yet arrived at the seaboard. As the terms of purchase stipulate an appraisal, the proceeds reach the suppliers of the wool within a few days after the completion of the respective series.

Another Use For Sugar.

POLICE COURT.

SHEETSTEALING AND RECEIVING ALLEGED.

REMANDS GRANTED.

At the Beaufort Police Court on Monday, before Mr A. R. Hill P.M., and Engineer-Commander H. P. Mackenzie, J.P., Edward Bennett, laborer, Beaufort, was charged with having, on or about March 30-1940, at Traralgon, stolen 12 sheep, to the value of £13/4, the property of Langi-Kal-Kay Pty. Ltd.; John Alexander Fisher, laborer, of Traralgon, was charged with having, between December 1, 1939, and March 30, 1940, stolen 62 sheep and lambs, to the value of £75, the property of Langi-Kal-Kay Pty. Ltd.; and Harold Henry George, storekeeper, of Beaufort was charged with having, between December 1, 1939, and March 30, 1940, received 50 sheep and lambs to the value of £60, the property of Langi-Kal-Kay Pty. Ltd., knowing the same to be stolen.

The three men appeared. Senior-detective Sydney Harold McGuffey, who appeared on behalf of the police, said they were not prepared to go on with the cases at present, and asked for a remand of 14 days (until April 15). He understood that all the three accused men could obtain bail.

The remand of 14 days was granted. When the question of bail arose, Senior-detective McGuffey said that the men were at present on bail of £50 each, which he thought inadequate. Sixty odd sheep, valued at about 22/ per head, were involved in these cases, and he asked that the bail already fixed be increased.

Bush Nursing Hospital.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY.

A special meeting of the Beaufort B.N. Hospital Committee, to make arrangements for the annual garden party on Saturday, 20th April, took place at the Shire Hall on Monday night, and was presided over by Mrs Robert Beggs. Ten members were present. Apologies were received for the absence of Mrs Theodore Beggs, Mr A. R. Beggs, Miss Cushing, and Mrs McLean.

A circular was read from Sir James Barrett, secretary of the Victorian Bush Nursing Association, in regard to entertainments and the training of nurses.

It was resolved to invite Mrs Alex. Russell, of Mawlatok, to open the garden party.

The Beaufort Town Band is to be invited to assist.

Various stunts and competitions were arranged. Stallholders, etc., were appointed as follows: Gatekeepers, Messrs. C. H. McKay and A. M. Parker; refreshment stall, Mesdames R. T. Macdonald and F. Webster; cake stall, Mesdames L. Watkin and J. W. Harris; sweets stall, Miss Jessie Hannah and members of the Younger Set; darts, Mr A. R. Beggs and Miss H. Beggs; gold mine, Miss Young; camera studio, Mr J. F. Wotherspoon.

Several guessing competitions were also arranged. The secretary (Mr P. T. Stevenson) said complaints were being made of the noise of cars parking near the Hospital at night. It was resolved to refer the matter to the shire prosecuting officer.

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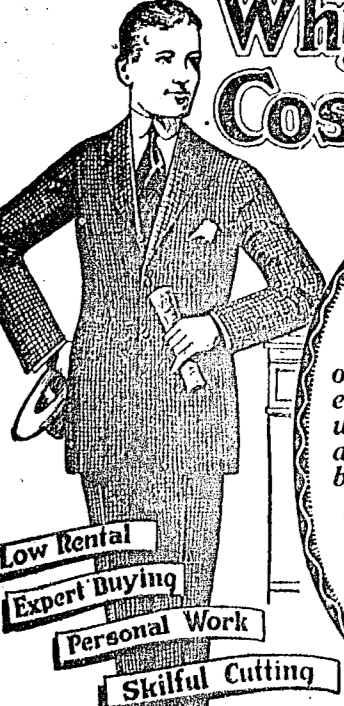
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In loving memory of our dear friend, Walter Jack, who passed away April 13th, 1939.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Lee of Oakleigh, on a holiday at Beaufort for three weeks...

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. Alex. Roffey, of Melbourne, is staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. and Mrs. MacDougall, of Beaufort.

Red Cross Society. TUESDAY'S MEETING.

The customary meeting of the Red Cross Society on Tuesday afternoon was held at the G. W. A. Hall, and presided over by Mrs. Alex. Russell.

BEAUFORT THEATRE TALKIES.

"THE DAWN PATROL." Warner Bros. thrilling wartime aviation epic, with Alex. Ford and Robert Montgomery.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

F.B. Social Club. On Saturday night the members of the F.B. Social Club held a card social at the Fire Station.

THE "Riponshire Advocate."

Published every Saturday morning. Printed by Arthur Murray Parker, at the "Riponshire Advocate" office, at the corner of Pratt and Lawrence Streets, Beaufort.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

"Reason is the life of the law; nay, the common law itself is nothing but reason."

Grass Fire.

On Thursday a grass fire broke out on Mr. Notman's property, opposite Mrs. D. Stowell's home, Beaufort.

Fire at Granite Hill.

On Wednesday a bush fire swept over 90 acres of grass and an acre of timber at Granite Hill, near Lexton.

Practical Sympathy.

Practical sympathy is the quality which distinguishes the true friend from the casual acquaintance.

Beaufort Croquet Club.

A great event on the Beaufort Croquet Club's calendar is the season, owing to re-opening and the fact that the club has recently taken place for a day's competitive play.

WEDDING BELLS. JOHNSON-McLACHLEN.

The Methodist Church, Beaufort was the setting for the wedding of Miss Olga Jean McCracken, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. McCracken, and Mr. R. W. Johnson, eldest son of Mr. J. W. Johnson, Dana street, Beaufort.

BEAUFORT TENNIS.

The Beaufort Tennis Club held their annual club championships on Saturday afternoon. The men's event was won by Mr. J. W. Johnson, and the women's by Mrs. J. W. Johnson.

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POPULAR OFFICER DEPARTS. PRESENTATIONS TO MR. AND MRS. H. M. HINCH.

Mr. H. M. Hinch, who has been in charge of the Minyip Post Office for the past four years, leaves Minyip this week for Beaufort, where he has been transferred to the position of Chief Officer.

FOOTBALL. ANNUAL MEETING OF BEAUFORT CLUB.

Despite the seriousness of the weather there appear to be prospects of a successful season ahead of the Beaufort Football Club. The first meeting of the club was held on Saturday afternoon.

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Country Women's Association. GROUP EXHIBITION AT BEAUFORT.

An event of outstanding interest to the Country Women's Association, which embraces about 20 surrounding branches, was held on Thursday afternoon when a group exhibition was held at the Beaufort Club.

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Riponshire Reports. ENGINEER'S REPORT.

The following reports were dealt with at the Ripon Shire Council meeting on April 10th. Mr. Secretary's Financial Statement. Receipts, \$976/4/9; cheques paid \$17/10/0.

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Riponshire Council. MONDAY, APRIL 8, 1940. Present: P. Russell, C. Roddis (President), R. A. D. McDonald, R. A. MacPhie, J. Kirkpatrick, T. Wills, and J. A. Hinton.

and Francis' and stating it causes flooding and swamping of his fields when running high; also asking Council if it can do anything to stop it, as an emergency measure.

From Postmaster-General's Department. From Dr. C. C. Reid, M.O.H. East Riding, reported for February: Some cases of German measles in district. Some throat and colds reported in early part of month.

From Forests Commission of Victoria. From Mr. R. A. D. McDonald, M.L.A., in reply to a question regarding provision of funds for the purchase of land for the erection of a bridge over the creek at Skipton.

From Mr. J. W. Goodie, Main Land Inspector. From Mr. J. W. Goodie, Main Land Inspector. From Mr. J. W. Goodie, Main Land Inspector.

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BUANGOR SPORTS. The Buangor Sports Club held their annual gathering on Saturday afternoon at Toronto Park, under the auspices of the committee.

Because of the lamented death of Councillor L. Smith, president of the Council, it was necessary to elect a new president.

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WAR-TIME ANZAC DAY CEREMONY. Returned Soldiers' League. COMMITTEE MEETING.

There was a muster of 17 members on Saturday night at the Shire Hall, Beaufort, at the monthly meeting of the committee of the Returned Soldiers' League.

The president said the knitting books had been procured, and would be available at Mr. McLean's pharmacy. Folders from the State branch had also been obtained.

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The Light Horse in War, 1940

There undoubtedly exists today the minds of a number of people a very great misconception as to the place of Light Horse Regiments in the Australian scheme of defence.

First of all the organisation of Light Horse has to be kept in mind and I quote the 2nd Cavalry Division as an example. The main units in camp there are 3rd Cavalry Brigade consisting of 4th, 8th, 13th/19th and 20th Light Horse Regiments (all horsed) although each regiment has nine light cars with it for close reconnaissance purposes.

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BOWLS. BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB. ANNUAL MEETING.

ALTHOUGH the night was cold and wet, there was a satisfactory attendance of members at the annual meeting of the Beaufort Golf Club. Mr P. T. Stevenson (president) was in the chair, and the meeting took place at the C.W.A. Hall on Tuesday night.

The Light Horse

On Saturday, the closing day of the season on the Beaufort Bowling Club's green, a four teams match was played for spoons.

COMMERCIAL. BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Thursday. Cattle: There were 172 offerings compared with 109 last week. Of about 50 bullocks forward, half were good to prime.

CLUBS' ANNUAL REPORT.

We have pleasure in presenting the report for year ended 31st March, 1940. Your committee met eleven times with a resulting advantage in the smooth running of the club.

ASSOCIATES' ANNUAL REPORT.

On behalf of the committee, we have the honor to present the annual report for the 1939 season. We are pleased to state that the past season was a most happy and enjoyable one.

ASSOCIATES' MEETING.

At the subsequent meeting of associates, Mrs R. G. Hodgetts (retiring president) presided. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.

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Local Bench Sits For Ten Hours. POLICE COURT. ALLEGED SHEEPSTEALING AND RECEIVING.

The hearing of seven charges of sheepstealing and two of receiving stolen sheep necessitated lengthy sittings of the Bench of Magistrate Petty Sessions on Monday and Tuesday.

Four charges of sheep-stealing were laid against John Alexander Fisher, laborer, of Traralgon, and two against Edward Bennett, laborer, of Beaufort.

Edward Bennett, with having, on or about March 30, 1940, stolen 12 sheep, valued at £13/4, the property of Lang-Kal Pty. Ltd.

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POLICE COURT

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find sheep with legs tied ready for removal, and that they (Bennett and Fisher) were going back to get the sheep from the back near the triangle (in black) on the back near rump. Mr. Embling identified them as the property of Kal-Kal, and later the same day they were taken to Kal-Kal by First-constable Drummond. On April 9, Fisher and George came to the police station by arrangement with Miss Bennett. Bennett then said, "I will tell you the truth. We did get there to get a sheep, and that he was going to get a cut of the meat of a few bits out of it. He said they had 10 or 12 sheep ready for removal on the side of the road, and that the sheep had been passed by witness when going to Thomson's place. The sheep had been taken from the Triangle paddock. When asked, Bennett said he was prepared to make a statement, and was told he was under no obligation to do so. In a signed statement, Bennett said he knew Jack Fisher, and had worked with him at Lake Goldsmith. About a week ago Fisher asked him if he would go with him (Fisher) and get some sheep. He said he did not know but he could do with a few both later the same day he said he would go. He knew they would not be getting the sheep honestly. He went out one night with Fisher and got some sheep. On Friday night March 29, Fisher called on him at Beaufort, and a conversation took place. Later that night he went to Fisher's place at Trawalla, and there they went to a Kal-Kal paddock, caught 10 or 12 sheep and put them over the fence ready for removal. They were taken over by the police. He (Senior-Detective McGuire) then called out to First-constable Duke, and as he was coming into the office, Fisher made a dash and escaped. He (witness) and Mr. Embling and Bennett then got into a utility truck, and after making a search for Fisher, without result, they went to the road running past the Triangle paddock, where Bennett showed them a number of sheep with their legs tied. The sheep were loaded on a truck and taken to the station and placed in a stable. Bennett said he and Fisher both took part in the tying of the sheep's legs and placing them on the road. On the way to the spot where they found the sheep, Bennett said he would tell him when they got the sheep. He said, "Why not tell me now?" Bennett replied, "He has been selling them to Harold George, a butcher in Beaufort." Bennett was then taken to Beaufort, and charged with stealing 12 sheep, the property of Kal-Kal. Witness with First-constable Duke and Mr. Embling, then returned to Trawalla. Duke remained at Fisher's home and Mr. Embling and he went to where Fisher's truck was, and took possession of a gun, a tent fly rope, twine, and a pocket knife. At about 7 a.m. the same day, in company with Mr. Embling, he went to Fisher's home, and saw Fisher in company with First-constable Duke. Fisher was taken to the office at Kal-Kal. Witness said you this morning, you told us you were out duck-shooting. We have since found out that you and Bennett were on a sheep-stealing expedition. You stole 12 sheep from the Triangle paddock, put them on the road with their legs tied, and were going to get your truck to remove them, when you were intercepted. We have the sheep here now. Is that correct?" Fisher said "Yes." Witness then said there had been about 240 sheep stolen from Kal-Kal during the past six months, and asked Fisher if he had taken any other sheep, and he replied, "No." He then took Fisher into the stable, where the 12 merino sheep were, and Fisher said they had taken them from the Triangle paddock. Back at the office of First-constable John Duke, for having, at Trawalla, on March 3, 1940, stolen 62 sheep and lambs, to the value of 775, the property of Lang-Kal-Kal Pty. Ltd. charged John Alexander Fisher with having, between Decr. 1, 1939 and March 30, 1940, at Trawalla,

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require an increase of coal production by at least 50 per cent, and the complete abolition of that output. Another reason why Germany could not produce all of her petrol from coal is that the production would absorb too many men men needed most urgently as soldiers than as road builders. MUST USE OUTSIDE SOURCES. Germany, then, will be forced to get about three-quarters of her petrol supplies from outside sources. From Romania, under an agreement made in January, she gets 1,500,000 tons a year, and one-tenth of her requirements, although it is one-third of Romania's oil production, 60 per cent of which is controlled by British French, Dutch, and American capital.

TRANSPORT DIFFICULTIES. Russia, which produces about 30,000,000 tons a year, and could more, may allow Germany several million tons, but Germany would have to face grave transport difficulties to get these supplies sufficiently quickly. The speediest means of transport is by tanker through the Mediterranean, but the dangers in using this route are obvious. Any other method of transport would be too slow. Germany had laid in a substantial store of petrol, but it has been reported that the three weeks of war against Poland absorbed at per cent of this reserve. With the war until recently comparatively inactive, Germany was not embarrassed by her oil situation. Now, however, with the great intensification of aerial warfare, the demand for oil will be greater. It seems, then, that unless Germany can get large supplies from Russia, she will have the greatest difficulty in fighting a prolonged war.

WEDDING BELLS. PATON - ROSS. BRIDE'S FATHER OFFICIATES. The Rev. A. Hamilton Ross, of "The Manse," Buninyong (formerly of Beaufort), assisted by the Rev. W. W. Ingram, of Geelong, officiated at the marriage of his second daughter, Christian Stiuhairt (Christy), and William Geoffrey, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Paton, of "Bingara," Tallangatta. The ceremony took place at the Presbyterian Church, Buninyong, on Saturday, 13th inst., and the Rev. and Mrs. Ross afterwards entertained their guests at the Alexandra, Ballarat. The bride, who was given away by her cousin, Mr. C. J. Lauter, wore a gown of rich creamy cloque, cut on long, straight lines, and graceful train. The bodice, with heart-shaped neck-line, had long sleeves finishing in a point over the hand. Her cream hand-made lace veil (lent by Mrs. H. R. Fidge), was held to the head by a cluster of gardenias, and she carried a shower bouquet of cream and pink gladioli and dahlias. Miss Cairiona Ross attended her sister as bridesmaid, wearing a full-skirted frock of hatched blue satin remaine, with shirred bodice and matching bolero. A coronet of matching tulle and flowers formed her head-dress, and she carried a shower bouquet of pink gladioli. Mr. Kenneth Paton attended his brother as best man, and Messrs. Roy Dobner and Mac Paton acted

Bush Nursing Hospital. ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY. OPENING OF NEW WING. Although the weather was fine the attendance at the annual garden party, in aid of the Beaufort B.N. Hospital, on Saturday afternoon, was not as large as the promoters would have liked. Those who attended, however, spent freely; the takings (including about 50 in donations) amounting to 530. Advantage was taken of the occasion to officially open the new wing of the building. The ladies of the committee and their friends conducted a number of stalls, and men were in charge of several sideshows. The following assisted:—Mrs C. H. McKay, Mrs R. C. Hodgetts, Mrs J. W. Harris, Mrs L. Watkins, Mrs M. Watkins, Mrs Exell, Miss Hannah, Miss A. Cushing, Miss Alma Kirkpatrick, Mrs L. R. S. Dairymple, Mrs J. Kirkpatrick, Mrs R. T. Macdonald, Mrs S. Young, Mrs R. G. Beggs, Miss E. Lewis, Mrs F. Wolter Mrs J. F. Wolterspoon, Mrs D. Jackson, Mrs W. A. Skene, Mrs A. R. Beggs, Messrs A. F. Beggs, J. F. Wolterspoon, R. C. Hodgetts, C. H. McKay, H. V. McLean, N. S. McLeod, and H. Ball, Sisters Ingram, Orlimmins, and Miss J. Davis. The secretarial duties were well carried out by Mr. P. T. Stevenson. Several guessing competitions were got off. A lively programme of music was played by the Beaufort Town Band, under the baton of Mr. R. Sadder.

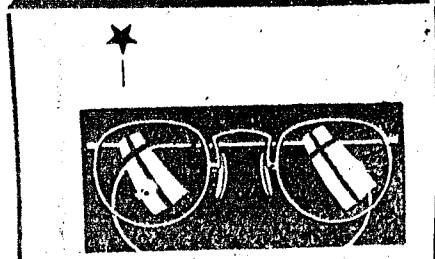
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