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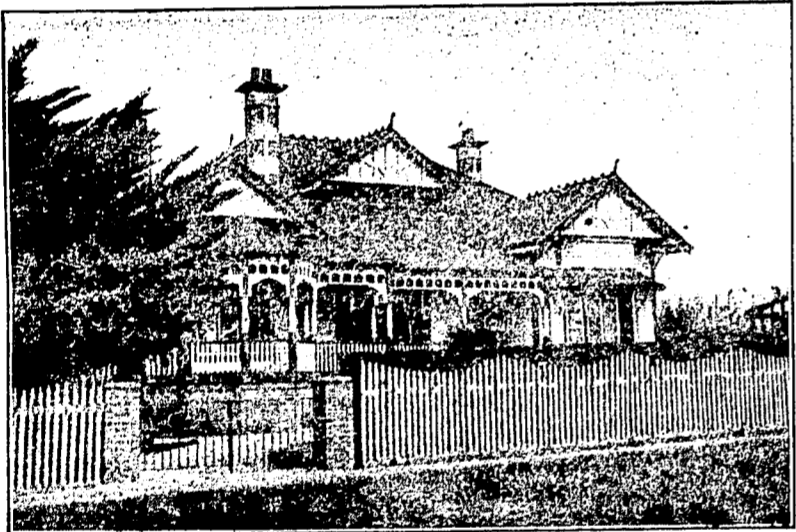
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## GOLF CLUB TO GO INTO RECESS

### BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB

#### Annual Meeting.

A recommendation that the Beaufort Golf Club go into recess for a year was adopted at the annual meeting, held on Friday night, 27th March, at the Mechanics' Institute. Thirty members were present, and apologies were received from a number of absentees. Mr. Q. W. Gregory (vice-president) occupied the chair until the arrival of the president (Mr. A. Barber). Mr. Gregory read the following annual reports:—

#### CLUB'S ANNUAL REPORT.

We have pleasure in presenting the report for the year ended 31st March, 1942. The abnormal conditions reduced the membership still further, and subscriptions declined from £163/14/ in 1940 to £125 18/ in 1941. As the war conditions became more grave and petrol restrictions increased, many of the club's previous activities were curtailed. However, by the strictest economy in all matters, the club was able to finish the season in quite a satisfactory financial position. Mrs. J. E. Day again won the Associates' Championship, and once more receives our congratulations. Most of the men felt that the time was not opportune for holding the Men's Championship, and it was temporarily abandoned. Knock-out competitions were held throughout the year, and the proceeds were given to the V.A.G. Relief Fund. The winners were Mrs. W. W. Ashley and Mr. H. V. Martin. The entire proceeds (£37/7/) of the gymkhana held on October 11th were handed over to the Beaufort and District Prisoners of War Fund. Towards the end of 1941, we lost the valuable services of our treasurer, Mr. C. Morris. He carried with him our best wishes. We thank the donors of trophies for their support, and also the associates, without whose help we could not have carried on. The extremely critical time through which this country is passing has caused us to recommend that the club go into recess until such time as a general meeting is called. With the approval of the committee—A. BARBER, President; R. K. CORDING, Secretary.

#### ASSOCIATES' ANNUAL REPORT.

On behalf of the committee, we have the honour to present the annual report for 1941 season. We are pleased to state that although the membership has fallen considerably, we had a most enjoyable year. We congratulate those associates who reduced their handicaps and who won trophies. We especially congratulate Mrs. Day, who once again won the Associates' Championship; also Miss Norman, who won the silver jug; and Mrs. Ashley, the war medal. During the year we held a bridge party at the home of Mrs. Campbell, in aid of the Prisoners of War Fund. The sum of £9/2/ was raised. Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. L. Watkin were hostesses. The associates also joined with the club and held a gymkhana for patriotic funds. The president and committee wish to thank all those associates who so generously donated trophies from day to day. We would like also to thank Miss Norman for carrying out the duties of captain and treasurer. The afternoon tea committee was pleased to hand £1/15/ to the secretary. Every associate heartily thanks Mrs. Lardner for her kindness and help to anyone who needed it during the year. — ELIZABETH WATKIN, President; LORNA O. WATKIN, Associates' Hon. Secy.

#### BALANCE-SHEETS.

The balance-sheet for the past year showed receipts amounting to £221/16/ and expenditure to £177 11/9, leaving a Cr. balance of £44 4/1. The year commenced with a Cr. balance of £13/2/1. Mr. N. B. Acton certified to the correctness of accounts. The associates' balance-sheet showed:—Receipts, £7/4/10; expenditure, £7/3/10; balance in bank, 1/1. Mr. A. Barber arrived at this stage and took the chair. He apologised for being late. Mr. E. S. Crouch said the committee had done an excellent job in difficult times. He moved the adoption of the reports and balance-sheets. Seconded by Mr. A. A.

Downes (who endorsed the mover's remarks), and carried.

#### RECOMMENDATION THAT CLUB GO INTO RECESS.

Referring to the recommendation of the committee that the club go into recess, the president said that their income, plus the credit balance, would keep the club going for two years or so, but they would be unable to get the man power to keep the links in order. They should decide the future of the club before electing the officers. In the event of an emergency, the Warden would be taking over the club house for an emergency hospital, and it had already been offered to him by the club.

Mr. R. C. Hodgetts moved that the club go into recess for 12 months. Seconded by Mr. Prowse. Mr. Crouch supported the motion, as they could not maintain golf at this time.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The president — They had enough money in hand to meet this year's expenditure, but at the end of two years they would have nothing. If they retained their membership and paid a small fee, they would, when they resumed probably have sufficient funds to start immediately.

#### From Different Angles.

AT the annual meeting of the Beaufort Golf Club on Friday-night, 27th March, a discussion arose as to whether the stove in the Golf House would be satisfactory, in the event of the building being taken over by the District Warden as an emergency hospital.

Mr. R. C. Hodgetts remarked that as District Warden, he presumed it was alright, but as a member of the Golf Club, he knew it was not. (Laughter).

Mr. Hodgetts — Should they budget for two years ahead, or leave it till next annual meeting? He suggested a levy of 5/ on members to stabilise the club, and enable them to play at other tournaments. He moved that a levy of 5/ be made on all present members to establish their bona fides as a club affiliated with the Golf Association.

Mr. S. Young seconded the motion, but thought it should not be called a levy but a social membership fee. He hoped there would be no tournaments in which they were eligible to play.

Mr. Crouch objected to the words "social membership" and thought it should be membership.

Mr. Hodgetts agreed to alter his motion accordingly.

The president said the club had done a lot of good in Beaufort, and they should hold it together.

The motion was carried unanimously.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Mr. Barber said it would be better if the club got a president living nearer the town.

Mr. Hodgetts was voted to the chair for election of officers.

Mr. J. H. Prowse moved that the whole of the outgoing officers be re-elected. Seconded by Mr. Crouch. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Barber said that world affairs had thrown a spanner into the works when he became president. He would have preferred the club to have been closed last year, as they had lost many younger members. Through the loyal support of the members, they had been put in a financial position in which they could carry on for two years. He would do his best to give the club the business attention it needed, but would have to call on other officers to deputise for him. He thanked them for the confidence they had shown in the officers by re-electing them.

Mr. J. H. Prowse was unanimously elected treasurer.

The president said Messrs. Cuthbertson and Heaghey were again willing to lease the club's land. Did the members desire that tenders be called?

Mr. Hodgetts moved that it be a recommendation to the committee that tenders be called for the grazing rights of the course for 12 months. Seconded by Mr. Crouch, and carried.

It was decided to leave the matter

### HOME GUARD.

#### V.D.C. Unit.

On Saturday 51 members of the Beaufort No. 5 Platoon, B Coy., V.D.C., were medically examined and attested at the Shire Hall. Captain J. Blackman (area officer, S'awell), Corpl. Heal, and Dr. S. E. Humphreys were in attendance. They were assisted by Messrs. C. H. McKay and F. J. Webster. The greater part of the day was occupied by the task, and no parade was held that night.

No Sheep Show this Year. — At a special meeting of the Sheep Show committee of the A. and P. Society, it was decided to abandon this year's sheep show. The advisability or otherwise of holding stud sales was discussed. Finally was not reached; the matter being referred to a meeting of the committee, to be held in July.

Identity Cards. — Identity cards to be issued to all Australians will be of postcard size, and will bear the name and address of the person to whom they are issued. They must be carried constantly, and to avoid wear, holders are asked to keep their cards in envelopes. If a card is defaced, it must be produced before another will be issued. A charge of 2/6 will be made to replace a card lost or destroyed. To assist in the issue of new cards persons are asked to keep a full copy of the contents of the cards, including the official index number. Cards must be produced at any time on demand by authorised persons, who include police, returning officers, and national service officers. In an emergency cards will enable the bona fides of every person to be established and thus safeguard against fifth columnists, and in event of injury or death will permit ready identification. The personal signature of the holder must be placed on each card, together with the name and address of a witness over 21 and personally known to the holder.

#### BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB

of affiliating with the Victorian Golf Association in the hands of the committee, with the recommendation that the club maintain the affiliation, on the motion of Messdames A. Campbell and J. H. Prowse.

It was understood that the associates' affiliation with the V.L.G.U. be included in the motion.

Mr. Cuthbertson moved that all the cement boxes, etc., be shifted.

The president — That was the committee's job.

In reply to Mrs. Watkin, the president said they should allow the District Warden to use the crockery and linen in the golf house for the emergency hospital, if required. It might be wise to remove the more expensive crockery.

Mrs. L. Watkin moved that 2 doz. of the more expensive crockery be removed.

Mr. Hodgetts — The ladies were the best people to determine what to do with it. He moved to that effect. Seconded by Mr. F. J. Martin, and carried.

Mr. Downes — He would be pleased to put it in the strong room at the C.B.S. Bank.

Mr. Hodgetts said that an inventory of its goods and chattels should be taken by the club.

The president said the contents of the machinery room had been taken into storage by the shire.

Mr. Crouch moved that the committee give consideration to insuring the club's property against war damage. Seconded by Mr. Downes, and carried.

Mrs. Crouch suggested that the members have working bees to keep the serapes in order. She moved to that effect.

Mrs. M. Watkin — It would be a waste of time.

The secretary — The serapes were in quite good order.

Mr. Crouch — It could be left in the hands of the committee to do salting, if required. He seconded the motion, which was carried.

Mr. Crouch asked if the committee had any idea of negotiating for the reduction of the rate of interest. He moved a recommendation to the committee to that effect. — This was noted by the committee for consideration.

The committee afterwards met. The associates also held a meeting after the general one.

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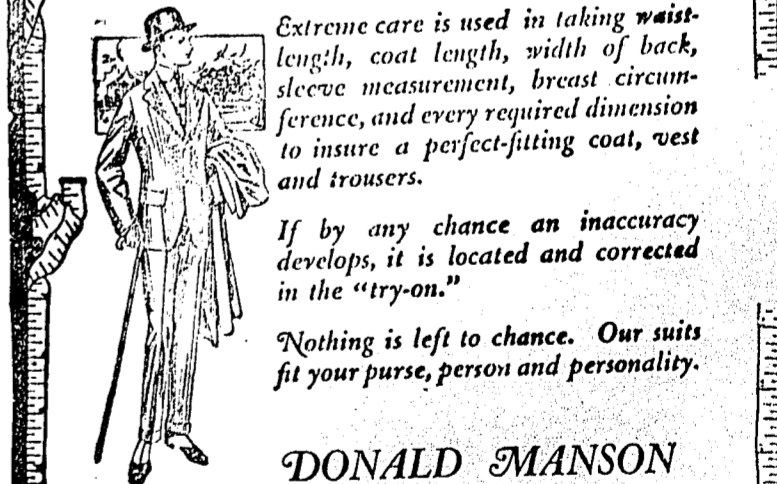
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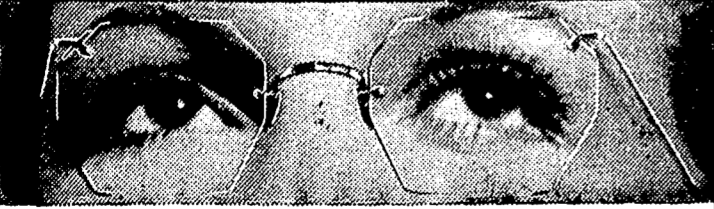
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SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 1942. A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

"We confess small faults in order to institute that we have no great ones."

Production of Charcoal. An important plan is afoot for increasing production and co-ordinating charcoal supplies for Victoria.

Obituary. There was a large attendance of old friends and members of the various committees at the funeral of the late Sergt. Albert George Evans, of Red Cliffs, who remains were interred in the Beaufort Cemetery on Saturday afternoon, 28th March.

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RED CROSS SOCIETY. Fortnightly Meeting. Meeting of Committee.

Thistle Club. Seven members attended the monthly meeting of the committee of the Beaufort Thistle Club, held on Wednesday night at the Mechanics' Institute.

Social and Personal Items. Band Social. The Beaufort Town Band's weekly card social took place on Monday night, and was well attended.

Social and Personal Items. Carpet Bowls. The Beaufort F.B. Ladies' Social Club held a carpet bowls tournament on Tuesday afternoon, and the members of Mrs. Leese divided the consolation prize in the ladies' section.

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FOR THE EMPIRE. Navy, Army & Air Force. The following district members of the A.I.F. have returned from the Middle East.

Commercial. At the Ballarat livestock sales at the Corporation yards on Tuesday, competition for cattle was good and values firm.

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Commercial. Sheep—Heavy, offering of 7621. Trade wethers were limited; a very large number being prime.

Commercial. More Horses Needed for Agriculture. A welcome break in the weather occurred during the past week.

Commercial. LIGHTING RESTRICTION ORDER. The latest Lighting Restriction Order, No. 29, issued on the 20th inst., provides that "no person shall, at any time after sunset and before sunrise, cause or allow any light inside any building to be displayed on or shades on all windows of the room or part of the building where the light is displayed."

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HOME GUARD. Instructional School. The instructional staff of the Home Guard attached to the Volunteer Defence Corps, is now conducting a school for members of the organization at the Beaufort Park. The school is under the supervision of Captain L. Wood, with Staff Sergeant Raybould and his assistants.

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DISTRICT NEWS

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ECHEURIE AND DANCE. On Saturday night, March 28, a eucheurie tournament and dance took place in aid of the A.C.F. There was a moderate attendance of dancers and card players.

BURRUMBEET

PATRIOTIC COMMITTEE. At a meeting of the local Patriotic Committee the president (Mr. W. A. Walton) presided. It is probable a week-end woodchop will be conducted on the last week-end in April.

LISTENING POST

The present roster of shifts for volunteers in the local Observation Post is nearing completion, and if there are any more volunteers willing to take on the shift, they should be notified to the secretary before the new roster is prepared.

BUANGOR.

Twenty-four members attended the Saturday parade of the Buangor auxiliary of the V.D.C. Interesting and instructive exercises in tracking advantage of cover were carried out, and a very successful day was spent.

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OLD RESIDENTS IN MELBOURNE.

Old residents of the Lexton district who are now located in Melbourne held their monthly re-union in the Fitzroy Gardens.

LEXTON.

Running the gauntlet of enemy bullets and bombs, Australian pilots in unarmoured, comparatively slow machines, have saved hundreds of Australian lives since the war with Japan began.

HADDON.

A copy of "Active Service," published by the Military History and Information Section, A.I.F. (Middle East), has reached the Haddon school as a gift to the library.

EVACUEE RECEPTION PLANS. Representatives of the Haddon Reception Committee have attended meetings at Scarsdale and Smythesdale during the past fortnight, when further details of plans for the reception of evacuated children were discussed.

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H. HENSHALL, Chemist, 242 Clarendon St., St. Melbourne. General Business. Mr. Willis referred to wandering cattle on motion of Cr. Russell...

Health Reports. The following health matters were dealt with at the Ripon Shire Council meeting on Monday...

SHIRE REPORTS Committee Meetings. The following reports were dealt with at the Ripon Shire Council's monthly meeting on Monday...

Finance. The following accounts were passed for payment, on the recommendation of the finance committee...

Reports of Committees. The Electricity Supply Committee met on 9/3/42; Crs. McKay and MacPhee being present...

Cr. McKay said Mr. Barber was not trying to sell the Council, and got nothing out of it. Cr. Roddis - They should get it at once.

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Bowling Club. A pleasing social gathering took place at the Beaufort Bowling Club's pavilion on Tuesday night...

HOME GUARD. Thirty-eight members of the Beaufort Unit of the Volunteer Defence Corps were taken in motor cars to the local school on Saturday night for a tactical exercise...

TENNIS. Members of the Beaufort Tennis Club played a doubles tournament at the local courts on Saturday...

NATIONAL SAVINGS BONDS. When the Federal Treasurer (Mr. Chifley) presented his Budget to the Commonwealth Government...

OBITUARY. MR. JOSEPH ROGERSON. A familiar figure in police circles many years ago, Detective-Sergeant Joseph Rogerson, died on Saturday, 11th April...

MR. WILLIAM E. ROWE. The funeral of Mr. William Edward Rowe took place on the 24th March from his residence, 304 Clyde Street, Ballarat...

BOWLING CLUB. The president of the Beaufort Bowling Club, Mr. J. H. Prowse, was elected on Saturday night...

Interesting News. When cleaning out the premises of Messrs. Stevenson Bros., of Beaufort, Mr. P. T. Stevenson found a number of copies of an interesting memo form...

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SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 1942. A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY. "A man had rather have a hundred lies told of him, than a truth which he does not wish should be told." — Dr. Johnson.

ANZAC DAY. TO-DAY is the twenty-seventh anniversary of the landing of Australian and New Zealand troops on Gallipoli. It is also the day when the time back a little over a quarter of a century, and this period will afford an opportunity for reflection.

COMING EVENTS. MAKE A NOTE OF THEM. Paragraphs are only inserted in this column simultaneously with advertisements. The Shire of Ripon notices ratepayers that interest will be charged on all rates remaining unpaid at Beaufort Tuesday.

OURSELVES. — Our staff having been reduced by enlistment, we appeal for the kindly co-operation of correspondents and business people having standing advertisements in our columns. They will assist us greatly by sending us notices and changes of advertisements as early in the week as possible.

ANZAC DAY P.O. ARRANGEMENTS. — The Beaufort Post Office will be closed for the Shire for the Commemorative service at 3 p.m. Meetings and decorations to be worn. The speaker at the Shrine will be Mr. Griffin.

PREMIERS PURCHASED. — Mr. A. Lewis, fruiterer and confectioner of Beaufort, has purchased the premises in Nell Street, Beaufort, formerly occupied by the E.S. & A. Bank and Mr. H. V. Martin, agent for Dennis, Lascaples Ltd. Mr. Lewis will conduct his business in the portion now occupied by Mr. Martin, who will shift his office to another part of the same building.

FOR THE EMPIRE. Navy, Army & Air Force.

Soldier Welcomed Home. — Many friends of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Slie, of Beaufort, gathered at their residence in Nell Street on Wednesday night, to welcome home their soldier son, Pte. M. A.E.F., who recently returned to Australia, after his tour with the A.I.F. in the Middle East.

The following district servicemen have been home on leave. — Pte. M. Webster, Mr. E. Buz, Corp. P. Johnston, Gun. Roy Hancock, son of Mr and Mrs T. Hancock, of Beaufort, has returned from active service with the A.I.F. in the Middle East.

Popular Figure Welcomed Back. MR. S. THOMPSON (popularly known as "Stacker") has been able to renew his acquaintance with old Beaufort friends.

ITEMS FROM FILES. Past Events Recalled. ECHOES OF 1877. The tributors of the New Victoria Company, Waterloo, obtained for the week ending November 17 three machines 16 oz. 5 dwt., and one 13 oz. 13 dwt.

ITEMS FROM FILES. Experiences on Active Service With the A.I.F. Gunner Roy Hancock, of Beaufort, left Australia in February, 1941, with an artillery unit, and remained in the Middle East for some time.

ITEMS FROM FILES. COMMERCIAL. Ballarat Live Stock Market. A strong demand existed at the Ballarat Corporation saleyards on Tuesday for sheep and lambs.

ITEMS FROM FILES. MECHANICS' INSTITUTE. NEW BOOKS IN LIBRARY. Following are the titles and the names of the authors of new books recently added to the library at the Beaufort Mechanics' Institute.

DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES. SKIPTON. PATRIOTIC COMMITTEE. A eucyre and dance took place on Saturday night in aid of the Patriotic Funds.

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DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES. BUANGOR. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS. The local auxiliary of the V.D.C. held a meeting on Saturday, when the minutes of the previous meeting were read.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL ITEMS.

Farwell Afternoon to Mrs. Prowse. On Friday afternoon, April 10, a farwell function was held at the Vicarage, Beaufort, in honour of Mrs. J. H. Prowse.

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DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES. CARNHAM. SOLDIERS HONOURED. After the first-aid class held in the Carnham Mechanics' Hall on Friday, the 17th inst., a function was held in honour of Gunner Sid Howlett and Ptes. Geo. Howlett and R. Fenton.

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LEXTON.

CYCLIST INJURED. Alphonsus Briody, son of Cr. Hugh Briody and Mrs Briody, of Lexton, met with an accident on Tuesday evening, 14th inst., whilst riding a bicycle. He had a heavy fall, and sustained concussion of the brain. The young man was admitted to the Avoca Bush Nursing Hospital, and is progressing favorably.

SKIPTON.

RED CROSS EUCHE. Members of the Red Cross held a euehre party on Tuesday, 14th inst. Mrs H. Bolte won the euehre trophy, and Mrs W. Graham the entrance prize. Trophies were donated by Mrs Merton and Mr S. Morgan.

CHRIST CHURCH GUILD. The Church Guild held a card party on Thursday, 16th inst. Mrs D. Graham won the euehre and Mrs McPherson the entrance trophy.

WAUBRA.

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION. At the last meeting of the local branch of the Country Women's Association, it was decided at the May birthday meeting to hold a card afternoon and a special market stall. The funds from the afternoon will be forwarded to the splendid band of C.W.A. women at Tennant's Creek, who week in, week out, are supplying all the troops going through with meals, and who greatly need a refrigerator. All are asked to help in this patriotic effort. Camouflage nets are also being forwarded regularly to Melbourne.

BURRUMBEET

ON THE FARM. Preparations are being made on practically all farms for the sowing of ground for next season. Most farmers are ploughing, while odd ones have already started to sow. In a general survey of the district, it is doubtful if the acreage going into crop will reach even half of last year's acreage. Shortage of harvest labour, together with increased costs, are the main reasons for the decline. The recent rains have caused a growth of green feed, but there is still insufficient rain for the ploughing of dry ground.

CHURCH SERVICES. The three churches in the Learmonth Presbyterian charge are holding their services in daylight hours, thus avoiding an evening service. The 11 a.m., 1.15 and 3.45 times of service are proving popular, and will be continued while blackout regulations are in force.

CHURCH FAREWELL. The Burrumbeet Presbyterian Church combined with the Learmonth and Waubra churches in giving the Rev. K. Luck a farewell presentation at Learmonth. The

Rev. Mr Luck is a padre in a military camp, and has been granted leave of absence for the duration of the war.

KITCHEN TEA. The friends of Mrs C. Lamb, formerly Miss Neil Richardson, tendered her a kitchen tea and social evening in the Burrumbeet Hall.

AMPHITHEATRE.

DONATION OF A WHIP. Mr K. McDonald made a whip which he donated to the A.M.F. Fund. It was submitted by Dutch auction and realised £3/7/6.

SOLDIERS WELCOMED. A record crowd assembled in the local Public Hall to welcome home two highly esteemed soldiers—Ptes. Syd Iles and Peter Loooney. Both have been on active service, and their numerous friends were delighted to welcome them. Cr. D. Keith occupied the chair, and delivered a splendid address. Other speakers were Cr. W. H. C. Ennis, Messrs. T. Frins (a veteran of the South African War), L. Neil, J. Morton, and M. Mill (three returned soldiers of the 1914-18 war). The two last named are now in the Home Forces. The soldiers made suitable responses. Miss Julie Egan and Miss Ethel Cocking sang appropriate songs, and a dance was held. The ladies provided an excellent supper.

HARVEST FESTIVAL. Harvest thanksgiving services are always well attended at Amphitheatre. On the last occasion over 100 people assembled and the church was beautifully decorated with flowers and autumn leaves. Fruit and produce added to the effectiveness of the display. Canon E. H. Hoffman delivered an eloquent sermon. A sale of gifts was held on Paul's, Linton.

PERSONAL. Mrs H. Forte, of Mildura, has been visiting friends in Amphitheatre. Mrs Forte formerly resided in the town and she was warmly welcomed by many friends.

Mr Henry Harvey, a former resident of Amphitheatre, died in New Zealand recently. He was engaged on railway work for some years, but latterly followed mining. He was prominent in the New Zealand Labor movement, and the Greymouth branch adjourned the annual meeting as a mark of respect. The chairman (Mr J. B. Kent) said it might be asked why a meeting should be adjourned on account of one man. But, he added, he was a man different from others—a man amongst men. Mr J. O'Brien, M.P., recalled the support given by Mr Harvey when there seemed no future for the Labor party. He had held his faith and was imbued with the spirit of the betterment of the world. Other speakers paid a high tribute of regard to Mr Harvey and deep sympathy was expressed for his widow and relatives.

FORMER RESIDENT'S DEATH. Regret was expressed when it became known that Mr M. J. Duro, a former resident of Amphitheatre, had died at Copley's Creek at the age of 80 years. He left Amphitheatre 10 years ago after the Heytes-

bury settlement was opened up. He was an expert grower of strawberries and boronia. He leaves a son and a daughter.

RED CROSS PARCEL. The Amphitheatre branch of the Red Cross has made up another large parcel of useful articles, and forwarded it to headquarters.

SOLDIER ENTERTAINED. At the Public Hall, Pte. Jas. Loooney, of the Victorian Scottish Regiment, was entertained by a large number of district residents. Cr. Don Keith presided and delivered an appropriate address. His remarks were endorsed by Cr. W. H. C. Ennis and Mr Les. Nell. Pte. Loooney was the recipient of many gifts. Cr. Keith said he was sorry that Pte. Syd Iles and Sergt. Jack Loooney were unable to be present. It is a coincidence that Pte. Loooney's father was entertained on the same date 26 years ago, when leaving for the Great War. The National Anthem was sung. Supper was provided by the ladies and an enjoyable dance held.

PERSONAL. Mr Jack Dridan, junr., who served in the Great War of 1914-18, is suffering from the effects of wounds. He has entered the Caulfield Military Hospital.

PIONEER'S BIRTHDAY. Mr John Loooney celebrated his 80th birthday on Tuesday, 31st March.

GIFT FOR A.M.F. Miss M. McDonald has made and donated a travelling rug for the A.M.F. It was disposed of by Dutch auction, and realised £2/14/.

VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS. The Amphitheatre unit of the V.D.C. paid a visit to Beaufort recently, when a demonstration of Lewis guns in action and hand grenade throwing was given.

SLAKE VALLEY.

A.N.A. BRANCH. At the monthly meeting of the Carngham branch of the A.N.A., the president (Mr W. E. Yoeman) was in the chair. One new member was elected by clearance from Newport branch. The secretary reported three members on the sick list, and the sum of £9/11/2 sick-pay was passed for payment.

WEATHER. Good rains have again fallen over the district. The weather has been bitterly cold, but the rain will do untold good to pastures, especially coming so soon after the heavy fall of a week previously. Stock, especially young lambs, felt the cold snap, and some losses have been reported. Very little of the rain found its way into dams. Farmers will be now able to work fallow and plough stubble lands in preparation for seeding operations.

DANCE. A very successful dance was held in the Mechanics' Hall on Saturday, April 4, in aid of hall funds. Music was supplied by Messdames W. E. E. Yoeman and Ted Morcombe, and Miss D. Nunn (piano), Miss Grace Greenbank (piano accordion), and Mr H. Hayward (violin). Mr W. E. Gray carried out the secretarial duties.

CHURCH SERVICES. Easter Day service at Holy Trin-

ity Church, Carngham, was well attended. Canon Williams, of Ballarat, preached a very interesting and instructive sermon. Hymns suitable to the occasion were sung by the large congregation. It was Canon Williams' farewell sermon. He has been acting vicar of the parish for the past six months, and during that time he and Mrs Williams have made many friends in the parish. The new vicar, the Rev. H. Scott, was inducted at St.

HADDON.

PATRIOTIC FUND. At a recent meeting of the Haddon Patriotic Fund, the financial statement showed that the receipts since 1st July, 1941, amounted to £25/0/7. Expenses were only 3/6 and the balance of about £24 had been paid to the Red Cross and A.C.F. through the Ballarat Patriotic Fund. The money had been raised entirely by voluntary contributions on a monthly, quarterly, or yearly basis. In addition, the ladies had made 13 pullovers, 60 pairs socks, 13 pairs mittens, 54 balacavas and caps, and 2 bundles of handkerchiefs from material supplied by the Ballarat branches of the A.C.F. and Red Cross.

MAIL SERVICE. As there is a definite possibility of the present daily mail service being reduced to a four days' weekly service, a public meeting was held on 7th April to discuss ways of retaining the full service. Some local residents have helped to bring about this position by neglecting to avail themselves of the local postal facilities by having their mail posted at other offices. The meeting discussed ways of maintaining a daily service should Mrs J. C. Sharp, who, for many years past has carried the mail between Haddon and Nintlingbool on Thursdays and Saturdays, relinquish her contract. On those days the mail is brought from Ballarat to Nintlingbool by service car, and the papers are brought in another car. The meeting decided to approach the proprietor of Daley's service and the postal authorities with a view to having the mail carried direct to Haddon. This would not only ensure Haddon of a daily service, but also provide an earlier arrival of mail and papers at the local office.

STREATHAM. THE RED CROSS. The Streatham Red Cross held the fourth social of the euehre aggregate tournament in aid of their funds. Mr Tom Brown and Mrs Bailey were the winners.

ON LEAVE. Privates Arthur, Kevin, and Lin. Meek were home on leave recently.

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION. Streatham branch, C.W.A., held its monthly meeting on Thursday, 16th inst. Mrs A. H. Thomson (president) presided over a fair attendance. Two new junior members joined. Mrs J. Kerr very kindly gave a talk on "First Aid," which was very much appreciated by all present. The competition was a soldier's sock, which was won by Mrs E. T. Meek; Miss Mary Meek being second. As a result of the competition, the C.W.A. Patriotic Fund benefits by 9 pairs of socks, and added to this will be one cream oily wool long-sleeve polo neck pullover, one pair navy oily wool seaboots, 5 pairs socks, one navy seamless pullover, and five camouflage nets. Three of these nets were made by the school children. It was decided to send £2/2 to headquarters for Tennant's Creek and Quorn branches, S.A. The March competition was apricot jam, which was won by Mrs J. Kinnerly, and Mrs Ron Slater (second).

EUCHE. The euehre aggregate in aid of the Streatham Red Cross funds was finished on Saturday evening, 11th inst., when there was only a fair attendance. The prizes for the evening were won by Mrs J. Kerr and Mr Bob Dobson. For the aggregate and the ladies' prize was won by Miss M. Hannah, 39 games, and the gentlemen's by Mr E. T. Meek, 37 games. The prizes were given by Messrs. Norman and Les. Brown. Another aggregate commenced last Saturday night Mr and Mrs SOCIAL. On Saturday evening Mr and Mrs W. S. Flanner entertained a number of friends at their home to celebrate the coming of age of their second son, Les. — "Ararat Advertiser."

Beaufort A.N.A. — Seven members of the Beaufort branch, A.N.A., were present at the fortnightly meeting, held on Tuesday night. Mr W. Gillingham (president) was in the chair. The treasurer (Mr N. S. McLeod) reported a credit balance of £15/6/8 in the sick fund and £168/1/4 in the general fund. Sick-pay totalling £9/10 was passed for payment. Add District News

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SOLDIER'S LETTER. MAJOR A. D. CALLOW WRITES FROM NEW GUINEA. The following is an extract from a recent letter to Mrs A. D. Callow, of Brewster, from her husband, Major A. D. Callow, who is with the fighting forces in New Guinea. In the numerous Japanese raids on this area, 2000 bombs have been dropped to date. Material damage has been slight, and hopelessly out of proportion to the extent of the raids, whilst only two soldiers have been killed. Both these men had unfortunately been caught out of their slit trenches. Our troops have now become accustomed to these raids, and regard them with contempt rather than fear. The fact that the enemy's recent bombing attacks have been made from an average height of 30,000 ft., his bombers escorted by fighters, and that he is now adopting "hit and run tactics," demonstrates the wholesome respect he has for our anti-aircraft guns and the determined counter attacks carried out by the R.A.A.F. Anyone's first experience of a bombing raid is terrifying, and the Jap. owes his successes to the fact that he has been able to create panic and hysteria, particularly amongst the civil population of the countries he has invaded. Panic and hysteria are his greatest weapons, and his successes have been due to his overwhelming superiority in numbers, air and naval support, against insufficiently equipped forces. We have not been able to meet him on anything like equal terms—but it will be long before we will. No one is more prone to panic and hysteria than the Jap. His tactics can be likened to those of the mongrel dog that rushes out and barks furiously at his unsuspecting prey, with a safe fence between himself and his opponent. He has succeeded in frightening the civil and unarmed populations of these countries to such an extent that he has been able to rush through unopposed, as a mongrel dog scatters a mob of sheep in all directions, until one old ewe stands her ground and stamps her feet. He is so surprised and terrified that he reels about with his tail between his legs, and makes off. The Japanese soldier is a very scared fellow, when up against opposition. The reports of alleged atrocities, in which British officers and soldiers have been tied and bound to stakes, and cold-bloodedly bayoneted to death by Japanese soldiers for bayonet practice, shows his true form. Any one of these officers of men would have gladly accepted a challenge to face any six Japs with a rifle and bayonet—one apiece all round—but even those odds are too great for the Jap soldier—he likes that added security of the olding lashing between himself and an unarmed British soldier. He likes to feel 20 to 25 thousand feet of space (4 to 4 1/2 miles) between his plane and his target, and he is not too happy even about that. He likes to see that "secure fence" between himself and "his prey," when he treacherously rushes out to bark. It has been said that we have sadly underestimated the courage and ability of the Jap as a soldier, and a fighter. NEVER. What we have underestimated is the size of his war machine, and the amazing success he has achieved in producing panic and hysteria. Sound morale defeats it always. The 2000 bombs he has dropped in this area alone have been about 50-50, 250 lb. high explosive and 50 to 100 lb. anti-personal bombs—approximately 150 tons of bombs. There have been two casualties. It has taken 75 tons of bombs to kill one man, and the material damage, about the same proportion. I am not in the mood mathematically to calculate just how many bombs it is going to take to kill seven million Australians at this rate; but if he does try it, he is going to make a terrible lot of noise—that's his favourite weapon: We must not allow ourselves to be frightened, for there is nothing to fear. The Jap has received his first set-back in the New Guinea area. We are attacking him, and attacking him again, whenever he comes within reach. The Japanese soldier has been found unable to muster moral courage to take a grip of himself, to fight against panic when our bombers and fighters attack. Our pilots go down almost to the ground, and to the sea, bombing from mast height, to get their mark. Our anti-aircraft and machine guns in this area are doing a stout job. Their little successes have been exhilarating. We see the demoralising effect it has had on the Jap. We will see that he is kept that way. The Jap will no doubt try to "blitz" us with even larger scale raids than have yet been made; but we are ready. The near future should see the Allied Forces attacking him in those places he has occupied. This offensive will mark a definite turn in the tide. MUST NOT KEEP EMPLOYEES FROM V.D.C. A warning that employers acted contrary to National Security Regulations when they attempted to prevent employees from joining the V.D.C. was given in a statement by Army Headquarters. The statement pointed out that permission had been given to persons in protected industries to enlist in the V.D.C. Member ship in the corps was restricted to men not included in age groups called up for service and men granted exemption. Under the regulations employers could not penalise in any way, or prejudice in his employment, any person for performing duties required as a member of the V.D.C. by reducing wages, altering his position, or dismissing him from employment. 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