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No. 1 Grader To Be Replaced

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The engineer (Mr J. M. Muntz) reported as follows at the Ripon Shire Council meeting on Monday:

1. A detailed report on the proposed replacement of No. 1 power grader will be given at the meeting.

Clause 1 — The engineer — A grader similar to the one they had now was available, for early delivery. The opinion was that they would get £300, to £400 for the old grader. Spares were on order, and they were doing their best to get them. The grader was partly overhauled before Xmas. They had had very little trouble with the motor — the trouble was with the grader itself. It would cost £2400 to replace. A Diesel engine was the cheaper job to run, but more expensive to buy, and a higher horse power than the kerosene driven model. Cr. Kirkpatrick said they had a Diesel engine running at 10d a day, against 7/ a day for kerosene. Cr. Schlicht — The Diesel was the job alright. The engineer — He suggested that they call for tenders first. The front-end loader should be replaced at some stage, although they could not do so in their present financial position. Mr Acton (secretary) — At the end of September next they would have £2000 in the Depreciation Account. The engineer — They could order the machine for delivery at the end of the September meeting. The secretary — They could borrow money for machinery. Cr. Kirkpatrick — He favoured a higher rate and earmarking a portion for machinery. Cr. Buchanan — Putting it in the Depreciation Account was the same thing. Cr. Kirkpatrick — That account had got behind. Cr. Hinton — If they increased the rate and earmarked portion for machinery, they would give the Depreciation Account a chance to catch up. The secretary — An extra 6d rate earmarked for machinery would bring in £2600. The engineer — The Depreciation Account would then catch up in two years. They would not require a truck replaced for two years. An extra truck was desirable for the front-end loader, as he told the Council some time ago. The Council had tackled the plant problem very well in the past two years, but they could not get everything they wanted. In answer to Cr. Kirkpatrick, the engineer said that the Diesel it was proposed to purchase was a Perkins. Cr. Guthrie — It seemed that they had to build up their Replacement Account. Cr. Schlicht — The engineer had been telling them that all along. In answer to Cr. Roddis, the secretary said he expected them to come out £2000 better off. The Depreciation Account was built up by the hire of plant. They would have to take into consideration a new valuation. In reply to Cr. Buchanan, the secretary said they could make a new valuation now if they wished to. A property sold recently for £20 an acre that they had valued at £5/10/. Cr. Schlicht — They would have to pay £1000 for a new valuation today, which was very unsatisfactory in other shires. They had no need to spend £1000, and should increase the rate instead. Cr. Kirkpatrick — They had the opportunity to increase the rate to 4/ now. Cr. Schlicht — Their land values at the moment were artificial, he thought, but he might be wrong. They should go along quietly for a couple of years till land prices were stabilised. Cr. Kirkpatrick — A well-known valuer's opinion was — Be careful with land at the present time. Cr. Guthrie — Land sales had gone up 71 per cent. since the controls were taken off. Cr. Schlicht expressed the opinion that if interest rates were increased, it would decrease the value of land. The engineer — There was no suggestion of any major plant rise. Cr. Roddis asked what it was costing to keep the old grader going. The engineer — It was out of action one month in three. In the state of the machine, he had to spend three times as much time as he should on it. Cr. Roddis — They might be losing more money keeping the old grader going

R.S.L. BOWLING CLUB

XMAS. ACTIVITIES.
 Ripon R.S.L. Bowling Club held several competitions over the Christmas holidays on their green at Beaufort.

A Singles Match on 17th December was won by R. Saddler; the winner of the Consolation Singles being J. Sutton.

On Decr. 24, a Pairs Competition was held; the winners being R. Saddler and W. Glenister.

A Singles Match on 26th December resulted in a win for C. H. McKay; the winner of the Consolation Singles being A. Whiting.

On Decr. 27 a rinks competition took place, the winners of which were F. J. Martin, R. Saddler, C. H. McKay, and W. Beasley.

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than if they bought a new one. The engineer — There was no doubt about that. Cr. Schlicht — The economical thing was to buy a new one now, as they required it. Cr. Hinton — Their repair bills would be more than they paid in interest. The engineer — The bill for repairs on this grader paid this month was £5/9/3, and the previous month £9, and the loss of time was not accounted for. Cr. Hinton — The Diesel had extra power and did not deteriorate so quickly. Cr. Roddis — The old grader was only fit for brushing roads. They were only losing money by it. He moved that tenders be called for a new Diesel machine for the February meeting. Seconded by Cr. Guthrie (who said it was not economic to keep on with the present grader), and carried. When the new machine is delivered, tenders are to be called for purchase of the old grader.

2. Plans and specifications covering the reconstruction of portions of the Mt. William Rd. and Kayley's Lane have been prepared and forwarded to the Board for approval. Tenders will be called for the supply and delivery of surfacing material. Clause 2 — The engineer — They should go for 1700 next year, as it was the worst road in the N.R. In regard to Kayley's Lane, the trouble was to get material. He had not yet got a reply about material from the S.S. Commission on a block on Langi-Kal-Kal. The material was only a quarter of a mile from the job. Other material was much further away, and the Kal-Kal material would reduce the cost from 12/ a yard to 3/6 a yard. He had provided for complete re-sheeting from the Highway to Brewster School. 3. Jackson's Reservoir is now full and is available in an emergency if there is a break in the main. Clause 3 — Received. The engineer said Troy's reservoir had maintained its level. The president — There was a good flow of water at the source, but the basin was silted up. The race on the north side was out of commission altogether. The engineer — In the past two years' consumption had gone up 20 per cent. They could not do anything for the worst part of the town without meters. Cr. Buchanan — There were complaints from all over the town, and they had to do something about it. They levied rates and should supply the water. The secretary said meters would cost £5 or £6 each. Cr. Buchanan — It would cost more than replacing defective pipe lines. The secretary — Before they could borrow money to replace pipes, they had to meter the town. There would be about 300 consumers in the town, and the population was about 1500. President Watkin — If the people were only more careful in the use of water, there would be plenty. — Report to be obtained by Water Commission on supply of meters, on motion of Crs. Buchanan and Roddis. 4. Further reconstruction will be commenced on the Eurambien-Streatham Road next week. Clause 4 — Received; the engineer stating that he had made arrangements for the work to continue on while he was on holidays.

DISTRICT NEWS ITEMS

BUANGOR NOTES

"HELP THY NEIGHBOUR."
 The spirit of "help thy neighbour" was much in evidence on Saturday, 30th Decr. when in the morning 18 Buangor and district residents, with three trucks, baled and stacked 1050 bales of grass hay in 2½ hours on the property of the late Mr Donald MacInnes, of Buangor. The efforts of the stackbuilders and the tasty refreshments evoked high praise. No time was lost in contacting the Ballarat Hospital and notifying that popular and well known sportsman, Ian MacInnes that the job was completed, and it is hoped that his slow but steady recovery will be hastened by the knowledge that all is well on the farm.

BUANGOR HOTEL.

The new licensee of the Buangor Hotel, Mrs Moloney, took over on Sunday morning, 1st January. With their son and daughter, Mr and Mrs Moloney were welcomed by a number of local residents. Used to farming, they expressed a desire to assist in local affairs and give service to the public.

UGLY MAN, COMPETITION.

Before departing from Buangor, Mr and Mrs Flight, of the Buangor Hotel, gave a pleasant evening to members of the concert party which toured the district in aid of Mr Flight's effort in the Ugly Man Competition, which was wound up last Friday night at the Buangor Hall. Speakers expressed their appreciation of the public spirited service rendered by Mr and Mrs Flight, and thanked them for the pleasant evening. In their comparatively short stay in the district, Mr and Mrs Flight made many friends, and set a high standard in their conduct of the Buangor Hotel.

LEAVING BUANGOR.

Mr George Green and his wife will be leaving Buangor shortly to take up residence at Stawell. Mr Green was for many years a grain buyer and wood merchant, and was well known to soldier settlers of the first world war. Mrs Green in years gone by has been an active worker for local causes, and both will be missed by their many friends, who wish them well at Stawell.

RIFLE CLUB

CHRISTMAS SHOOT.

Beaufort Rifle Club on Decr. 24 held a Christmas Handicap (10 shots at 600 yds). Conditions were difficult on account of a gusty wind. The leading scores were:—

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| J. McKenzie | 38-17-50 |
| R. Maher | 32-17-49 |
| W. Skene | 30-19-49 |
| G. Lofts, junr. | 34-13-47 |
| E. Power | 27-19-46 |

Secret prizes were won by J. Waldron, R. L. Crick, and J. Skene.

Each member donated a trophy for the shoot and received one. The ladies provided afternoon tea.

BEAUFORT GRAZING PROPERTY SOLD AT £20 AN ACRE.

The well-known grazing property, Sheep Wash, Beaufort, owned by Mr E. R. McWaters, of Beaufort, was submitted at public auction on Thursday, 6th January, by Dalgety & Co. Ltd., Ballarat.

The property, which comprises 2439 acres, was passed in at £19 5/ an acre, but was sold shortly afterwards at the satisfactory price of £20 an acre to Mr W. H. Fleay, of Winchelsea, who was the last bidder.

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DEATH. STEWART. — On 7th January, Duncan Stewart, beloved brother of Madge, died at Toowoomba, Queensland.

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Local News and Notes. FOOTBALLERS' BALL. The Black and White Ball, held by the Beaufort Football Club at the Picture Theatre on Friday night, 23rd Dec., was well attended.

AGENT-GENERAL. According to a Melbourne news item, the Minister for Lands and Soldier Settlement, Mr R. C. Guthrie, is now regarded as the most likely of a number of aspirants for the position of Victorian Agent-General in London.

ARM BROKEN. When playing in the Fire Station on Monday, 12th Dec., Beaufort, Lorrie Cole, aged seven years, daughter of Mr and Mrs S. Cole, of the Fire Station, fell and broke her arm in two places.

F. B. LADIES' CLUB. At the monthly meeting of the Beaufort F. B. Ladies' Club, held on Monday afternoon, Mrs R. Saddler (president) was in the chair. A letter was received from the Beaufort in Melbourne Club stating that the Blind As. Association and ask if they could supply bowls, mats, a broom, and scrubbing brush.

COMING SALES. At their Skipton special sale on Monday, 23rd Jan., Crawford Dowling Pty. Ltd., of Ballarat, will offer 3000 excellent sheep from district breeders and graziers.

URBAN FIRE BRIGADE. RIPON SHIRE COUNCIL. JANUARY MEETING. The first meeting for the New Year of the Beaufort Urban Fire Brigade took place at the Fire Station on Monday night, and was attended by 21 active and reserve members.

CORRESPONDENCE. The president — There were had gutters at the junction of The Gut and Elmhurst roads. Mr E. Tiley requested that lane be formed 150 yds. from the road to the Elmhurst bridge.

ACCIDENTS. Mr Doug. Crick, of Beaufort, got a splinter 5 in. long in his arm, when a branch of tree fell on him while he was at work in the bush.

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DADS' ASSOCIATION. MONTHLY MEETING. Ripon Sub-branch of the Dads' Association met at the Shire Hall on Tuesday night for the first time for 1950, and eight members were present.

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RIPON SHIRE REPORTS: At the Ripon Shire Council meeting on Monday the following reports were dealt with: SECRETARY'S REPORT: The secretary (Mr N. B. Aton) reported:—Receipts bank ed, £2315/15/6; cheques paid, £2332/7/11. Dr. Finance, 5th Jan. 1950, £14,741/10/3, against £14,424/18/7 on 12th Dec. 1949.

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BUANGOR NOTES: HALL COMMITTEE: The total amount to hand when the Ugly Man takings are handed in will be approximately £785, which with promises made and not yet to hand, will bring the total to £840.

WATERLOO AND CHUTE: SCHOOL BREAK-UP AND CHRISTMAS TREE: School break-up celebrations took place on Thursday, 15th Dec.

RIFLE CLUB AGGREGATE MATCH: The Beaufort Rifle Club held an aggregate match on Saturday, 10th Dec.

EUCHRE SOCIAL: The Beaufort F.B. Ladies' Club held a euchre social on Thursday night, 12th Jan. Results:—Ladies: Mrs. O'Brien, 1; Mrs. J. E. Day, 2; Men: Mr. E. Day, 1; Reg. Hains, 2.

SKIPTON JOTTINGS: (Continued from previous col.) complete by the arrival later of Rev. Malcolm McQueen, a son of the late Rev. Mr. Angus had the greatest impression on him as a youth.

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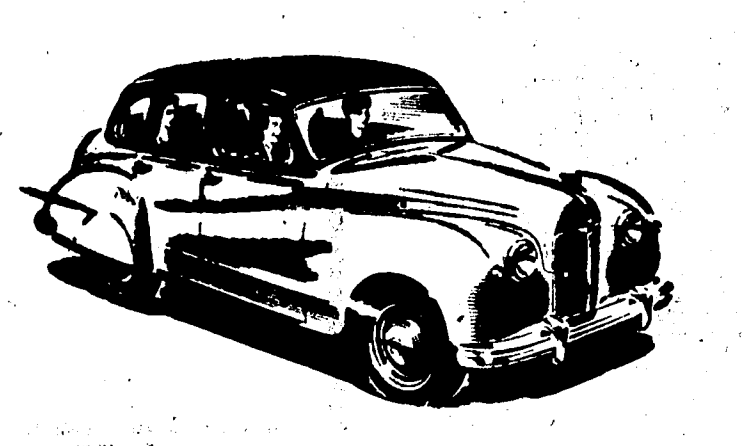
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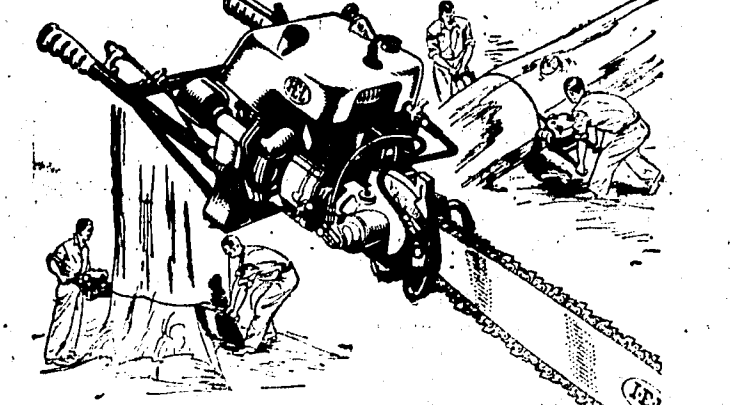
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SMITH (nee Young). — On January 3rd, to Olga and Keith, 6 Booroonara Street, Reil, Canberra — a son, Graham.

CAWTHORNE (nee Lowe). — In Ballarat, 14th January, Lily Evelyn, dearly beloved daughter of Mena and Bill. Sleep on Beloved. CAWTHORNE (nee Lowe). — In Ballarat, 14th January, Lily, dearly loved sister of Nancy and Jim. A memory for ever.

DEAN. — On January 14th, Sandra Francis, dearly loved daughter of Gloria and Frank, and dear sister of Isla. Age 11 months. HOLDSWORTH. — On 12th January, at Beaufort, Mary, beloved mother of John, Ethel (Mrs H. Driver), Alva (Mrs J. Dawson), and loving Mrs of Harold and Robin.

IN MEMORIAM. HOLDSWORTH. — In memory of our beloved father, William, who passed away, 31st Jan., 1947. Deceased by John, Ethel, Alva, and Leslie.

INJURY TO BACK. Mr McKenzie, junr., of Beaufort, received an injury to the back when a ladder fell on him. PROBABLE FRACTURE OF LEG. Mr Fred McLean, of Main Road, had an accident on Tuesday, which resulted in a probable fracture of the leg.

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LEGION SPORTS MEETING OF COMMITTEE. A well-attended meeting of the Legion Sports Committee was held at the Shire Hall on Tuesday night. Mr B. Hall (president) presiding, and 20 members being present.

BEAUFORT RAINFALL 1945-January, 93; Feb., 104; March, 10; April, 64; May, 180; June, 204; July, 190; August, 246; September, 184; October, 228; November, 254; December, 64; total for year, 2054.

COMING SALES At their Skipton special sale on Monday, 24th Jan., at 10 o'clock, Crawford Dowling Pty. Ltd., Beaufort, will offer 3000 excellent sheep from district breeders and shippers.

WATERLOO SPORTS TO BE HELD. At a well attended meeting of the Waterloo Sports Club, it was decided to hold the annual carnival on Easter Saturday, and five 215 in. prizes. Mr Harold Schlicht, president, and Mr W. J. McEvale secretary, A full report of the meeting is held over.

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CYCLING GENERAL MEETING OF CLUB. A general meeting of the Beaufort Professional Cycling Club was held at Messrs. Anderson Bros. Cafe on 10th Jan. Mr W. Torney occupied the chair. It was the first meeting of the club since the 1949-50 season.

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OBITUARY MRS. AUGUSTUS MCINTOSH. Mr George Wilson, of Ballarat (formerly of Beaufort), suffered a bereavement on 3rd Jan. by the death of his sister, Mrs Augustus McIntosh. Mrs McIntosh was 70 years of age, and an old and devoted friend of the late Mrs George Wilson.

FUNERAL OF MRS M. HOLDSWORTH. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends at the funeral of the late Mrs M. Holdsworth, of Beaufort, on Saturday, 15th Jan. The deceased was 82 years of age, and had been suffering from illness for some time.

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THE LEGION JANUARY MEETING. The Beaufort Sub-branch of the Australian Legion of Ex-servicemen and Women opened the New Year with an attendance of 14 members at the monthly meeting, held at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, 17th Jan. Mr E. Larkens (president) presiding. Apologies were received from several absentees.

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CYCLING RACE. There were 10 starters at the Beaufort Park on Saturday in a mile scratch race held by the local Professional Cycling Club. Results: 1. Lamb 2. Johnston 3. Anderson 4. T. T. Lap times - K. Torney and R. 24.

RIPON R.S.L.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Business of considerable importance was transacted on Saturday night at the annual meeting of Ripon Sub-Branch, R.S.L. The State Country Vice-President, Mr. C. H. McKay, conducted the business, and the meeting was held in the Mechanics' Institute. There was an attendance of 29 members. Apologies were received from Messrs. J. M. Muntz, G. Oddie, and A. McGregor.

Proceedings opened with a minute of the silence in memory of fallen comrades. Correspondence was read from the State Branch, forwarding forms for the secretary, brochures re-organisation of Anzac Day march and appointment of guides; drive for increased war pensions; reminders of membership and "Martyr" subscriptions; badge transfers; servicemen's grave-stone plaques; installation ceremony of new officers and presentation of badges; membership certificates; Digges' wireless signs descriptive of League's work; observation of Australia Day; and blood donor groups for Heidelberg Hospital.

The president — It would be very nice indeed if it could have every ex-servicemen's grave marked by the plaques mentioned. They would have to get in touch with next of kin for permission. He would make further enquiries at headquarters. In reply to Mr. Bridges, the secretary said there were 23 ex-servicemen's graves in the local cemetery.

The president said he would like to get direction from the local doctor in regard to blood donor groups. From Ballarat Sub-Branch, re-motor gymkhana on Australia Day. Received. From Gallipoli Legion, making appeal to all those disabled in the two wars, and who would remain in hospital beds for the rest of their days. Received.

The president said the report and balance-sheet had not been printed prior to the meeting this year, owing to short notice. The secretary (Mr. F. J. Webster) then read a comprehensive report by the president of the year's activities. The balance-sheet for the past year showed: Receipts, £140 18/3; expenditure, £112/3/; credit balance, £28/15/3.

A discussion took place in regard to a recent case of distress in which a returned man of World War I, was concerned, and it was decided to write to the Legion, thanking them for the assistance they had rendered in the matter, and informing them that the R.S.L. would like closer co-ordination of activities in such matters, on motion of Messrs. W. Anderson and A. J. Saph. The fund showed a Cr. balance of £270/15/4.

It was reported that the Women's Auxiliary had donated £75 to the Building Fund. The balance-sheet of the R.S.L. Bowling Club showed a Cr. balance of £5/11/1. The president said the club had not received the support from the R.S.L. members he would like.

The balance-sheet of the Women's Auxiliary showed a Cr. balance of £23/0/5. The president, in commenting on the report and balance-sheets, said they had to have a wide view of the Victorian Branch before they criticised the activities of the sub-branch. He was keen for more of the younger members to take a leading part in sub-branch activities. One of the biggest fights for the past 12 months was to get the deceased soldiers' widows' pensions increased, as well as disabled men's pensions raised. With a basic wage of £6/10, how a person could live on £3/10 was beyond his comprehension. The strength of the organisation was the strength of the sub-branches, and he urged them to retain their membership and try and increase it. The younger generation felt it was nearly time they had a rest and that the burden was taken over by the younger generation. He moved the adoption of the balance-sheets and report.

Mr. A. Mackenzie seconded the motion, which was carried. Invitation from Sebastopol Sub-Branch to smoke social on Friday, 20th July. Received. The president thanked members and officers for their co-operation during the past year. He felt it was time they had a new

president. As he was living 20 miles out, he was not so closely in contact with affairs as he would like to be. Mr. N. S. McLeod was appointed interim chairman for the election of officers. Mr. McLeod said Mr. McKay had been a wonderful asset to the sub-branch for many years and had given countless days and hours of service to it, and they said thanks a lot to him. He nominated Mr. McKay for re-election. Mr. Neil seconded the nomination. Mr. McKay was unanimously re-elected.

Mr. McKay, in returning thanks, said this was not the only office he held in the R.S.L. He would not seek re-election for Country Vice-President at next State conference. He urged them to cast their eyes around for a younger man to take his place after next year. The following vice-presidents were elected:—Messrs. H. G. Dunn and W. Bridges (Messrs. A. Mackenzie, A. A. Robinson, and J. Kirkpatrick declining nomination). Mr. Webster stated that he would not be available as secretary this year; he had held the position for 12 years, and it was time for a younger man to enter in as secretary, with the idea of introducing more social activities. Messrs. E. Webster and A. A. Robinson declined nomination. Mr. F. Webster agreed to carry on for the coming year, with the understanding that a secretary was found in that time. Mr. Webster was elected secretary pro tem.

Mr. F. J. Martin suggested that a secretary be paid. Mr. Mackenzie — It was rather a poor reflection on the younger members to pay a man when Mr. Webster had done the work for nothing for 12 years. The remaining officers were elected as follows:—Treasurer, Mr. R. Webster; auditor, Mr. A. Mackenzie; committee, Messrs. G. Oddie, E. R. Neil and E. Russell; the branch he is going to be notified, and sympathy to be expressed for Mr. and Mrs. Dean in the illness of their daughter. The president said arrangements were being made for a programme of musical items at the smoke night on 28th Jan. It was resolved that the Ladies' Auxiliary be asked to cater for the smoke night. Mr. W. Bridges — He wondered if the Legion and R.S.L. could give a combined effort for a decent hall. The president — They would discuss it in committee and go into the pros and cons. In answer to Mr. Bridges, the president said ex-servicemen got a priority for Commission houses, which were now on a purchase basis. Mr. McLeod moved that Mr. F. Webster be nominated as a life member of the organisation. Seconded by Mr. W. Hunt, and carried. The secretary said he sent a letter of sympathy to Dr. S. E. Humphreys, who had recently been in hospital. The president said they were definitely going to have a members drive next year. Mr. Bridges suggested holding meetings in different districts. The president — That was something for the new committee to consider.

BAND SOCIAL. The Beaufort Town Band held a euchre social on Monday night, and the results were:—Ladies — Mrs. E. Day, 1; Mrs. A. McGregor, 2. Messrs. W. J. Scriven and W. H. Williams divided 1 and 2. EUCHRE AND BOWLS. At the Beaufort F.B. Ladies' Club euchre and bowls social on Wednesday night, the first and second prizes in Section 1 were divided by Mrs. J. Williams, Mrs. A. Vowles, and Al. Stephens. In section 2 first and second prizes were divided by Mrs. H. Dunn, Mr. J. Williams, and Mr. McLeod. The carpet bowls winners were Mrs. W. Gillingham, Miss M. Anderson, and Mr. C. Broadbent.

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After the Sports Club secretary called the annual meeting in December of last year, and such a small attendance was the result, it was thought that the chance of continuing the annual meeting on the reserve was remote. Since much more interest seemed to be infused into it, with the result that 14 members attended on Friday, 13th January, and all seemed to have a lot of enthusiasm in them, realising that after 30 years of continuous functioning, with the exception of one year, it would not be right to allow the meetings to drop. Mr. W. McEwale occupied the chair until the formal business was transacted, and vacated it after thanking for support.

Mr. H. Lewis was then appointed interim chairman after several had been nominated and declined. The past president also declined on the grounds that he wished the position to go round. Then Mr. Lewis was nominated, and after some persuasion, accepted the position on a unanimous vote.

Messrs. E. Broadbent and W. Kay were elected vice-presidents. The task of obtaining a secretary; the secretary (Mr. H. Dunn) signifying that owing to pressure of business in his industry he could not accept it, but perhaps when he got going he would accept it. Mr. Lewis wished, but still would do all he could for the club.

Mr. W. McEwale was then thanked, but declined, and eventually everyone at the meeting was nominated and declined. At this stage it was thought the whole thing had gone flat owing to want of a secretary, but Mr. W. McEwale was nominated, and with the help of Mr. Jim McEwale to act as treasurer.

The club was then re-formed with a membership of 67. After discussion, it was agreed to run the sports for the benefit of local utilities — the Recreation Reserve and Mechanics' Hall, which are the basis of the club's activities and success. The club in the past raised large sums of money for patriotic and charitable purposes, and this is only the second time the local institutions will benefit. It was the goal of the club to keep their own public places in order.

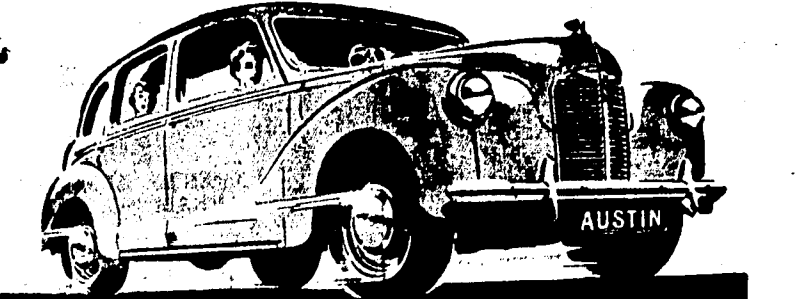
A discussion then arose on last year's programme; it being decided to give the same prize money (£125); a proposal to reduce it to £100 being lost. After the retiring secretary had read a list of the entries, it was agreed to give the prizes to the clubs, excepting trotting; the entries of hunters, etc., in this section being very light, and there seeming to be little chance of their increasing. The money for these events was added to cycling, road racing, chopping, and cycling. The dancing is to be the same as last year, as well as the balance of the programme.

It was resolved to get a quotation from all the Highland bands of Ballarat and Maryborough, and to engage Mr. Roy Crick as announcer. The luncheon booth is to be leased to a caterer; the stalls to be run by local ladies. Socials are to be run every fortnight to aid the funds. Mr. A. Karalake's band is to be engaged, and Mr. E. Broadbent, also appointed. Apologies were received for the unavoidable absence of Messrs. W. Jones, of Ballarat, and P. Tengrove.

Before the meeting a good many of the public of the Beaufort district were much perturbed when they heard the Club might have to disband, and since then there have been many congratulations and promises of donations and support when they heard the club was functioning again. The next meeting will be held on Jan. 28th.

BEAUFORT TOWN BAND. Beaufort Town Band's monthly committee meeting at the Shire Hall on Thursday night, 19th Jan., was attended by nine members: Mr. W. G. Gillingham, president. The secretary (Mr. Duncan) asked that the bandmaster be unable to get a band for the recital to have been held on Jan. 14. From Victorian Bands' League, asking that a Melba Memorial concert be organised in aid of the permanent memorial to the greatest of all singers. Received, and held over till a later date. From Wimmera Bands Group, re-proposed band Sunday at Hall's Gap on Easter Sunday, and a later one at Nhill on May 2. Held over till next meeting; the Band Group to be informed that at the present time they could not see their way clear to get a band together. A circular was also read from the Victorian Bands League in regard to bands in the Wimmera Group competing for a V.B.L. shield. Mr. Sadler said he intended to resign as bandmaster after the Legion sports, but would continue to play with the band. Mr. Duncan — They could not afford to pay a bandmaster full money. Mr. J. Stewart moved that a letter of thanks be sent to the ladies' committee for a dozen packs of cards. — Agreed to. The secretary reported a Cr. balance of £60/18/1. There was also £29 in bonds, and £2/7/7 in the Instrument Account. If there were nothing done at next meeting, he would resign as secretary. It was decided to call a special meeting of bandmen and supporters on Thursday, 2nd Feb. to discuss future activities of the band, on the motion of Messrs. W. Besley and R. L. Crick. The secretary's action in obtaining a wreath for the Holdsworth family was endorsed, and also in sending a letter of condolence. Mr. Stewart thanked the band for a letter of sympathy received in a recent bereavement.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 1950. A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY. It takes a bright child to make his parents believe in heredity.

Local News and Notes

IMMEDIATE DELIVERY. J. E. Whittepool & Co. have English Fordson Major Diesel Tractors available for immediate delivery. EUGENE SOCIAL. Beaufort F. B. Ladies' Club held a euchre social on Saturday night and the results were—Section 1—Mr. McGregor, 1 Mrs. Laney, 2 Section 2—Mr. A. S. Duncan, 1; Miss Jean Dalgleish, 2.

At a sale held by Macleod and Booth at Ballarat on 19th Jan., a nice line of 150 4-tooth Corriale ewes from St. Enoch's Estate made 50/3, top price for ewes for the day. BAND SOCIAL. Beaufort Town Band held a euchre social on Monday night, and the results were—Ladies—Mrs. J. Rayner and Mrs. A. Vowles, 1 and 2, Men—Mr. G. Wilding, 1; Messrs. W. H. Williams and A. S. Duncan divided 2.

MISHAP TO ENGINE. On Sunday there was a mishap with the 50-h.p. crude oil engine at the Ripon Shire Electricity Supply Committee's power house in Lawrence St., Beaufort, the engine being considerably damaged. LOAN FENNAF FOR BEAUFORT. Subscribing £2410, at an average of 28/14 a head of population, Beaufort has exceeded its allotted quota of £8750 in the Eighth Security Loan. In recognition of this further success by Beaufort, District Representative (Mr. N. M. Berg) on Wednesday, on behalf of Mr. J. O. Schlicht & Son, Director for Victoria, presented Mr. N. B. Acton, hon. secretary Beaufort Loans Committee, with a certificate of appreciation. Mr. Berg said that the Deputy Director was most appreciative of the fact that Beaufort had always accorded Commonwealth Loans and had been practical in the grant of support given by Mr. Acton and members of the Loans Committee. It was also reported that advance applications to the loan were substantial, and it was expected that Beaufort would again secure itself well before the closing date. The actual date of the opening of the loan was not yet finalized and quotas had not yet been allocated.

COMING SALES

Dalgety & Co. Ltd. and T. W. Schlicht & Son. Beaufort will hold a special sale of 3000 sheep at Beaufort on Wednesday, 31st Feb. Dalgety & Co. Ltd. Ballarat and Skipton will hold a special sale at the Skipton yards on Wednesday, 1st February, 1950, at 10.00 a.m. Messrs. Theo. W. Schlicht & Son have several motor cars for sale.

R.S.L. WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The annual meeting of the Ripon R.S.L. Women's Auxiliary took place on Wednesday night, Mrs. A. Robinson (retiring president) presided. Fifteen members were present. Apologies were received for the absence of Mrs. Pascoe and Mrs. Duncan. A letter of thanks was received from Ripon Sub-branch, R.S.L. in appreciation of the duplicate Sadders, secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Jillian Dunn. All present formed themselves into a committee, with power to add. Arrangements were made to cater for the R.S.L. smoke night. It was decided to meet on the second Wednesday of each month. A letter is to be sent to Mrs. Saph, expressing the hope that she would soon be back with them again. A donation of 10/0 was voted to the R.S.L. Bowling Club towards upkeep. A tasty supper was afterwards served.

LEGNON SPORTS

Table with 2 columns: Name, Points. Includes Jim Alexander, W. Wiltshire, A. A. Brown, D. Reid, B. Pearce, R. Searle, E. J. Richards, K. L. Crosbie, K. L. Marshall, S. J. Proctor, B. M. Reeve, S. Tomlinson, J. Wardlaw, H. E. Duff, Alf Caldwell, W. B. Kestlake, R. D. Taylor, Col Barker, E. D. Watfield, M. Harmon.

NOVICE UNDERHAND — £20, 27, and 28. Winners to be presented with Highest Rating Axe. 36 in. logs. 1. W. Borthwick 10 on, 2. G. Glenister 10 on, 3. L. S. Proctor 10 on, 4. A. Trickey 10 on, 5. R. Searle 12 on, 6. L. J. Barker 12 on, 7. J. Blake 12 on, 8. W. Marshall 12 on, 9. T. Inverarity 7 on, 10. L. Wright 7 on, 11. A. Trotter 12 on, 12. D. S. Walker 12 on, 13. C. Dicker 12 on, 14. A. Trotter 12 on, 15. J. Lamb 12 on, 16. S. D. Wakefield 12 on, 17. F. Hains 10 on, 18. B. M. Reeve 10 on, 19. K. Pyatt 10 on, 20. G. Glenister 10 on, 21. R. Royance 17 on, 22. G. Hains 8 on, 23. A. Reach 12 on, 24. B. Wakefield 12 on, 25. W. B. Kestlake 12 on, 26. Bruce Pearce 12 on, 27. J. Crick 12 on, 28. S. J. Proctor 12 on, 29. A. Reach 12 on, 30. B. Wakefield 12 on, 31. W. B. Kestlake 12 on, 32. Bruce Pearce 12 on, 33. J. Crick 12 on, 34. S. J. Proctor 12 on, 35. A. Reach 12 on, 36. W. B. Kestlake 12 on, 37. Bruce Pearce 12 on, 38. J. Crick 12 on, 39. S. J. Proctor 12 on, 40. A. Reach 12 on, 41. W. 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SATURDAY, JAN. 28, 1950.

FIERY CREEK LODGE

GOLDEN JUBILEE OF THREE MEMBERS.

A memorable meeting of the Fiery Creek Lodge took place at the Masonic Hall, Beaufort, on Saturday night, to commemorate the golden jubilee of three members — Wor. Bros. E. J. Muntz, P.S.G.D. (secretary for 39 years), W. J. Stevenson, P.G. Std., and David Stevenson, P.M. W. Bro. J. J. Sutton, W.M., presided, and there was an attendance of more than 80 visiting Past Grand Lodge officers, W.M.'s, P.M.'s, and members of the local Lodge.

A pleasing feature was the presence of two sons of W. Bro. Muntz and two sons of W. Bro. D. Stevenson.

W. Bro. W. J. Stevenson was unable to attend.

W. Bro. J. Eddy, Past Grand Inspector of Workings, presented a 50 years' jewel, a gold watch, and a wallet to W. Bro. Muntz, and a 50 years' jewel and a silver salver to W. Bro. D. Stevenson. A 50 years' jewel and silver salver are to be forwarded to W. Bro. W. J. Stevenson. W. Bro. Eddy made reference to the great service the recipients had rendered to the Fiery Creek Lodge and Masonry in general.

W. Bros. Muntz and D. Stevenson responded.

A Masonic banquet in honour of the occasion followed at the C.W.A. Hall. The tables were prettily decorated with flowers, and the caterer was Bro. R. J. Connell. W. Bro. J. J. Sutton, W.M., presided.

After the loyal toast had been honoured, W. Bro. J. E. Wallish (Assistant-Secretary), proposed The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers, present and past.

W. Bro. Eddy, in responding, said he was very pleased to be present to commemorate the 50 years' service of these three brethren and to make the presentations.

A song was given by Bro. G. Exell.

"Our Honoured Guests" was proposed by W. Bro. Stein, Past Grand Inspector of Workings, who said he should have been at Warramboul to-night, but came to Beaufort to see the presentation to these members who had served this Lodge so long. He had known W. Bro. Muntz for many years, and in each district around he stood out as a Freemason. If they did not know W. Bro. Muntz, they did not know Beaufort, and he was also well known throughout Victoria and in other States as well. It was a wonderful tribute to a man that he was so well known throughout the fraternity. He first met W. Bro. Muntz in connection with Royal Arch Masonry, where he held the highest position. He had the honour of presenting him as a special member of the Yarroo Chapter. He had also known him in Mark Masonry, and appreciated the work he had done. The 3 brethren initiated 50 years ago, had given an ideal to live up to and emulate. They appreciated the manner in which they had conducted themselves and tried to carry out the teachings of Freemasonry. When in trouble no one was better able to advise and help them than these men of long standing and experience in the Lodge. He trusted they would be spared for many years to carry on the good work they were doing. Those who had come in contact with them appreciated them. On behalf of members of the Beaufort Lodge and Grand Lodge, he specially thanked them for their work in Beaufort.

W. Bro. E. J. Muntz, in response, remarked how pleased he was to be associated with W. Bros. D. and W. J. Stevenson. These two brethren had been closely identified with him during the whole of his just on 50 years in Beaufort. They had worked very well together, enjoyed the work, and held each other in the highest respect. He very much appreciated the fact that a very old member was present in the person of Bro. D. R. Hannah. There were quite a number here who had been members for 30 years or more. He also very much appreciated the fact of the presence of two of his sons. His own brother had also come a long distance to attend. He also appreciated the fact that W. Bros. Eddy and Stein had taken part. He attended a celebration not long ago when the brethren of the Ballarat Lodge paid a like tribute to W. Bro. Eddy. Waxing reminiscence, W. Bro. Muntz traced the history of the Fiery Creek Lodge and of many of its leading members from the far-off days in 1800 when it used to meet at the nail passing almost through his Shire Hall, and of its occupancy of the present Masonic Hall, and

the purchase of a block of land for the contemplated new Temple. He had been secretary since 1910 or 1911. It was a great pleasure to know that he had the good wishes of the brethren. As far as the Fiery Creek Lodge was concerned, every brother was a good friend of his. He thanked the members for the handsome way they had treated him. The 50 years' jewel was very nice and he would hand it on to his children. He hoped to go on serving the Fiery Creek Lodge for many years to come.

W. Bro. D. Stevenson said like W. Bro. Muntz, he had two sons here. It was a long time since W. Bro. Muntz and he had commenced to work together. In the old days they often came 28 or 30 miles to Lodge, and had many happy times in the Lodge. He would rather work than speak at any time. He thanked them for the nice presents, which he would hand on to his family.

"Our Guests" was proposed by W. Bro. R. C. Hodgetts, who said this night was one that would live for a long time in the memory of all present.

W. Bro. Feckner (W.M. of Dimboola Lodge), and W. Bro. Dowler, P.M. (Learnmonth) responded.

The Tyler's Toast, proposed by Bro. Rev. A. T. Cottrell, concluded a noteworthy gathering.

Arrangements were in the hands of W. Bro. J. E. Wallish (Assistant-Secy.)

PERSONAL

The Catholic Bishop of Ballarat, Most Rev. Dr. J. P. O'Collins, will leave this month for Rome, to take part in the Holy Year celebrations. It is understood that Dean J. Timmons, of Ararat, will, if possible, make the pilgrimage. Some members of the diocesan laity will also be among the 700 pilgrims who will shortly leave Australia.

Mrs Stewart, of Monmot, Beaufort, and Miss Lalla Stewart, who is convalescent after her recent operation at St. Andrew's Hospital, have been staying at Swinton with Mr and Mrs A. J. H. Gray.

Mrs O'Flaherty has returned home after a visit to her mother, Mrs O'Loughlin, of Buangor.

A social was held in the Chute Hall, where the members of the Waterloo Tennis Club took the opportunity of presenting Miss Nancy Flynn with a silver sandwich tray in honour of her forthcoming marriage to Mr A. Howely, of Rochester. In the absence of the president, Mr Chas. Lewis, the secretary, Mr R. Boyd made the presentation; wishing Nancy every success in her married life. Mr Rex. Dunn supported these remarks. Nancy suitably responded. A delicious supper was served, and the singing of "Aud Lang Syne" brought the happy evening to a close.

Mr and Mrs B. Russell, of "Glendara," Waterloo, have been holidaying in Melbourne.

Mr and Mrs R. Boyd, of Waterloo, have staying with them Mr and Mrs W. Jay, of Melbourne.

Mr and Mrs R. Roffey and family, of Caulfield, and Mr and Mrs H. Burnell and family, of Newport, have been staying with Mrs A. M. Parker at Beaufort.

Mr and Mrs A. D. Rogers, of Melbourne, spent the week-end at Beaufort as the guests of Mrs J. S. Sutton.

Mrs H. T. Slee, of Beaufort, has returned from a visit to Sydney.

NEW STATISTIC ITEMS THIS YEAR.

Police have advised that NEW ITEMS ARE REQUIRED on the statistic collections, starting in March this year are:—Tenure of holding, area under citrus fruits, breeds of sheep, population of holding, employment permanent and temporary and WAGES and SALARIES PAID. A complete census of machinery will also be required.

FLAG BRIDGE

Three members of the C.W.A., Mesdames W. Torney, E. Sullivan, and A. J. Hughes, held a flag bridge social for the Association funds on Thursday, 19th inst. The winners were Mesdames L. Stephens, R. T. Macdonald, and L. Watkin; the runners-up being Miss E. Nickols, Mrs C. Whitfield, and Mrs Star. Trophies for the lowest score went to Miss Stewart, Mrs Skene, and Mrs Laney. The entrance prize was won by Miss Nickols. Competitions were won by Mr C. Raynor and Miss D. Exell.

ACCIDENT

Mr A. J. Hughes, of Beaufort, had the misfortune to step on a nail while chasing a calf; the nail passing almost through his foot. He was treated at the local of the present Masonic Hall, and B.N. Hospital.

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MRS. JENKINS IN "BLUE HILLS"

ALMA BUTTERFIELD, of the "Anst Jenny Real Life" Sydney, who plays Mrs. Jenkins in the A.B.C. serial, "Blue Hills," is realising her life-long ambition to become a character actress.

For some years the domestic scene has claimed her full time, and it is only during the past twelve months that she has been able to return to radio.

Her first character part for the A.B.C. was as Mrs. Brown in "The Lawsons". Since then she has had a modest variety of character and comedy roles.

In commercial radio she has played in "Hagan's Circus" and has also been prominent in some

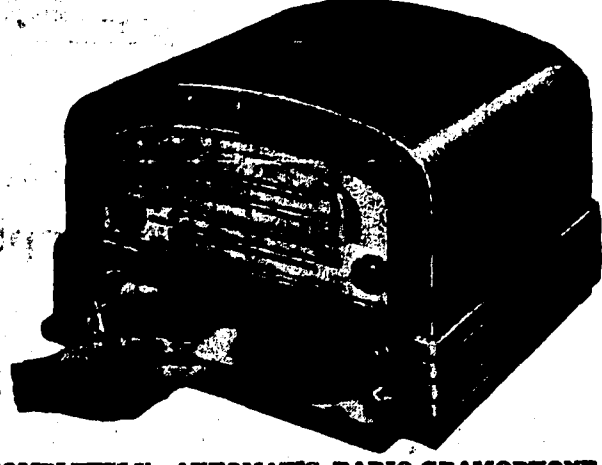
of the "Anst Jenny Real Life" Sydney, who plays Mrs. Jenkins in the A.B.C. serial, "Blue Hills," is realising her life-long ambition to become a character actress.

Alma Butterfield is an ardent gardener with a great love of the bush and outdoor life. She lives at Epping, a semi-rural suburb of Sydney, and likes nothing better than hiking along the country roads.

Just recently Joyce Arthur, who was a well-known radio personality before she married and went to America, returned to this country, and one of the first persons she visited was her former teacher, Alma Butterfield.



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| 1949. — January, 74; February, 334; March, 183; April, 87; May, 156; June, 168; July, 153; August, 207; September, 281; October, 410; November, 382; December, 68; total, 24.39 inches. |
| 1946. — January, 414; February, 477; March, 650; April, 224; May, 126; June, 214; July, 411; August, 301; September, 241; October, 197; November, 96; December, 359; total for year, 3720. |
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