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PRICE THREEPENCE.

Co-operative Business Has Good Profit.

B. & W. FARMERS' SOCIETY Successful Year

A net profit of £1845/13/5 was made by the Burrumbeet and Windermere Farmers' Co-operative Society for the past year. The directors recommended that an annual dividend on capital at 4 1/2 per cent. be declared, and a bonus of 3 1/2 per cent. be paid on all purchases made during the year by shareholders, both dividend and bonus to be payable on and after 21st October next. The recommendation was adopted.

The annual general meeting of members of the Burrumbeet and Windermere Farmers' Co-operative Society (the 24th) was held at the Mechanics' Institute, Beaufort, on Thursday, 26th August.

The chairman of directors, Mr Arthur R. Beggs, in presenting the directors' report, congratulated members on the very successful year's trading, which showed a net profit result of £1845/13/5, as compared with £1476/3/7 for the previous year. This was achieved, he said, despite prevailing trading difficulties and restrictions, and he thanked the executive and staffs of both Ballarat and Beaufort branches and his co-directors for their assistance and co-operation during the year.

The general manager, Mr W. H. Griffin, presented a very comprehensive report dealing with the year's activities, particularly stressing the excellent turnover as compared with past years, notwithstanding rationing and the many difficulties experienced in securing major items, especially agricultural and primary producer lines. He emphasised the readiness with which most clients accepted the rationing and short supply of many articles, which was gratifying and helpful.

In addition, he stressed the particularly sound position of the society in every respect. The extensive stocks were very clean and conservatively valued; book debts at £7672/6/3 was a reduction of £1175/16/5 since last year despite the better turnover; all reserves were intact, and ample provisions made for taxation, bad debts, etc. Many new members were admitted during the year by the transfer of shares from deceased estates, and from shareholders who had left the district and he hoped others would apply this year, as still more such shares were available.

The meeting unanimously allocated a bonus of one week's wages to all members of the staff in the various military, naval, and other forces.

The two retiring directors, Messrs. A. R. Beggs and A. Campbell, were re-elected unopposed, as was also the auditor, Mr E. G. Vawdrey.

A motion, by Mr Kirkpatrick, was carried that the appreciation and thanks of the members to the directors, general manager, Beaufort manager, secretary, auditor, and staff, be recorded.

BROTHERS MEET IN HOME AFTER 50 YEARS

There was a remarkable meeting recently in the Ballarat Benevolent Home of three brothers who 60 years ago left their birthplace in the Port Fairy district to make their way in the world and had not seen or heard of one another for 50 years. James Willsler (aged 89) entered the home from the Amphitheatre district, and recently Charles (aged 79) went there from the Hamilton area. David (aged 81) arrived a few days ago from the Warracknabeal district.

HIS 80th BIRTHDAY. — Mr W. H. Waddell, manager and senior partner of the Mercantile Exchange, celebrated his 80th birthday on Tuesday, 24th August. Born in Glasgow, he arrived in Melbourne in 1880. He has been secretary of the Victorian Provincial Press Association since its formation 33 years ago, and of the Country Press Co-operative Co. Ltd. since 1901. He is a member of the executive of the Australian Provincial Press Association, and has been advocate in the Arbitration Court for Australian Provincial Press since 1924. Mr Waddell was the guest of the executive of the Victorian Provincial Press Association and directors of the Country Press Co-operative Co. at dinner at the Oriental Hotel, Melbourne, on the night of August 24.

BEAUFORT is the Capital of Ripon Shire, and the centre of an important Wool-growing and Farming District. Trawalla Soldier Settlement, 37,000 acres, is close to the town. Population of Town, 1400; district, 3000; Ripon Shire, 5000.

DISTRICT NEWS ITEMS.

Skipton.

C.W.A. MEETING.
The C.W.A. has decided to hold its annual effort on 25th September — a competition in writing. The collect from memory resulted in Mrs Primrose being the winner, and Mrs Tait gained second place.

CARD SOCIAL.
Mrs Stevens was the successful player at the card afternoon, held in aid of the Mechanics' Institute funds on 24th August.

POLICE COURT.
Before the Police Magistrate (Mr G. S. Catlow), on the information of First-constable E. Mustey, William Williams, of Carranballac, was fined £2 and ordered to pay 10/ costs for having driven an unregistered motor car on a public highway. Defendant told the Court that the vehicle in question was a very old model and used only occasionally for work on his property. On the day in question he was in urgent need of kerosene to carry on work. There was no prospect of securing transport for the fuel, so he decided to use the only means open to him.

Burrumbeet.

RED CROSS AND A.C.F.
The local branch of the Red Cross and A.C.F. and the local Patriotic Committee held their annual meetings in conjunction. There was a fair attendance of members. All retiring officials were re-elected. The main positions are: Ladies' Branch: President, Lady Currie; secretary, Mrs Newton; treasurer, Mrs Burrows. Men's Committee: President, Mr W. A. Walton; secretary, Mr W. Thomson; treasurer, Mr J. T. Dolan. The financial reports of both committees revealed substantial credit balances and the general report showed a large quantity of work completed, and articles forwarded to headquarters. Application has been made for a supply of cartridges, and when these are available, a hare shoot is to be conducted. Returns from the woodchopping efforts of the men were not included in the past year, as the wood has not yet been sold.

Lexton.

LEFT THE DISTRICT.
Mr and Mrs J. Aik, who resided at Woodstock on Lexton road, for some years, have left for Torquay, where they have made their home. Mr and Mrs Aik and their daughter, Margaret, were very popular and everybody regrets their leaving. Mr and Mrs Aik were splendid golf players, and they have won many trophies. They also took part in everything for the welfare of the district. Mr Aik was a successful grazier, and his expert advice on all matters relating to wool-growing and lamb-raising was always gladly given.

SOCIAL FOR SOLDIERS' WELFARE CLUB.

Pte. Jack Severino was accorded a hearty welcome at a social evening in the A.N.A. Hall, in aid of the local Soldiers' Welfare Club. The hall was beautifully decorated by Mrs S. Wheeler and Mrs H. Herbertson. Many visitors were present from Ballarat, Burnbank, Evansford, and Wauabra. Messrs. D. G. Jackson, C. E. Giles and P. Smith delivered addresses of welcome to Pte. Severino, who is out of camp for six months owing to the serious illness of his wife. Pte. Severino, in reply, thanked the people of Lexton and district for their kindness; also the Welfare Club for parcels, canteen orders and comforts, which he had received while in camp. Jack was applauded and everyone joined in singing "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow." Music for dancing was supplied by Misses Mavis and Allie Loader. Miss Rosie Kelly won a competition for a 10/ note, donated by Messrs. Briody Bros. Mrs G. Mathews and Mr G. Lester won the euchre prizes. A profit of £4/16/6 was made. Mrs S. Wheeler, Mrs H. Herbertson, Mrs D. G. Jackson, and other members of the committee were complimented on the excellent arrangements made for the enjoyment of patrons. A delightful evening closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

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"THE Riponshire Advocate" circulates throughout the Townships of Beaufort, Waterloo, Raglan, Chute, Trawalla, Nerring, Mt. Emu, Mena Park, Lake Goldsmith, Stockyard Hill, Skipton, Chestowee, Snake Valley, Streatham, Carranballac, Eurambene, Middle Creek, Shirley, Buangor, Ballyrogan Brewster, and Lexton.

RED CROSS DRIVE FOR NEW MEMBERS

September Roll-call
Facing the gravest crisis in four years of war, Red Cross workers in Victoria are again asking greater public support for their war relief programme.

An ever increasing avalanche of demands for comforts for the sick and wounded, for blood serum, for food parcels and clothing for prisoners of war for rehabilitation services and overseas relief, is threatening to swamp even the present huge Red Cross organisation, which has expanded tenfold since war broke out.

Victorian officers of the Society are meeting the crisis frankly and directly. They realise that an immense increased public backing can meet the situation.

Between September 1 and September 30 this year, a "Roll Call" of every Red Cross branch and company in the State will be held, and a drive to double membership will be launched.

The people behind the "Roll Call" campaign realise that their programme is ambitious. The response of a public already taxed to the utmost by war effort is necessarily slower and less positive now than it was two years ago when the Commonwealth was still not fully geared for war.

But they also realise that unless the recruiting objective is achieved wounded men will go without the comforts that are their right, prisoners will go hungry, and the almost intolerable weight of war will press even more heavily on the bodies and spirits of countless fighting men.

Red Cross officers are asking both their own workers and the public to take breath and realise afresh that an ever increasing effort to smash the enemy carries with it collateral responsibility to lessen as far as possible the tragic suffering of war and to save and rehabilitate its human wreckage.

This work of mercy is the province of Red Cross, whose cause is steadfastly devoted to humane reconstruction in a world more and more organised for human destruction. Red Cross must keep pace with the tempo of war.

Doubled membership of local Red Cross branches and companies throughout Victoria may seem a tall order but it can be filled. All that is required is the wholehearted effort of present workers and the co-operative goodwill of the public.

Snake Valley.

CARNHAM A.C.F.
The monthly meeting of the Carnham branch of the A.C.F. was well attended. Donations received were as follows:—Mrs Dreyer, on behalf of the Entertainment Committee, result of dance held, £7/7/; F. Russell, £5; sale of skins (Carnham Station), £3/5/; F. Leeman, donation and sale of skins, £2; Mesdames J. Oddie, McCook, J. Greenbank, J. McKay, and A. C. Roddis, each 10/; Mrs Baxter, Miss Lewis, and Mr Norman McIntosh, each 5/; Mesdames Sarah and Camp, each 4/; Mrs Knight, Messrs. W. H. Bass, J. Bath, each 3/; Mrs A. C. Roddis, sale of tray, 2/; Mrs A. T. Brumby, Messrs. A. Burridge, A. T. Brumby, and Miss A. Gardner (member's fee), each 2/; result of raffle of shortbread, donated by Mrs Baxter, managed by Mrs Mark, won by Mrs Kerr, £1/4/.

Ten shillings was received from a little girl, Maureen Bruty, who earned her donation helping her brother cut chaff. She cut the bands for a day and a half, and displayed a splendid spirit and thought. Mrs Holmes, 2 cakes soap; Mrs Nunn, 2 packets tobacco packet cigarettes, packet cigarette papers. Mrs Crutch, tube toothpaste. Two packets cigarettes, 37 pairs socks, 10 scarves, 9 sleeveless pullovers, 4 helmets, 3 oiled wool pullovers, 2 pairs mittens, navy polo-neck and 1 cap, were packed and sent to headquarters, also 70 illustrated papers and magazines, and 50 books. After this meeting a special effort was held, and £11/1/6 was raised for the Tin Hat Appeal, but not including sale of tin hats. Donations to the effort were:—Mr T. Lewis, £1; Miss Lewis, 10/; Mrs J. McKay, 4/; Knitting Circle, £3/3/; raffle of apron, Miss Oddie in charge, donated by Miss Hayes, £1/10/6; sale of trays donated by Mr Milne, £1. Jumble stall made £3/4/6, and afternoon tea, 19/. In response to the hamper appeal, 62 hampers have already been ordered through this branch. Names of all donors will appear when appeal closes, 20th Sept. Anyone wishing to donate one through this branch, please send name and address and 8/ to hon. secretary, Mrs Philip Russell.

MUNICIPAL NOTES.

Neighboring Shires.

ARARAT COUNCIL.

At the Ararat Shire Council meeting on Friday, Decr. 20th, a letter was read from C. Geddes, Streatham, asking to have 20 chains grading done as soon as possible. The road runs east and west and is north of his house. — Referred to estimate meeting.

From A. V. White, Streatham, asking that the remainder of the road on the west side of his place be formed. The portion is the south end from C. Geddes' lane to Bolac road. — Referred to estimate meeting.

Cr. Brebner — The approach at Black's Bridge needed attention. The main street at Buangor was very potato-hole. Mr R. de Clercq drew attention to a washout on the road to the Mt. Cole hall. A few logs needed removing from the water course.

OBITUARY.

MRS ESTHER J. HEARN

At the age of 82 years, Mrs Esther Jane Hearn passed away at her home, Rokewood Junction, on the 16th August. She was born at Banongli, Skipton, and married Mr Robert Hearn, besides whom she leaves a family of two sons and seven daughters, viz., Messrs. Robert and Benjamin Hearn, Mesdames J. Spokes (Colac), B. Smith (Rokewood Junction), E. Clark (Ballarat), W. Dunn (Ballarat), J. Wills (Carnham), J. J. Scarff (Skipton), and M. McKay (Corindhap). The funeral to the Rokewood Cemetery on the 18th inst. was indicative of the esteem in which the deceased was held. Many relatives and friends accompanied the family members. The casket, which was covered with floral tributes, was carried by Messrs. Robert and Benjamin Hearn (sons), Peter Jones (brother), J. Wills, M. McKay and J. J. Scarff (sons-in-law). The services were conducted by the Rev. Walter James Park (Anglican), and the arrangements were carried out by Messrs. F. W. Barnes & Son.

MR ALBERT E. T. DE GRAAFF.

A large gathering of old friends attended the funeral of the late Mr Albert E. T. de Graaff, of Ballarat (formerly of Waterloo), which took place on Monday, 23rd August, from his late residence, 177 Eureka Street, when his remains were interred in the Ballarat New Cemetery. Deceased was well known and very highly respected, and for some time past had not enjoyed good health. The coffin-bearers at the home were Messrs. Noel (son), T. de Graaff (brother), Len de Graaff (nephew), J. Collins, R. Collins, F. Overall (brothers-in-law); and at the cemetery, Messrs. B. Parsons, P. Pring, V. Reid, W. Taylor, A. Hatfield, J. Tung (representing Eureka Tile Works). The chief mourners were Mrs de Graaff (wife), Noel and Lindsay (sons), Lesley and Joan (daughters), Mr and Mrs T. de Graaff (brother and sister-in-law), Mr and Mrs F. Overall, Mr A. Overall (brothers-in-law and sister-in-law), Mrs Dickinson, Mrs Austin, Miss E. Overall, Mr and Mrs C. Rogers, Mr and Mrs E. Watson (sister-in-law and brothers-in-law), Mrs C. Collins, Mr and Mrs R. Collins, Mrs J. Warren, Mr C. Beardon, Miss Beardon, Mrs J. Fletcher (cousins), accompanied by representatives from the Eureka Terra Cotta and Tile Co., Eureka Progress Association, Eureka Terra Cotta and Tile Co., employees Eureka Tile Co., York Street S.S. and Club, Red Cross, Ballarat Branch; Cross & McGregor and staff, Dress Department, E. Lucas & Co. Pastor H. Edwards conducted the services at the house and graveside. The funeral arrangements were carried out by H. Evans & Son.

A CORRECTION. — It was stated in a recent issue that the secretary of the Beaufort Mothers' Club (Mrs F. Worsley) reported that the heating of the science room would cost £10 and £1/5/ to run, making £3/15/ in all. This should have read that Mr Buchanan, the correspondent, had informed Mrs Worsley that the Education Department had given permission to have the heating system installed, and would increase the allowance for heating to £1/5/ per point, making £3/15/ in all.

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BIRTHS.
PUCKEY (Price).—On August 26th, at St. George's Hospital, Kew, to Mr. and Mrs. John R.A.A.F., Darwin—a son, David John.

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A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.
It is well to face the future with neither fear nor optimism.

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THE NEXT HURDLE

THE public recently safely negotiated two hurdles in the shape of the Federal and municipal elections. For weeks the radio blared out the merits and demerits of the Parliamentary parties, and we got a double dose in the daily newspapers. The result was an overwhelming victory for Labour and the personal prestige of Australia's Prime Minister, Mr. John Curtin—a fact that showed a great deal of the radio propaganda and newspaper publicity was a waste of breath, ink, and paper. During the municipal election we heard a good deal about destruction of pine trees and avenues, but the trees are still with us and judging by the attitude of the Country Roads Board, likely to produce needles and provide shade for many a year to come. The next hurdle is the Fourth Liberty Loan, and this the public will have to electors who returned the Government to power, and also those who voted against it. It will provide them with an alternative to the Australian Government's war commitments, there is not the shadow of a doubt.

POLICE COURT.—There was a blank cheque sheet on Monday at the Beaufort Police Court.

RAINFALL.—The rainfall at Beaufort for August was 1.68 inches, and for the past eight months 1.68 inches, and is below the average, and good spring rains are needed. From Friday, 27th August to Thursday night 42.21 inch fell.

DEATH OF MRS. L. A. YOUNG.—The death occurred on 30th August, at a private hospital at Ballarat, of Mrs. Louisa Ann Young, widow of the late Mr. William Charles Young. She leaves three sons and four daughters. The funeral of the late Mrs. Young was interred at Snake Valley on Wednesday.

P.O.W. SHOP.—The committee of the P.O.W. Shop wish to thank all those who have helped the shop last week. Helpers were Mesdames Worsley Whitfield, Exell, Misses E. Lewis and Mavis Poland. Cash donations were: Mrs. F. Oddie, 11; Sheila Mather, 3; Mrs. F. J. Webster, 2; Receipts were £8 13/3.

RED CROSS.—Following is a list of work handed in at the Beaufort Red Cross meeting on Tuesday:—Shirts: Mrs. Hayes, Miss Acott, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Miss Oddie, and Mrs. Witherspoon; Mrs. Morvell, Mrs. Maddison, Mrs. G. Cuthbertson (4 pairs), Long-H. Cuthbertson, Mrs. Osborne, Mrs. H. Cuthbertson, Mrs. Hodgkiss, Mrs. H. Cuthbertson, Mrs. Wrench, Mrs. Dalrymple, Mrs. Harris, 3; Mrs. Beggs, tea; Miss Troy, Mrs. Wood, old linen.

COMING EVENTS.
MAKE A NOTE OF THEM.
Paragraphs are only inserted in this column simultaneously with advertisements.

Entertainment by Raglan Red Band Minstrels, Raglan Hall, Friday, Sept. 17, for war effort.
To aid patriotic funds, the sparkling 2-act comedy, "The Patsy," produced by Miss Dulec Exell, will be staged at Skipton on Sept. 11.
A piano tuner from the R.V.I.B. will visit Beaufort in October. Further particulars from Miss K. Rodgers, Trawalla.

The annual meeting of the Prisoners of War Fund will be held at the Shire Hall on Tuesday night, Sept. 7. A good attendance is earnestly requested.
A night of fun and frolic will be provided by the Middle Creek Nigger Minstrel Picture Theatre when they will hold an entertainment and dance at Skipton on Sept. 11.
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On Friday night, 24th Sept., the Beaufort Dramatic Club will give an entertainment in aid of the Ripon Patriotic and Comforts Club.
The Brewster Younger Set will hold a euchre social and dance on Friday Sept. 10. Proceeds Patriotic purposes.
Messrs. Coles & Garrard, Melbourne opticians, visit Beaufort, Monday, September 13, to the Mechanics' Institute.

HISTORICAL SUMMARY

BEAUFORT AND DISTRICT EVENTS.

Major Sir Thomas Mitchell passed through Beaufort in August, 1836. Old Trawalla Station (site of Beaufort) taken up by Messrs. Kirriand Bros. & Hamilton in 1838, and occupied about 1841 by Mr. Adolphus Goldsmith.
Lang-Kal-Kal Station taken up in 1838 by Messrs. Donald and Hamilton.
Eumambone Station, taken up by Messrs. Colin and Alexander Campbell in March, 1840, was subdivided in 1849 into 20 sections and Eumambone, and the Eumambone portion sold to Messrs. George Beaggs and Humphrey Gratton in 1857. Mr. Francis Beaggs buying Mr. Gratton's station taken up as a run in 1859 by Messrs. Ballic Bros., and sold in 1862 to 1840 by Messrs. Philip Russell and Robt. Simpson.
Mawallok and St. Enoch's taken up in 1838 by Messrs. Thos. Steel and Richard Blake. Mawallok being sold to a company (including Mr. Alexander Russell, his two brothers, and the Rev. John Lillie) in 1847, and Mr. Alexander Russell eventually becoming the sole owner.
In 1842 the first owner of Stoneleigh Station, Mr. Thos. Vickery, pitched his tent at Warrapunga springs, and in 1844 sold out to Mr. Duncan Cooper, who disposed of the property in 1854 to Mr. Wm. Lewis. The Lewis family sold out to Messrs. J. A. and A. Barber in 1932.
Gold discovery on Yam Hoies Hill, Beaufort, in 1852.
On 14th March, 1855, Flery Creek gold escort carried 7374 oz. of gold, worth about £100,000.
Rush to Flery Creek diggings, 1850, October, 1855.
Diggings at Waterloo, 1853.
Old Beaufort Hotel opened by Mr. Scharrpe about 1850.
Messrs. Witherspoon Bros. & Co. bought Iron store, Beaufort, about 1855.
First magistrate Beaufort goldfields, Mr. Willoughby, appointed 1855.
First Clerk of Courts at Beaufort, Mr. C. W. Minchin, appointed 1857.
Primitive Methodist Mission commenced work here in 1861, first Church built in 1862, present Church opened in 1867, and golden jubilee celebrated in 1912.
Presbyterian Church, Beaufort, founded 1846, foundation stone of St. James' Memorial Church, Beaufort, laid by first minister, Rev. A. Adam, M.A., in 1868.
First Beaufort Catholic church opened in 1863-64, present Church opened 1884 and enlarged 1924.
Beaufort Anglican Church established in 1870, and golden jubilee celebrated 1920.
Salvation Army active body at Waterloo about 1860.
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PERSONAL ITEMS
People and Events
F.R. LADIES' CLUB.—On Saturday night the members of the Beaufort F.R. Ladies' Club held their usual card and carpet bowls social, which was well attended. Results.—Section 1.—Euchre, Mrs. Reid; consolation, Mrs. J. Duke; Section 2.—Euchre, Mrs. E. Sullivan; consolation, Mrs. J. Stewart. Secret table prizes.—Messrs. G. Wilding and J. E. Day. Carpet bowls.—Messdames W. Gillingham, R. Saddler, Miss Joan Broadbent, and Mr. A. Gerovich.
BAND SOCIAL.—The Beaufort Town Band held the weekly card social and snowball competition on Monday night, Results.—Section 1.—Miss M. Anderson, euchre; Miss I. Waldron, consolation. Section 2.—Mrs. Cobden, euchre; Messdames W. Linke and A. McGregor, consolation.
CARPET BOWLS.—The Beaufort F.R. Ladies' Club held a carpet bowls competition on Tuesday, which was won by Mrs. Lotts, Misses L. and J. Smith.
Alwyn, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Day, of Beaufort, who has been very ill for a long time in the Children's Hospital, Melbourne, was brought home to Beaufort last week, and his condition is causing his parents anxiety.
Mrs. A. Reid, of Melbourne, has been spending a holiday at Beaufort as the guest of Mrs. C. Ward.
Mrs. Douglas Barnes, who has just completed her term of office as Mayor of Ballarat, was entertained by the women's representative organisations and presented with a wallet of notes and an autograph book signed by the subscribers to mark her term of office.
Mr. O'Hagen has been acting as relieving officer at Beaufort railway station during the absence of sick leave of Mr. J. Cole, of W. J. Scriven S.M., also on sick leave, and is being relieved by Mr. C. Brittain.
Mrs. Penny and Miss Margaret Scriven have been visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Scriven, of Beaufort.
John Stapleton, of the Beaufort Post Office, is on holidays, and Bill Ward is relieving him.
On August 31 Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Brown, of Beaufort, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary, and received the congratulations of friends and relatives.
The ceremony took place 25 years ago at the Wesleyan Presbyterian Church, on August 31, 1818, and was performed by the Rev. A. Hamilton Ross, of Beaufort.
Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Parker, of Beaufort, and their children, spent the school holidays with relatives and friends at Little Hampton.

POSTAL INFORMATION.
Mails for Melbourne close 10.30 a.m., Monday to Saturday; 4.30 p.m., Monday to Friday; 12.40 p.m., Saturday.
Mails for Ararat and Middle Creek, close 11.40 a.m., Monday to Saturday.
Mails for Beaufort and Doble close 11.45 a.m., Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.
Mails for Trawalla close 4.30 p.m., Monday to Friday; 12.40 p.m., Saturday.
Mails for Raglan, Trawalla, Chute close 9.30 a.m., Saturday.
Mails for Waterloo, Raglan, and Chute close 12.30 p.m., Monday to Friday.
Mails for Mena Park close 12.30 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.
Waterloo private bag service closes 12.30 p.m., Monday to Friday; Saturday, 9.30 a.m.
Mails for Lake Goldsmith close 12.30 p.m., Monday to Saturday.
Beaufort-Burambone closes at 2.15 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 1 p.m., Saturday.
Beaufort-Shirley closes at 2.15 p.m., Tuesday, Thursday, 1 p.m., Saturday.
Trawalla to Beaufort commenced 1914, 1860.
Five thousand acres, Trawalla Estate subdivided for "closer settlement" in 1906.
Trawalla Estate (37,000 acres) purchased for soldier settlement, 1921.
First Back to Beaufort, 1927; second 1930.
Beaufort Higher Elementary School in 1928.
Beaufort water supply pipe line opened, August 12th, 1931.
Beaufort electricity supply power station opened 1927.
Beaufort B.N. Hospital opened 1928.
King Carnival for Beaufort, 1928, golden jubilee celebrated 1929.
Beaufort A.N.A. celebrated golden jubilee 1937.
Flery Creek Masonic Lodge established 1850; golden jubilee established 1940. Mark Lodge established 1911.
Beaufort Oddfellows Lodge, established 1864, celebrated 75th anniversary (Odds).

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL ITEMS

DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES.

Skipton.

RED CROSS BRANCH.
Twenty-two members attended the monthly meeting of the Skipton Red Cross, held on August 26; Mrs. E. D. Mackinnon presiding. The following receipts were reported.—Street stall, £1 7/; meeting stall, £2/10/10; afternoon euchre, 10/8; evening euchre, £2/8/6; monthly collection, £4 (incomplete); donations—Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Austin 12/; Miss Cook, 12/. The sum of £20 was voted to headquarters. The following goods were packed for the Ballarat depot:—25 long-sleeved pullovers, 3 sleeveless pullovers, scarf, pair socks, old linen, boxes and magazines, 16 gramophone records.
The Skipton branch of the P.O.W. welfare to the Vacuum Oil Co. for a picture night held for this fund. Door prizes and tickets amounted to £18 5/6, and flowers and sweets raised £1 1/2. Mrs. H. Maclean donated 10/ and the sale of Junior Red Cross badges amounted to £2/12/.

Lake Goldsmith.

SCHOOL PATRIOTIC EFFORT.
A lovely afternoon of gold smithing school children on Friday, August 27, when they held a concert and sale of gifts in aid of the State Schools War Relief Fund. The children were full of enthusiasm, and each one did his or her bit to make their appeal really successful. They were backed up by a loyal band of parents, relatives, and friends who did all in their power to assist the generosity of these kind-hearted children. The well-laden stalls for were articles of all kinds, from (calf and dressed), and vegetable, needlework to novelties. Mr. C. Cushing (chairman of the School Committee) introduced Miss Lewis, who, in a few words, explained the sale of the gifts. As she concluded, she was presented with a dainty spray by Norma George.
Bris business was then done, and before long the tables were empty, the live poultry being disposed of by Bruce Linton, Rev. G. L. Johnston moved the vote of thanks to the ladies for the beautiful afternoon tea which had been partaken of, and the visitors were thanked for their attendance by Mr. Arch Kirkpatrick. Mrs. Cushing, H. T. McPherson, and Mrs. W. Wilkie are all those who had helped in any way to make the afternoon such an outstanding success. Norma George, the secretary, thanked everyone for their assistance, and the statement of the school, which is as follows:—
Donations in money, £24/8/6; net proceeds from afternoon, £5/10/6; net proceeds from 25/3/6 donation from Mrs. M. and Mrs. W. Wilkie are on a visit to Skipton.
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FOR THE EMPIRE.

The following members of the Services have been on leave.—A.C.1. Norm Quish and friend, A.C.1. Norman Fowler, Pte. Sid Wilkie, and Pte. Jack Walker.
COUNCIL JOTTINGS.
Council employees on Hampden section of the town are engaged graveling the footpaths. Ripon Shire employees are also giving the paths and gutters a much-needed clean-up, which will be greatly appreciated by those using the footpaths.
AIRMAN KILLED.
Mrs. L. Grant, of Cobden, has received news of the death on Friday, 27th August, in an aircraft in some remote Australia, of her eldest son, L.A.C. Lewis Grant, aged 19. His father, the late Mr. L. Grant, at the time of his death was a member of the Royal Air Force. Mrs. Grant is a widow, and has three children. Her husband was a well-known in Skipton. Much sympathy is felt for Mrs. Grant in her double bereavement.

MISSING AIRMAN.

A report was published in the official list on Saturday last that Ronald Roper, a member of the R.A.A.F. attached to the 4th Squadron, was missing after taking part in a raid over enemy occupied territory. This young airman was formerly a resident of Skipton, and lived on Beaufort with his parents.
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Raglan.

DANCES AND CARD SOCIALS.
There was a large attendance of euchre players and dancers at the Hall on Saturday night, 21st August, which resulted in a profit of £5/9/8 in aid of the Patriotic League. Euchre prizes fell to Mrs. Spicer and Mrs. A. Maher. At the conclusion of the evening, the president of the League, Mrs. J. L. Ball, donated from Mr. E. J. Tiley to cement the cost of hall hire, and thanked Mrs. A. Maher for a donation of sand for the League for support, and Mr. C. Wyllie for a gift of sugar for the coffee.
There was also a good attendance last Saturday night, 28th August. The following euchre players were made. The successful players were Mrs. J. E. Gilliland, Mrs. M. E. Tiley, and Mrs. A. Maher kindly supplied the sandwiches for the supper.
PERSONAL.
Mrs. D. Wallis, of Kaniva, and her two children are on a visit to her two parents, Mrs. A. Maher, of Beaufort.
Mrs. A. Pitcher is spending a short holiday in Ballarat.
Mrs. P. J. Cuthbertson is holidaying in Melbourne.
Mrs. M. I. Adams has been the guest of Mr. and Miss Anderson, of Louis Waldron is paying a visit to his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Chillingham, Louie is up, for the benefit of his health, after a recent illness in Melbourne.

Buagora.

PATRIOTIC CLUB'S BALL.
The Buagora Hall was filled with dancers from near and far for the Patriotic Club's ball, which was held to raise funds for the local club. A profit of approximately £22 will result from the effort. The Buagora Dance Band supplied the music. Mr. J. Knobloch very capably carried out the duties of M.C. Mr. Hughes had charge of the secretarial duties, whilst the local ladies were again to the fore with a very nice supper.
FIRST LOAD OF WOOL.
The first load of wool for this year was loaded at the railway station this week; the clip being that of Yalla-y-Poora Station and stud sheep.
PERSONAL.
Miss Marion MacInnes, of Carapook S.S., is spending the school holidays at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. MacInnes.
Constable and Mrs. Downie are at present away from the town; Constable Downie being on annual leave.

Waterloo.

EFFORT FOR COMFORTS CLUB.
Four euchre tournaments and dances are being held by Waterloo Mechanics' Institute Committee, in aid of the Ripon Patriotic and Comforts Club. The first of these functions took place on August 28, at the Mechanics' Hall, and there was a good attendance; a profit of £39 being made. Miss Gillingham supplied the music. Mr. W. Kay acted as door-keeper. The ladies provided a very nice supper. Enthusiastic supporters are defraying the expenses of running these efforts. Practically the whole of the expenses are in hand now. The committee would like to acknowledge the generous support of the club, and the first of these functions took place on August 28, at the Mechanics' Hall, and there was a good attendance; a profit of £39 being made. Miss Gillingham supplied the music. Mr. W. Kay acted as door-keeper. The ladies provided a very nice supper. Enthusiastic supporters are defraying the expenses of running these efforts. Practically the whole of the expenses are in hand now. 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VICTORIAN AIR OBSERVERS

Exceptionally bad weather conditions, which recently produced the worst flying day for this year showed how the Volunteer Air Observers Corps could help friendly aircraft in emergency, said the Minister for Air Mr. Drakeford.

One of these was a transport plane piloted by an American, making for a destination near Melbourne. It was lost for more than an hour in treacherous flying country over the heights in north-east Victoria.

An experienced civilian pilot on a cross-country flight also flew off his course as a result of weather conditions. A V.A.O.C. post reported his aircraft a considerable distance west of its proper position, and the plane was notified of this and guided to its destination.

Yet another victim of the bad flying conditions was a third service aircraft on a routine flight.

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PREPARING FOR FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN

An appeal to municipal and country War Loan committees to complete their arrangements for the £125,000,000 Fourth Liberty Loan immediately is made by the Commonwealth Loans Director (Mr. E. Bradford).

Expressing his appreciation of the fine work carried out by committees in past loan campaigns, Mr. Bradford said he was sure they would appreciate the added responsibilities thrown on them by the largest loan in Australia's history.

During the Fourth Liberty Loan Campaign, an all-out effort will be made to obtain a record number of subscribers, as well as a record cash return.

RED CROSS HELPS REFUGEES. An emergency issue of clothing to 170 Polish refugees travelling from the Middle East to Mexico was reported by the Red Cross Civilian Relief Depot.

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ORDINARY MEETING. The monthly meeting of the Ripon Shire Council took place at the Shire Hall, Beaufort, on Monday.

SOLDIERS' LEAGUE

Committee Meeting. The president of the Ripon sub-branch of the Returned Soldiers' League (Mr. C. H. McKay) was in the chair on Saturday night at the monthly meeting of the committee, held at the Shire Hall, and attended by 15 members.

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Maternity Cases must arrange with Sister-in-charge, two months prior to entering Hospital.
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OBITUARY.

MRS. SARAH LANG.

The funeral of the late Mrs Sarah Lang left her home, 710 Darling street Ballarat, on Saturday, 11th September, for the Ballarat New Cemetery. The deceased lady was a native of Majorca, and had been a resident of Ballarat for over 60 years, and by her quiet and unassuming disposition won for herself a very large circle of friends. Since the demise of her husband, Mr Charles Lang, who predeceased her about 14 years ago, she had taken a very active part in the administration of the firm of Lang & Son (slaughtermen). For many years she was connected with and worked for many charitable and patriotic organisations, and was also an ardent adherent of All Saints' Church of England. She was the mother of Mr Charles Lang, of Beaufort. The Rev. Angus Palmer conducted the services. Representatives were present from many local and district firms and societies, and the floral tributes included tokens from the Ballarat master butchers, the employees of the City Abattoirs, City Fire Brigade Ladies' Social Club, Wendourae Ladies' Bowling Club. Casket bearers were Messrs. Fred, Charlie, Jack, Bill, and Sid (sons), Charlie (grandson). The family mourners were a long line of descendants with their grandsons in the A.I.F. and one in the R.A.A.F. The arrangements were in charge of John C. Feltham, 3 Malr Street, Ballarat.

MR. WILLIAM LARKENS.

An old and respected resident of Mount Cole, Mr William Larkens, died at the Ararat Hospital on Saturday evening last after a lengthy illness. He was 74 years of age and was a son of the late Bryan and Catherine Larkens. He was born at Maroona, but went with his parents at an early age to Mount Cole, where he resided for most of his life, following the occupation of a sawmiller. His widow (Stawell), and Raymond (Beaufort)—and one daughter, Maie (Mrs Richardson Warrak), are left to mourn their loss. The deceased is also survived by one brother, John (Ararat), and one sister, Mrs Glenn (Ararat). The funeral took place on Monday, when a large number of relatives was present to pay their last tribute of respect. Many beautiful wreaths were placed on the casket, which was borne by Messrs. R. Larkens, W. Larkens, R. Larkens (sons), and A. Dunstan. The pallbearers were Cr. A. McDonald, M.L.A. and Messrs. G. Green, L. McGuinness, W. Shalders, J. McGuinness, G. Shalders, R. Howells, and S. Finch. Rev. J. M. Stuckey conducted services at John Dunn's parlours and at the graveside. Mr John Dunn had charge of the funeral arrangements. — "Ararat Advertiser."

MUNICIPAL NOTES.

Neighboring Shires.

ARARAT COUNCIL.

At the monthly meeting of the Ararat Shire Council on Friday, 17th inst., Cr. J. G. Brebner, of Buangor was elected president, with an allowance of £75.

The overseer reported that part of Challicum road had been gravelled.—Adopted.

Cr. Doery stated that between Streatham and Blythevale, the Fiery Creek abuts very close to the road. The fence had gone, and it was a dangerous position. He would like the dangerous place fenced, and moved that the overseer inspect, with power to act. Seconded by Cr. King, and carried.

THE POETS' CORNER

THE PINES.

If I lived under the pines, I'd say,
"Tear down those pines, give me my way;
My spouting's rusted, my flowers won't grow,
I can't even have a lawn to mow.
And lovers giggle around at night,
I want some sleep—I have the right,
But I've wandered far from home and so,
I beg of you to let them grow,
I want to come back to the same old town,
It won't be the same if you hack those down;
You'd feel that way, if you'd had "exiles" pains,
You'd love the pines—be damned to drains.

ARARAT ROAD NATIVE.

(Note.—I wrote this to amuse myself when you had the pines discussion. I should have given it to one of the ladies to read at the C.W.A. She might have named it, "Them's My Sentiments.")

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BADGES FOR

LOAN SUBSCRIBERS

It will be easy to distinguish subscribers from non-subscribers during the £125,000,000 Fourth Liberty Loan campaign, which will open officially on October 5 and close on November 9. All subscribers, including those who make advance subscriptions, will be issued with a lapel badge.

The badge is neatly designed. It has an airforce blue background, against which is shown a loan symbol comprising, in red, the figure 4 and the letter L. The badge bears the inscription "Subscriber . . . Liberty Loan."



The establishment of a readily recognisable symbol for loan campaigns has played an important part in Canada's outstanding successful loan raising, and the use of badges in Australia has been repeatedly advocated by a large section of the public.

The badges will be distributed wherever loan subscriptions are received—at all banks, Savings Banks and money order post offices. When loan subscriptions are received in industrial organisations, shops and offices, the badges will be issued by War Loans Organisation representatives.

"We want at least 750,000 subscribers for the Fourth Liberty Loan," said the Commonwealth Loans Director (Mr C. R. Banfield) recently, "and we have enough badges to supply the lot."

Red Cross Activities.

THE ROLL CALL.

MANY MEMBERS STILL NEEDED.

Although many thousands of people throughout Victoria have joined the Red Cross since the membership appeal commenced, many more thousands are still needed before the Roll Call closes at the end of September, if the objective of 100,000 new members is to be attained.

The heavy burden of Red Cross services which have been extended twenty or thirty fold in some departments since the outbreak of war, necessitates an increase in membership if the Society is to continue to maintain the standard of its services to the sick, wounded and convalescent members of the Services, the prisoners of war, and to civilians needing relief.

Red Cross needs non-active, as well as active members, so even though you cannot take part in the many activities of Red Cross, your membership will at least signify your appreciation of the work of the Society.

The annual fee is only 2/, with 1/ extra if you desire the official badge. If you are not yet a member of Red Cross, enrol to-day at your local branch, at your place of employment at one of the Enrolment Bureaux established in the city, or direct at the Roll Call Office, 4th Floor, Collins House, 360 Collins Street, Melbourne.

Lexton Notes.—Pte. Louis Jackson A.I.F., of Evandale, Tasmania, spent week-end leave at Lexton, where he was the guest of his relatives, Mr and Mrs D. G. Jackson. Louis is at present convalescing at a Victorian hospital.—Mr and Mrs H. Welsh, of Lexton, have received news that their daughter Jessie, who is in the A.W.A.S., has been promoted to corporal.

Beaufort V.D.C.—On Saturday afternoon the members of the Beaufort Platoon of the V.D.C. held a shoot at the local rifle range, and there was a good attendance. Captain P. Russell and Lieut. G. Oddie were in charge. In five shots (application) at the tin-hat target at 300 yds., H. Norman and E. Dawson each scored 23; the former winning on the count back. In rapid fire (five shots) at the same range, R. Cording secured the highest score (18). The platoon will again parade this (Saturday) afternoon.

Waubra Patriotic Effort.—On Saturday, 4th September, the Waubra branch Red Cross and A.C.F. held a very successful euchre tournament and dance to raise funds for 'Christmas hampers for local boys. There was a large gathering of local and district residents. The prizes were given back to the funds. Winners were Mrs A. E. Coultts and Mr Theo. Harrison. Mrs Gorman supplied free music. Mr Mm McQueen, president of Waubra Football Club, handed to Mrs Gordon, secretary Red Cross, a cheque for £19, being proceeds from football matches held in conjunction with Red Cross and Comforts Fund. Mrs Torney (vice-president) responded on behalf of Miss Morrison (president), who was unavoidably absent. Mrs Torney thanked Mr McQueen and all members of the Football Club for their wonderful effort, and also mentioned that £15 had been raised in tea-rooms at the football matches by the ladies' committee.



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