

MARCH

## Modern and Larger Hospital for Beaufort and District

### LOCAL NOTES FROM VARIOUS SOURCES

#### TENNIS

##### RIPON CUP COMPETITION.

After a lapse of several years, the Ripon Cup competition (men's singles) was held by the Beaufort Tennis Club on Saturday. The competition reached the end of the second round. Very oppressive weather tested the stamina of the players. The quality of the tennis was not nearly so good as in former years. Outstanding features of the tournament were the good form shown by the veteran, H. T. Norman, a Marathon contest in the first round between T. Flavell and P. Fitzpatrick, in which the former was victorious, and a hard tussle in the second round between J. Turner (holder of the cup and back marker of the tournament) and E. R. McWaters, in which Turner won the first and third sets by one game, and was beaten by McWaters in the second set by four games. McWaters also had a victory in the third set within his grasp on one occasion. The semi-finals and final will be played to-day (Saturday). Results:—

##### Ripon Cup. Men's Handicap Singles.

First Round.  
W. L. Williams, scr., d. G. Exell, owe 15, 6-1, 4-6, 6-0.  
M. Watkin, owe 15, 2, d. E. Mengrove, owe 15, 6-2, 6-0.  
J. Turner, owe 50, d. M. Vowles, scr., 6-2, 6-4.  
E. R. McWaters, owe 15, 1, d. Q. W. Gregory, owe 15, 3, 6-1, 6-3.  
H. George, owe 15, d. A. Whiting, scr., 6-2, 6-2.  
H. T. Norman, owe 30, d. G. Grant, owe 15, by forfeiture.  
T. Flavell, scr., d. P. Fitzpatrick, scr., 6-3, 4-6, 6-0.  
F. W. Allen, scr., d. N. Day,

##### Second Round.

M. Watkin d. W. L. Williams, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.  
T. Flavell d. F. Allen, 6-4, 6-0.  
H. Norman d. H. George, 6-4, 6-2.  
J. Turner d. E. R. McWaters, 6-5, 2-6, 6-5.

#### BEAUFORT RAINFALL

1945—January, 93; February, 22; March, 10; April, 64; May, 180; June, 204; July, 190; August, 395; September, 156; October, 22; November, 254; December, 64; total for year, 2054.

1946. — January, 414.

#### MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.

The committee of the Beaufort Mechanics' Institute met on 20th Feby., when five members and the secretary-librarian (Miss D. Gregory) were present. Mr Q. W. Gregory (president) was in the chair. Apologies were received from Messrs. Crouch, Buchanan, Duke and Hannah for their absence. Accounts amounting to £9/15/10 were passed for payment. It was decided to hold a special meeting to discuss alterations to premises. Messrs. Gregory, Crouch, H. V. Martin, and Williams were appointed as a finance committee; Messrs. Robinson, Williams and Buchanan as a book committee; and Messrs. Duke, H. V. and F. J. Martin, Hannah and Gregory as a club room committee. It was arranged to obtain 25 tons of firewood for the winter. Mr A. Barber's offer of a ping pong table was accepted with thanks. The financial statement, which was adopted, showed that receipts for the month were £42 9/1, and the present credit balance £122/15/10.

### PUBLIC MEETING

#### AFFIRMS PROPOSAL

A representative gathering of about 503 residents of Beaufort and district, at a public meeting at the C.W.A. Hall on Friday night, 22nd February, unanimously affirmed the proposal to erect a modern and larger hospital for the community.

At the request of the Hospital Committee, the meeting was convened by the Shire President (Cr. P. Russell), on behalf of whom Cr. T. W. Schlicht presided.

Cr. Schlicht, in opening the proceedings, apologised for the absence of Cr. Russell, and briefly outlined the object of the meeting. He mentioned that a site had been donated and the committee had a sum of money in hand.

Mr A. R. Beggs (president of the Hospital Committee) said that body had asked the Council to call this meeting because it felt that not only was Beaufort worthy of a new hospital, but it was a necessity. The hospital in the past had given good service, and just to remind them, he would tell them that in the last six years the hospital had treated as in and out patients 1537 people, exclusive of 222 maternity cases, which made the total 1759; also in that time they had 2265 baby weighings. They could see that in the last six years the hospital had been an absolute necessity to Beaufort. He felt there were many reasons why they should have a new one. They had had a request from various sources for a night sister. They would agree that a night sister was very necessary, but they could not put one on because they had no accommodation. If they had anything extra special and urgent, the only place they could give an additional sister to sleep in was the verandah. That state of affairs was not in the best interests of obtaining nurses. The present nurses' quarters were built in the hospital. It was their intention, if they were having a new hospital built, to give the nurses separate quarters, which would be away from the hospital, and in their time off they could entertain their friends and get away from the smell of ether and so forth tied up with a hospital. The present hospital came into being in 1927. The committee had added to and improved it from a four-bed hospital until it was now registered as a nine. The nine beds were situated in four wards: They often could not fill them because the sex of the patients prevented their getting the number in. If they built a new hospital, they proposed that half the beds would be single wards and the remaining half double wards — two beds to a ward. That was the modern trend of hospital construction. The committee had decided that the new hospital as a memorial would be a very fitting thing for Beaufort, as well as being one of their greatest necessities. Of course a memorial was only as good as the people who ran it. They would agree that they had the people in Beaufort. Everybody who could was doing some social and public work, and if they were doing it in favour of a hospital they would see that it was not badly run. Apart from the fact of being a memorial for them, this hospital would have to care for the sick and the children and wives of servicemen for the next few years, and there would probably be some sickness after this war, as in the past. They had the men home, and there would be recurrence of such things as malaria and so forth, for which they would need treatment. It was the only memorial they could build for which they could obtain money on a £1 for £1 basis. By becoming operative under the Charities' Board, he understood they could obtain money on a £1 for £1 basis. The chairman had remarked about a private hospital not providing for public cases. When a Bush Nursing Hospital became affiliated with the Charities' Board, it

then took in public cases. A certain number of beds had to be kept for indigent sick. The hospital would also be able to receive a grant of 6/ a patient a day, or £2/2 a week. That had been allotted to their hospital at present. Yesterday approval came through that present patients entering their hospital may now claim 6/ a day or £2/2 a week. Members of their hospital who now paid £3 a week, would henceforth get hospital treatment for 18/ a week.

Cr. Schlicht — Cheap board. Mr Beggs — He thought they would not get board in Melbourne or anywhere else for 18/ a week, and there was nursing thrown in. That was getting extremely cheap nursing attendance. Nurses, as they knew, were extremely difficult to get, both in public and B.N. Hospitals. He was a member of the Council of the B.N. Association, which had given a great deal of time and thought to ascertaining the cause of this problem. One reason put forward was wages. A new wages scale came out yesterday, and that position would be greatly rectified. Another cause was that nurses could not make hospitals a home away from home—they were kept with the patients and could not entertain their friends. If they came home late, they had to take off their shoes down the yard. They could not expect nurses to do that kind of thing. Their aim was to give nurses the best possible accommodation as far from the hospital as conveniently possible. The committee's idea for this district was a hospital of about 12 beds, but they would not have the last say in that matter. They would be affiliated with the Charities Board, of which Mr Pittard was chairman and Mr McVilley secretary. Mr McVilley had spent his life in hospital work and knew a great deal about it; They would be guided a good deal by him in regard to the size of the hospital and the number of beds. His own opinion was that Mr McVilley would ask them to put in more beds. The cost of building a hospital under present conditions—and it looked as if they could not look for any better conditions for many years to come, was in round figures about £1000 a bed—for a 12-bed hospital £12,000. As the present committee had in hand round about £1500 and the land and buildings on the present site were worth about the same figure, he thought they would agree that they had quite a good start with round about £3000. As far as donations were concerned, when they became affiliated with the Charities' Board, people making donations would be able to give them free of income tax. That was not possible when the hospital was solely a B.N. Hospital. It was proposed tentatively that all persons making contributions should be able to nominate some person for a memorial honour board. Donations of £25 would enable the giver to have fees for the rest of his life at a reduced figure, the same as a present member. Those who gave £100 could name a memorial bed, those who gave £250 would name a babies' nursery or babies' ward. Those who gave £500 or more would be able to name a ward. He was willing to answer any questions. He moved that this meeting of citizens of Ripon Shire agree to build a new hospital in Beaufort, to be known as the Ripon Bush Nursing Memorial Hospital, and pledge their support to the present Hospital Committee to raise the necessary funds.

Engineer-Commander H. P. Mackenzie seconded the motion with great pleasure. He had watched the hospital grow from small beginnings, and knew how willingly citizens had come forward and put their money into it. He had not envisaged what it would be, but they all agreed that the hospital had been an absolute godsend and necessity to Beaufort, although they wanted a bigger one as soon as they could get it. The figures he had heard to-night were extraordinary, and they ought to be able to

manage it. If they could raise £3000, it would be made into £6000 by a Government grant. People who wished to give donations could give them as a memorial to a friend who had not come back or one who came back. He was sure it would get support right throughout the shire. He was very pleased and proud to be one of the original trustees. The idea of the hospital originated with the late Mrs Robert Beggs.

Mr J. F. Wotherspoon spoke in support of the proposal as a trustee and the oldest committeeman. If they could get a £12,000 12-bed hospital for £3000, there was no argument against it.

Mr R. C. Hodgetts said many subscribers were heartily in accord with those interested in building a new hospital. In reply to Mrs Young, Mr Beggs said the £1000 a bed covered nurses' quarters and operating theatre, but did not include equipment.

Mrs Young: Why not ask for an amount that would cover equipment from the start? Mr Beggs replied that they did not even yet know the number of beds they would have—that would have to be done in consultation with the secretary of the Charities' Board. They intended to make the hospital something Beaufort would be absolutely proud of; £12,000 being the absolute minimum.

Cr. M. E. L. Watkin said he was quite in agreement that a new hospital was necessary. The district was growing and they must look far ahead. At the same time, he felt it would not be quite in the best interests of the movement to make it a War Service Memorial Hospital. They already had a War Service Memorial, which had been erected to the soldiers in the first war, and he understood the original idea was to purchase the blacksmith's shop, erect a memorial gate, and make the block a complete war memorial. He thought that was still Cr. Young's idea, and he was sorry he was not here to express his opinions.

Mrs R. T. Macdonald pointed out that it would be much better to have a new hospital as a memorial that would serve the returned soldiers and their children in years to come.

Mrs S. Young said she felt, with Cr. Watkin, that they should not use the soldiers as a means to get a hospital. They could get on quite well without that. If they called it a Victory Hospital, it would sound very nice.

Mr Beggs said the committee was not adamant that the hospital should be called a War Memorial Hospital. They wanted to get the people's co-operation in building a hospital worthy of the district, and did not mind what they called it.

Cr. Schlicht stressed the point that increased population, owing to cutting up of estates, would be too great for the present hospital, and they must have a larger one.

Dr. Gordon Little emphasised the fact that the present hospital had served a useful purpose for a number of years, and the time had come when it was impracticable to keep it going under modern conditions. He urged the people to provide the facilities in a better hospital. He contrasted the conditions in hospitals of 20 or 30 years ago, with their large wards, with the conditions of to-day, and showed how the modern hospital, with single or double rooms, made for greater privacy, which people appreciated when they were sick—the majority of young mothers, particularly. The present hospital was an 8-bed one, but often it was full with only five patients in it. If they had single or double rooms they would be able to utilise all the beds at any time. The present hospital lacked a proper operating theatre, and a reasonable amount of surgery should be done locally, which had a decided advantage over surgery done at a large hospital. Infection.

### STARS OF THE AIR.

#### KARL RANKL, CONDUCTOR FOR AUSTRALIA.



KARL RANKL, Continental Conductor and Composer, will conduct the A.B.C.'s symphony orchestra in a tour of the capital during April-May-June, opening at Sydney Town Hall on Saturday, April 6.

THE musical life of Australia is shortly to be enriched by the coming of Karl Rankl, continental conductor and composer, who has been invited by the A.B.C. to conduct, in the 1946 season, its symphony orchestras in the capital cities of Australia.

Karl Rankl, who was the fourteenth of seventeen children, was born in 1898, in a little village in Lower Austria. His parents were peasants who managed their own farm, and also a little inn. With some of his brothers and sisters, Karl Rankl belonged to the choir, practising in the church and taking part in the Sunday service as a chorister. This was his first musical tuition. One day a party of tourists in his father's inn heard the boy playing the piano and their interest was greatly aroused. Two of the gentlemen were professors of the Vienna Conservatoire. They declared that young Karl Rankl—at that time eleven years old—was a born musician and should have a proper musical

education. The father protested angrily. His son, he declared, was to become a priest. Shortly afterwards he took him to Vienna and presented him to the prior of the monastery of St. Lazarus, where Karl lived for three years, then abandoned the religious life for music. One of his mother's friends offered him hospitality in Vienna, where he concentrated on his musical studies and continued his education at the secondary school. Although his father's plan of having the piano and the violin continued to be very strong, he became aware of a new side of his musical talent—composition.

After the 1914-18 war he took up music as a profession, earning his living by giving lessons and playing the violin or the piano at cinemas. The most decisive turning point in Karl Rankl's development as a musician had now been reached, for he had become a pupil of the great composer, Arnold Schoenberg. Working association with Arnold Schoenberg, his pupil, Anton von Webern, Felix Weacener and Dr. Fritz Siedler, opened the gifts of the young composer and conductor. He became in turn choir-master at the Vienna Volksoper, musical director of the Opera House at Reichenberg, in Czechoslovakia, and conductor of the operas at Komische Oper in Prussia; but when the director of the Berlin State Opera, Otto Klemperer, offered him the position of assistant conductor and director of the choir the National Socialist (the Nazis) began the campaign that ultimately forced him to fly from Europe.

Since 1911 Rankl has been conducting in England. The London Philharmonic Orchestra greatly appreciated his skilful methods of rehearsing and engaged him regularly for its concerts. In addition, he became regular guest conductor of the Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra, and also several times he has conducted at the B.P.C. Today, Karl Rankl is well established as a conductor in England and he gains also increasing recognition as a composer.

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CRICKET BEAUFORT V. WAUBRA.

Beaufort visited Waubra on Saturday, and played the local second team, as their first team was in Ballarat playing in the semi-finals of the B grade competition.

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THE DAYS OF THE PIONEERS

As I turn back the leaves of this book, I find that I attended the school at Buaugor in the year 1877. It was then held in what is now the Public Hall; the present school not being built at that time.

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screen or in a mirror, I saw each one just as I knew them, recalled their words, their shouts and merry laughter as they mingled on the green. I could hear the clatter of the bell as a croquet saw on a post, which the teacher belted with an iron mallet; calling in the unwilling and the faithless.

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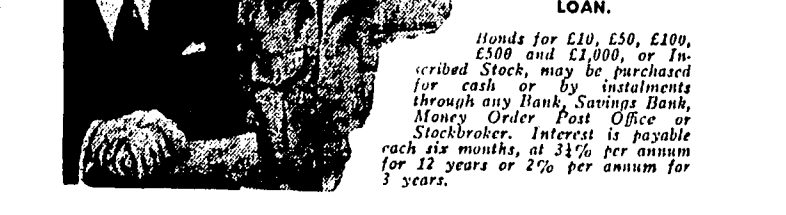
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SHIRE COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETING.

The monthly meeting of the Ripon Shire Council was held on Monday at the Shire Hall. Present: Crs. P. Russell (president), H. H. Roddis, D. McDonald, T. Willis, D. R. Hannah, J. Kirkpatrick and J. Young.

The president apologized for the late arrival of the E.R. councillors.

From Shire of Grenville, in respect to the establishment of research farms in soldier settlement areas.

From same, inviting two councillors to attend their meeting on 15th March.

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BROADCASTING IN AUSTRALIA AND AFRICA

will make recommendations to the Board of Governors of the A.B.C. as to the introduction of any form of commercial broadcasting in Australia.

Major Capara thinks that local-casting licenses generally are too cheap. "Our 37 fees," he says, "represents roughly one penny a day. Although all costs have gone up during the war, broadcasting has not increased its price to the consumer."

The Union of South Africa has 375,000 license-holders in a population of 2,000,000 white people. Efforts to reach the natives, however, Major Capara says, have so far been unsuccessful, because they cannot afford sets, but the S.A.B.C. is now trying to utilize its premises to them on telephone.

FIVE HUNDRED. — Beaufort Mothers' Club held a five hundred tournament on Tuesday night. The winners were Mrs. A. Campbell, Mrs. H. Dunn, and Norman George. Prizes for the lowest number of flags went to Mrs. Coles, Mrs. B. Neil, and Mr. A. Stowell.

BAND SOCIAL. — At the Beaufort Band's social on Monday night, the prizes were won by Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. McGivray, Mrs. Coles, 2. Men: Mr. P. Dault and Mr. E. Weston divided 1 and 2.

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CARRINGHAM CEMETERY. — At the annual meeting of the Carringham Cemetery Trust, the chairman (Mr McKay) referred to the loss sustained by the death of Mr James Whitt, who rendered valuable service to the trust for 26 years.

BURRUMBEET C.W.A. The February meeting of the Burrumbeet C.W.A. was held at the home of Mrs Miller. Messrs D. Walton (president) and Miller were appointed delegates to the conference at Ararat.

Today being the 16th day of October, 1885, 60 years later, I resolve to go back, with the heart of a boy, and with the eyes of youth will I see again the old familiar scenes and recall each face and form so indelibly associated upon my memory.

And ere we leave this enchanted spot, we pause for a while beside the old trysting gum tree. How earnestly do these little scholars endeavour to trace every syllable, sign of my initials, with another's, that I had cut so deeply in its side.

What a contrast did the interior of the school present after the old shell—so spacious and neat, beautifully furnished and adorned with all the latest modes for education, offering scholars every inducement to study.

Five miles to go yet along the old familiar road to Buaugor school, where I spent my last year. Parawell to the lea-on a road of memories. Yes, there is a piece of the old Hilling Hedge left. Lessons not done, wet feet, ice not working, mind—can't face up—was. Next day—playable story, don't work, look too healthy—strap. Along this quiet country, vanished miss the stone nappers, the quarrymen, the

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WOOL SALES

DENNY'S LASCELLES LTD. DENNY'S LASCELLES Limited report (13th March): A further series of wool appraisals was held in Geelong this week.

BAND SOCIAL - At the Beaufort Town Band's church social and snowball competition on Monday night...

BEAUFORT, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4th, 1946. Hours: 1 p.m. till 4 p.m.

BALLARAT FLOWER SHOW - At the Ballarat Horticultural Society's show on Thursday, 14th March...

ARARAT SHIRE COUNCIL - The Ararat Shire Council's help in bringing pressure to bear on the Education Department...

HEAVY RAIN - Rain fell throughout Saturday night and Sunday at Beaufort...

BEAUFORT A.N.A. - The fortnightly meeting of the Beaufort branch of the A.N.A. on Tuesday night...

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING.

A satisfactory financial position was disclosed at the annual meeting of members and adherents of the Beaufort Presbyterian Church...

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Results were as follows: - Buangor, 51 points; 2:58 h.d.p. Trawalla, 28, 23.22, 51.22. Raglan, 44, scr., 44. Main Lead, 22, 21.93, 43.93. Beaufort B, 37, 6.45, 43.45. Beaufort A, 35, 6.45, 41.45. Lake Goldsmith, 17, 29.97. Waterloo, 15.5, 12.9, 28.4. Middle Creek, 21.5, 6.45, 27.95. Beaufort C, 18, 5.16, 23.16. Cr. Erchie, 15, 5.16, 23.16. Boys under 8, 40 yds. - Alan Flavell, Trawalla, 1; Robert Gregory, Beaufort B, 2; John Fitzpatrick, Beaufort A, 3; Graham Broadbent, Beaufort D, 4.

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IN MEMORIAM

HAINS. — In loving memory of dear Mum, passed away 29th March, 1940, also Dad and Douglas. As true a heart as ever beat...

School Committee

At the conclusion of the parents' meeting on Wednesday night, the newly-elected School Committee...

BEAUFORT SCHOOL

NEW COMMITTEE. A meeting of the parents and teachers held at the school on Wednesday night...

OBITUARY

MR. R. W. ELDER. The death occurred at the Royal Melbourne Hospital on 23rd March of Mr. Ronald W. Elder...

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DISTRICT NEWS

Waterloo. The euche and dance held in the Mechanics' Hall on Saturday was well attended...

PERSONAL

Mr and Mrs R. T. Macdonald, of Beaufort, have been holidaying at Portland.

SEMMENS

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB will be held in the C.W.A. Hall...

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ALTERATION OF DAY OF MEETING. The meeting of the Council, to have been held on 8th April, 1946...

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LOCAL NEWS AND NOTES

SAILORS ON LEAVE. — A number of men of the Royal Navy were on leave in Beaufort during the week.

FOR THE EMPIRE

Squadron-Leader A. D. Callow, R.A.A.F., is at home at Beaufort on leave, prior to his release from the Services...

BEAUFORT RAINFALL

1945-January, 93; February, 124; March, 13; April, 68; May, 180; June, 109; July, 102; August, 395; September, 156; October, 222; November, 254; December, 64; total for year, 2054.

TENNIS

On Sunday, 24th March, St. Mary's Tennis Club, Ararat, visited the club at Beaufort...

COMING EVENTS

The Shire of Ripon asks for the names of persons intending to apply for houses, if erected by the Housing Commission...

SKIPTON WILL

At a meeting of the Football Club, held on the 25th March, it was decided to reform for the coming season...

BEAUFORT RAINFALL

1946. — January, 414; February, 477.

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SAVE PAPER FOR SALVAGE

## RED CROSS BRANCH PRESENTATION TO MRS. VERTIGAN.

Beaufort Red Cross branch met on Tuesday afternoon; Mrs A. Campbell (vice-president) presiding. Members of the C.W.A. combined in giving a send-off to Mrs G. E. Vertigan, who has rendered valuable service to both organisations as a worker and singer and is leaving for Geelong West.

A letter was received from headquarters, asking that two members be appointed to attend the garden party, to be held at Stonington House on the 17th April.

Apologies were received for the absence of Mrs T. Beggs (president) and several members.

An enjoyable programme was given; Miss D. Exell contributing a pianoforte solo, Mrs H. J. Buchanan songs, and Miss Alice Kirkpatrick a recitation. Miss N. Tulloch acted as accompanist.

Mrs A. Campbell presented Mrs Vertigan with a bouquet of beautiful flowers from the C.W.A., and Mrs M. Cuthbertson handed her one from the Red Cross.

Mrs H. K. Parker, speaking on behalf of the Red Cross, said they were very sorry to lose Mrs Vertigan, as she had been a great help as an afternoon tea hostess.

Mrs S. Young (C.W.A.) said she felt very sad that Lieut. Colonel and Mrs Vertigan had to leave them. She had worked with Mrs Vertigan as secretary when she (Mrs Young) was president, and found her a great organiser and a tactful woman, and her capability had always carried her through. They regretted the departure of this worthy couple and wished them health and happiness in their new sphere.

Miss N. Tulloch remarked that they would miss Mrs Vertigan's very fine voice at the C.W.A. She was always very willing to sing, and she always gave songs that had a message. Mrs Vertigan was going to Geelong West and she hoped that that lady and her husband and family would have a very happy time there.

Miss D. Exell expressed her very best wishes for the future of Mrs Vertigan.

Mrs A. Campbell, on behalf of the Red Cross and C.W.A., said Mrs Vertigan had been a great help in the P.O.W. Shop, and they were very sorry to be saying au revoir. She hoped Mrs Vertigan would come back and sing to them some time. She wished Mrs Vertigan and her husband and children God speed, and presented Mrs Vertigan with an electric reading lamp from the members of the Red Cross and C.W.A.

Mrs Vertigan, in response, said she appreciated very much the flowers and the lovely gift. She was very sorry to be leaving Beaufort after 10 years' stay, and she would miss them all very much. It was going to be a great joy for them to have Mr Vertigan home again, and they would need all their best wishes and prayers when they started their work again in Geelong. She had quite a happy time when she was secretary for Mrs Young. The C.W.A. was a good thing to be long to. She had been only too pleased to use her voice for them, and she would always look back on the very happy time she had had in Beaufort.

## DISTRICT NEWS

### Buangor

Beginning on Friday night, 15th inst., heavy falls of rain were experienced; 2 1/2 inches being recorded. The creeks and all low-lying areas have been flooded. The rain on Sunday, 17th March, was a continuous shower, driven by a strong south-west wind.

Clover is growing in abundance, and there is as much growth as in a normal spring.

Mushrooms are in evidence, but are not as plentiful as would be expected.

Owing to the rain, a football meeting, held on 15th March, was poorly attended. Mr J. K. Pickford was re-elected president, and Mr John Jess secretary.

It was decided to join an Ararat association, comprising Ararat teams, Moyston, and Buangor.

## CRICKET

### WAUBRA V. BEAUFORT.

The Waubra team visited Beaufort for the first time for over 25 years on Saturday last, and played the locals in a friendly match. Waubra, on winning the toss, batted first, and opened very carefully against Hunt and Grant. However, Grant, with his usual accuracy, got past Harrison and found the stumps. Westbrook batted well against all the bowlers, and put on 22, including one "sixer," before going out l.b.w. to Bates. The rest of the team did not last long against the varied bowling of the locals; the whole side being out for 58. McCracken took the bowling honours with 4 for 20. Beaufort had little difficulty in passing the visitors' score; making in all 92. N. Day (21, retired) and M. Cole (19, retired) batted well against the indifferent bowling of the visitors. The Beaufort ground is in excellent condition, and the portion recently cut shows what a beautiful cricket oval we could have in Beaufort if a little attention were given to the ground each year. Scores:—

WAUBRA.	
G. Harrison, b Grant	3
L. Westbrook, l.b.w., b Bates	22
W. Coutts, l.b.w., b Hunt	4
T. Molloy, c and b Bates	0
K. Dean, l.b.w., b McCracken	2
K. Lavery, b McCracken	4
I. Coutts, run out	3
A. Dean, not out	3
D. Ryan, b McCracken	1
I. Harrison, b McCracken	0
S. Turner, b Martin	0
G. Lavery, b Martin	0
Sundries	9
Total	58

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J. Bates, b Westbrook	13
S. McCracken, b W. Coutts	3
M. Cole, retired	19
J. Hunt, c and b W. Coutts	2
N. Day, retired	21
E. Tregrove, l.b.w., b W. Coutts	2
G. Grant, b A. Dean, junr.	4
P. Allen, run out	0
F. Fitzpatrick, l.b.w., b A. Dean, senr.	1
A. Whiting, c and b Harrison	5
H. V. Martin, b Harrison	7
C. Anderson, not out	3
Sundries	12
Total	92

Bowling — Hunt, 1/17; Grant, 1/7; Bates, 2/11; McCracken, 4/20; Tregrove, 0/2; Martin, 2/0.

### STREATHAM ACCIDENTS.

Whilst playing in a neighbour's yard, Billie Eastick, elder son of Mr and Mrs Ernie Eastick, met with a nasty accident. He was turning an old chaffcutter and caught his right hand in it. He was hurried to Dr. Donaldson, who sent him on to Ballarat Hospital. It was at first feared he would lose two fingers, but the latest report says that the doctors are hopeful that they may save them. — A very unfortunate accident occurred at Streatham, when Freddie Collins, the three-year-old son of Mr and Mrs W. Collins, was severely bitten on the face by a dog. He and another child were playing with the dog, when it suddenly attacked him. The little sufferer was hurried to Dr. Donaldson, of Skipton, for treatment, and several stitches were inserted in the wounds. He was an inmate of the Skipton Hospital for a few days. — "Ararat Advertiser."

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## MECHANICS' INSTITUTE

Four members of the Beaufort Mechanics' Institute Committee attended the monthly meeting, held on Friday evening, 22nd March. The president (Mr Q. W. Gregory) was in the chair. Apologies were received for the absence of Messrs. W. L. Williams and E. S. Crouch.

Accounts amounting to £26 13/4 were passed for payment. It was reported that the present credit balance is £124/5/6.

The matter of a donation to the Beaufort Welcome Home Committee was held over till next meeting, and that of sending a representative to the meeting on 1st April to appoint a building committee for the new hospital left in the hands of the president.

It was resolved that the membership list in the club room be removed, and a notice put up stating that club room subscriptions are now due.

The matter of billiard table repairs was left in the hands of the club room committee.

Mr H. J. Buchanan moved that the Ripon Shire Council be written to and a request made that in any scheme of post-war work in Beaufort, the suitability of building a rest room as an adjunct to the Mechanics' Institute be seriously considered. Seconded by Mr F. J. Martin, and carried.

Messrs. Q. W. Gregory, F. J. Martin, and H. V. Martin were appointed as a sub-committee to draw up the conditions for a billiards competition.

It was resolved that the secretary make a note in her diary to the effect that the spouting on the building be cleaned out every three months.

## AMENDED BEAUFORT MAIL TIMES

Particulars of amended Beaufort mail times are as follow:—

Outward for Melbourne.—Closing 10.30 a.m. daily; 3.55 p.m. Monday to Friday; 12.30 p.m. Saturday.

Inward from Melbourne.—8.15 a.m. daily; 1.15 p.m. Monday to Friday.

Outward for Ballarat.—Closing 10.30 a.m. daily; 3.55 p.m. Monday to Friday; 12.30 p.m. Saturday.

Inward from Ballarat.—Due 8.15 a.m. daily; 1.15 p.m. Monday to Friday.

Outward for Ararat.—Closing 12.35 p.m. on Monday to Friday; 12.30 p.m. Saturday.

Inward from Ararat.—Due 8.15 a.m. daily.

Outward for Middle Creek.—Closing 12.35 p.m. on Monday to Friday; 12.30 p.m. Saturday.

Inward from Middle Creek.—Due 4.25 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday.

Outward for Trawalla.—Closing 3.55 p.m. on Monday to Friday; 12.30 p.m. Saturday.

MR. E. MORTON, M.L.A. — On account of his personal knowledge of the people and the district of Port Fairy, where he was Town Clerk for three years, Mr E. Morton, M.L.A., has been requested by the Premier to proceed there at once and assist, on behalf of the Government, in the immediate relief of the flood sufferers (writes the "Ararat Advertiser"). The member for the district, Mr Holt, M.L.A. (for Portland) is at present ill in hospital and unable to attend to this matter, and Mr Morton has thus been asked to take his place. During the time he is in Port Fairy, Mr Morton will be attending to his own Parliamentary duties by correspondence.

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## LEGION OF EX-SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN

The monthly meeting of the Beaufort Sub-branch of the Australian Legion of Ex-Servicemen and Women, held at the Shire Hall on Friday night, 22nd March, was presided over by Mr L. Drew (president), and there was an attendance of 12 members; the meeting opening with a minute's silence in memory of fallen comrades.

A letter was read from the Committee of the Beaufort Bush Nursing Hospital, asking that representatives be appointed to attend a meeting, to be held on April 1st to appoint a building committee for the Ripon Peace Memorial Hospital. — Messrs. R. Burdon (secretary) and W. Day (vice-president) were appointed to attend.

An account for £1/6/6 was passed for payment.

It was decided to open an account in the C.B.S. Bank, Beaufort.

Mr M. J. Clark was appointed to approach the local headmaster in regard to the endowment of a scholarship for tuition in the High School, tenable by the child of a soldier in the State School who obtains the highest marks.

It was decided that an inauguration hall be held on 29th March, and that half the proceeds be devoted to the Ripon Peace Memorial Hospital Building Fund.

The secretary was authorised to have necessary stationery printed.

The next meeting was arranged for Friday night, April 26, and it was resolved to meet on the last Friday of each month.

### FOUR SCORE YEARS.

— Another milestone along the highway of life was passed by Mr John Pearce, of Urquhart street, Ballarat, who attained his 80th birthday on Saturday, March 2. Mr Pearce was born at Skipton, and lived for many years in Beaufort before making his home in Ballarat. Many of his friends from country districts and further afield sent greetings on the happy occasion, when a family dinner party was given by Mr Bert Pearce. Pastor W. W. Saunders, who presided, commented on Mr Pearce's devotion to the Church of Christ, Dawson street, where he is a regular worshipper, and after the loyal toast, proposed "The Guest of the Evening," followed by "The Family." Recitations were given by Mrs W. Pearce, of Coburg, and Mr Pearce cut the birthday cake. A vote of thanks to the chair was moved by Mr Arthur Pearce, supported by Mr Bert Pearce. Community singing followed, with Mr Jim Sanders at the piano, and a happy evening closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne." Among those present were Mr Arthur Pearce (son), Mrs W. Peacock (daughter), Mrs J. Ball, of Melbourne, with her daughters, Mrs Ron Boadle, and Mrs J. Downes; Mr Ron Boadle and Mr James Kerr, and Mr William Richardson, of Allendale. Miss Gladys Pearce (daughter), of Melbourne, was unfortunately unable to be present.

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