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### School Committee.

#### MONTHLY MEETING.

Six members of the Beaufort School Committee and the head teacher (Mr L. R. S. Dalrymple) were present on Monday night at the monthly meeting at the H.E. School.

Correspondence was read from the Education Department, stating that the drinking troughs had been forwarded and contractor was not going on with the work, but other arrangements were being made. An enquiry was being made in regard to the troughs.

Miss E. Bishop wrote, returning thanks for gift of French composition books for the H. E. School classes—Received.

Mr A. J. Hughes was appointed as a trustee of the school plantation.

A request is to be made to the Ripon Shire Council for assistance in clearing furze from the school plantation, on motion of Messrs H. J. Buchanan and J. Duke.

The head teacher (Mr Dalrymple) reported that in regard to the drinking troughs there was a hold-up about the location of them.

It was resolved to ask the building inspector to get in touch with the contractor immediately.

The head teacher further reported that the average attendance for the month was 216, which was better than for some time. The combined schools' sports was to be held next Saturday, April 5. The secondary school inspector would be here at 9 a.m. on Friday. He had to get Mr Norman to clean out a number of blocked pipes.

Mr T. Thacker said he had been asked to request that a gate be put in near the ladies' lavatory for the convenience of the sanitary contractor.

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### KING CARNIVAL.

#### TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

For the King of the Air (Mr D. R. Hannah) a successful tennis tournament was held on Saturday afternoon at the C.Y.M.S. Courts. The organizers were Miss H. Campbell and Mr M. Cole.

There was a good entry. At the conclusion of the play, the trophies were handed over to the winning pair by the Rev. J. P. McDougall, with a few congratulatory remarks. Results:—

Semi-finals. Max Cole and Miss Heather Campbell, owe 30, d. H. V. Martin and Mrs M. Cuthbertson, owe 30, 6-3.

J. Martin and Miss Pat Robinson d. Cunningham and Miss N. Wallish, owe 30, 6-5.

Final. J. Martin and Miss Pat Robinson d. Cunningham and Miss Heather Campbell, 6-2.

#### SOCIAL AT NERRING.

On Friday night, 28th March, a euchre social and dance at Nerring, to aid the King of the Army (Mr S. Coles), was well attended.

The euchre prizes were won by Mr S. Coles and Mr J. Millar. The dance music was supplied by Mrs L. R. Scott, Mr W. Martin, and Miss L. Woodall. The winners of the novelty dance were Mr Max Cole and Miss L. Woodall. A competition was won by Mr Bantz.

DANCE AND CARD SOCIAL AT RAGLAN.

At Raglan on Saturday night there was a good attendance at a euchre tournament and dance for the King of the Army (Mr S. Coles). The euchre prizes were secured by Mrs G. Gelle and Mr R. S. Coles, and the winners of the novelty dance were Mr Bob Johnson and Miss A. Lofts. A competition was won by Mr Syd. Maher.

Mr T. Gillingham acted as M.C. and the dance music was supplied by Mrs C. V. Wylie, Mr Bert Panther, and Mr V. Welsh.

RABBITING EXCURSION.

On Saturday a rabbiting excursion was held to Lang-Kal-Kal Station, in aid of the King of the Army (Mr S. Coles); 300 odd rabbits and 20 to 30 hares being caught.

A similar excursion to Lake Goldsmith the same day, to assist the King of the Air (Mr D. R. Hannah) resulted in about 500 rabbits being caught.

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### Red Cross Society.

#### MEETING OF BEAUFORT BRANCH.

On Tuesday afternoon there was a fair attendance of members of the Beaufort branch of the Red Cross Society at the fortnightly meeting at the C.W.A. Hall. Mrs Woodcock Beggs vice-president presided.

The proceedings opened with the singing of the National Anthem.

The correspondence included patriotic verses from Mr W. Dickman, Main Lead.

A letter was read from headquarters, thanking the branch for stump socks forwarded, and asking for golf socks, of which two patterns were enclosed.

Accounts amounting to 19/ were passed for payment.

The secretary (Miss P. Beggs) read two circulars in regard to Red Cross work, which gave a list of things needed.

A demonstration of how to make shirt pyjamas was given.

The following donations were received—Mr E. Ward, 10/; Brewster Auxiliary, 2s.

#### VALEDICTORY.

##### PARTY AT "BRIM BRIM."

C.W.A. ENTERTAIN MRS MURRAY EXELL.

Members of the work party and executive committee of the Country Women's Association said "Au Revoir" to Mrs Murray Exell at a happy party held at "Brim Brim," Buninyong, the home of the president, Mrs R. Ramsay, on Wednesday afternoon, March 26.

Mrs Exell is returning to her home at Stockyard Hill, and a great blank will be created in the executive of the Ballarat branch of the Association, in which for some years this well-liked member has performed her duties with dignity and sympathetic understanding.

Naturally this struck a little note of sadness, for Mrs Exell has endeared herself to all with whom she has come into contact.

The reception room was beautifully decorated with bowls of mixed delphiniums, hydrangea, agapanthus, lilies, zinnias and roses and maiden hair fern. There was an interesting guessing competition which was won by Mrs G. Lemke.

A piano solo was given by Miss Dulcie Exell, and there were items by members of the C.W.A. choir.

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# APRIL





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SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 1941. A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY. The mills of God grind slowly. But they grind exceeding small.

Snake in Town. - Mrs. James Vowles, senr., killed a snake as it crawled over the back of her coat in the back of the Beaumont Club. The rainfall at Beaumont registered at the post-office for March totalled 264 points, and for the three months of the year 812 points.

Prize Returned. - Miss W. Worsborough, who won a 100 guinea prize at the recent concert for the King of the Air (Mr. Hannan). Bows. - The Beaumont Bowling Club held a social on Saturday, J. Irving, and H. M. Hinchey were the winners, and six prizes were competed.

Old Pipes Out. - A number of old pine trees in the Cemetery at Beaumont, which have been cut out and disposed of. The avenue was planted about 1850. While making enquiries regarding stolen sheep found a letter from a man who had been in the area of the cross 1-year-old weather-branded with what looks like a reversed L on the back of the machine notch out of the back of ear. At present the sheep is not claimed, will be handed over to the Council for sale.

Volunteer Defence Corps. - The weekly parade of the Beaumont Unit of the Volunteer Defence Corps on Saturday night was attended by 18 members, and Messrs. C. H. McKay and S. Young were in charge. The evening drill was in battle practice and tactical exercises. Another Saturday afternoon will be spent at the rifle range on a date to be fixed.

The Navy Woodwork. - An interesting novelty event has been added to the programme of the Waterloo Exhibition. On Thursday, April 4, in a woodshop for members of the Royal Australian Naval Cadet Corps, the Waterloo Exhibition was held in Beaumont and district during the Easter holidays. A large number of boys and girls were present for the event, for which entry will be free, and all competitors will start from scratch on Saturday morning. An endeavour is to be made to arrange for the boys to visit the Navy and the Highland Pipe Band from Maryborough, so as to add to the already excellent program.

Harvest Festival Service. - A Harvest Festival service was held at the Beaumont Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening. The service was held in the church hall, which was tastefully arranged in front of the pulpit, were afterwards divided. The Rev. J. G. MacDougall conducted the service, and his sermon upon the text from Isaiah 40: "Thou shalt not be wholly reaped in the corners of thy field." Appropriation of the service was by the congregation. The solo, "The Blind Men and an Elephant," rendered by Mr. Noel Waterspoon.

Master Telegraphers on Special Envelopes. - Telegrams on special envelopes, suitably decorated to symbolise Easter, will be available at ordinary rates until 15th April for the convenience of Easter greetings. The Deputy-Director of Posts and Telegraphs (Mr. R. N. Partington) stated. Staffs will be augmented in all sections during the telegraph branch to cope with the expected Easter rush, but if telegrams of greeting are lodged on Thursday it will greatly relieve the Post Office staff on Easter Saturday. Telephone subscribers may dial M075 and dictate their messages, which will be delivered by the telegraph branch. Easter telegrams to soldiers in camp anywhere in Australia will be accepted at half the usual charges.

Mechanics' Meeting. - At the monthly meeting of the committee of the Beaumont Mechanics' Institute on Tuesday night, which was presided over by the president (Mr. R. C. Hodger), there were 45 members and the secretary-librarian (Mr. R. Wood) were present. The minutes of the non-attendance of Messrs. E. S. Crouch and H. R. Hannan, Mr. Wood reported that the committee in regard to the floor covering in the billiard-room. It was decided to have a fixed light over the billiard-table. Details were arranged in connection with the bridge evening on Tuesday, April 8, at 8 o'clock. The billiard-room will be decorated with a new carpet. Details were arranged in connection with the bridge evening on Tuesday, April 8, at 8 o'clock. The billiard-room will be decorated with a new carpet. Details were arranged in connection with the bridge evening on Tuesday, April 8, at 8 o'clock. The billiard-room will be decorated with a new carpet.

BEAUFORT C.W.A. King Carnival.

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COMMITTEE MEETING.

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BEAUFORT CEMETERY.

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EUCHEUR TOURNAMENT.

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BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB.

The date and time of the annual meeting of the Beaumont Golf Club was announced. The meeting was held in the hall, and was presided over by the president, Mr. R. C. Hodger. The meeting was held in the hall, and was presided over by the president, Mr. R. C. Hodger. The meeting was held in the hall, and was presided over by the president, Mr. R. C. Hodger.

LANDSBOURGH SPORTS.

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PRELIMINARY FINAL WON BY ST. JOHN'S.

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NEWLY-MARRIED COUPLE ENTERTAINED.

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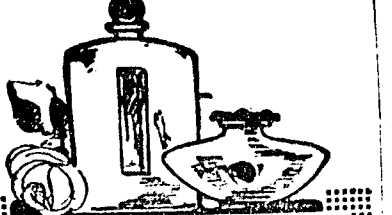
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Aircraftman Entered

Presentations by SHIRE COUNCIL AND PATRIOTIC CLUB.

Leading-Aircraftman F. J. G. Webster was home on leave at the Shire Hall on Monday afternoon by the Shire President (Mr. Sinclair) and was the recipient of several presentations.

Evening Party at Golden Age Hotel. On Monday night Mr and Mrs P. J. Webster held a party at the Golden Age Hotel.

Mr. S. Young (chairman of the Rippon Patriotic and Comforts Club), speaking on behalf of that body, said he was privileged to bring a little present from the club and to support the remarks of the speaker said this was the third year in which he had been engaged in some way or other.

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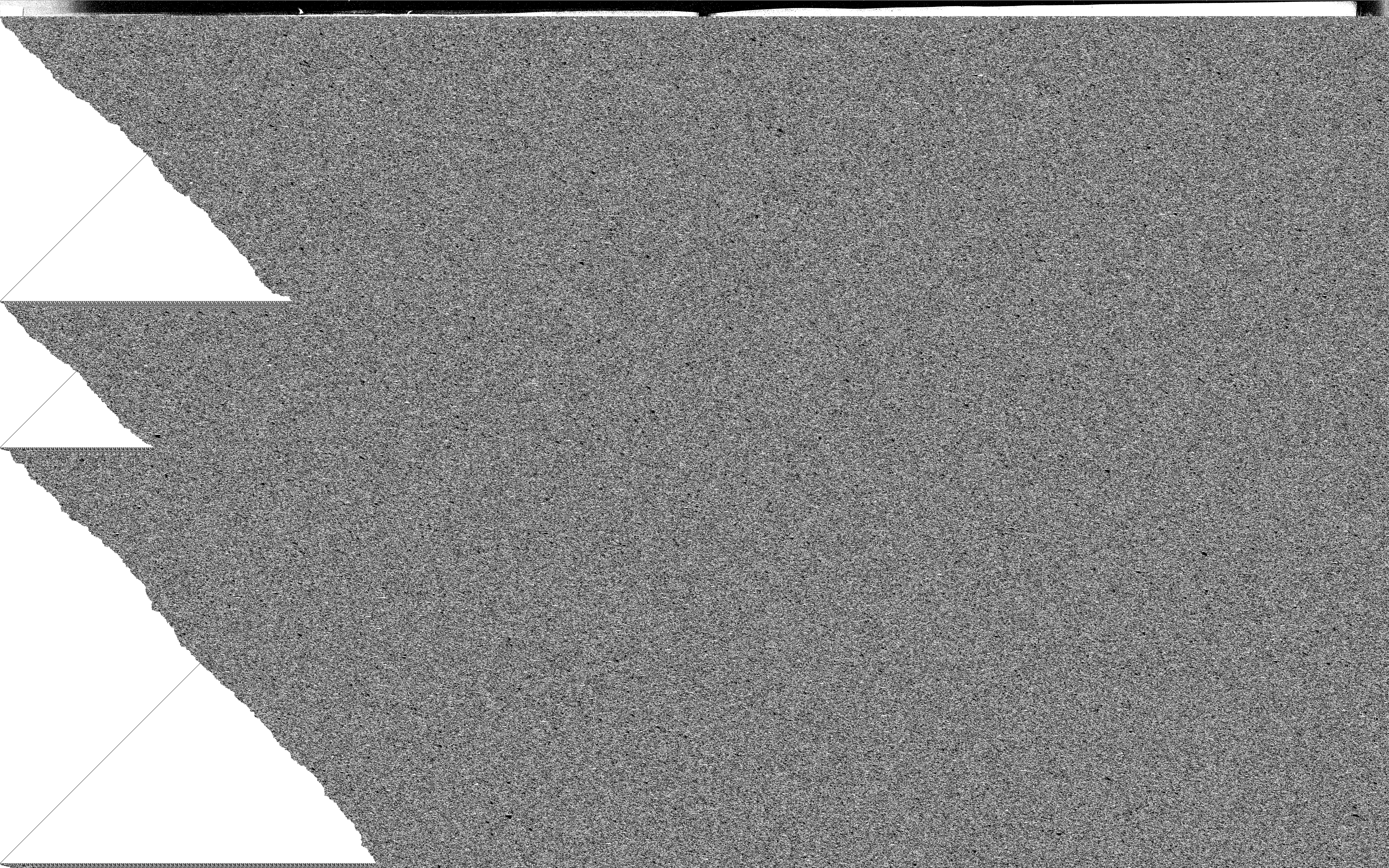
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Beaufort Golf Club. ANNUAL MEETING. Course to be Reduced to Nine Holes Sunday Golf to be Permitted.

Of greater importance than usual in regard to future activities of the Beaufort Golf Club was the annual meeting of that body, held at the C.W.A. Hall on Thursday night, April 10.

The president said he was sorry there had not been more than one meeting of the club. He said that this was a very important meeting of the club.

The president read the following annual report:—We have suggested that the back paddock be leased, and the remaining nine holes played on their own ground.

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Returned Soldiers' League. COMMITTEE MEETING. Arrangements for the Anzac Day service were finalised at the monthly meeting of the Returned Soldiers' League, held on Wednesday evening, April 17, at the Beaufort Club.

Neighboring Shires. ARARAT COUNCIL NOTES. The monthly meeting of the Ararat Shire Council was held on Friday, 18th April. A letter was received from National Safety Council, stating that the selection of suitable landing grounds for emergency use as a matter of first importance.

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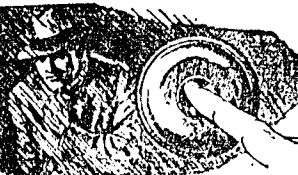
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Old Scholars' Reunion. The 24th annual reunion celebration in Skipton took place on Easter Saturday, and despite adverse conditions, as a result of the war, were a decided success. The banquet run by the Old Boys' and Girls' Association on the Saturday evening was quite up to former years in attendance: 143 sitting down to dinner. Mr M. Osborne, who was re-elected president, carried out the duties of chairman in his usual genial manner. The toast list was in keeping with the occasion. "The King" was proposed by the chairman, who also acted as a witness to all the guests, including Cr. and Mrs. Wishart, of Moorabbin Shire, who were representing the Old Lintonians' Association. "The Old Boys' and Girls' Association" was proposed by Mr Jack Costello, and Miss Daly also proposed a toast in honour of "The Old Boys," which Mr Alex. Bain, junr., re-sponded to by Miss M. E. Daly and Mrs E. W. Corbett. "The Old Girls" was proposed by Mr L. Nichols, and responded to by Cr. Neil Wishart and Mr W. Costello, who has attended every re-union since he was elected chairman for the way he had carried out his duties; Mr Osborne appropriately made special reference to the immense amount of work carried out over a number of years by their secretary, Mr W. Graham. As to the Graham family were prepared to support the association, he mentioned that the three-bered birthday cake which adorned the table was the work of Mrs and Miss Graham. Beautifully iced and decorated, it was made at the last minute, when other attempts to secure a cake at short notice failed. The candles were lit by Mrs E. W. Corbett, one of the oldest members of the association, while Mrs Osborne, wife of the president, had the honour of cutting the cake.

At the close of the banquet, the hall was cleared, and everyone present took part in an old time dance, which proved most enjoyable. Music was supplied by Mr B. Gordon (violin). The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem brought a successful reunion to a close.

Church Service. On Sunday evening, 13th inst., the usual re-union service was held at the Presbyterian Church, when the services were taken by the Rev. Thomas Brown, who is now on the retired list, and was associated with some of Skipton's earliest ministers. At the close of the service, following the custom of other years, the congregation adjourned to the Russell Hall, where old-time hymns were sung with fervour.

Children's Sports. In connection with the re-union celebrations, a sports meeting for school children was run at the Recreation Reserve on Easter Saturday morning by the Old Boys' and Girls' Association. The principal event was the Willie Cup, run over a distance of 130 yds. This was competed for by boys at the age of 14, who were handicapped solely on their performances in this race. The winner this year was Ian Alexander.

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The Youth Hostel Movement in Australia has taken firm root as being one of the most pleasant ways of being and keeping fit. In addition to the trampolining in the country, the youth's knowledge of his own countryside and provides opportunities for making new friendships. While cross country hiking or cycling is no new activity for thousands of Australians, the special feature brought in by the Youth Hostel Movement is the provision of comfortable sleeping and cooking quarters for the night at very moderate cost. In design the hostels are somewhat standardised to provide common rooms, kitchen, equipped quarters and washing facilities for both men and women, and equipped with bedding and cooking materials. The charge is 1/6 per night per person within a day's walking distance and part of the interest of a hiking holiday lies in the fun of meeting new faces at the end of a day's journey, and after washing off the day's dust and cooking your own tea, going round the fire in communal tents and sleeping under canvas. Already the Youth Hostels Association has been able to provide a circuit in the best walking country near Melbourne—the Dandenong and Warburton ranges. These hostels were so popular for the Easter holidays that bookings were closed three weeks before the holiday days.

The Mornington Peninsula is also under survey by the Association and by next summer it should be possible to make a tour along our matchless coast. In the near future it is also planned to launch further afield as the demand from the young members increases, and areas specially in mind are Mt. Wellington in the eastern Gippsland with its unique lake 5000 ft. up and wonderful views, and the Grampians in the west.

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My hat's off to Australia—It's her son I'm speaking for!

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