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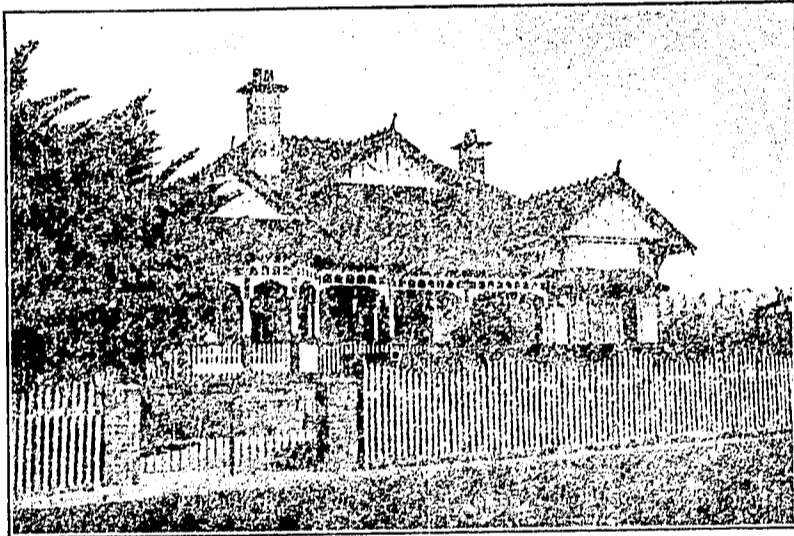
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ST. JOHN'S TENNIS CLUB.

PATRIOTIC TOURNAMENT AND FAIR.

In bright, Autumn sunshine, the Tennis Club in connection with St. John's Catholic Church, Beaufort, held a highly successful tennis tournament on Saturday and Sunday afternoons, which was well attended. For the men's and women's doubles, both the Beaufort Club's and Catholic courts were used on the Saturday, and Mr John Robinson (who has had great experience in such matters) capably officiated as manager, and was assisted by Messrs. W. Gleeson, D. Lynch, and G. Jackson. Brian Gleeson acted as messenger, and the Jaensch brothers, Max Hall, and Brian Gleeson as ball boys. The proceeds were devoted to the following patriotic bodies:—Red Cross, Comforts Club, Sydney Replacement Fund, Catholic Welfare Organisation, and Prisoner of War Fund. The trophies were donated by Messrs. W. W. Ashley, D. Lynch, H. V. McLean, and J. Robinson for Saturday's competitions, and on Sunday two bronze plaques from the Lawn Tennis Association of Victoria, and two trophies donated by the Prisoner of War Committee were given as prizes.

Stalls were conducted by Mrs J. Robinson, Mrs B. McHugh, and Miss P. Sullivan, and a number of other ladies of the congregation served and prepared afternoon tea. Sideshows were conducted by Mr G. Jackson and others; Rev. Father J. Day acting as general supervisor.

Stepping the distance events resulted as follows:—Men—Mr Bruty. Ladies—Mrs J. E. Pearce.

Following are results of the various guessing competitions:—Silver dish—Mrs T. Jess. Crystal vase—Miss E. Lewis. Pen-painted table centre—Mrs J. Flynn.

Doll dressed as bride—Kelvin Telford. Cushion—Miss Higgins. Baby's dress—Mrs W. H. Williams.

10/ note—Mrs W. Gleeson. Bottle of wine—Mrs Gross. Cake—Mrs McHugh. Box of sweets—29 (unclaimed). Results of the tennis tournaments are appended:—

MEN'S DOUBLES.

First Round.

P. Stevenson and A. Torney d. W. Gleeson and N. Day, 6-3, 2-6, 6-5.

W. Ashley and G. Jackson d. J. Fisher and D. Schlicht, 6-0, 5-6, 6-3.

L. Williams and A. Wilson d. E. S. Crouch and H. George, 6-5, 1-6, 6-5.

B. McHugh and A. Grundy d. E. Day and A. Anderson, 6-1, 6-2.

G. Grant and R. Sullivan d. J. Stapleton and J. Blay, 6-2, 5-6, 6-5.

Q. Gregory and W. McErvale d. F. Allen and K. Collins, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2.

H. Norman and H. Lamb d. G. Excell and J. McErvale, 6-2, 6-4.

C. Lamb and V. Andrews d. C. Flynn and G. Easton, 6-1, 6-1.

E. Vowles and A. Hughes, a bye.

Second Round.

G. Grant and R. Sullivan d. Q. Gregory and J. McErvale, 2-6, 6-4, 6-0.

Ashley and Jackson d. McHugh and Grundy, 6-5, 6-5.

Norman and Lamb d. Vowles and Hughes, 6-3, 6-1.

Lamb and Andrews d. Williams and Wilson, 6-2, 6-2.

Semi-finals.

Norman and H. Lamb d. C. Lamb and Andrews, 10-8.

Grant and Sullivan d. Ashley and Jackson, 10-7.

Final.

G. Grant and R. Sullivan d. H. Norman and H. Lamb, 6-1, 5-6, 6-4.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES.

First Round.

Mrs J. E. Pearce and Miss E. Nickols d. Mrs J. Fisher and Miss A. Norman, 9-4.

Mesdames Q. Gregory and J. Hall d. Mrs G. Cuthbertson and Miss P. Robinson, 9-2.

Misses O. Young and B. Schlicht d. Misses N. Wallish and G. Downe, 9-5.

Miss J. Higgins and Mrs R. Sullivan d. Mesdames W. Ashley and E. S. Crouch, 9-3.

Misses N. Marra and N. Trafford

d. Misses I. Wallish and B. Russell, 9-7.

Mrs E. Vowles and Miss B. McErvale d. Mrs G. Easton and Miss E. Crick, 9-3.

Miss G. Campbell and Mrs R. Larkens d. Misses J. Flynn and T. McGregor, 9-7.

Mrs M. Cuthbertson and Miss E. Hobson d. Mrs A. M. Parker and Miss K. Lamb, 9-6.

Mesdames Campbell and Newton, a bye.

Second Round.

Mesdames Gregory and Hall d. Misses Young and Schlicht, 9-8.

Mrs Pearce and Miss Nickols d. Miss H. Campbell and Mrs Newton, 9-8.

Mrs E. Vowles and Miss B. McErvale d. Mrs Pearce and Miss E. Nickols, 9-2.

Miss J. Higgins and Mrs R. Sullivan d. Miss G. Campbell and Mrs R. Larkens, 9-5.

Misses Marra and Trafford d. Mrs Cuthbertson and Miss Hobson, 9-7.

Semi-finals.

Miss J. Higgins and Mrs R. Sullivan d. Mrs E. Vowles and Miss B. McErvale, 9-6.

Mesdames Gregory and Hall d. Misses Marra and Trafford, 9-3.

Final.

Miss J. Higgins and Mrs R. Sullivan

Girl Treads On Snake.

ON Monday night Aileen Pearce, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Pearce, Southern Cross, Beaufort, narrowly escaped being bitten by a snake.

She was walking along near her grandmother's (Mrs Griggs') house in Pratt Street, when she trod on something soft. Looking down, she saw a snake on the road, flattened out ready to strike, but succeeded in evading it.

Ivan d. Mesdames Gregory and Hall, 6-0, 4-3, 6-5.

At the conclusion of the day's play on Saturday, the president of the club (Mr C. M. Flynn) presented the trophies to the winners, and expressed, on behalf of St. John's Club, his sincere appreciation of the action of the members of the Beaufort Club in lending their courts for the afternoon.

MIXED DOUBLES.

First Round.

F. Allen and Mrs R. Sullivan d. A. Hughes and Mrs A. M. Parker, 6-4.

K. Collins and Mrs W. Ashley d. W. Gleeson and Miss Kirkpatrick, 6-1.

G. Jackson and Mrs G. Cuthbertson d. W. Ashley and Miss N. Fay, 6-5.

E. S. Crouch and Miss E. Crick d. B. McHugh and Miss B. Schlicht, 6-1.

G. Grant and Miss N. Trafford d. J. Stapleton and Miss Cushing, 6-1.

A. Torney and Mrs Easton d. D. Schlicht and Miss Wotherspoon, 6-3.

A. Wilson and Miss N. Marra d. E. Day and Miss A. Jess, 6-3.

J. Fisher, junr., and Mrs A. Hall d. J. Blay and Miss K. Lamb, 6-5.

R. Sullivan and Mrs Fisher d. C. Flynn and Mrs E. S. Crouch, 6-1.

Grundy and Mrs Pearce d. F. Allen and Mrs Sullivan, 6-5.

R. Lyttle and Miss J. Flynn d. G. Easton and Miss Marra, 6-3.

K. Newton and Miss P. Robinson d. R. T. Macdonald and Miss V. Martin, 6-3.

N. Day and Mrs Haintz d. H. George and Miss M. McErvale, 6-1.

V. Andrews and Miss J. Fisher d. D. Lynch and Miss M. Slattery, 6-5.

H. Lamb and Miss K. Lamb d. A. Anderson and Miss T. McGregor, 6-1.

J. Fisher, senr., and Miss B. Schlicht d. H. Norman and Mrs Newton, 6-5.

P. Haintz and Miss Slattery d. J. Collins and Miss V. Martin, 6-1.

Second Round.

Crouch and Miss Crick d. G. Grant and Miss Trafford, 4-2.

A. Wilson and Miss Marra d. Torney and Mrs Easton, 4-0.

Jackson and Mrs G. Cuthbertson d. Collins and Mrs Ashley, 4-2.

Sullivan and Mrs Fisher d. Fisher and Mrs Hall, 4-1.

Grundy and Mrs Pearce d. Lyttle and Miss Flynn, 4-2.

K. Newton and Miss P. Robinson d. E. Day and Mrs Haintz,

4-2.

RED CROSS SOCIETY.

Fortnightly Meeting.

To work and transact business the members of the Beaufort branch of the Red Cross Society met on Tuesday afternoon; Mrs T. Beggs (president) being in the chair. There was a good attendance, and apologies were received from several absentees.

Headquarters wrote, acknowledging donations of soap, bottles waste material, etc.

A letter of thanks was received from Mrs Wotherspoon, in reply to a message of sympathy.

The resignation of Mrs K. Embling as a member was received with regret.

The sum of £13/5/ was received from Rev. Father J. Day; being the branch's share in the proceeds of the patriotic effort held by St. John's Catholic Tennis Club at Beaufort.

It was resolved to send a letter of thanks to the Rev. Father Day. The sum of £1 was passed for payment to Mrs Rayment to cover expenses in connection with the making of soap for the Convalescent Home.

Mrs Beggs asked if anyone had donations of goods for the Hospital garden fête.

The president read an article from a Sydney paper in relation to prisoners of war in the East, and the difficult task the Red Cross Society would have ahead of it.

It was mentioned that the branch had handed over £40/2/ to the Prisoner of War Fund since August.

Mrs Rayment won a competition for a nightdress.

The following donations were received:—Mrs W. N. Muntz, pull-over; Mrs Humphreys, 6 towels, 6 handkerchiefs; Mrs McLeod, old linen; Miss Rodgers, silver paper; Mesdames W. J. Tame, C. Morvell and R. B. White, magazines; Mesdames Tame and Arch. Kirkpatrick, medicine bottles.

Appointed to the Forces.—Dr. K. Brennan, Ballarat District Health Officer, has been appointed to the military forces as Deputy Assistant Director-General of Medical Services.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Lamb and Miss Lamb d. Andrews and Miss J. Fisher, 4-0.

J. Fisher, senr., and Miss B. Schlicht d. Hains and Miss Slattery, 4-2.

Third Round.

Crouch and Miss Crick d. Jackson and Mrs Cuthbertson, 4-0.

Wilson and Miss Marra d. Sullivan and Mrs Fisher, 4-1.

Newton and Miss P. Robinson d. A. Grundy and Mrs George, 4-2.

H. Lamb and Miss K. Lamb d. J. Fisher, senr., and Miss Schlicht, 4-0.

Semi-finals.

E. S. Crouch and Miss E. Crick d. A. Wilson and Miss Marra, 4-1.

H. Lamb and Miss K. Lamb d. K. Newton and Miss P. Robinson, 4-3.

Final.

E. S. Crouch and Miss E. Crick d. H. Lamb and Miss K. Lamb, 6-4, 6-3.

At the conclusion of the tournament on Sunday, Mr C. M. Flynn (club president) called on the Rev. Father Day to make the presentation of plaques to the winners.

At the same time he congratulated the winners and runners-up. He thanked Mr Robinson, on behalf of the club, for the tremendous amount of work he had put into the tournament, because it was connected with a patriotic effort. It was owing to Mr Robinson's enterprise that they secured the plaques given by the Lawn Tennis Association of Victoria.

Rev. Father J. Day, in presenting the plaques to the winners, humorously said he thought something had been engineered entirely in the shire, as it was going to the shire engineer. The tournaments were the most important series that had been run on St. John's courts.

They were being run, not for the Church—although that cause was always a worthy one—but for a world cause to defeat friend Hitler and his two confederates. The trophies would be valued, not for their intrinsic worth, but for the fact that they assisted in an effort to help defeat Hitler. He offered his sincere thanks and gratitude to all ladies who had helped towards the success of the tournaments. The runners-up had both met their Waterloo, and he also handed over their trophies.

In responding, Mr Crouch said they had had a very good day, and it was run well.

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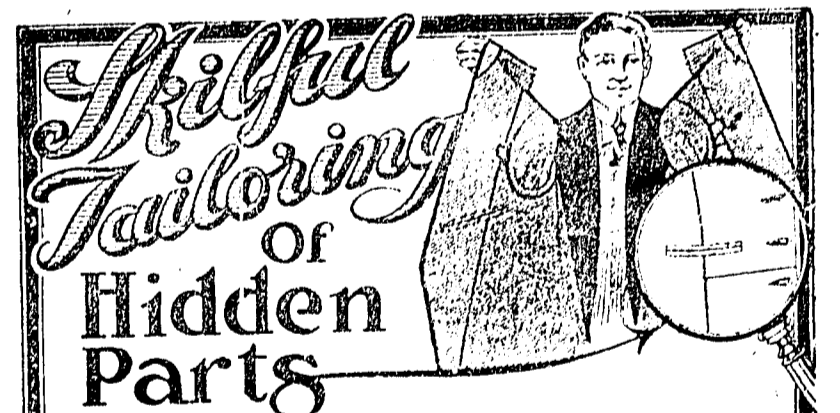
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SHIRE COUNCIL March Meeting. The March meeting of the Riponshire Council, held at the Shire Hall on Monday, was attended by Crs. J. A. Hinton (president), T. Willis, J. Kirkpatrick, C. H. McKay, A. MacPhie, P. Russell, and J. McDonald.

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Correspondence. From Country Roads Board, approving re-Buller-Hamilton road proposals set out in Shire Engineer's letter for removal and sale of pine trees. Cr. McKay - The work to be carried out by direct labour and proceeds of sale paid to Board.

From Municipal Association of Victoria, notifying increase of travel allowance to health inspectors from 41d to 5d. Received. From Municipal Association of Victoria, notifying increase of travel allowance to health inspectors from 41d to 5d.

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The grand final of the Beaufort District Tennis Association's competition was played on Saturday afternoon, and the premiership was won by the Beaufort St. John's team, who defeated the Methodist by eight rubbers to none. Results (St. John's players mentioned):

C. Flynn and G. Grant d. J. Fisher, sen., and J. Fisher, jun. Misses Flynn and Marra d. Mrs. Fisher and Miss Martin, 6-1, 6-2. E. McIntosh and E. Lynch d. J. Martin and C. V. Wylie, 6-5, 4-0, 6-2.

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On an open altar was arranged for Sunday afternoon the Red Tape as it has been sacred in this country as the cow in India, and it is about time Government departments learned to deal with the public that business men use in their transactions with their customers.

Mr. Saddler drew attention to the matter of blacking out the card room. The amount of the snowball and the advisability of increasing it was discussed, and the ladies considered Mr. Davey, that the card committee be empowered to carry on as they think fit and add to the £5.

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CHURCH SERVICES. SUNDAY, 22nd MARCH, 1942. Church of England. — Beaufort 11 and 7, Waterloo. — Rev. W. J. Tame. Methodist Church. — Beaufort 11 and 7, Waterloo. — Rev. W. J. Tame. Baptist Church. — Beaufort 11 and 7, Waterloo. — Rev. W. J. Tame.

Mr. J. Oliver Tarrant, SURGEON DENTIST. WILMINGTON BEAUFORT, on THURSDAY, APRIL 2. Appointments with Mr. Ashley B. HUGHES, Beaufort.

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W. W. ASHLEY CHEMIST BEAUFORT. EYESIGHT NOTICE. OWING TO PETROL RESTRICTIONS, Mr. Sydney White, EYESIGHT SPECIALIST, WILL VISIT BEAUFORT until Further Notice.

THE CHURCHES. Presbyterian Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of members and adherents of the Beaufort Presbyterian Church was held on Monday night at St. Andrew's Church, and there was a fair attendance.

RED CROSS SOCIETY. Fortnightly Meeting. The fortnightly work and business meeting of the Beaufort branch of the Red Cross Society, held at the C.W.A. Hall on Tuesday afternoon, was well attended.

DISTRICT NEWS. COMFORTS FUND. For the year 1941 Waubara branch of the C.F.R. reported to the Ballarat branch, 215 to provide Christmas hampers to be donated to the A.C.F. hostel in Lydiard street.

FIRE BRIGADE. F.B. Ladies' Social Club. A special meeting of the Beaufort Fire Brigade Ladies' Social Club was held at the Fire Station on Monday afternoon.

COMMERCIAL. Ballarat Live Stock Market. Cattle. — At the Ballarat Corporation saleyards on Tuesday 13th the following were offered.

SALVATION ARMY. OFFICERS TEMPORARILY REMOVED. Owing to war measures, the Salvation Army has had to temporarily remove its resident officers.

HOUSE SAVED BY WOMEN. When Mr Jack Haynes of Amphibter, left his home to go to work, he started in one of the streets.

PIG MEATS. The Minister for Commerce, Mr W. Scully, referred to the representations which had been submitted to him by pig producers.

STREATHAM. The Streatham Red Cross held their first annual bazaar on Saturday evening. The prizes were won by Mrs Ward and Mr Dorling.

LOWER REGISTRATION FEES. Through the R.A.C.V. motorists whose petrol ration is now so small that it would hardly clean their tanks are being helped.

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Notes by the District Warden. The District Billing Committee met in Beaufort on Friday, 20th March...

An Interesting Letter. Through the courtesy of Mr J. A. Harris, we have read a very interesting letter...

ARE YOU TAKING AN EVACUEE? (By Dr. A. G. Scholes, Organiser, National Fitness Council of Victoria, 58 William Street, Melbourne, C.I.)

COMING EVENTS. Paragraphs are only inserted in this column simultaneously with advertisements.

CHARLIE VAUDE AND THE PARROT. A day's good entertainment will be provided by station 3DB on Good Friday...

TENNIS. In a doubles tournament held on Saturday afternoon by the Beaufort Tennis Club...

LADIES' DOUBLES. On Wednesday afternoon the Beaufort Tennis Club held a doubles tennis match...

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL ITEMS. F.B. Ladies Club. The members of the Beaufort F. B. Ladies Club held their usual social on Saturday night...

Band Social. The winner of the snowball competition again failed to emerge at the Beaufort Town Band Social on Saturday night...

Card Evening. On Thursday evening the Beaufort F. B. Ladies Club held a card social at the Fire Station...

Miss Kathleen Brophy, school teacher at Lake Goldsmith, has suffered a bereavement by the death of her husband...

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BUSH FIRE BRIGADE. Meeting of Committee. The final meeting for the year of the Beaufort Bush Fire Brigade was held at the Shire Hall on Thursday night...

From South Western District Association, forwarding resolution to be discussed at the Melbourne conference on April 24, also notice of next meeting on 14th April.

From New Record Machinery Co., stating they were unable to forward the order for a new pump...

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The Minister pointed out that the Government's decision in connection with pig meats was part of the general plan covering the meat industry and embraced not only frozen pig meats but also lamb, mutton and beef.

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SHIRE OF RIPON. AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS. A PUBLIC MEETING will be held in the Picture Theatre, Beaufort, on THURSDAY EVENING, the 2nd APRIL, at 8 o'clock, when Mr. E. MORTON, District Warden, Ararat, will give an address on Gas and A.R.P. Activities.

SHIRE OF RIPON. PUBLIC MEETING. A PUBLIC MEETING will be held in the Picture Theatre, Beaufort, on THURSDAY, the 2nd APRIL, at 8.30 p.m., for the purpose of electing three persons to represent the Shire of Ripon on the Council of the Ripon Recreation Reserve.



WE ARE NOT ALONE

The imagination of Australians as well as that of British and American peoples has been captured by the arrival in this country of General Douglas MacArthur, coinciding with the official announcement of an open secret—the presence of Americans here. Australians can share in the belief expressed recently by a member of the United States Congress that the indomitable leader in the Philippines would live to see the forces he leads beat the Japanese.

The same belief has been expressed in another way by the Lieutenant-Governor of the N.E.I. (Dr. H. J. Van Mook), who remarked on his arrival in Australia from Java: "I am glad that I have come to Australia. . . . I believe that in this place the tide will turn, and we want to be in it."

General MacArthur is not only a great military leader, he comes to us as a striking symbol of the mighty forces of liberty that stand behind him—forces determined that "freedom shall not perish from the earth," determined to go out and meet the enemy of freedom.

He comes to an island continent which Major-General Gordon Bennett has pointed out will present the Japanese with a different proposition. It is equally certain, however, that the Japanese are aware that a big task faces them, and there is already evidence in the successful attack on Japanese sea forces off New Guinea that formidable forces are being gathered to strike the heaviest possible blows.

Geographically, Australia possesses certain outstanding advantages as a great military base. It is a continent of great distances; from Darwin to Adelaide 1630 miles, from Perth to Sydney 2400 miles, and a similar distance from Cape York to Hobart. Distance alone does not afford protection, but it gives room for manoeuvre of forces, for surprise and for the development of large strategies. In a broadcast to America this week, Mr. Paul McGuire, the well-known writer has made this comment: "Washington has decided on the defence of Australia. It isn't just because Washington may like Australians or think Australia the sort of place that deserves to be defended, but because Australia is the one large base and field of manoeuvre left to America in all the Central and South Pacific world. If Australia falls, the Pacific is lost."

When the British settled in Australia, 150 years ago, they even then saw its strategic importance. They saw that from its eastern harbours and the South and Central Pacific could be developed and controlled; that naval forces could operate from Sydney, by the islands, to the waters of Panama and Cape Horn. So, too, from Australia's western seaboard a sufficient force can command the Indian Ocean, the Cape and Suez and the Indian routes. All this is clear enough to us here in Australia. But it must be clear also to the men and women of Nebraska and New York, for we have now reached the crisis of the Pacific phase; that point beyond which we must not retreat that point which gives the last great opportunity for counter-attack and for victory. . . . Infiltration tactics won't serve across the immense Australian plains. There will be no jamming of men and transports in narrow, bottleneck corners. Sheer fighting power will get its chance."

General MacArthur cannot win the battle for us. Australians—civilians and soldiers alike—today have heavy responsibilities—responsibilities to which they have proved themselves equal in other parts of the world.

While every form of military equipment that the General Staff considers necessary will be sent to Australia under the Lease-Lend Plan, Australians cannot rely solely on the U.S.A. This was pointed out a few days ago by Mr. H. S. Wasserman, head of the U.S. Lease-Lend Mission to Australia. This, he asserted, was primarily "an Australian show." The U.S., he said, was anxious to give all help possible, but Australians must realise that total war could not be waged and won without great sacrifices on the part of everybody.

Australian forces must be equipped with the weapons, munitions and other materials produced by a united, determined people expressing its spirit at machines and forges, in the fields, in the offices, and in the streets.

The enemy comes against us, not only with a sword for our bodies, but an extinguishing blight for the souls of truth-loving men, and so we must, as Mr. Curtin says "fight complacency and slackness and orthodox peace-time wasteful methods. We must fight irresponsibility and moral remissness in our attitude to the inescapable tasks and duties that a war footing imposes. If we fail ourselves, nothing can save us. We have to show ourselves worthy of aid."

THE KITCHEN.

For The Housewife.

VEGETABLE VARIATIONS.

(By Elizabeth Cooke).

Although those ordinary or common garden variety vegetables tend to turn up on the menu regularly day after day, that doesn't mean that they have to turn up in exactly the same way every time! Far from it, when there are so many economical and easy ways to dress up everyday vegetables and make them the star turn of the meal.

For instance, this following recipe for Carrot Scallop. Here is a recipe which combines carrots and onions, cheese and breadcrumbs in a delicious flavour ensemble. Here is a dish which is very straightforward and easy to prepare, and at the same time is highly recommended for food value.

Carrot Scallop can be served along with the meat course at dinner . . . or, because it provides the protein food elements of cheese, it can very well be served by itself as a main course dish for luncheon or supper.

CARROT SCALLOP.

- 1 bunch carrots,
- 1 lb. onions,
- 1 cup tasty cheese, shredded,
- 2 cups breadcrumbs,
- 1 pint melted butter sauce,
- Parsley,
- Salt, pepper.

Boil carrots in salted water, and when tender cut in long strips. Also boil onions until tender but firm. Place a layer of sliced carrot in bottom of casserole; cover with sauce; shredded cheese, breadcrumbs, and chopped onion, parsley, salt, pepper. Repeat to top of casserole; garnish with breadcrumbs and shredded cheese and bake golden brown in a moderate oven. Serves eight.

For the sauce

- 1 tablespoon butter,
- 2 tablespoons flour,
- 2 cups milk,
- Pepper, salt.

Melt butter, blend in flour. Stir in milk gradually and continue stirring until mixture thickens and boils.

Cauliflower is another of those everyday vegetables which can be quite transformed and glorified when you put a little imagination to work on the subject. Here's an easy way to bring out the best in cauliflower.

CAULIFLOWER WITH TOMATO SAUCE.

- 1 medium cauliflower,
- 1 cup mashed tomatoes,
- 1 cup shredded cheese,
- Salt, pepper,
- 1 cup soft breadcrumbs.

Cook cauliflower (flowerettes separated) in boiling salted water until just tender; drain well and place in a casserole. Mix tomatoes (broken up with a fork), one cup breadcrumbs and one cup cheese with seasonings to taste. Pour over cauliflower, sprinkle top with remaining crumbs and cheese. Bake in moderate oven 20-30 minutes. Serves six.

BRUSSELS SPROUTS AU GRATIN

- 2 lb. Brussels sprouts,
- 1 cup milk,
- 1 dessertspoon butter,
- 1 tablespoon flour,
- 5 tablespoons shredded cheese,
- Dried breadcrumbs,
- Salt, pepper.

Prepare sprouts and soak in cold salted water. Cook in boiling salted water, with the lid off the pan, for 15 minutes. Drain and reserve about a dozen of the best for garnishing. Keep them hot either in water or in the oven. Chop remainder of sprouts. For sauce, melt butter in saucepan, remove from fire and stir in flour. Add milk, and return to fire until sauce boils. Cook for three minutes. Season add four tablespoons cheese and chopped sprouts. Mix thoroughly and turn mixture into buttered fire-proof plate. Sprinkle with dried crumbs and remaining cheese. Bake in moderate oven 10 minutes till lightly brown. Serves six.

CHEESE AND PUMPKIN PIE.

- 3 cups mashed cooked pumpkin,
- 2 cups white sauce,
- 4 oz. packet cheddar cheese, shredded,
- 1 cup breadcrumbs,
- Lemon juice,
- Pepper, salt,
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon,
- 1/2 teaspoon ginger.

Blend pumpkin into white sauce, add shredded cheese and breadcrumbs, reserving 1/2 of breadcrumbs for top of dish. Season with pepper and salt. Place ingredients in greased shallow oven-proof dish garnish with breadcrumbs and bake in moderate oven until top is nicely browned (1/2 to 3/4 hour). Serves six.

More Trains.—The 8.25 a.m. train from Melbourne to Ballarat, and the 9.5 a.m. from Melbourne (which passes through Beaufort) now run daily; having been resumed.

DISTRICT NEWS

LEXTON.

PATRIOTIC FUNDS.

Contributions are still being accepted by the shire secretary and any of the councillors for the Lexton Shire's Prisoners of War Fund and "Sydney" Replacement Fund.

The following donations are acknowledged by the shire secretary (Mr C. F. Loxley):—Mrs C. Bauleh, 4/; J. G. and M. G. Morrison, 5/; J. Johnson, 1/; W. Corcoran, 15/; G. Karlslake, 5/; Miss S. Smith, 1/; J. Lobb, 10/; W. M. Spiers, 10/; A. C. Borley, 1/; J. A. Stephnell, 10/; D. Keith, 1/; E. M. Kewley, 5/; Mrs L. Giles, 2/; A. C. H. Townsling, 1/; C. D. Flynn, 5/; H. Briody, 1/; S. Firms, 1/; W. H. C. Ennis, 1/; J. F. Flynn, 1/; F. Gallagher, 1/; Maiden Hill, 1/; Miss A. Harrison, 2/; L. Giles, 5/; A. Fisher, 10/; J. Mann, 14/; J. Norbury, 5/; G. H. Allan, 12/2/; Waubra Girl Guides 7/; F. Jolly, 7/6; Miss Carter, 5/; E. McM. Smith, 10/; Mrs E. McM. Smith, 10/; G. Coutts, 1/; Mrs Quayle, 5/; Miss Firms, 5/. Total to 19th March, £55/16/6. "Sydney" Replacement—Shire of Lexton, £20; W. H. C. Ennis, 10/; D. Keith, 1/; J. Grant, 2/; W. H. Kaye, 1/2; G. Coutts, 1/; H. Briody, 1/; J. F. Flynn, 1/1. Total to 19th March, £29/10/.

BURRUMBEET

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Harvest thanksgiving service was conducted in the Presbyterian Church last Sunday morning by the Rev. Wm. Bell. The Presbyterian Sunday school has an enrolment of 30 pupils. Messrs. D. Walton, J. Swan, M. Driffin, and H. Charles have been appointed to represent the Church at a combined meeting of the three churches in the Learmonth shire.

OBSERVATION INSTRUCTION.

As a means of giving members of the Volunteer Air Observers' Post at Burrumbeet an idea of the altitude of planes, a wireless unit of the R.A.A.F. visited the post on Sunday last. A Wackett training plane, which was in communication with the ground unit, made numerous flights over the station at 1000 ft., 2000 ft., 6000 ft., and 8000 ft. The flights proved of a most interesting nature to members who man the post continuously.

ON THE FARM.

The shortage of railway trucks and tarpaulins is hindering the despatch of produce from the local station. On most farms the hatching is well under way; the task being undertaken by the farmers themselves, owing to contract thatchers being unavailable. Ploughing in preparation for next season's crop has started. The season is rather dry.

STREATHAM

RED CROSS.

The Streatham Red Cross commenced another aggregate on Saturday, 21st March, when there was a splendid attendance. The prizes were won by Miss M. Hannah and Mr E. T. Meek.

SEWING MISTRESS RESIGNS.

Mrs F. Drever, who has been sewing mistress at the Streatham State School for five years, has resigned, and is to live at Mininera.—"Ararat Advertiser."

Shortage of Charcoal

According to recent statements says the Royal Automobile Club of Victoria, there is a prospect of a serious shortage of charcoal in Victoria. Although there are unlimited supplies of suitable wood, labour is one trouble and transport the other. It is known that the Liquid Fuel Board has been instructing firms and persons possessing large fleets of motor vehicles to instal gas producers and has reduced their allowances of motor spirit by 75 per cent. Gas producer units are available and are being fitted at the rate of 1,500 a month, but the output of charcoal has not kept pace with the ever-increasing demand. The anomalous position has also arisen in some districts of a glut in charcoal because of the lack of facilities in transporting this fuel to areas in which the shortage is acute. The R.A.C.V. points out that the quality of the charcoal is equally as important as the quantity. Many motorists who have cursed gas producers have found that the poor running of the engine on charcoal has been due to the fact that the charcoal has been used. The efficiency of the engine has been enormously increased when they have obtained charcoal of good quality and even size. Messmate mountain ash, etc., produce charcoal of a poor quality. "The Radiator" for March publishes an illustrated article showing how people in the country districts can burn their own charcoal in an old 44-gallon oil drum.

COMMERCIAL.

Ballarat Live Stock Market.

At the Ballarat Corporation yards on Tuesday, cattle and sheep maintained late values throughout, and lambs were a little dearer.

Cattle—129 yarded. There were 50 bullocks and steers, only about one truck being prime; remainder useful. Prime cows were also scarce; the bulk in this section consisting of useful and chopping sorts. The demand was steady and values were unaltered. Quotations:—Prime medium-weight bullocks, £15 to £15/15/; good, £13 to £14; useful, £11 to £12; prime cows, £10 10/ to £11/10/; extra, to £12/12/6; good, £8 to £9/10; useful, £6 to £7. **Calves**—169 penned. A small proportion consisted of prime quality, remainder good and useful. Best grades met good competition at late rates; secondary sorts being a shade easier. Best made £11 4/.

Sheep—A heavy offering; the total being 7705. There was a fair proportion of trade wethers, mostly crossbreds. Ewes were in heavy supply, including a fairly large number of decent, weighty sorts, others plain and aged lots and numerous pens of inferior descriptions. The demand for wethers was not so keen as last week, and values for same were slightly lower. However, good competition prevailed for ewes, which maintained late rates. Quotations:—Prime crossbred wethers, 18/ to 19/; extra 20/ to 22/; good, 15/ to 17/; prime crossbred ewes, 12/6 to 14/; heavy 15/3; good, 10/ to 11/6; prime merino wethers, 15/ to 16/; extra to 17/; good, 12/ to 14/.

Lambs—3266 penned. There was a fair proportion of prime quality, remainder well suited to trade requirements. "Turning-out" sorts were limited. Sales opened to keen competition, which prevailed throughout, and values were firm to dearer for all classes. Quotations:—Shorn: Prime, 19/ to 21/; extra, to 22/8; good, 16/ to 18/. In the Wool: Prime, to 25/1.

The following district sales are reported:—Four heifers, Mr J. Kirkpatrick, Stockyard Hill, to £5 2/6; 2 calves, same owner, at £4 15/; 59 crossbred wethers and ewes, same owner, wethers 17/7, ewes to 13/7, averaging 12/7; 5 lambs, same owner, 18/4; 104 crossbred and comeback ewes, Messrs. Briody Bros., Lexton, 9/10; 65 Corriedale wethers, St. Enoch's Estate, Stockyard Hill, 16/1 to 18/4, averaging 17/2; 40 merino wethers, Mr Jas. G. R. Brebner, Willow Bank, Buangor 13/10; 11 merino wethers, Mr Sam Hayward, Burrumbeet, 15/4; 8 bullocks and cows, Messrs. Dalgleish Bros., Lake Goldsmith, bullocks to £12/7/6, cows £11/10/ to £8/10/; steer and cow, Mr S. Finch, Eurambeen, steer £9/7/6, cow £8/7/6; 7 calves, same owner, to £7/16/; cow Mr Arthur Lofts, Lake Goldsmith £4; cow, Mr M. Drew, Raglan, £5; 325 merino ewes, Major Philip Russell, Carngham Estate, Carngham 11/1 to 7/10, averaging 9/3; 104 merino wethers and ewes, Messrs. Brennan Bros., Buangor, wethers to 16/10, ewes 9/11; 1 lamb, same owner, 18/9; 103 merino wethers and ewes, Messrs. Ball Bros., Raglan, wethers 17/1 to 14/, ewes 8/4; 98 merino wethers, Mr H. H. Dunn, Middle Creek, 15/10 to 12/1, averaging 14/2; 41 merino ewes, Mr A. Morcombe, Burrumbeet, 9/7; 7 crossbred wethers, Mr Robert Ward, Derry Farm, Lake Goldsmith, 15/10; 7 crossbred ewes and merino wethers, Mr Wm. Hutton Raglan, ewe 15/9, wethers 10/1; 53 lambs, same owner, 11/10.

Carpet Bowls.

The members of the Beaufort F.B. Ladies' Club held the customary carpet bowls competition on Tuesday afternoon. The members of the winning team were Mesdames J. Duke, E. Whitfield, A. Pearce, S. Coles, and Miss Joyce Cole.

Beaufort A.N.A.—The president of the Beaufort branch, A.N.A. (Mr W. G. Gillingham) conducted the fortnightly meeting, held on Tuesday night at the Mechanics' Institute. There was an attendance of five members. A letter was read from the Board of Directors, acknowledging receipt of a cheque for £100, to be invested in the Liberty Loan. From same, stating that the tender of Mr W. Hill, Beaufort, had been accepted for the renovation of the house in Bourke Street, formerly owned by the late Mr W. J. B. Johnson. The treasurer (Mr N. S. McLeod) reported a credit balance of £281/8/4. Accounts amounting to £13/10/5 were passed for payment. Mr A. H. Sands moved that a letter be sent to Mr R. A. D. Sinclair, a very old and active member of the branch, expressing sympathy with him in his illness, and stating that the members would be glad to hear of his improvement. Seconded by the president, and carried.

TRAVELLING SHEEP.

THE SIX MILES A DAY PROVISION.

A case of special interest to farmers was one in which David Joseph Williams, of Avoca, was charged before Messrs. G. S. Catlow, P.M., and E. G. Vawdrey and F. W. Weickhardt, J's.P., at Ballarat recently, that he, being a person in charge of sheep travelling on the public highway, failed to drive them not less than six miles a day; in a direct course as far as practicable. Senior-Constable O'Farrell prosecuted. Williams was fined £20, with 9/6 costs.

George Alexander Fraser, grazier and dairy farmer, of Addington stated that on 26th January, he saw the defendant on the road between Waubra and Addington, with about 1000 sheep, stretching over 1 1/2 miles. Defendant camped three nights in succession in a lane. The sheep were in reasonable store condition, and he would say fit to travel six miles a day. On the 3rd February witness again saw the sheep at Bridgewater's corner, about five miles away from where defendant had camped.

Constable French, stationed at Learmonth, stated that on 11th February he interviewed the defendant at Learmonth. He had been grazing the sheep within a radius of three miles of Learmonth township, and said he brought them from Avoca, and was taking them to Ballarat for sale, and he had started out with 1365. He was still grazing sheep between Lexton and Learmonth, and witness had received a number of complaints from farmers around Learmonth that he was causing trouble, with the sheep getting through fences and dogs coming after them and upsetting the farmers' sheep. When witness asked defendant why he did not travel six miles a day, he replied that he had a big mob and had as much as he could do to look after them.—"Ararat Advertiser."

LOWER FEES FOR CARS.

In the March issue of "The Radiator," the official organ of the Royal Automobile Club of Victoria which has just been published, the journal rebuts a statement recently made by the Premier (Mr Dunstan), who is reported to have said, in refusing to reduce motor registration fees, that he did not think the lowering of fees would induce people who proposed to lay up their cars to re-register them. "The Radiator" publishes letters from a number of members, all of whom state that if the Victorian Government had reduced the fees on private cars, they would have renewed the registration. Extracts are:—"I do not intend to pay money for repairing the roads when I cannot take advantage of them," "Had the Government made some reductions I would have been prepared to carry on." "As our Government has not yet seen fit to use sensibly the brains they have, especially with regard to car registration, I will not renew the registration of my car." "Owing to the unreasonable attitude of the State Government on registration fees, I shall not be renewing my registration when it expires on June 13th." "I did intend to keep my car registered in case of an emergency, but the fees are cut of all proportion. I consider that the Government has badly let the motorists down in not reducing the fees." These are extracts from a few of a number of letters the club has received from members. They show that, by its attitude towards a large and heavily taxed section of the community, Mr Dunstan is defeating the aim of the Commonwealth Government, which has appealed to motorists to keep their cars in running order so that they may be available for instant use in case of emergency. It is significant that the Commonwealth Minister for Supply (Mr Beasley) in a statement in Sydney last week, said that the Commonwealth intended to urge the States to consider a suggestion that all motor vehicle owners whose car registrations had lapsed, or were about to lapse, be allowed to return their vehicles to the road for a special fee of 10/ a year. Vehicles so registered would be allowed a gallon of petrol a month to enable the batteries to be kept charged and roadworthiness maintained for any emergency.

Next Year's Flax.

The acreage for flax growing in the Ballarat district for the coming season—2500 acres—has been fully allotted, and no further applications can be considered. The response to the call for growers has been much appreciated by the Agricultural Department. Growers will have their choice of two varieties of flax—"Concurrent" and "Laurel Crown," both fibre varieties, growing a good length, and proved suitable to Victorian conditions.

WAR LOANS AND WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATES

With the announcement of the Federal Treasurer (Mr Chifley) that 242,121 subscribers had contributed £48,161,990 to the Liberty Loan, the system of accepting advance applications for the next War Loan comes into operation again. Since the advance system was first introduced, it has led to the subscription of large sums for war purposes.

Applications for subscriptions to the next war loan, lodged now, bear interest from the date of lodgment, at the rate eventually fixed for the loan in which they are to be included.

Much of the success of the Liberty Loan campaign is attributed by the organisers to the remarkable results achieved in country districts. The Victorian War Loans Secretary (Mr A. D. Broad) said that without the enthusiastic co-operation of War Loan Committees the record-breaking results achieved in Victorian country centres would not have been possible.

"The number of towns which far exceeded their self-imposed quotas was very gratifying. If the excellent war loan organisations now in existence throughout Victoria are kept intact, there can be no doubt of the result of future loans. They will be needed, too, for the strengthening of the national savings campaign and the Easter gift drive initiated by the Commonwealth Government," he said.

Loch, peaceful farming township in Gippsland, has won fame for its patriotism. Soon it will fly an Australian Ensign, given by the Commonwealth Government. Loch with its 130 population contributed to the recent loan the highest sum per head in Victoria. From 70 applications, it raised £7500 in subscriptions—an average of £57/13/10 a head.

In the same section—for towns with a population of 1000 and less—Kaniva (population 600) contributed £44/13/8 a head. Other results were as follow:—

Class 4 (population 1000-2000)—Trafalgar, 168 applications, total, £18,940—£18/18/9 a head. Leongatha, £15/2/4 a head.

Class 3 (population less than 4000)—Warragul, 398 applications; total, £43,900—£13/14/4 a head. Camperdown, 373 applications; total, £48,040—£13/6/10 a head.

Class 2 (population, 4000-7000)—Hamilton, 701 applications; total, £89,790—£16/12/7 a head. Wangaratta, £13/11/4 a head.

Class 1 (population 7000 and over)—Warrnambool, 931 applications; total, £103,685—£11/10/10 a head. Shepparton, £9 a head.

From 1866 Victorian country towns £3,016,616 was contributed to the loan from 30,024 applications. **EASTER GIFT CAMPAIGN.**

A special Easter Gift Campaign of Savings Certificates will be launched immediately by the Commonwealth War Loan Office. Attractive War Savings Stamp Folders and Greeting Cards are now at all Post Offices throughout the Commonwealth, and it is expected that the sale of Certificates and Stamps through this medium will continue to show an increase. The Lord Mayor of Melbourne (Cr. F. Beaufort) has set aside April 1 as War Savings Gift Day in Melbourne, when mobile offices will parade the main streets. Lady Angliss, and her committee of workers have undertaken to run the various stalls to be erected in the main streets. From these points the Gift Folders and War Savings Stamps will be available.

The main object of the Gift Campaign is to divert non-essential and especially luxury expenditure direct to war production and effort. Mr Broad is appealing to all country War Loan Committees to conduct a similar War Savings Stamps Day on April 1.

Scattered the Tiles.—Inmates of the office at the Beaufort railway station received an unpleasant shock on Monday, when they heard a noise comparable to falling debris from a wrecked building. On investigating they found that a whirlwind had blown the tiles off the roof of the building for about 10 ft. square. Some of the tiles were carried a distance of fully 60 yards by the wind. Dust and rubbish from the yards and permanent way were scattered all over the platform.

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