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Revival of Winter Game After Four Years.

FOOTBALL LAKE GOLDSMITH v. BEAUFORT AMATEURS.

The first football match in four years took place at the Beaufort Park on Saturday afternoon, and was well attended; the gate receipts being £11 18/9. The opposing teams were Lake Goldsmith and the newly-formed Beaufort Amateurs. The match was won by the visitors by a margin of six points, after a keen contest. Mr R. Cording gave general satisfaction as central umpire, and the other officials were: Goal umpires, Messrs J. Collins and A. Campbell; timekeepers, Messrs A. McGregor and A. Bain; boundary umpires, W. Ward and K. Torney; gatekeepers, Messrs J. Cole and A. S. Duncan. The Lake Goldsmith team was captained by A. Brown, and the home team by F. Allen. Mr Jack Yawkins, the guide, philosopher, and friend of all local footballers for several generations, kept a keen, professional eye on the play, as well as controlling the boys in charge of the scoring board.

In the opening quarter, Beaufort Amateurs showed the benefit of a little preliminary practice, as they had six scoring shots to two; the tallies at the end of the term being:—Beaufort Amateurs, 2 goals 4 behinds; Lake Goldsmith, 2 goals.

During the second quarter showers of rain fell, and made the field very slippery and the ball greasy. In this term Lake Goldsmith turned the tables by scoring on four occasions to Beaufort's one. Scores at half-time were:—Lake Goldsmith, 3 goals 2 behinds; Beaufort Amateurs, 2 goals 5 behinds.

With a lead of three points at the outset of the third term, Lake Goldsmith forged further ahead, as they scored four times to Beaufort's twice. At three-quarter time the scoring board showed the following figures:—Lake Goldsmith, 4 goals 5 behinds; Beaufort Amateurs, 2 goals 7 behinds.

The visitors were 10 points to the good at the last change, and the teams treated the spectators to an exciting closing quarter. A goal scored by the home side within the last few minutes would have resulted in a drawn game, but they could only manage singles. During the term they had six scoring shots to two. Lake Goldsmith also had their share of bad luck, as a likely-looking shot by George Kirkpatrick hit the goal post. There was only a difference of six points in the scores in favour of Lake Goldsmith, with a few minutes to go, and the visiting team won by that margin. Final scores:—Lake Goldsmith, 4 goals 7 behinds (31 points); Beaufort Amateurs, 2 goals 13 behinds (25 points).

The goal-kickers were:—Lake Goldsmith — J. Crawford (2), K. Collins, and Osborne. Beaufort Amateurs — F. Allen and G. Lofts.

On the winning side the best players were Wilkie, Osborne, G. Kirkpatrick, K. Kirkpatrick, and Perry. These were well supported by Jim Kirkpatrick, Ross, Max Bain, and Alf. Brown.

For Beaufort good form was shown by F. Allen, E. Dawson, M. Dawson, Jack Martin, G. Lofts, and K. Anderson. Of the younger players N. Day was the best, while J. Wyllie and C. Anderson did well at times, and Wood showed promise.

THE POETS' CORNER

APRES LA GUERRE.
(By "Oriel" in the "Argus.")
When Grandfather Gumboots came home from the war,
Where "Slim-Janny" had been leading the Boer,
He found the reformers who eagerly burned
To build a new world for the soldier returned.

His son, Daddy Tuffin, in nineteen eighteen,
Who fought for the King, Sir, instead of the Queen,
Was cheered to the echo, a veteran grim,
And "a land-fit-for heroes" we promised to him.

Now Young Billy Bluegum has carried the flag,
By jungle and desert - and Apennine crag,
Or steered his plane steadily high in the blue,
While we told him headily what we will do.

But the men of Australia (I give you my guess)
Will take their own measures to clean up the mess;
They will work out salvation, as they did before,
Be their own reconstructionists - after the war.

FOOTBALL GOSSIP

(By "Onlooker.")
Full marks to the large and enthusiastic attendance of patrons of Beaufort and Lake Goldsmith at Saturday's football opening.

The local Magpies had their wings clipped by the Lakesiders, to whom we extend our congratulations.

Old-timer Alf. Brown staged a creditable comeback.

Mr Pim (Bain) turned on his usual robust game.

Perry proved a worthy acquisition to the Lakesiders.

The Kirks. showed plenty of promise in their football debut.

To the balance of the team—we will know you better next time with your colours up.

Skipper Frank Allen is justly proud of his young Magpies.

Jack Martin, Blue Anderson, and Tommy Day weathered the heavy going extra well.

Blay, Crick, and Midge Duke proved a good combination in defence.

Eric Dawson, with Flywheel Anderson and Coogan Cleary assisting, repelled many attacks.

Fergie and Wyllie afforded the forwards many opportunities.

Loftie, Tiny Dawson, Scotty Wilson, and Crackers found the greasy ball difficult to steer through the big uprights.

The baby Magpies, Peter Doull and wee John Wood, flew in and pecked repeatedly at the sticks to try and even the score with the Lakesiders.

The locals sadly missed the services of P.C. Emerson in conditions made to order for soccer tactics. Hope you can make it next match, Sid.

Thanks to Umpire Cording for a job well done; also to John Skene for attending with first-aid kit. Unfortunately for John, he was first casualty, having been bitten by a dog.

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WEDDING BELLS.

DAWSON — HOWLETT.

A pretty wedding was celebrated at Holy Trinity Church, Port Melbourne, on Saturday, May 6th, when Rev. Mr Bainbridge officiated at the marriage of Mary Elizabeth, second daughter of Mr and Mrs W. T. Howlett, of Port Melbourne, to Signaller Edward Harold Dawson, fourth son of Mr and Mrs R. Dawson, of Brewster. The bride entered the Church on the arm of her father, and wore an old world gown of white, stiffened lace over taffeta, featuring a heart-shaped neck, caught with small lace bows, and was buttoned at the back to the waist. The large skirt fell gracefully into a sweeping train, which was edged with gathered Val. lace. Her beautiful tulle veil was held in place with a topknot of white organdie flowers, and she carried a pretty bouquet of white chrysanthemums and roses. The bride was attended by Miss Valda Legge, who wore a gown of white frosted organdie over taffeta, and white picture hat, trimmed with a ruffe of red velvet ribbon, and carried a sheaf of red gladioli. The bridegroom, who had recently returned from N.G. with the A.I.F., was attended by Sig. Ivan Pitcher, also returned from N.G. Lucky horseshoes were hung on the bride's arm when leaving the Church.

A reception was held in St. Silas' Hall, Albert Park, where Mrs N. Leggett acted as hostess, as owing to illness the bride's mother was unable to attend. She was assisted by Mrs Dawson in entertaining 60 guests. The hostess wore a floral frock, fur coat, and black accessories. Her shoulder spray was of pink roses and maiden hair fern. The bridegroom's mother wore a tailored suit of navy blue, with navy accessories. The happy couple left by car for Belgrave, where the honeymoon was spent. The bride chose a suit of dusty pink, with brown accessories for travelling. Mrs Edward Dawson will reside with her parents at Port Melbourne when her husband rejoins his unit.

CONNELL — GLOVER.

In a closely fitting frock of cream velvet, with a topknot of gardenias holding her embroidered tulle veil, Winifred Jean Glover was married to Pte. Dennis L. Connell, A.I.F., with Nuptial Mass at St. Augustine's Church, Bourke-St., Melbourne, on Saturday. The Rev. Father Moran officiated.

The bride, who was attended by her sister (Miss Nance Glover), wearing a turquoise blue frock of flat crepe, is the second daughter of Mr W. R. Glover, Malvern Road, Armadale (formerly of Beaufort), and of the late Mrs Glover. The bridegroom is the third son of the late Mr and Mrs Connell, formerly of Mt. Lawley (W.A.) Corpl. Leo Cain was best man.

FAREWELL TO MRS. LITTLE

At the invitation of Mrs V. R. Geyle, about 20 guests assembled at her home at Omco on Friday afternoon, 21st April, to say farewell to Mrs Little. The good wishes of those present were extended to the guest, who will be greatly missed. Mrs Little has been one of Omco's most popular ladies. Everyone greatly appreciated the action of the hostesses in arranging such an enjoyable afternoon, and providing a delightful afternoon tea. — "Bairnsdale Advertiser."

V.D.C. OFFICERS TO RETAIN COMMISSIONS.

Officers of the V.D.C. will continue to hold their commissions to keep the organisation intact, despite the recent decision to place more than half the V.D.C. strength on reserve from 31st July next. Explaining this on Friday, April 26th, the Deputy Prime Minister (Mr Forde) said the organisation of the corps would be maintained intact, so that, should the necessity arise in future, training could be resumed on a full basis.

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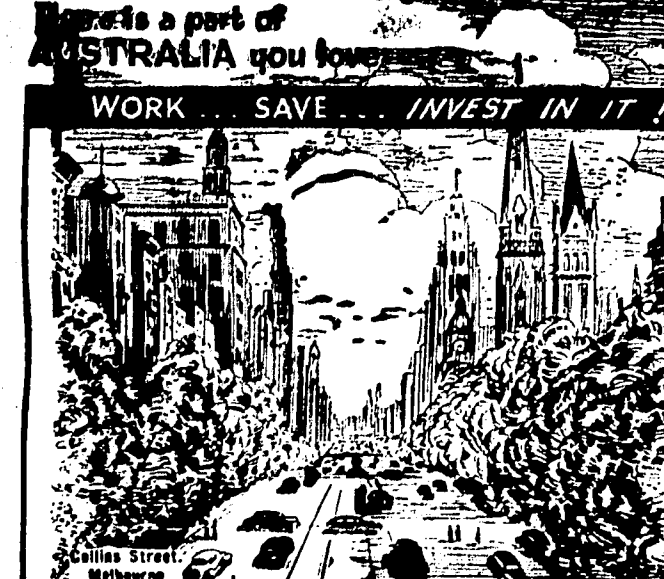
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OME DOCTOR THANKED FOR SERVICES TO COMMUNITY.

FAREWELL TO DR. AND MRS LITTLE

On Friday, 21st April, a social evening arranged by the Shire President (Mr. L. W. Cousins), led farewell to Dr. and Mrs Little, on the eve of their departure from Omeo, was largely attended. Dr. Little intends to take up practice at Beaufort.

The gathering was representative of every part of the shire. The early part of the evening was devoted to an enjoyable dance programme, interspersed with musical numbers, songs and recitations.

Addressing the large gathering, Mr. Cousins paid tribute to the services rendered to the community by their guests, and he was supported by the president of the hospital committee, Mr. Pearson.

Dr. Pearson said he would like those present to reflect on the state of the present to five and a half years ago, and compare it with the excellent, up-to-date service they had to-day.

Dr. Little had many difficulties to overcome. First, he had to improve the service given at the old hospital, but before he could get a reasonable start, the hospital was destroyed by a bush fire.

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DISTRICT NEWS ITEMS. Wool, Appraisements. District Clips.

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A match between the Burumbet and the Ensay football teams on Wednesday night, 24th May, was a success in every way. The game was played on 107 Convalescent Depot, and lively music was supplied.

Mr. Barker, on behalf of the people of Glen Valley, said he had been asked to convey the thanks of that community to Dr. and Mrs Little for the attention and courtesy the Glen Valley people had at all times received.

Mr. C. A. Du-Ver, on behalf of the Omeo residents, said not only had Dr. Little spent his time in Omeo, but he had always been reasonable and fair in the fees he charged.

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NEW RATION BOOKS TO BE ISSUED TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

The new food ration book and children's card will be obtainable from issuing centres throughout Australia on June 3rd and 4th (to-day and to-morrow), said the Director of Rationing (Mr. J. W. Cumming).

Lists of issuing centres and other particulars in connection with the new ration book issue have already been advertised in this paper.

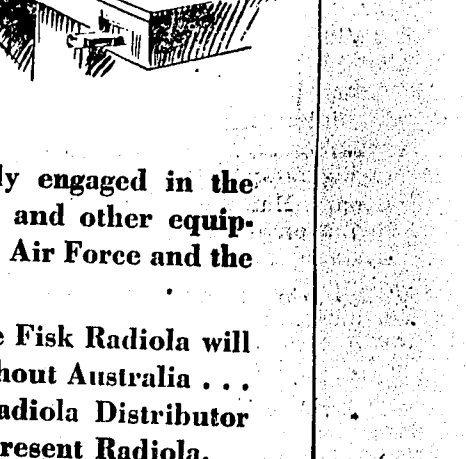
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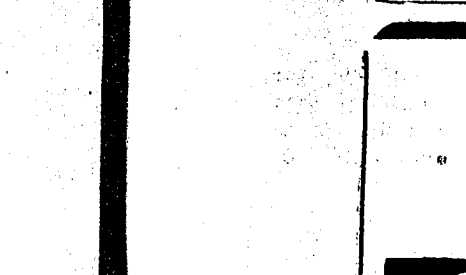


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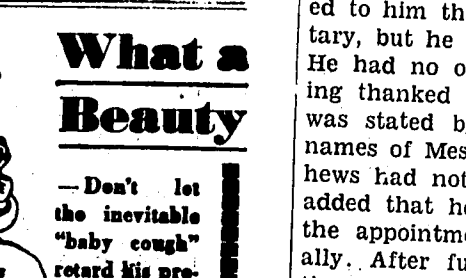


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RIPON SHIRE COUNCIL. Monthly Meeting.

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

Present—Crs. C. H. McKay (Shire President), T. W. Schlicht, S. Young, A. C. Roddis, D. McDonald, J. Kirkpatrick, and T. Willis.

Apologies were received for the absence of Crs. P. Russell and J. A. Hinton. Cr. Roddis moved that the Shire be asked to erect a party line (metallic circuit telephone) from point 30 south of Mering exchange, along Road through Mr. Ross' property to Dooley's road, thence along E. and W. roads, terminating at Messrs. R. Dooley's and G. Collins'.

From Progress Association, Skipton, forwarding particulars of requirements, supply matter yet. Repairs were needed to fences near Wise's at Skipton, Cr. Park; gravel also being required on road near Presbyterian Church.

From Country Roads Board, giving following particulars of amounts allotted for main road maintenance for 1944-45:—Ballarat—Ararat, 5900; Ballarat-Hamilton, 2200; Hamilton (Joint Hampden), 250; Beaufort-Lexon (Joint Lexon), 220; Beaufort-Lexon, 2400; Skipton, 1950.

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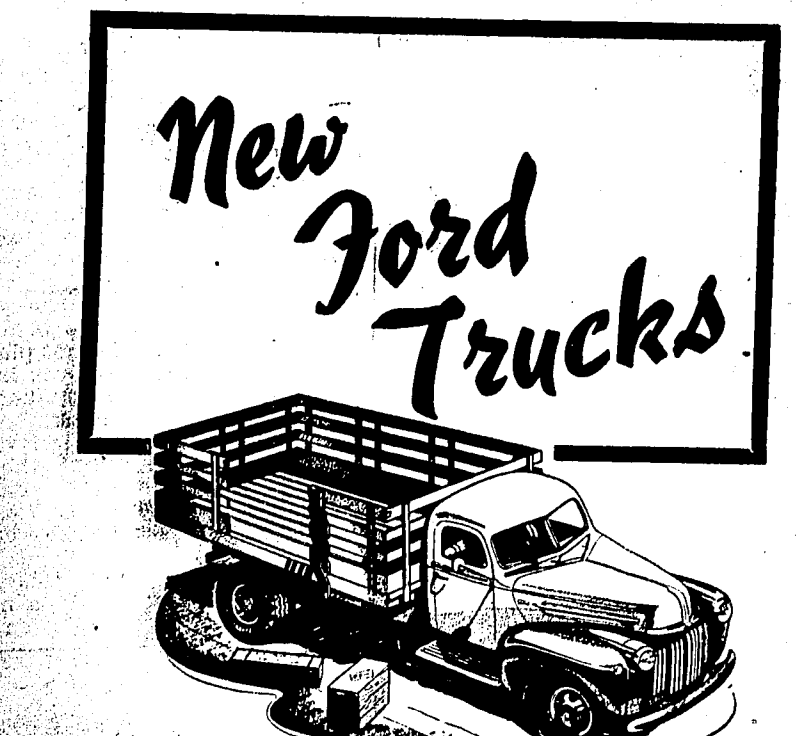
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SECOND FRONT OPENED.

Four thousand several thousand and smaller craft and 11,000 first-line aircraft launched their first attack on the German coast on Monday night and early on Tuesday.

BEAUFORT W.B.C.

Members of the Beaufort platoon of the V.D.C. handed in 310 rifles at a parade on Saturday afternoon, and those who were present and have these rifles are requested to hand them in as soon as possible.

BASKET BALL.

In a basket ball match on Saturday, the Beaufort Blues defeated the Reds 43 goals to 15. Goal scorers: Blues—Valda Martin, 18; Kath Lamb, 12; Gladys Harris, 2; Audrey Thacker, 4. On the Reds, the Whites.

PRISONERS OF WAR SHIP.

The contraband ship Beaufort P.O.W. Ship was to thank all donors and helpers last night. The donors were Mesdames Tame, Burns, Colman, Mrs. Jackson, Hannah, and M. Anderson.

UNLAWFUL ACCIDENT.

When Mr. W. G. Gillingham, of Beaufort, and a fellow employee of the Country Roads Board, were working on the Western Highway, between Beaufort and Burrumbidgee, on Thursday an accident occurred which was standing on the side of the road.

THRISTLE CLUB.

The Beaufort Thistle Club Committee met on Friday night, 2nd June, at the Mechanics Institute. Mr. Campbell, president, was in the chair.

SPECTACLES OF TO-DAY AND OF YESTER.

It may interest you to know that spectacles are said to have been invented by Roger Bacon, about 700 years ago.

DISTRICT NEWS AND NOTES.

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AGRICULTURAL & PASTORAL WHEAT FOR STOCK FEEDING. The stock feeding problem over the winter months may be largely resolved by the use of wheat. Most other stocks are scarce, but fortunately wheat is plentiful and cheap.

AMPHITHEATRE. There was a good attendance at a dance in the Public Hall, in aid of the Red Cross. Receipts amounted to £6. Music was supplied by Messrs. Stan Robson, Jack Smith (accordions), H. Hills and Miss and Mrs. J. Flynn.

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DISTRICT NEWS ITEMS. Burrumbet. The Patriotic Committee will conduct a hare shoot on Saturday, 10th June. The Windermere-Carrigan Patriotic Branch has also arranged a hare shoot for the same day.

Lexton. Takings at the recent gymkhana to 1977, including a £27 gate and £13/3/6 from a ball in the A.N.A. Hall. Music was supplied by Misses M. and A. Loader.

Proposed Corset Factory. The matter of establishing a corset factory at Beaufort again came before the Ripon Shire Council meeting on Monday, when the following letter was read.

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Dads' Branch now has Fifty Members. Dads' Association Committee Meeting. Memorial Hall suggested. Rev. J. P. MacDonnell (president) conducted the business at the committee meeting of the Beaufort Dads' Association, held on Tuesday night, 6th June, at the Shire Hall.

Patrol. The following donations were received towards the Raglan Patriotic League's sports, 1944—Messrs. W. Anderson and G. Wilkison, £1 each; Messrs. J. Grant and A. E. Crick, £1/1/ each; Messrs. W. Anderson and G. Wilkison, £1/1/ each; Messrs. J. Grant and A. E. Crick, £1/1/ each.

Lake Goldsmith. Community Patriotic Fund. The annual meeting in connection with the Lake Goldsmith Community fund was held on Monday, 5th June, at the Mechanics Institute.

Christ Church, Sipton. Annual Daffodil Show, to be held in the Sipton Mechanics' Hall, on Saturday, September 9, 1944, opening at 3 p.m. Perpetual Challenge Cup: Presented by Wing-Commander C. O. Fairbairn, 'Banonhill', Sipton. Won last year by Mr. H. L. Fell, Casterton.

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RIPON PATRIOTIC AND COMFORTS CLUB.

A general committee meeting of the Ripon Patriotic and Comforts Club was held in the Shire Hall, Beaufort, on Friday, June 16. Present, Messrs. S. Young (chairman), N. S. McLeod (hon. secretary), F. S. Latch, P. T. Stevenson, F. Webster, A. A. Downe, Messrs. James Torney, Duke, Gillingham, Lofts, McGreggor, Misses Miller and Stewart. Apologies were received for the absence of Messrs. C. Flynn and S. Pascoe. Letters were received from Corporal Embling, Ptes. E. Dawson, and E. R. Hayward that they had been discharged from the Army, and thanking the committee for its ever cheerful acknowledgment in their welfare. Routine acknowledgments from various hostels for donations were received, together with numerous letters from servicemen and meritorious letters from the best dozen short stories were read to the meeting and provoked much amusement. The winner of the competition for April was Private J. E. Jones. It was resolved to give another prize of £1 for the best short story on June 24th, the chairman, suitable for publication. The chairman, acting-chairman, and secretary were appointed as an executive committee to act immediately in cases of hardship or emergency affecting soldiers and their dependents. It was decided to order knitting wool of good quality to the value of £30. The objective of 500 members at 1/ each is far from accomplishment, and it was agreed that if a close relative of each of the 175 troops on register took a ticket, it would be easy of attainment. Pleasure was expressed at the continued success of the Austerity Store. Jam, honey, pickles, rabbits, and soap are welcome there, and anything in the cake line sells quickly. Mr P. T. Stevenson tendered his resignation from the committee, owing to his pending departure from the district, and the same was accepted with regret; special mention being made of his services as auditor from the inception of the club and as a member of the canteen sub-committee. Mr W. J. McEivale, of Waterloo, was unanimously elected to the vacancy, and reference was made to his interest in the club and his enthusiastic efforts at Waterloo on its behalf. The manager (Mr A. A. Downe) of the Beaufort Dramatic Club announced that its show would be staged early in September. Since last Press acknowledgment the funds have benefited by returns from Austerity Store, £12/4/11; Fire Brigade Ladies' Club, £2/18/3; C.W.A. Stall, £1/10/4; Waterloo Patriotic Committee, £12/8/4; Trawalla Auxiliary, 14/; and donations from ex-Private E. Dawson, 10/; Mum, 3/; and Mr Thos. Liddell, 10/.

RED CROSS BRANCH.

Fortnightly Meeting.

The general meeting of the Beaufort branch of the Red Cross Society was held on Tuesday, June 20th. In the absence of the president, Mrs A. Camp (vice-president), Mrs A. Camp occupied the chair. It was decided to hold the annual meeting on Wednesday, July 5th, when a speaker from Ballarat will attend. The nominations for the position of president are to be sent to the secretary by June 30, and must be proposed and seconded. A letter from headquarters regarding Junior Red Cross Roll Call was read and referred to Mr Robinson, of the State School. Following is a list of goods received:—Mrs Downe, pair gloves; Mrs Hodgson, pair socks; Mrs H. Culbertson, long-sleeved pull-over; Miss White, pair socks; magazines, Mrs J. F. Wotherpoon, Miss Hannah, Lady White, Mrs Wood; pyjamas, Miss Troy; shirt, Mrs Tame; donations—Mrs W. Stevens, 10/; C.W.A. Patriotic Stall, £1/10/.

LAND SETTLEMENT

1212 ACRES OFFERED TO BOARD FOR SOLDIERS.

In order to enable members of the fighting services to engage in primary production and to promote land settlement, the trustees (Messrs Samuel Young and Hubert John Smith) of the late Francis Oddie, of "Restdown," Stockyard Hill, grazier, have offered to sell 1212 acres of same for the above purposes to the Closer Settlement Board. A portion of the land actually adjoins the successful Trawalla Soldier Settlement.



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DISTRICT NEWS ITEMS

Snake Valley.

Considerable interest is being taken throughout the district in connection with the Mr Carngham competition to raise funds for the local branch of the Australian Comforts Fund. The candidates are Messrs. B. Camp, Geo. Coster, and J. McKay. During the past week or so various entertainments have been held. On Saturday, 10th June, a football match between a team from Lake Goldsmith and the Carngham team resulted in an easy win for the local lads. A match on the previous Saturday between Burrumbidgee football club and Carngham was also an easy victory for the locals. Successful dances for Messrs. Coster and McKay have been held in the local hall. The committees of the various candidates are working very hard arranging entertainments and house parties.

The Public Hall at Snake Valley was crowded on Tuesday night, 13th June, when the Zippers' Musical Revue Company gave an entertainment in aid of the funds of the Carngham branch of the A.C.F., which should substantially benefit. The artists included:—Soloists, Iris Owen, Elsie Hando, Gramme Chamberlain, Maril Keisall; composer, W/O Bob Gamble; accompanist, Jean McDonald; and members of the ballet and orchestra. The concert was followed by a dance, and the party was thanked and provided with supper by the local committee.

A very successful dance was held on Friday, 9th June, to raise funds for Mr Coster, a candidate in the "Mr Carngham" Competition. Visitors were present from the surrounding districts, and the large crowd had a very enjoyable evening. A novelty dance was won by Mr T. Howlett and Miss Lawson. Excellent music was supplied by local and visiting musicians. A dainty supper was provided by the ladies of the Coster's committee, and the secretarial duties were carried out by Miss Pat Cunningham. The "Mr Carngham" competition is being held to raise money for the A.C.F. There are three very keen candidates:—Messrs. G. Coster, B. Camp, and J. McKay, and much interest being taken by everyone.

THE POETS' CORNER.

DROVING DAYS IN THE GREAT DROUGHT OF THE NINETIES.

(Written at the request of an Old Drover.)

We were droving from Cloncurry
Five thousand head of steers,
The drought was over all our land,
There had been no rain for years.

Billy Dagenhart was in charge of them,
A crack stockman was he,
Who knew the overland stock routes
From the Alice to the sea.

Sid Kidman was the owner
(the well-known Cattle King),
They were to be sold to the highest bidder,
In an Adelaide auction ring.

We crossed the Queensland border
One hot, Christmas Day,
And celebrated the occasion
In the good, old festive way.

We saddled up our horses
And rode for the Drovers' Cup—
The Boss, he won quite easily,
On his chestnut horse, Thumbs' Up.

We danced in the Old Spider's shanty,
Drank whisky, beer and wine;
As song and joke went around,
We had a glorious time.

We hit the Diamantina,
That flows into Lake Eyre—
'Twas just a line of muddy holes,
The river, flats were bare.

Ever southward we drove on,
By sandy rise and plain;
L longing for the drought to break
And the long-expected rain!

We felled the green-leaved mulga,
To keep the stock alive,
And left behind the cripples,
That were too weak to drive.

Day by day the cattle died,
Crows circled overhead;
The dingoes howled the whole night long,
And feasted on the dead.

One sultry day black clouds rolled up,
There came a thundrous sound—
The rain came down in torrents,
While lightning flashed around.

We had water in abundance,
And far as eye could see,
The plains were quickly covered
With lignum and Stuart pea.

We landed them in Adelaide
On the Twenty-first of May—
The Boss, he gave us all our cheques,
We had a good old holiday.

When I hear the cattle lowing,
It brings back memories
Of the overland trip we had
In the drought of ninety-three.

R. H. PITCHER, Beaufort.

BASKET BALL.—On Saturday afternoon at Beaufort the Blues defeated the Whites in a well-contested game by 20 goals to 18. The goal-throwers were:—Blues—Nancy Davis, 2; Alice Glenister, 12; Betty Davis, 6. Whites—Coral Bellis, 7; Berta Slimper, 11. On Saturday, 24th June (to-day), the Reds will play the Blues.

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INQUEST.

CORONER'S FINDING ON VICTIMS OF BUSH FIRE.

An inquest into the deaths of victims of the disastrous bush fires of 14th January last was held by the Coroner (Mr G. S. Catlow, P.M.), at Cressy on Friday, 16th June, and in each case a finding was returned that death had occurred from the effect of burns as the result of a bush fire on 14th January.

An inquest was held into the deaths of David John Miles, aged 2 years, of Mt. Bute; Mary Helen Hawkins, aged 55 years, of Mt. Bute; Ronald William Ellis, aged 23 years, of Mannabadar; John Patrick Moore, aged 41 years, of Mannabadar; Nellie Louisa Moore, aged 57 years, of Berrybank; Colin Maxwell Dunn, aged 4 years, of Berrybank; John Keith Kneeshaw, aged 27 years, of Werrimeth; Ernest Gordon Lindorff, aged 31 years, of Derrinallum; Terence O'Loughlin, aged 71 years, of Rokewood; Reginald Norman Howell, aged 23 years, of Werrimeth; and Harold Frederick Jolly, aged 23 years, of Mannabadar.

Detective W. W. Hunter, of Ballarat, gave evidence that the fire had originated on Pretty Tower Estate, Skipton. He also told of the questioning of two youths named Pender and Shearer, who had subsequently been convicted in the Beaufort Police Court of the careless use of fire and fined £50.

CORONER'S FINDING.
The Coroner found that the 11 victims died from burns and shock, as the result of a fire originating at Pretty Tower Estate, Skipton, as a result of the negligence of Pender and Shearer. They had been convicted on the charge of the negligent use of fire. Those two youths, said the Coroner, had learnt a lesson they will never forget, and it has also been a lesson to others. It has been an awful fire, and in addition to the deaths caused, a terrific amount of damage was done.

POLICE COMMENDED.
Because of the good work of Senior-Detective Hackwill and Detective Hunter, we have been able to have not only the cause of the fire, but also, with the exception of one person, the actual events that took place immediately prior to their deaths. Mr Catlow complimented Senior-Detective Hackwill on the compilation of the brief, which had saved the Court a lot of time and trouble. — "Courier."

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