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MEETING OF COUNTRY WOMEN

The Hall had been nicely decorated and there was a very good attendance at the C.W.A. Xmas. party, held on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs C. H. Cuthbertson (president) presided.

Those whose birthdays were in December received congratulations and posies.

An invitation was received for the eighth birthday party of the Tatyoon branch.

Gifts of toys were asked for for the Alexandra Babies' Home in Ballarat.

A letter was read from the Bank in England, forwarding a book on Surrey for the members to read.

One new member was welcomed — Mrs Rieter, a New Australian from Holland.

It was decided to go into recess for the January meeting. The Golden Thread for February is to be the best vegetable in the garden.

It was decided to have a Roll Call for each month; the members whose names started from A to C to begin in Feby.

Mrs Cuthbertson referred with regret to the passing of Mrs Les. Scott, who used to be a member of the Beaufort Branch, and expressed sympathy with her relatives.

An excellent programme was given by Mrs J. Martin (songs), Mrs Petrie (recitation), and a play. The latter was very well contributed by Mrs S. Young, Mrs N. Lyons, Mrs A. Whiting, Mrs D. McCracken, Mrs T. Trafford, and Miss L. Stuart. Each performer was presented with a spray, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded them on the motion of Mesdames H. J. Buchanan and McQuie.

The President wished all the members a Happy Xmas. and a bright New Year.

BEAUFORT TENNIS CLUB

The mixed doubles event last Saturday was won by N. George and Mrs D. McCracken the runners up being D. McCracken and Mrs Leitch.

To-day's event is a teams' match, President's Team versus Secretary's Team.

A mixed doubles tournament post entry with own partner, will be held tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon. Play to commence at 1 p.m.

Ladies members played doubles on Wednesday afternoon which were won by Mesdames Martin and Cuthbertson.

COMING SALES

At their Skipton Off Shears Sale on Thursday, 9th Dec., at 1.30 p.m., Crawford Dowling Pty. Ltd. will offer 2500 district bred sheep.

DECEMBER RAINFALL

Up to Friday morning 86 points of rain had fallen for December.

A BEQUEST

The late Mrs L. R. Scott, of Trawalla, bequeathed her piano to the Trawalla and Langi Kal Kal Settlers' Hall Committee, who have taken delivery of it.

F.B. LADIES' CLUB

Ballarat City F.B. Ladies' Club visited Beaufort on Tuesday afternoon for the annual Xmas. party of the Beaufort F.B. Ladies' Club. A programme was given by Mrs N. Lamb, Mrs G. Davies (contortionist), and Mrs N. Smith. The accompanist was Mrs M. George. Competitions were won by Mrs A. G. Vowles and Mrs R. Grant; the entrance prize going to Mrs N. Lamb. Mrs W. Gillingham (president) welcomed the visitors. Mrs Hall (Ballarat president) responded, and handed the Beaufort Club a gift.

WEDDING BELLS

JOHNSTON — WELSH

The Church of Christ, Ararat (reports "The Advertiser") was beautifully decorated in pink, blue and mauve toned flowers by members of the Music Circle for the wedding on Saturday, Nov. 20, of Norma Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs C. P. Welsh, Tuson St., Ararat, to Ronald James only son of Mr and Mrs P. Johnston, Raglan.

Pastor R. J. Ruckett performed the ceremony and Mr E. Weeding was the organist.

The bride wore an exquisite gown of pure white French nylon tulle over slipper satin, featuring a boat-shaped guipure lace neckline embroidered with pearls and rhinestones. The fitted bodice was buttoned to below the waistline at the back and the very full bouffant skirt extended into a long circular train. Her lovely tulle veil of finger-tip length had a border of painted lace and fell from a tiara of pearls and rhinestones. She carried a bouquet of white irises, carnations, sweet peas and gladioli and wore the bridegroom's gift, a pearl necklace and ear-rings. As the bride left the Church, lucky horseshoes were placed on her arm.

Two bridesmaids, Miss Eunie Montait, cousin of the bride, and Miss Shirley Riedell attended the bride and little Marshall Fanning was flower girl. The bridesmaids' dainty frocks of embossed organza — one in blue and the other in mauve — were finished at the neckline with guipure lace insertion embroidered with pearls. Their bouffant skirts were draped across the front and had a large bow at the back. They also wore matching stoles, feathered curvettes and the bridegroom's gifts, pearl bracelets and ear-rings. Blue love-in-the-mist, pink roses and sweet peas composed the first bridesmaid's bouquet and pink watonias, pink and mauve sweet peas, the second bridesmaid's. The flower girl's frock of white nylon tulle over satin had a lace bodice and full skirt with a flounce at the hemline. She carried a basket of Cecil Brunner roses and sweet peas and wore a headdress of the same flowers and the gift of the bridegroom, a gold bracelet.

Mr John Davey was best man and Mr John Welsh groomsmen.

The reception was held at the Town Hall supper room, which was decorated with blue delphiniums, pink and mauve lupins and watonias. One hundred and fifty guests were received by the bride's mother and she was assisted by the bridegroom's mother. Mrs. Welsh wore a grey princess coat over a blue nylon frock, white hat and a shoulder spray of green and yellow tulip-tree flowers. Mrs Johnston pinned pink roses on her light weight navy coat which was worn over a blue frock. Her blue hat matched her frock and her accessories were in navy blue. The three-tered wedding cake was made by the bridegroom's mother. During the reception vocal solos were beautifully rendered by Miss

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R.S.L. BOWLING CLUB CHURCH OF ENGLAND ASSOCIATES

The associates of the RSL Bowling Club played a rinks match on Wednesday afternoon which was won by Mesdames W. Gillingham and A. M. Parker.

ACCIDENTS

Mr Jack Dickman received a leg injury while working in the bush.

(Continued from Previous Col. L. Embling, who had also sung at the church, and Mrs O. John played a violin solo, with Mrs H. Forsyth as accompanist. Mr Noel Hooper played soft music during the wedding breakfast. Numerous telegrams and a cablegram from New Guinea were also received.

When leaving for the honeymoon in Sydney, the bride wore a blue faille princess coat with an orchid in the lapel, a pink and blue nylon frock, pink sequined hat and black accessories. Mr and Mrs Johnston will be making their home in Melbourne.

WALDRON — MAY

A wedding of interest to country residents was celebrated at St. Peter's Church Ballarat, on Wednesday, November 30, when Eileen Heather, only daughter of Mr and Mrs E. J. May, care of Banongill, Skipton, was married to Ronald James, only son of Mr and Mrs S. Waldron, Maranvet, Vite Vite North. Rev. G. Hooper officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of Italian silk embroidered nylon with a finger-tip tulle veil held to the head by orange blossom. A bouquet of white orchids was the complement.

Mrs R. G. May attended as matron of honour, and Miss Valerie Waldron was bridesmaid. They wore twin frocks of white flock nylon over lemon taffeta, and carried lemon orchids with a small matching spray in their hair. Mr Harry Waldron was best man, and Mr Ernest May, groomsmen.

A reception followed at the Wattle, where a wedding cake made by Mrs Austin Hinton, aunt of the groom, was cut by the bride.

Mrs J. Preece sang "My Prayer" and "You're Mine."

Mrs May wore a lightly beaded and embroidered blue stone, silk corded jacket suit, with head-hugging honey gold hat and gloves, junior navy shoes and bag. A gold orchid was pinned to her lapel.

Mrs Waldron chose an embroidered smoke grey silk frock and matching bolero, a small black satin cloche and black accessories with an orchid shoulder spray.

The bride travelled in a pale blue linen suit with a guipure lace blouse. Her large junior navy straw hat was lined with pale blue, and an orchid was pinned to her lapel.

The future home of Mr and Mrs Waldron will be at Vite Vite North.

Sunday was Temple Day at St. John's Church of England, Beaufort, and a large congregation was present at the morning service, conducted by the Ven. Archdeacon Richards, of Ballarat.

The Archdeacon reminded his hearers that this was the first Sunday of the Church Year.

There was special singing by the Choir, and Miss E. DeBaere presided at the organ. Archdeacon Richards said he was very glad to be with them on Temple Day and to see so many children here. This was a family service and a day of giving. The Archdeacon prefaced his address by a few remarks to the children. He gave the children as a motto, "God gives the best things to us." God gave the best to them — the ought to give the best to Him.

The Archdeacon based his address to the adults on the text, "Truly, truly I say unto you, except a man be born of water he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God." — St. John, 3, 5.

Nicodemus was a good kind of man and well placed in the society of his time, and Jesus had great affection for him. looking at God. How necessary that John came with the preaching that every great evangelist came with—the great truth every Christian must understand — stop looking at yourself and start looking at God. How necessary that was to-day. Most of them could be satisfied with the work they had done, until they started looking up to God, who was so perfect in all the things they in their best moments craved for. Sometimes they forgot about God and that He made this universe, and when they did think about it they thought of their own unworthiness and wanted to be made better by God. To show and teach men how to live by the spirit of God was the crux of Christ's whole ministry. The worship they gave this morning was no use unless they opened their hearts to the spirit of God — the spirit which was to guide them to all truth and strengthen them in service. The spirit of God would come upon them if they realised that they were appointed to do certain things for Him. God gave His only Son just so that His spirit might enter into their lives and that the world through Him might be saved. God could not give more. They were making their gifts to-day in order that the work of the Church might be extended. Let them offer Him as well as money their loyalty and their hearts.

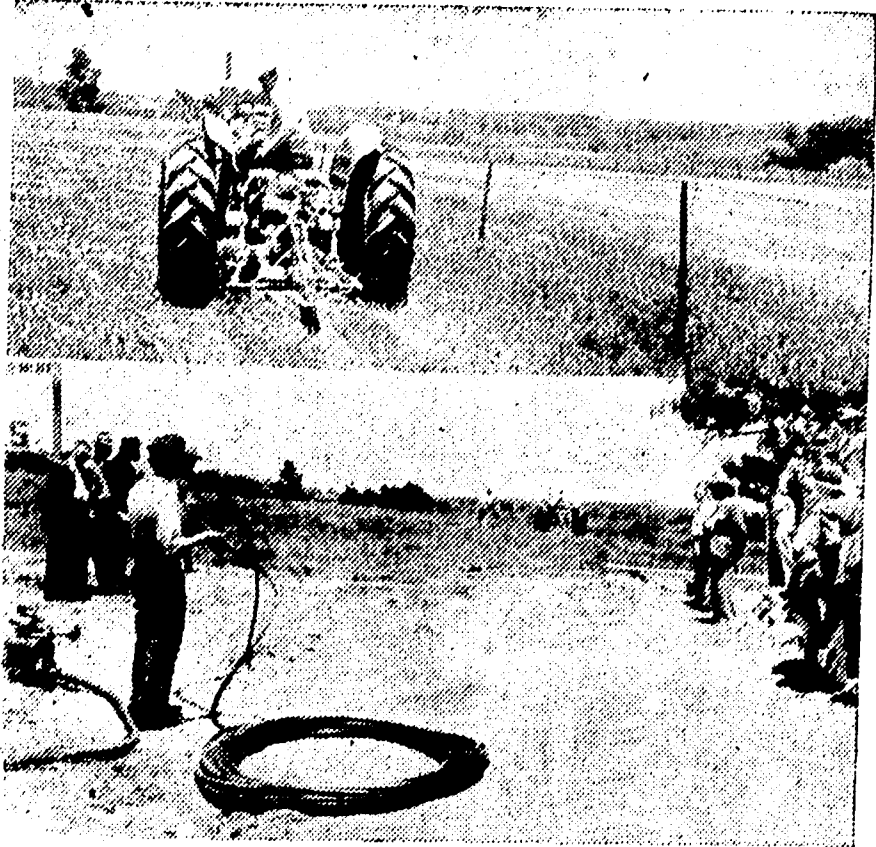
Holy Communion followed the service.

GIFT CHANGED

Ernest Morton, Chairman of Committees in the Assembly changed his usual Christmas gift to the House staff. The customary bottle of wine did not appear. Instead each man got a ticket in Tatts. They still wished each other good luck, though it was drier.

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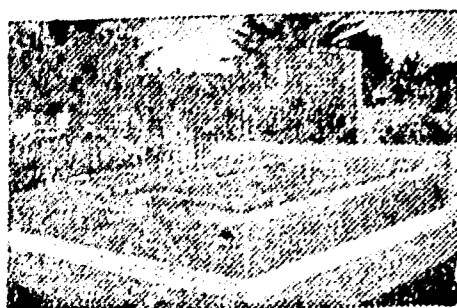
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BEAUFORT WATER TRUST MEETING

The Beaufort Water Trust held its monthly meeting at the Shire Hall on Tuesday night, 22nd Nov; Mr R. C. Hodgkiss (Chairman) presiding.

Others present were — Coms. G. T. Riddoch, H. V. Martin, F. Blay, and Messrs. D. T. Coburn (engineer) and S. Grimmer (secretary).

Matters Arising From Minutes
Mr Grimmer said a report had been received from the Water Engineer (Mr Stohr) regarding the water supply.

Mr Coburn reported on his interview with the mill owners concerning the excess water supply to the mills and mill houses, attached thereto. He thought it required a separate agreement.

It was decided that the houses at the Commission Mill be each charged £6/12/ for 44,000 gal., on motion of Coms. Riddoch and Blay.

The Assistant - secretary was given power to endorse cheques.

CORRESPONDENCE

From Department of Mines, records of bores in Beaufort district, and stating that quality of water was not mentioned. The position in regard to water from the deep leads in the district was not hopeful. Their request had been noted but boring in this district could not be carried out for some years. — Received.

Copy of Bill before Parliament in regard to loans and grants for water supply, irrigation, etc. — Received. The secretary stated that the cost of Beaufort water works was set down as £25,000, and the provision £22,000 for reticulation work (including meters). The engineer said they were well on the way to spending £11,000 or £12,000 of it.

Mrs R. Hull made application for water supply to house in Kennedy St. — Permission given to tap main, and position to be reviewed later.

From J. Doull, A. Pett and W. Alexander, applying for permission to tap main in locality of their houses. — Com. Riddoch said there was a limit to tapping mains for private houses, and the Trust should provide a main for the street.

The engineer said a new scheme for extensions was to be drawn up. — To be included in new scheme, on motion of Coms. Riddoch and Blay, and temporary arrangements to be made in the interim.

FINANCIAL
Mr Grimmer reported that receipts for the month were £421/2/, cheques paid £13/6/4, present credit balance, £443/4/3.

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Beaufort Waterworks Trust

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Accounts amounting to £670 9/6 were passed for payment.

SUPPLEMENTARY SUPPLY
Mr Stohr reported on the proposals to supplement the Beaufort water supply by boring for water, and also by using the supply at the Goldfields Reservoir. It might be feasible to pump water from old mine shafts or new shafts, and the matter was worthy of investigation. The capacity of the Goldfields Reservoir was 86,900,000 gallons, and a scheme worthy of further investigation was pumping from the Goldfields Reservoir. The additional storage scheme appeared to be the most attractive one. The installation of meters would considerably reduce the consumption in the town. — Report to be circulated among the Commissioners for perusal and comment.

It was decided to submit, through Mr Stohr, Mr R. Linsten's report on additional storage to the S.R. and W.S. Commission for examination and permission to proceed, on the motion of the Chairman and Com. Riddoch.

WASTE OF WATER
Com. Blay said the water from the Goldfields Reservoir was turned on and running all over the place.

Com. Riddoch said the Council considered the cost of a pipe line out of the question. In answer to Com. Blay, the Chairman said the Goldfields Reservoir was part of the assets of the Trust. The engineer said the trouble with the flooding was the state of the race. He would check up whether they could reduce the quota down the race. — Com. Blay moved that the engineer investigate the possibility of conserving the water without jeopardising the baths. Seconded by Com. Martin and carried.

Com. Martin asked what amount of water was used by Mr George's mill. The engineer said there was no check on it. Another member mentioned that the mill was shortly to be shifted to a new site, and the matter dropped.

SHIRE WAGES AND SALARIES
Shire wages and salaries for the period 20th Sept., 1954, to 15th Oct., 1954: — A. Brown £72/10/, W. Gould £65/7/11, A. J. Dunn £74/2/9, J. J. Cowan £70/3/4, W. E. Howlett £76/1/8, E. J. Nice £78/6/4, E. Howlett £61/8/, R. Howlett £59/11/, J. Callaghan £60/12/2, N. Kilfoyle £72/9/10, B. Tiley £61/8/, A. C. Bending £61/13/, W. Williams £59/4/, A. J. Crozier £66/0/6, C. H. Newey £52/4/, T. A. Pearce £61/8/, B. J. Nell £59/11/4, C. Bates £54/0/3, C. G. Davies £52/4/, C. Herbert £52/4/, W. E. Beer £52/16/, E. George £52/4/, T. Hancock £51/12/, H. A. Stowell £52/12/, S. Howlett £23/7/7; total £1504/17/8. N. B. Acton £108/10/, S. J. Grimmer £81/11/8, D. T. Coburn £133/7/1, N. I. Boyle £34/8/8, L. E. Godfrey £43, Mrs Torney £12/10/, Mrs Sullivan £1/12/, C. C. Rayner £7/4/2; grand total, £1926 19/1. Other expenditure £10,654/7/1; Total, £12,581 6/3.

Consumers are to be notified in regard to their supplies being temporarily disconnected from a broken main. The engineer reported on new mains that had been broken during the heavy rain. The Chairman referred to trenches that had subsided and were dangerous. — The engineer said he would try to have them attended to that week.

From E. L. Deans, stating she would abide by conditions re water supply from pipe line, and if supply would meet her needs from a half-inch pipe, as water was required for dairy purposes. — Com. Riddoch moved that the engineer discuss the matter with Mrs Deans and report. — Agreed to.

The secretary said they had applied to the W.S. and S.R. Commission to meter the town at a cost of £2330 for 240 meters. — Application endorsed on motion of Coms. Riddoch and Martin.

ENGINEER'S REPORT
The engineer (Mr D. T. Coburn) reported for the month as follows:—

1. Headworks and Storages. — Water is again overflowing at the off-take to a depth of 3 ins. Troy's Reservoir is full and the recent rains have removed the need to commence pumping for a few weeks.

2. Repairs and Maintenance. — Several small leaks will be given attention after the completion of Scheme "E."

3. New Works. — Work is still proceeding with Scheme "E." The trenching machine excavated 80 chains of trenching at the cost of £3/6/ per chain or 1/ per ft. With the exception of Livingstone St., all pipes have laid and work is proceeding with the reticulation and house services.

The five chains of 4 in. to the Hill Street to High Street was transferred to Leichardt Street as the existing main was found to end five chains short of the assumed position.

Revenue. — It was found necessary to replace 1 1/2 chains of 4 in. main in Leichardt St. at the school. The existing main, when lowered, broke through old age. Use was made of the trencher to excavate the trench in Albert St. Clauses 1, 2, and 3 — Adopted.

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PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

The Progress Association held its monthly Committee meeting on Monday night, 21st Nov., at the Shire Hall.

Twelve members were present and Mr R. C. Hodgkiss (vice - president) was in the chair in the absence of the president (Rev. A. L. Mills).

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

Mr Horgetts said Mr Petrie interviewed high officials of the Railway Commissioners on the occasion of their visit.

Mr Petrie said he stressed the desirability of the stopping of the night Adelaide express, and the main reasons for the request. The representatives of the Commissioners did not give him any hope whatever. He also brought up the matter of delays at the Lawrence St. railway crossing, and was told that anyone more than five minutes should contact the stationmaster and he would have the top gates opened and let them through.

Mr Hodgkiss said they were grateful to Mr Petrie, and the only way they could get anything was by keeping on 'niggling' at these people.

Mr Petrie said the £100 for the Youth Travel Fund had gone down and the schools had been notified at which boys of the required age were attending.

Mr Hodgkiss said the Rev. A. L. Mills had toured the East Riding and was pleased with his reception. Two shire councillors in the West Riding had told him they were willing to go round with Association representatives.

Apologies were received from the President and Mr G. Exell.

CORRESPONDENCE

From Shire of Ripon, stating that Government grant of £800 would be available for Park improvements on a £2 to £1 grant, and a total of £1200 would be expended before 30th June. A meeting of interested organisations was to be held on Tuesday, 7th Dec., together with the N. and W. Riding councillors, to discuss how the money should be spent. — The most desirable improvements were discussed; the consensus of opinion being in favour of enlarging and improving the oval itself first. Messrs. Hodgkiss and Petrie were appointed to attend the meeting on 7th Dec. with the Council and representatives of other organisations.

Mr Roy Crick suggested that Mr Coburn, shire engineer be invited to become a member of this committee.

From "Sun" Youth Travel Fund, acknowledging receipt of £100.

From C.R.B., stating there was a scheme to reconstruct the road pavement and shoulders through Beaufort; also re road signs, the matter of speed limit had been dealt with. — Portion of letter concerning road referred to shire engineer.

From Railway Department, stating that the blocking of the Lawrence St. crossing by goods trains would be investigated. — Received.

ACCOUNTS

An account for 19/6 was passed for payment.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Next meeting was arranged for Monday, Dec. 20.

Mr R. L. Crick moved that Mr D. T. Coburn be invited to become a member of the committee. Seconded by Mr E. Dawson and carried.

Mr P. Jarrens (treasurer) reported a balance of £50 to the credit of the Association. He also reported that there was £20/19/5 to the credit of the "Sun" Youth Tour Fund.

Mr Hodgkiss said they had found £250 more and they had approximately £37 in hand.

Mr Petrie said Mr E. Morton, M.L.A., was willing to show pictures of New Zealand in January in aid of the fund.

Mr Hodgkiss said they had to make a personal appeal. It would be awful if they had to abandon it.

Arrangements were then made to canvass the town and various parts of the district.

The Chairman said he thought Mr Phil Russell would be willing to show pictures of his travels.

It was decided to thank Mr Morton for his offer to show pictures, and further advise him in due course.

Mrs Day suggested that tables and forms be put around some of the trees in the Memorial Park for the convenience of motorists who often had lunch there when passing through. She moved that a request be made to the Shire Council to that effect. Seconded by Mr R. L. Crick (who said the R.S.L. and the Legion should be asked for their views first). The motion was carried with this addition.

The Chairman complimented Mrs Duke on the capable way in which she opened the new kitchen at the Park.

Mr Crick said a notice should be put up directing people to the caravan camping area at the Park. He moved that the Shire Council be asked to do this. Seconded by Mr Larkens and carried.

Mr Crick moved that the Shire Council be asked to remove or repair the entrance to the boat shed at the Park.

Mr Petrie said there was a move on by the Agricultural Society to secure the old boat shed for removal at a pavilion.

The matter was held over for the present.

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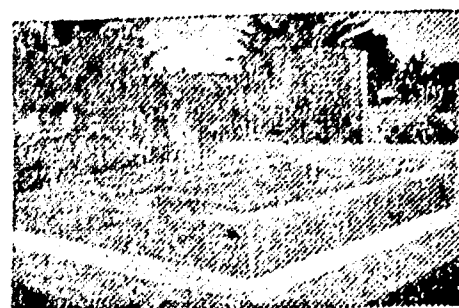
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BEAUFORT WATER TRUST MEETING

The Beaufort Water Trust held its monthly meeting at the Shire Hall on Tuesday night, 22nd Novr.; Mr R. C. Hodggets (Chairman) presiding.

Others present were - Coms. G. T. Riddoch, H. V. Martin, F. Blay, and Messrs. D. T. Coburn (engineer) and S. Grimmer (secretary).

Matters Arising From Minutes
Mr Grimmer said a report had been received from the Water Engineer (Mr Stohr) regarding water.

Mr Coburn reported on his interview with the mill owners concerning the excess water supply to the mills and mill houses, attached thereto. He thought it required a separate agreement.

It was decided that the houses at the Commission Mill be each charged £0/12/ for 44,000 gal., on motion of Coms. Riddoch and Blay.

The Assistant - secretary was given power to endorse cheques.

CORRESPONDENCE

From Department of Mines, records of bores in Beaufort district, and stating that quality of water was not mentioned. The position in regard to water from the deep leads in the district was not hopeful. Their request had been noted but boring in this district could not be carried out for some years. - Received.

Copy of Bill before Parliament in regard to loans and grants for water supply, irrigation, etc. - Received. The secretary stated that the cost of Beaufort water works was set down as £25,000, and the provision £22,000 for reticulation work (including meters). The engineer said they were well on the way to spending £11,000 or £12,000 of it.

Mrs R. Hull made application for water supply to house in Kennedy St. - Permission given to tap main, and position to be reviewed later.

From J. Doull, A. Pett and W. Alexander, applying for permission to tap main in locality of their houses. - Com. Riddoch said there was a limit to tapping mains for private houses, and the Trust should provide a main for the street.

The engineer said a new scheme for extensions was to be drawn up. - To be included in new scheme, on motion of Coms. Riddoch and Blay, and temporary arrangements to be made in the interim.

From E. L. Deans, stating she would abide by conditions re water supply from pipe line, and if supply would meet her needs from a half-inch pipe, as water was required for gailying purposes. - Com. Riddoch moved that the engineer discuss the matter with Mrs Deans and report. - Agreed to.

The secretary said they had applied to the W.S. and S.R. Commission to meter the town at a cost of £2330 for 340 meters. - Application endorsed on motion of Coms. Riddoch and Martin.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The engineer (Mr D. T. Coburn) reported for the month as follows:-
1. Headworks and Storages. - Water is again overflowing at the off-take to a depth of 3 ins. Troy's Reservoir is full and the recent rains have renewed the need to commence pumping for a few weeks.
2. Repairs and Maintenance. - Several small leaks will be given attention after the completion of Scheme "E."

3. New Works. - Work is still proceeding with Scheme "E." The trenching machine excavated 80 chains of £3/6/ per chain or 1/ per ft. With the exception of Livingstone St., all pipes have laid and work is proceeding with the coupling up to the reticulation and house services.
The five chains of 4 in. to tie Hill Street to High Street was transferred to Leichardt Street as the existing main was found to end five chains short of the assumed position.

Revenue. - It was found necessary to replace 1 1/2 chains of 4 in. main in Leichardt St. at the school. The existing main, when lowered, broke through old age. Use was made of the trencher to excavate the trench in Albert St. Clauses 1, 2, and 3 - Adopted.

Consumers are to be notified in regard to their supplies being temporarily disconnected from a broken main.
The engineer reported on new mains that had been broken during the heavy rain.
The Chairman referred to trenches that had subsided and were dangerous. - The engineer said he would try to have them attended to that week.

FINANCIAL

Mr Grimmer reported that receipts for the month were £421/2/, cheques paid £13/6/4; present credit balance, £443/4/3.

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Beaufort Waterworks Trust

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Accounts amounting to £670 9/6 were passed for payment.

SUPPLEMENTARY SUPPLY

Mr Stohr reported on the proposals to supplement the Beaufort water supply by boring for water, and also by using the supply at the Goldfields Reservoir. It might be feasible to pump water from old mine shafts or new shafts, and the matter was worthy of investigation. The capacity of the Goldfields Reservoir was 86,000,000 gallons, and a scheme worthy of further investigation was pumping from the Goldfields Reservoir. The additional storage scheme appeared to be the most attractive one. The installation of meters would considerably reduce the consumption in the town. - Report to be circulated among the Commissioners for perusal and comment.

It was decided to submit, through Mr Stohr, Mr R. Linsten's report on additional storage to the S.R. and W.S. Commission for examination and permission to proceed, on the motion of the Chairman and Com. Riddoch.

WASTE OF WATER

Com. Blay said the water from the Goldfields Reservoir was turned on and running all over the place.

Com. Riddoch said the Council considered the cost of a pipe line out of the question. In answer to Com. Blay, the Chairman said the Goldfields Reservoir was part of the assets of the Trust.

The engineer said the trouble with the flooding was the state of the race. He would check up whether they could reduce the quota down the race. - Com. Blay moved that the engineer investigate the possibility of conserving the water without jeopardising the baths. Seconded by Com. Martin and carried.

Com. Martin asked what amount of water was used by Mr George's mill.
The engineer said there was no check on it.

Another member mentioned that the mill was shortly to be shifted to a new site, and the matter dropped.

Shire Wages and Salaries

Shire wages and salaries for the period 20th Sept., 1954, to 15th Oct., 1954:-

- A. Brown £72/10/, W. Gould £65/7/11, A. J. Dunn £74/2/9, J. J. Cowan £70/3/4, W. E. Nice Howlett £76/1/8, E. J. Nice £76/6/4, E. Howlett £61/8/, R. Howlett £59/11/, J. Callaghan £60/12/2, N. Kilfoyle £72/9/10, B. Tiley £61/8/, A. C. Bending £61/13/, W. Williams £59/4/, A. J. Crozier £66/0/8, C. H. Newey £52/4/, T. A. Pearce £61/8/, B. J. Nell £59/11/4, C. Bates £54/0/3, C. G. Davles £52/4/, C. Herbert £52/4/, W. E. Beer £52/16/, E. George £52/4/, T. Hancock £51/12/, H. A. Stowell £52/12/, S. Howlett £23/7/7; total £1504/17/8. N. B. Acton £108/10/, S. J. Grimmer £81/11/8, D. T. Coburn £133/7/1, N. I. Boyle £34/8/6, L. E. Godfrey £43, Mrs Torney £12/10/, Mrs Sullivan £1/12/, C. C. Rayner £7/4/2; grand total, £1926/19/1. Other expenditure £10,654/7/1; Total, £12,581/6/3.

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PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

The Progress Association held its monthly Committee meeting on Monday night, 21st Novr., at the Shire Hall.

Twelve members were present and Mr R. C. Hodggets (vice-president) was in the chair in the absence of the president (Rev. A. L. Mills).

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

Mr Hodggets said Mr Petrie interviewed high officials of the Railway Commissioners' on the occasion of their visit.

Mr Petrie said he stressed the desirability of the stopping of the night Adelaide express, and the main reasons for the request. The representatives of the Commissioners did not give him any hope whatever. He also brought up the matter of delays at the Lawrence St. railway crossing, and was told that anyone more than five minutes should contact the stationmaster and he would have the top gates opened and let them through.

Mr Hodggets said they were grateful to Mr Petrie, and the only way they could get anything was by keeping on "niggling" at these people.

Mr Petrie said the £100 for the Youth Travel Fund had gone down and the schools had been notified that any boys of the required age were attending.

Mr Hodggets said the Rev. A. L. Mills had toured the East Riding and was pleased with his reception. Two shire councillors in the West Riding had told him they were willing to go round with Association representatives.

Apologies were received from the President and Mr G. Exell.

CORRESPONDENCE

From Shire of Ripon, stating that Government grant of £800 would be available for Park improvements on a £2 to £1 grant, and a total of £1200 would be expended before 30th June. A meeting of interested organisations was to be held on Tuesday, 7th Decr., together with the N. and W. Riding councillors, to discuss how the money should be spent. - The most desirable improvements were discussed; the consensus of opinion being in favour of enlarging and improving the oval itself first. Messrs. Hodggets and Petrie were appointed to attend the meeting on 7th Decr. with the Council and representatives of other organisations.

Mr Roy Crick suggested that Mr Coburn, shire engineer be invited to become a member of this committee.

From "Sun" Youth Travel Fund, acknowledging receipt of £100. - Received.

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ACCOUNTS

An account for 1953 was passed for payment.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Next meeting was arranged for Monday, Decr. 20. Mr R. L. Crick moved that Mr D. T. Coburn be invited to become a member of the committee. Seconded by Mr E. Dawson and carried.

Mr P. Jarens (treasurer) reported a balance of £50 to the credit of the Association. He also reported that there was £20/19/5 to the credit of the "Sun" Youth Tour Fund.

Mr Hodggets said they had found £50 more and they had approximately £37 in hand. Mr Petrie said Mr E. Morton, M.L.A., was willing to show pictures of New Zealand in January in aid of the fund.

Mr Hodggets said they had to make a personal appeal. It would be awful if they had to abandon it.

Arrangements were then made to canvass the town and various parts of the district.

The Chairman said he thought Mr Phil Russell would be willing to show pictures of his travels.

It was decided to thank Mr Morton for his offer to show pictures, and further advise him in due course.

Mrs Day suggested that tables and forms be put around some of the trees in the Memorial Park for the convenience of motorists who often had lunch there when passing through. She moved that a request be made to the Shire Council to that effect. Seconded by Mr R. L. Crick (who said the R.S.L. and the Legion should be asked for their views first). The motion was carried with this addition.

The Chairman complimented Mrs Duke on the capable way in which she opened the new kitchen at the Park.

Mr Crick said a notice should be put up directing people to the caravan camping area at the Park. He moved that the Shire Council be asked to do this. Seconded by Mr Larkens and carried.

Mr Crick moved that the Shire Council be asked to remove or repair the entrance to the boat shed at the Park.

Mr Petrie said there was a move on by the Agricultural Society to secure the old boat shed for removal at a pavilion.

The matter was held over for the present.

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A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

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SATURDAY, DEC. 4, 1954.

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, 5th December, 1954

Catholic Church. - Buan-gor 9, Beaufort 10.30.

Church of England. - Beaufort 11 - Mr R. R. Beggs.

Presbyterian Church. - Beaufort 11, Trawalla 2, Lex-ton 3.30 - Rev. H. A. Har-ris.

Methodist Church. - Beau-fort 11, Main Lead 2, Raglan 7.30 (Church Anniversary) - Pastor A. M. Popple. Water-loo 11, Raglan 3.15, Beaufort 7 - Mr E. R. Dunn. Salvation Army - Public Meetings will be held each Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Children's Meeting at 2.30 - Lieut. Moyle.

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McLean took 7/21, including the hat trick.

Avoca, 65. W. Templeton 27 and R. Smith 19. Bowling - I. McLean 7/21, J. Hunt 2/11 A. McLachlan 1/13. Beaufort, 9/98. S. Grimmer 32, D. Sneddon 20, McLach-lan 19 n.o., Robinson 17.

PERSONAL

Miss Faye Woodward, of Bac-chus Marsh, a fully trained Kindergarten teacher has been appointed to take charge of the Elizabeth Watkin Kind-ergarten and will commence duty here on February 2.

BEAUFORT RAINFALL

1952 - Jany. 60, Feby. 183, March 61, April 257, May 312, June 442, July 221, August 375, September 295, October 453, November 503, Decr. 195, total or year 32.89 inches.

1953 - Jany. 57; Feby. March 41, April 162, May 200, June 304, July 345, August 458, September 460, October 263, November 512, December 147. Total for year 30.49 ins.

1954 - January 133, Februry 56, March 61, April 332, May 150, June 211; July 155; August 220, September 151; October 249, November 357.

CARD SOCIAL

Beaufort F.B. Ladies' Club held a card social on Thurs-day night. In Section 1 Mr G. Wilding and Mrs A. M. Par-ker were the winners. In Section 2 Mrs E. Day had a win; Mesdames Coles and Saddler dividing second.

LEGION FAIR

The Legion Ladies' Auxil-iary fair held on Nov. 18 was a great success and a profit of over £60 was shown. There was a good attendance. The three competitions were won as follows: -Stockings, Mr B. Nell; groceries, Mr John Tay-or; doll, Mrs Allan Edwards.

AVOCA GUN CLUB

At a shoot held by Avoca Gun Club, the following dis-trict shooters shared in a £40 handicap: -J. South, G. Kirk-patrick, A. J. and D. South. J. Fallon was third in a trophy event, and shared in the stakes in the final event. For the day J. Fallon shot 10/19 and J. South 15/18.

LET THE DISTRICT

Mr L. R. Scott, of Trawalla, who has resided in the Beau-fort district since boyhood, has left for Melbourne to re-side with his son and daugh-ter-in-law. He recently sold his farm to Mr Hobson, of Eumrebeet. Mr Scott was one of the original Trawalla soldier settlers and lived there 23 years. He was also employed for many years by the Shire of Ripon as C.R.B. works foreman. He is a past president of the Ripon R.S.L. and one of the most respected men in the district. His many friends wish him well.

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GENERAL MEETING, Shire Hall, SATURDAY, DEC. 11, at 8 p.m. All members re-quested to attend. Committeemen must be pre-sent.

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Bus from Beaufort, 8.30. Good Music and Supper.

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BEAUFORT Thistle Club's Street Stall in aid of Beau-fort Hospital, FRIDAY, DEC. 17th.

POTTLES Bought and Col-lected. Cash paid. W. E. GEORGE, Beaufort.

FARM WORK - Man Requir-ed for 1 month's general Farm and Sheep Work. P. HARRIS, Beaufort 2.

FOR SALE, Maroon Leather Folding Pram £9; 1 large Size Cream Baby's Basket and Stand £4; all as new. Mrs J. FINCH, Raglan 29.

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M. LARKENS, President. M. NEIL, Secretary. ST. JOHN'S TENNIS CLUB

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Official Opening by His Ex-celency, the Governor Gen-eral, SIR WILLIAM SLIM. A. McDONALD, Hon. Sec.

SKIPTON OFF SHEARS SALE

2500 SHEEP 2500

Thursday, 9th December, 1954, at 1.30 p.m.

CRAWFORD, DOWLING PTY. LTD.

WILL hold their Off Shears Sale in their Skipton Yards on the above date when they will offer the following yard-ing of District Bred Sheep direct from Local Breeders and Graziers, comprising:-

A/c. SOUTHDOWN PASTORAL CO., Mt. Widderin, Skipton 230 Corriedale Wethers, 2 years. 250 Corriedale Wethers, 3 years. 240 Corriedale Ewes, 2 years.

A/c. G. H. HOLDING & SONS, Mannibadar: 90 Merino Wethers, 2 years, Warramben blood, early shorn 190 Merino Wethers, 3 years, Warramben blood, early shorn 120 Merino Wethers, 4 years, Warramben blood, early shorn

A/c. J. G. FERGUSON, "Waverley", Skipton: 150 Merino Wethers, 4 years, Glenlogie blood, heavy cutters

A/c. B. PHILLIPS, Mannibadar: 100 Merino Wethers, 4 years.

A/c. W. O. LEWERS, Mannibadar: 80 Merino Wethers, 3 years, Trawalla blood.

A/c. N. P. MUST, Vite Vite North: 120 Merino Ewes, 5 years.

A/c. J. FALLON, Chepstow: 170 Merino Ewes, 6 years, Trawalla and Carngham blood, early blade shorn.

A/c. Mrs HILLS, Skipton: 30 Merino Ewes, F.M. Also A/c. Vagious Vendors: 500 Mixed Sheep to be drafted.

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BEAUFORT OFF SHEARS SALE

Thursday, 9th December, 1954 AT 2 P.M.

2000 Merino and Comeback District Sheep

DALGETY & COMPANY LTD., BALLARAT, AND THEO. W. SCHLICHT & SON, BEAUFORT (Auctioneers in Conjunction)

WILL Offer for Sale at their Beaufort Sale Yards, on account of District Vendors the following Sheep, viz.,

On Account of - Miss E. M. ODDIE, Challicum Park, Beaufort: 72 Merino Ewes, 1 1/2 years old, August shorn. 160 Merino Ewes, 6 years old, August shorn.

Messrs PICKFORD BROS., Waungar Park: 150 Merino Ewes, 2 years old, Early shorn.

Messrs. LISTON BROS., Shirley: 175 Merino Wethers, 5 years old.

E. J. LANCEY, Esq., Raglan: 70 Merino Ewes, 6 years old. 45 Merino Wethers, 5 years old. 30 Merino Ewes, 1 1/2 to 2 years old.

Exors. late ANTHONY BARBER, Stanleigh: 50 C.F.A. Stud Ewes.

Miss A. E. SCHLICHT and Mrs F. MINCHIN, Beaufort: 112 F.M. Merino Wethers. 120 Merino Wethers, 2 years. 80 Merino Ewes, 2 years. 40 Fine Comeback Ewes, 2 years. 120 Merino Sheep, M.S., 1 year, Chletly Ewes.

Mrs W. M. F. HARRIS, Beaufort: 104 Merino Wethers, 4 and 5 years old, August shorn. 55 Merino Ewes, 2 and 3 years old. Joined Buln Gherlin Rams, 1st November.

RONALD W. DUNN, Esq., Brewster: 200 Merino Wethers, 4 years.

400 Sheep (particulars not yet available) to be drafted. All these sheep are on account of District Owners, and will be found on inspection to be sound and healthy. Stock Transports will be available. Further entries in- vited. Usual Rebate to Outside Agents.

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A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY Doing what can't be done is the glory of living. -Samuel C. Armstrong.

SATURDAY, DEC. 4, 1954. CHURCH SERVICES Sunday, 5th December, 1954 Catholic Church. - Buan-gor 9, Beaufort 10.30. Church of England. - Beaufort 11 - Mr R. R. Beggs. Presbyterian Church. - Beaufort 11, Trawalla 2, Lexton 3.30 - Rev. H. A. Harris. Methodist Church. - Beaufort 11, Main Lead 2, Raglan 7.30 (Church Anniversary) - Pastor A. M. Poppel. Waterloo 11, Raglan 3.15, Beaufort 7 - Mr E. R. Dunn. Salvation Army - Public Meetings will be held each Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Children's Meeting at 2.30 - Lieut. Moyle.

OCT. AND NOV. CHICKS FOR WINTER EGGS DAY old, Week old, Fort-night old and Month old Chicks available EVERY WEDNESDAY. D.O. Pullets, 3/ ea.; D.O. Cockerels, 6d ea. SETTINGS from Single Tested Selected Hens also available. White Leghorns and Australorps, £1 per setting of 15 eggs. P. HARRIS, Beaufort 2.

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FRIDAY, 10th DECEMBER, 1954, at 3 p.m., on the Property at Ollinda Street, Southern Cross, Beaufort. 4-ROOMED WEATHER BOARD DWELLING HOUSE, OUTSIDE SHEDS, ON TWO ACRES FREEHOLD LAND (With Vacant Possession). T. SANDY SANDFORD. HEATHER J. SANDFORD. SALE BY AUCTION

LET'S DISTRICT Mr. L. R. Scott, of Trawalla, who has resided in the Beaufort district since boyhood, has left for Melbourne to reside with his son and daughter-in-law. He recently sold his farm to Mr. Hobson, of Burrumbet. Mr. Scott was one of the original Trawalla soldier settlers and lived there 23 years. He was also employed for many years by the Shire of Ripon as C.R.B. works foreman. He is a past president of the Ripon R.S.L. and one of the most respected men in the district. His many friends wish him well.

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CRICKET Ian McLean, of Beaufort No. 1 Eleven played havoc with Avoca wickets on Saturday, first day of a two-day match. McLean took 7/21, including the hat trick. Avoca, 65. W. Templeton 27 and R. Smith 19. Bowling - I. McLean 7/21, J. Hunt 2/11, A. McLachlan 1/13. Beaufort, 9/88. S. Grimmer 32, D. Sneddon 20, McLachlan 19 n.o., Robinson 17.

PERSONAL Miss Faye Woodward, of Bacchus Marsh, a fully trained Kindergarten teacher has been appointed to take charge of the Elizabeth Watkin Kindergarten and will commence duty here on February 2.

BEAUFORT RAINFALL 1952 - Jany. 60, Feby. 183, March 61, April 257, May 312, June 442, July 221, August 305, September 295, October 453, November 503, Decr. 195, total or year 32.89 inches. 1953 - Jany. 57; Feby. 163, March 41, April 162, May 200, June 304, July 345, August 458, September 460, October 263, November 512, December 147. Total for year 30.49 ins. 1954 - January 133, February 56, March 61, April 332, May 150, June 211; July 155; August 220, September 151; October 249, November 357.

CARD SOCIAL Beaufort F.B. Ladies' Club held a card social on Thursday night. In Section 1 Mr. G. Wilding and Mrs. A. M. Parker were the winners. In Section 2 Mrs. E. Day had a win; Mesdames Coles and Saddler dividing second.

LEGION FAIR The Legion Ladies' Auxiliary fair held on Nov. 18 was a great success and a profit of over £60 was shown. There was a good attendance. The three competitions were won as follows: -Stockings, Mr. B. Nell; groceries, Mr. John Taylor; doll, Mrs. Allan Edwards.

AVOCA GUN CLUB At a shoot held by Avoca Gun Club, the following district shooters shared in a £40 handicap: -J. South, G. Kirkpatrick, A. J. and D. South. J. Fallon was third in a trophy event, and shared in the stakes in the final event. For the day J. Fallon shot 10/19 and J. South 15/18.

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ELDER SMITH & CO. LIMITED LAND AND CLEARING SALE LEXTON ROAD 81 - ACRES - 81 AT THE PROPERTY 10 MILES FROM BEAUFORT TUESDAY, 7th DECEMBER, 1954 AT 2 P.M. ELDER, SMITH & CO., LIMITED have been instructed on behalf of the Estate of late ROSE KELLY to offer by Auction the above property. Following the sale of land, clearing sale of household effects and sundries, including the following: - Two Double Beds, 2 Single Beds, 1 Camp Stretcher, Mattresses, Chest of Drawers, 2 Dining Tables, 2 Small Tables, 2 Sofas, 5 Chairs, 1 Wicker Chair, 1 Easy Chair, Crockery, Glassware, Ornaments, etc., 2 Iron Kettles, Sewing Machine, Separator, Saucepans, Scales, Churn, Axe, Shovels, Crowbar, Carpenter's Tools, 4 dozen Rabbit Traps, Setter, Several lengths Coir Matting, Chev. Car, 1927 Model; and a host of Sundries. balance on possession, which will be given on 21st December, 1954. Clearing Sale terms are Cash. TERMS: 10 per cent on signing of contract on land, Vendors Solicitors: Hall and Young. Further particulars and inspection from the Selling Agents - ELDER, SMITH & CO. LIMITED, Beaufort, Geelong, Melbourne and Branches. Phone Beaufort 181. After Hours, Beaufort 180.

ANNUAL OFF SHEARS SALE TRAWALLA Monday, December 6th, at 2 p.m.

3000 MERINO & COMEBACK SHEEP 3000 DENNYS, LASCELLES LIMITED WILL conduct their Annual Off-Shears Sale as above, when they will yard the following Sheep on account of Local Graziers: Account TRAWALLA ESTATE 300 Merino Ewes, 6 years, Sept. blade shorn. 250 Merino Ewes, 1 year, Sept. blade shorn. 120 Merino Ewes, 2 years, Sept. blade shorn. 150 Merino Wethers, 1 year, Sept. blade shorn. Account DISTRICT VENDORS 250 Merino Wethers, 5 years, prime fat. 150 Comeback Ewes, 5 years, extra good lot. 60 Comeback Wethers, 1 1/2 years. 60 B.L. Cross Wether Lambs. 140 Merino Wethers, 2 ye rs, Sept. blade shorn. 100 Merino Wethers, 2 ye rs, Sept. blade shorn. 70 Merino Wethers, 5 ye rs, fat. 80 Merino Wethers, 5 ye rs, blade shorn. 70 Merino Wethers, 2 ye rs, blade shorn. 50 Merino Ewes, 5 years, blade shorn. 100 Merino Wethers, 5 ye rs, Trawalla Station bred, prime fat. 60 Merino Ewes, 3 and 4 ears, early shorn. 150 Merino Wethers, 4 and 5 years. 100 Merino Wethers, 5 ye rs, Sept. blade shorn. 100 Merino Wethers, 4 an 5 years, blade shorn. 100 Merino Wethers, 2, 3, and 4 years, blade shorn. 50 Merino Ewes, 5 years, blade shorn. 60 Merino Wethers, 4 ye rs, early Sept. blade shorn. 50 Merino Wethers, 4 years, Sept. blade shorn. 50 Merino Wethers, 4 and 5 years, Sept. blade shorn. 35 Merino Ewes, 2, 3, 4 years. 40 Merino Ewes, 2 years.

The above sheep are all locally bred, being the annual draft of surplus sheep a great majority of which are early blade shorn, are in great condition, and perfectly sound. Railway Trucks and Reliable Transports Available. Afternoon Tea will be supplied by the ladies of the Trawalla Progress Association. For further particulars apply - DENNYS, LASCELLES LTD., Ballarat, Beaufort and Branches. H. V. MARTIN, Beaufort.

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In Division 3 of the Ballarat District Competition on Saturday, Central 34 defeated Beaufort 88.

Eyles, Owen, O. Colman, Cutter, 16, lost to Matthews, Pascoe, Fletcher Martin, 31. Nicholson, C. Grills, S. A. Wilson, Woodend, 27, d. O. McLaughlin, Tregrove, Crozier, Smith, 15.

Torrey, Freeman, Beanland, Turner, 21, lost to Sist, Saddler, McGuire, Fleay, 22.

Rooney, Halsall, J. Crawford, L. Colman, 30, d. George, W. Morcombe, Whitling, Glenister, 23.

OBITUARY

MR EDDIE KING

The boys from Langi Kal Kal will be entertained at a games evening on Saturday, Dec. 11, when Guild members will provide supper and their menfolk will manage the programme.

It was decided to wait until the New Year before discussing the purchase of new Sunday School hymn books as the quotation was not to hand.

All members are reminded to be at the S.S. at 1 p.m. on Dec. 9, to cut sandwiches for our Christmas Fair on that day.

The winners of the sweets container competition were Mesdames Hayes, Peters and Lewell.

Our February meeting will take the form of a social afternoon, with items and competitions. There will also be a hat competition, and prizes will be given for the largest, smallest, prettiest and funniest hats.

The points competition will be for a tea cosy, and the afternoon tea hostesses will be Mesdames Saddler and Williams.

It was decided to hold a Guild picnic in the New Year; time and place to be decided later.

Our President expressed appreciation of the help received from all Guild members, especially thanking our very efficient secretary, Mrs Crouch.

ROAD WORKS Mr E. Morton, M.L.A., has been informed by the C.R.B. that approval has been given for funds to be made available for construction of roads in Mooramong Estate as follows: - S.S. Commission, £1200; C.R.B., £900; Ripon Shire Council, £300; total, £2400. The work will be carried out by the Council.

Continued From Previous Col. without whom she would have been lost. When closing the meeting, she left us with these words: - To talk with God, no breath is lost, Talk on.

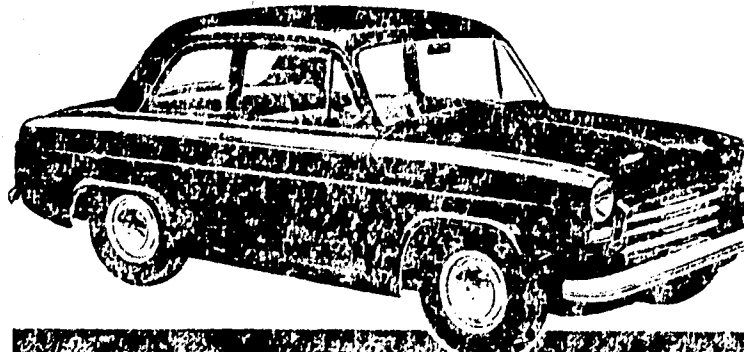
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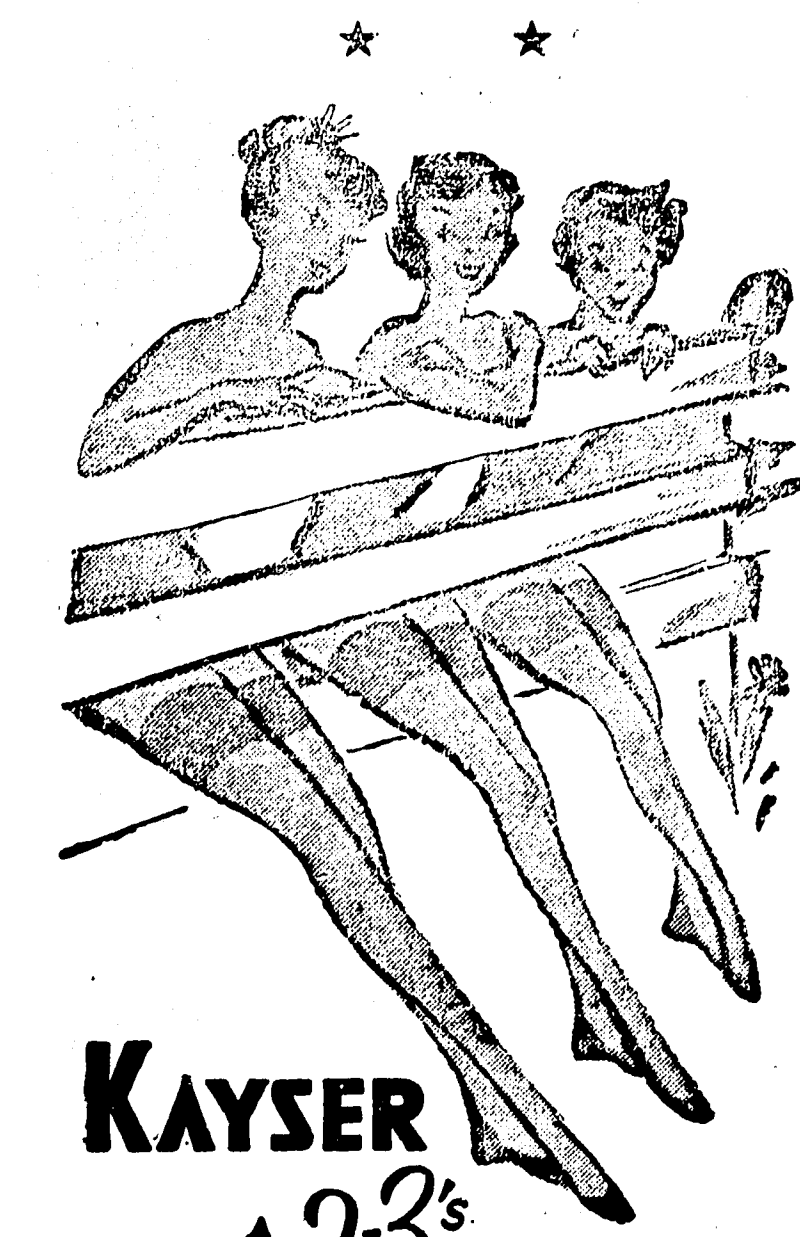
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WEDDING BELLS

MATHEWS - GEORGE

St. Andrew's Kirk, Ballarat, was the setting on Saturday, October, for the marriage of Norma June, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J. G. George, Neill St., Beaufort, and Alexandra William, only son of Mr and Mrs M. Mathews, of "Kildoune", Burrumbuck. Rev. H. A. Harris, of Beaufort, officiated.

Given away by her father, the bride wore a gown of white figured brocade. To this was added a matching jacket on the bodice. The skirt fell out low to reveal nylon folds to form a long train and the jacket featured a Medici collar and lily-point sleeves. A matching cap trimmed at the back with orange blossom held an embroidered tulle veil to the head and a trailer of white gardenias was carried.

The bride's cousin, Miss Joan Stringer, of Red Cliffs, was bridesmaid. Her ice blue figured brocade frock with a pleated bodice, was worn with a matching bolero and cap trimmed with rosebuds. She carried a posy of pink carnations, cyclamen and hyacinths.

Pamela Cameron, of Dandenoong, was a dainty flower girl, frocked in pale pink tulle and broderie Anglaise. She carried a basket of pink carnations, hyacinths and forget-me-nots and wore a matching erlet in her hair. Mr Donald George, brother of the bride, was best man.

A reception followed at The Wattle, where a three-tiered cake, made by the bride's mother, held pride of place on the main table. The soloist was Miss June Lewis.

Mrs George received her guests wearing an ensemble of dark strawberry flecked romaine, the bodice of the frock featuring an embroidered vest trimmed with steel beads and the skirt falling in unpressed pleats. She wore an orchid pink hat and black accessories, with a spray of orchids on the shoulder.

Mrs Mathews chose a platinum blue crepe jacket suit and matching hat trimmed with junior navy to match her accessories. A shoulder spray

of red roses provided a touch of colour relief.

When leaving by car for the honeymoon, the bride wore a chartreuse shantung frock and a loose coat of natural cheek soltine. Her frock was neatly collared and fastened to the neck with gold buttons and the skirt was of unpressed pleats. Benedicline accessories were worn.

Guests at the wedding included visitors from Red Cliffs, Merbeln, Kaniva, Melbourne, Murchison and Geelong.

PERSONAL

Mr Bert Hayes, of Middle Creek, has been a patient at the Beaufort District Hospital.

Mr Keith Torney had to undergo an operation at the District Hospital.

Mr McQuik, manager of the C.B.C. Bank, is on holidays, and the relieving manager is Mr Doug. G. Dickson.

COMING SALES

At their Beaufort Stock Sale on Thursday, 9th Dec., at 2 p.m., at their Beaufort Sale Yards, Dalgley & Co. Ltd, Ballarat, and Theo. W. Schlicht & Son, Beaufort (in conjunction) will offer 2000 Comeback, Xbred and Merino District sheep.

On Friday, 10th Dec., at 3 p.m., on the property at Olinda Street, Southern Cross, Beaufort, Messrs. Theo. W. Schlicht & Son will offer by auction, on account of Mrs Elizabeth Sandlant, a 4-roomed W.B. house, and outside sheds on two acres of freehold land (with vacant possession)

At the property, 10 miles from Beaufort on the Lexton road, at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, 7th Dec., Elder, Smith & Co. Ltd. will hold a land and lairing sale in the Estate of the late Miss Rose Kelly.

At their annual oil shears sale at Trawalla on Monday, Dec. 6, at 2 p.m., Dennys, Lascelles Ltd. will offer 3000 merino and comeback sheep.

ALTERATIONS The interior of the C.B.C. Bank, Beaufort, is undergoing extensive alterations.

RANFALL The rainfall at Beaufort for November was 357 points, and for the past 11 months 20.75 inches - about 7 1/2 inches short of the average.

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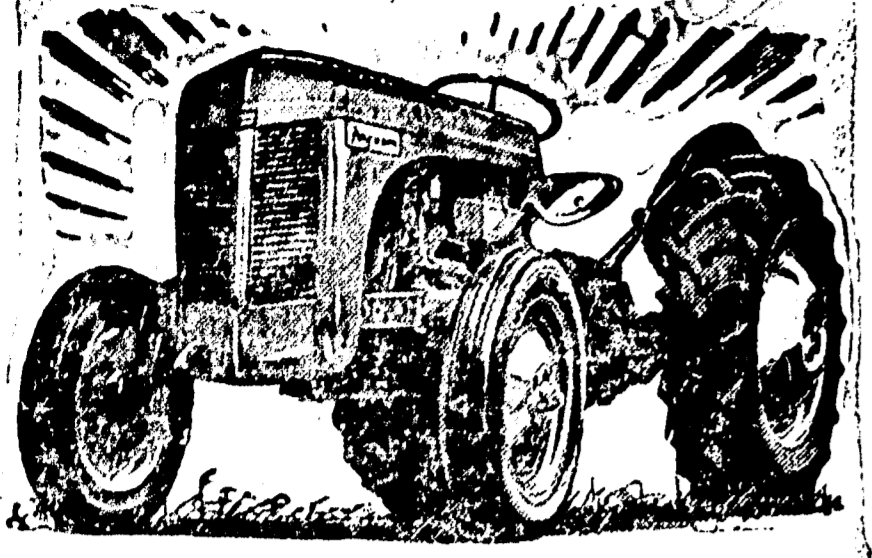
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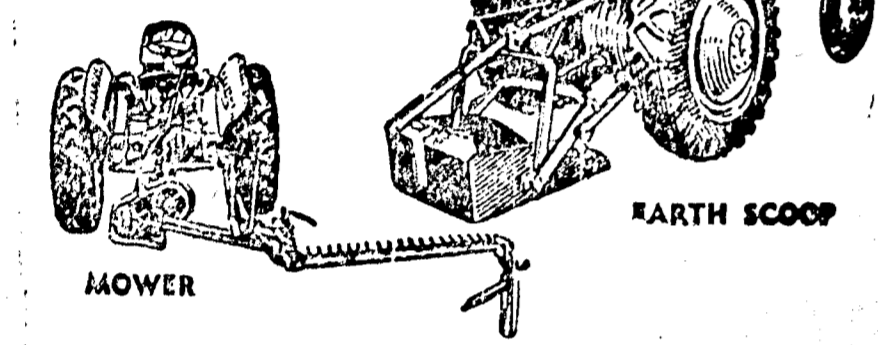
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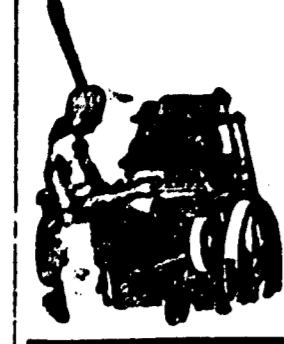


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Committee has pleasure in submitting the 27th Annual Report of the Beaufort Branch C.W.A. for the year ending 31st October 1954. Mrs G. Cuthbertson (Group President) presided.

Financial members 105 and 1 Life member (Miss A. T. Stewart). Average attendance at monthly meetings 65. At the Xmas Party and Birthday Meeting a large number of members and visitors were present.

For the birthday the Smeaton C.W.A. Choir provided a delightful programme.

Delegates attended the State Conference and the Group Conferences at Avoca, Westmere and Carranballac.

Christmas Gifts were again received from our link. Sutton Green and gift parcels of food were sent to the link.

The Golden Thread was won by Mrs N. Bain.

Efforts for the year included a successful Debutante Ball, attended by Mrs Telfer State Vice-President, Street Stalls for C.W.A. and Infant Welfare Centre, Fair and Antique Show, Picture Evening, and Travel Talk, with suitable music by Mrs and Miss H. Campbell Miss Exell and Mr J. Campbell. For the monthly meetings a travel talk by Mrs M. Exell and music by Miss Exell, Miss Ramsay, Kindergarten activities, Mrs Tufton from the Royal Victorian Institute of the Blind, Cookery demonstrations by Miss Gordon, and entertainment by Mesdames G. Cuthbertson, Trafford and Lyons.

The Craft afternoons held on the 3rd Thursday of each month are proving very successful.

Thanks to Mesdames G. Cuthbertson, Young, Tennant, White and Acton for Cookery demonstrations and Mrs H. E. Buchanan on Home dressmaking.

The committee again acted as an Auxiliary for the Infant Welfare Centre and has completed the furnishings and equipment for the Centre. We thank Mrs and Miss Young for the making of curtains and cushions.

The credit balance of the Branch at the beginning of the year was £118/9 and at the end of the year £20/15/2. Donations amounting to £78/1 as shown in the balance sheet were allocated.

We sincerely thank the Press for reports etc. Mr J. K. Finnin (Auditor) and Misses Witherspoon and Nickols (scrutineers) and all who assisted to make the year so successful.

To the incoming President, Committee and Officers we extend C.W.A. wishes.

ISABELLA C. Young, President. MILDRED ACTON, Hon. Secretary.

INFANT WELFARE CENTRE REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET. We are pleased to report that the centre has been progressing satisfactorily under Sister Renfrey and the new centre fully furnished and equipped and was officially opened by Dr. Barbara Meredith.

ISABELLA C. YOUNG, President. MILDRED ACTON, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

OPERATION Mr Malcolm Slee, of Beaufort, had to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

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December 11 and 18 Waubra v Beaufort 2 Beaufort 1 v Amphitheatre Elmhurst v Langi Kal Kal Avoca bye.

December 28 Waubra v Beaufort 1 Beaufort 2 v Avoca Langi Kal Kal v Amphitheatre Elmhurst bye

January 8 and 15 Elmhurst v Beaufort 1 Beaufort 2 v Amphitheatre Langi Kal Kal v Avoca Waubra bye

January 22 and 29 Beaufort 1 v Langi Kal Kal Avoca v Elmhurst Amphitheatre v Waubra Beaufort 2 bye

February 5 Beaufort 1 v Beaufort 2 Waubra v Avoca Elmhurst v Amphitheatre Langi Kal Kal bye

February 12 Elmhurst v Beaufort 2 Waubra v Langi Kal Kal Beaufort 1 bye

February 19 Avoca v Beaufort 1 Beaufort 2 v Langi Kal Kal Waubra v Elmhurst Amphitheatre bye

February 26 Beaufort 2 v Waubra Amphitheatre v Beaufort 1 Langi Kal Kal v Elmhurst Avoca bye

March 5 and 7 Beaufort 1 v Waubra Avoca v Beaufort 2 Amphitheatre v Langi Kal Kal Elmhurst bye

March 12 and 19 Semi-finals

March 26, April 1 and 8 Final.

R.S.L. BOWLING CLUB ASSOCIATES

The R.S.L. Bowling Associates held a pairs competition on Wednesday afternoon. The winners were Mesdames A. G. Vowles and A. Beer.

OBITUARY MR E. H. WELSH

The death occurred on Dec. 6 at a private hospital at Geelong of Mr Ernest Henry Welsh, a well respected resident of Beaufort for many years, who later removed to Geelong. For a long time he managed the Golden Age Hotel for his mother, the late Mrs S. Welsh, and was afterwards licensee and owner of the old Beaufort Hotel in Neill Street, which was noted for the excellent way in which it was conducted. Mr Welsh took a keen interest in the Beaufort Town Band (of which he was president) and local sporting bodies, and was also keen on politics. He leaves a widow and two daughters to mourn their loss, as well as a brother, Mr Arthur Welsh of Beaufort. Mrs Welsh is a member of the well-known Troy family; her late father being one of Beaufort's earliest business men. Mr Welsh's parents were also pioneer residents of the town.

IN HOSPITAL Mr J. D. Duke, a Beaufort returned soldier, has been a patient in the Heidelberg Rehabilitation Hospital for the past week.

BAND EUCHERE SOCIAL Beaufort Town Band held a eucHERE social on Tuesday night and the winner in section 1 was Mrs B. J. Martin with Mrs F. Houston as runner-up. Mrs C. C. Rayner had a win section 2 with Mrs A. Beer second.

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YOUTH TOUR

The treasurer of the "Sun" Youth Tour (Mr. P. Larrigan) has received the following:- Previously acknowledged - £68/4/1.

K. McKenzie, Trawalla South £10/10/6; S. Pascoe and Sons £3; H. McIntyre £2; T. McErvale £2; A. Higgins £2; J. Wallish £2; G. Kirkpatrick £2; H. T. Slee & Co. £1/1/1; L. Goddard £1/1/1; J. McKenzie £1; Terry Stewart £1; R. W. Dunn £1; D. Carmichael £1; J. E. Pearce £1; Mrs J. E. Day £1; W. Oliver £1; H. W. Lewis 10/-; C. Vowles 6/-; J. Dawson 5/-; V. Wilson 5/-. Total £33/8/6.

PARK IMPROVEMENT

The matter of Park improvement at Beaufort came before the Ripon Shire Council at the meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 8.

A letter was read from the Public Works Department, notifying the Council of a grant of £300 for oval extension at Beaufort.

Cr. D. J. S. Mackinnon reported on a meeting held the previous night. He said they inspected the Park and realised that the sporting bodies would lose the use of the oval for 12 months. They also realised that £800 was not enough, but the meeting recommended to the Council to go ahead and do what it could, leaving the oval to the last and doing the outside work first.

Cr. Riddoch - The bodies represented agreed to forego a season's activities to have the oval improved.

The Council had to contribute £400.

The engineer estimated the total job would cost £2000. The P.W. Department indicated the possibility of a further grant next year - probably £1000.

Cr. Buchanan - They should be on solid ground by going ahead.

The secretary said £1000 would be the total grant for the shire (including Carranballac).

Cr. Mackinnon - The cost may be reduced by working bees. The Council had put £400 on the estimates and the Progress Association said they would raise £400.

Cr. Russell - The result was very satisfactory. Instead of waiting for another year, why not get the work started straight away.

Cr. Mackinnon moved that the Council accept the grant and proceed with the work as soon as possible. Seconded by Cr. Russell and carried; the Progress Association to be asked to raise the £400 instead of the £200 immediately.

CARRANBALLAC RECREATION RESERVE At the Ripon Shire Council meeting on Dec. 8, a letter was received from Carranballac Progress Association, requesting the Council to apply for a P.W.D. grant for a pavilion at Carranballac Recreation Reserve. The secretary said the cost of the building would be £935 with a T. & G. floor, and £900 with a concrete floor. Cr. Riddoch - They should try and clear up the Beaufort job first. In answer to Cr. Hinton, the President (Cr. Guthrie) said the Beaufort job would be £900. Cr. Hinton - If Carranballac got about £500, they would scratch through with working bees. There were only two conveniences there, and the building was essential and urgent. It was decided to make Carranballac second priority and to make the application immediately, on motion of Crs. Hinton and Mackinnon; a grant of £600 to be asked for.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The engineer (Mr D. T. Coburn) reported as follows at the Ripon Shire Council meeting on Wednesday, 3th December:-

C.R.B. Roads. - The following works have been completed:- Sealing 1 m. on Beaufort - Lexton Road, construction of 1.1 m. on Mt. William Road for Stoneleigh S.S. Estate. Painting Bridge over Yamholes Creek on Raglan Road.

The following works are in progress:- Reconstruction 1.5 m. on Skipton Road. Patching of seal on Skipton Road, Beaufort - Lexton and Beaufort-Amphitheatre Roads. Patching Beaufort - Lexton Road near Chute.

Clause 1 - Adopted. 2 Shire Roads. - The following works have been carried out:-

North: Construction of culvert to replace bridge in Albert Street. Forming Topper's Lane. Patching Wilkinson's Road and cleaning culverts Ferntree Gully road. Filling E.L. holes, Lexton Road.

Forming and sheeting sections Old Shirley Road. Painting Albert and Leichardt Streets bridges.

East: Forming and sheeting McIntosh's Road. Attention to drains, patching and grading various roads. Redecking Mt. Emu East Bridge.

West: Grading Mt. Emu - Streatham Road, Mt. William and Beaufort - Carranballac Roads.

Clause 2 - Adopted. The engineer reported that the cost of doing the windows at the Park House would be £20 - 10 windows and three doors; the occupier would be willing to put them on. Cr. Hinton moved that Council spend £10 and allow engineer to negotiate. Agreed to.

The Engineer - He interviewed four householders re reducing the width of Albert Street, who were all willing but wanted to further discussion with a Council representative.

Referred to N.E. and engineer, on motion of Crs Mackinnon and Hinton, engineer to consult legal adviser if necessary.

The Engineer reported wheel and tyre stolen off new loader in Snake Valley Tip. He had reported it to the police. Cr. Russell - The engineer should be empowered to offer a good reward for any information in twenty - four hours (£100) leading to conviction. He moved to that effect. Seconded by Cr. Nunn and Carried.

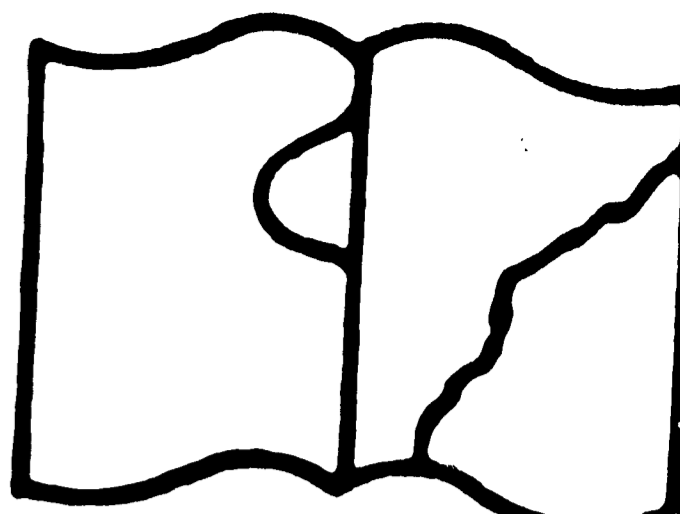
The engineer said the secretary would report on the weighbridges.

It was advisable to erect two Inland Waters at the Swimming Shed rights at external ones. Cr. Buchanan and he inspected. Cr. Buchanan moved that two protected lights be erected. Seconded by Cr. Riddoch and carried.

The engineer - He had had two offers for the old steam roller. It was decided that the engineer collect all the old scrap iron and call tenders for it and call separate tenders for the roller.

The engineer said Mr Grant wanted to remove a tree in Neill St., which he approved and stipulated he notify him when intended to remove it. They could go ahead and call tenders for removal of alternate trees if they wished.

Cr. Buchanan - He was prepared to move that the motion on the books be rescinded. The President - People were willing to buy trees now. It was resolved to wait and see what happened with the removal of Mr Grant's tree.



The December the Beaufort Brigade night at night was presided by W. D. Fourteen active and reserve members attended.

CORRESPONDENCE

Xmas. greetings from Country Fire Authority. - Received.

From same, concerning resumption of duty of Fireman K. Oughlan. - Received.

From Assistant - Chief Officer W. C. Compton, stating he would inspect brigade on Thursday, Dec. 9. - Received.

From Ellarlat City Brigade, forwarding invitation to send two representatives to annual meeting and banquet on Dec. 7. - Captain Day and Fireman J. Holdsworth to attend.

From Country Fire Authority, re establishing register of honorary life members. Ex-Captain J. Duke to be entered as an honorary life member.

From Kerang Urban Brigade, re Xmas. box competition to pay for watering system, and enclosing two £1 tickets. - Received.

From Country Fire Authority, stating that Lands Department had granted the Brigade's application for permissive occupancy of training track site, Beaufort, at a rental of £1 per year. - Received.

From A. M. Crick & Co., forwarding donation of £5 0/6 in appreciation of services of brigade at recent fire at their Beaufort premises. - Received, and letter of thanks to be sent.

From Country Fire Authority, approving of enrolment of C. A. Bennett, D. A. Grant, M. Plover and C. Davies as reserve members. - Received.

From Country Fire Authority, re transport of firemen to Ballarat demonstration, to be held from 1st to 3rd March. - Form completed.

GENERAL BUSINESS Matters in connection with the construction of the training track (which is in progress) were discussed, and a working bee arranged for Saturday morning.

A letter is to be sent to Fireman J. D. Duke, who is in the Heidelberg Military Hospital, expressing the best wishes of the members for his speedy recovery.

It was decided to get a new battery for the motor truck, and to have the generator checked.

The annual smoke social was arranged for Monday night, Dec. 20, if possible to hold it on that night.

Captain Day and Fireman F. Houston were appointed for motor pump duty for the month, and Fireman E. Caulfield and E. George for hall duty. It was resolved to meet during the summer months at 8 p.m.

INLAND WATERS The Oliver's Gully and Langi Ghiran Reservoirs have been specified as Inland Waters for the purpose of section 5 of the Fisheries (Inland Angling) Act 1950. They are situated in the Parish of Ararat and Colvinsby respectively.

MUMS' EUCHERE Beaufort Mums' Auxiliary conducted a eucHERE social on Monday night. - Section 1 - Mesdames McDonald, A. Parker and Miss M. Anderson divided 1 and 2. Section 2 - Mesdames E. Sullivan and A. J. Hughes divided 1 and 2.

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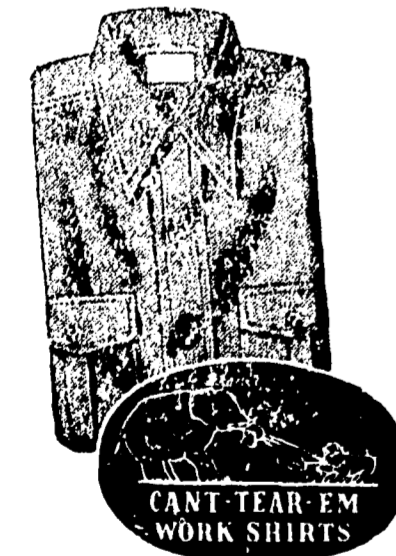
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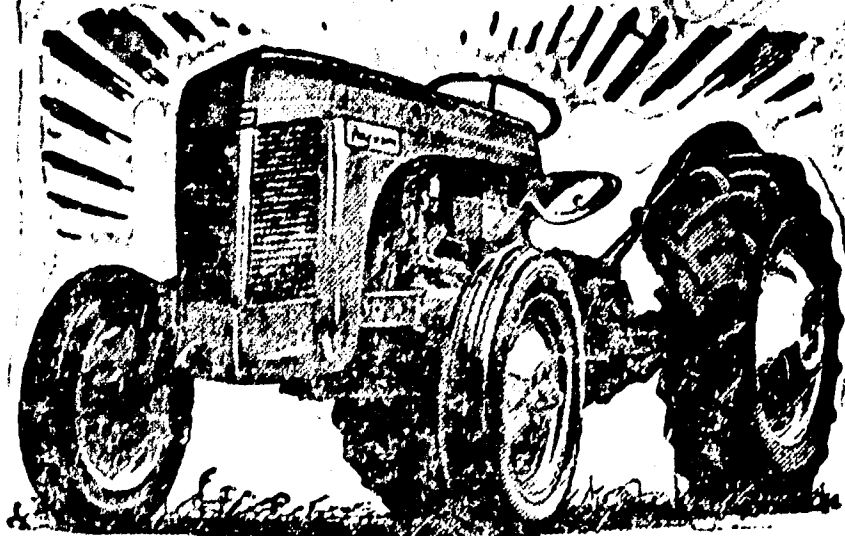
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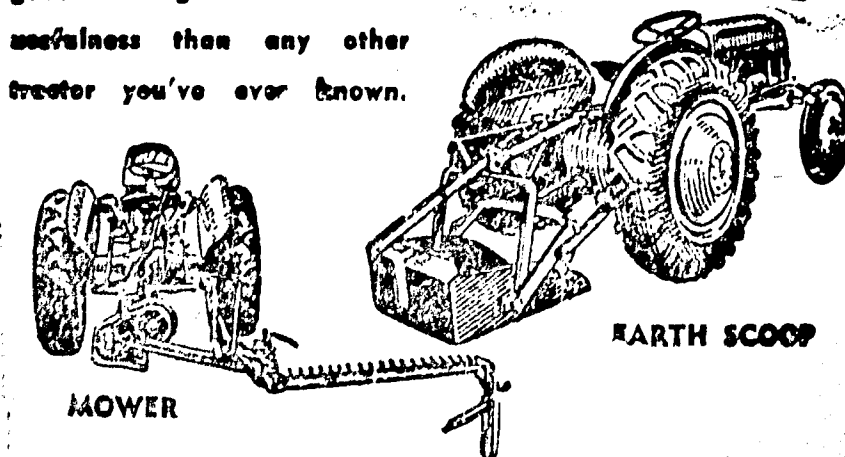
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BEAUFORT C.W.A.

Yearly Committee has pleasure in submitting the 27th Annual Report of the Beaufort Branch C.W.A. for the year ending 31st October 1954.

Financial members 105 and 1 Life member (Miss A. T. Stewart). Average attendance at monthly meetings 65.

At the Xmas Party and Birthday Meeting a large number of members and visitors were present.

For the birthday the Smeaton C.W.A. Choir provided a delightful programme.

Delegates attended the State Conference and the Group Conferences at Avoca, Westmore and Carranballac.

Christmas Gifts were again received from our link. Sutton Green and gift parcels of food were sent to the link.

The Golden Thread was won by Mrs N. Bain.

Efforts for the year included a successful Debutante Ball, attended by Mrs Teller State Vice-President, Street Stalls for C.W.A. and Infant Welfare Centre, Fair and Antique Show, Picture Evening, and Travel Talk, with suitable music by Mrs and Miss H. Campbell Miss Exell and Mr J. Campbell.

The Craft afternoons held on the 3rd Thursday of each month are proving very successful.

Thanks to Mesdames G. Cuthbertson, Young, Tennant, White and Acton for Cookery demonstrations and Mrs H. E. Buchanan on Home dressmaking.

The committee again acted as an Auxiliary for the Infant Welfare Centre and has completed the furnishings and equipment for the Centre. We thank Mrs and Miss Young for the making of curtains and cushions.

The credit balance of the Branch at the beginning of the year was £1/18/9 and at the end of the year £20/15/2.

Donations amounting to £78/1 as shown in the balance sheet were allocated.

We sincerely thank the Press for reports etc., Mr J. K. Finnin (Auditor) and Misses Witherspoon and Nickols (scrutineers) and all who assisted to make the year so successful.

To the incoming President, Committee and Officers we extend C.W.A. wishes.

ISABELLA C. Young, President. MILDRED ACTON, Hon. Secretary.

INFANT WELFARE CENTRE REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET.

We are pleased to report that the centre has been progressing satisfactorily under Sister Renfrey and the new centre fully furnished and equipped and was officially opened by Dr. Barbara Meredith.

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OPERATION Mr Malcolm Slee, of Beaufort, had to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

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7 CRICKET TEAMS IN PYRENEES CONTEST

The Pyrenees Cricket Association has seven teams in the competition this year and the draw for the season is as follows:-

December 11 and 18 Waubra v Beaufort 2 Beaufort 1 v Amphitheatre Elmhurst v Langi Kal Kal Avoca bye.

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February 26 Beaufort 2 v Waubra Amphitheatre v Beaufort 1 Langi Kal Kal v Elmhurst Avoca bye

March 5 and 7 Beaufort 1 v Waubra Avoca v Beaufort 2 Amphitheatre v Langi Kal Kal Elmhurst bye

March 12 and 19 Semi-finals Final.

R.S.L. BOWLING CLUB ASSOCIATES

The R.S.L. Bowling Associates held a pairs competition on Wednesday afternoon. The winners were Mesdames A. G. Vowles and A. Beer.

OBITUARY

MR E. H. WELSH

The death occurred on Dec. 6 at a private hospital at Geelong of Mr Ernest Henry Welsh, a well respected resident of Beaufort for many years, who later removed to Geelong.

For a long time he managed the Golden Age Hotel for his mother, the late Mrs S. Welsh and was afterwards licensee and owner of the old Beaufort Hotel in Neill Street, which was noted for the excellent way in which it was conducted.

Mr Welsh took a keen interest in the Beaufort Town Band (of which he was president) and local sporting bodies, and was also keen on politics. He leaves a widow and two daughters to mourn their loss, as well as a brother, Mr Arthur Welsh of Beaufort. Mrs Welsh is a member of the well-known Welsh family; her late father being one of Beaufort's earliest business men. Mr Welsh's parents were also pioneer residents of the town.

IN HOSPITAL

Mr J. D. Duke, a Beaufort returned soldier, has been a patient in the Heidelberg Rehabilitation Hospital for the past week.

BAND EUCHERE SOCIAL

Beaufort Town Band held a euechre social on Tuesday night and the winner in section 1 was Mrs B. J. Martin with Mrs F. Houston as runner-up. Mrs C. C. Rayner had a win section 2 with Mrs A. Beer second.

YOUTH TOUR

The treasurer of the "Sun" Youth Tour (Mr P. Larke) has acknowledged the following:-

Previously acknowledged - £68/4/1. K. McKenzie, Trawalla South £10/10/6; S. Pascoe and Sons £3; H. McIntyre £2; T. McErvalle £2; A. Higgins £2; J. Wallish £2; G. Kirkpatrick £2; H. T. Slee & Co. £1/1/1; L. Goddard £1/1/1; J. McKenzie £1; Terry Stewart £1; R. W. Dunn £1; D. Carmichael £1; J. E. Pearce £1; Mrs J. E. Day £1; W. Oliver £10; H. W. Lewis £10; C. Vowles £6; J. Dawson £5; V. Wilson £7. Total £33/3/6.

PARK IMPROVEMENT

The matter of Park improvement at Beaufort came before Ripon Shire Council at the meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 8.

A letter was read from the Public Works Department, Melbourne, the Council of a grant of £300 for oval extension at Beaufort.

Cr. D. J. Mackinnon reported on a meeting held the previous night. He said they inspected the Park and realised that the sporting bodies would lose the use of the oval for 12 months. They also realised that £800 was not enough, but the meeting recommended to the Council to go ahead and do what it could, leaving the oval to the last and doing the outside work first.

Cr. Riddoch - The bodies represented agreed to forego a season's activities to have the oval improved.

Cr. Buchanan said the Council had to contribute £400.

The engineer estimated the total job would cost £2000. The P.W. Department indicated the possibility of a further grant next year - probably £1000.

Cr. Buchanan - They should be on solid ground by going ahead.

The secretary said £1000 would be the total grant for the shire (including Carranballac).

Cr. Mackinnon - The cost may be reduced by working bees. The Council had put £400 on the estimates and the Progress Association said they would raise £400.

Cr. Russell - The result was very satisfactory. Instead of waiting for another year, why not get the work started straight away.

Cr. Mackinnon moved that the Council accept the grant and proceed with the work as far as possible. Seconded by Cr. Russell and carried; the Progress Association to be asked to raise the £400 instead of the £200 immediately.

CARRANBALLAC RECREATION RESERVE

At the Ripon Shire Council meeting on Dec. 8, a letter was received from Carranballac Progress Association, requesting the Council to apply for a P.W.D. grant for a pavilion at Carranballac Recreation Reserve. The secretary said the cost of the building would be £935 with a T. & G. floor, and £900 with a concrete floor. Cr. Riddoch - They should try and clear up the Beaufort job first. In answer to Cr. Hinton, the President (Cr. Guthrie) said the Beaufort job would be £800 short. Cr. Hinton - If Carranballac got about £500, they would scratch through with working bees. There were only two conveniences there, and the building was essential and urgent. It was decided to make Carranballac second priority and to make the application immediately, on motion of Crs. Hinton and Mackinnon; a grant of £600 to be asked for.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The engineer (Mr D. T. Coburn) reported as follows at the Ripon Shire Council meeting on Wednesday, 3th December:-

C.R.B. Roads. - The following works have been completed:- Sealing 1 m. on Beaufort - Lexton Road. Construction of 1.1 m. on Mt. William Road for Stoneleigh S.S. Estate. Painting Bridge over Yarnholes Creek on Raglan Road.

The following works are in progress:- Reconstruction 1.5 m. on Skipton Road. Patching seal on Skipton Road, Beaufort - Lexton and Beaufort-Amphitheatre Roads. Patching Beaufort - Lexton Road near Chute.

Clause 1 - Adopted. 2. Shire Roads. - The following works have been carried out:-

North: Construction of culvert to replace bridge in Albert Street. Forming Topper's Lane. Patching Wilkinson's Road and cleaning culverts Ferntree Gully road. Filling E.L. holes, Lexton road. Forming and sheeting sections Old Shirley Road. Painting Albert and Leichardt Streets bridges.

East: Forming and sheeting McIntosh's Road. Attention to drains, patching and grading various roads. Redecking Mt. Emu East Bridge.

West: Grading Mt Emu - Streatham Road, Mt. William and Beaufort - Carranballac Roads.

Clause 2 - Adopted. The engineer reported that the cost of doing wire windows at the Park House would be £20 - 10 windows and three doors; the occupier would be willing to put them on. Cr. Hinton moved that Council spend £10 and allow engineer to negotiate. Agreed to.

The Engineer - He interviewed four householders reducing the width of Albert Street, who were all willing but wanted a further discussion with a Council representative.

Referred to N.R. and engineer on motion of Crs Mackinnon and Hinton; engineer to consult legal adviser if necessary.

The Engineer reported wheel and tyre stolen off new loader in Snake Valley Tip. He had reported it to the police. Cr. Russell - The engineer should be empowered to offer a good reward for any information in twenty - four hours (£100) leading to conviction. He moved to that effect. Seconded by Cr. Nunn and Carried.

The engineer said the secretary would report on the weighbridges.

It was advisable to erect two internal lights at the Swimming Shed rather than external ones. Cr. Buchanan and he inspected. Cr. Buchanan moved that two protected lights be erected. Seconded by Cr. Riddoch and carried.

The engineer - He had had two offers for the old steam roller.

It was decided that the engineer collect all the old scrap iron and call tenders for it and call separate tenders for the roller.

The engineer said Mr Grant wanted to remove a tree in Neill St., which he approved and stipulated he notify him when intended to remove it. They could go ahead and call tenders for removal of alternate trees if they wished.

Cr. Buchanan - He was prepared to move that the motion on the books be rescinded. The President - People were willing to buy trees now. It was resolved to wait and see what happened with the removal of Mr Grant's tree.

INLAND WATERS

The Oliver's Gully and Langi Ghiran Reservoirs have been specified as Inland Waters for the purpose of section 5 of the Fisheries (Inland Angling) Act 1950. They are situated in the Parish of Ararat and Colvinsky respectively.

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Fourteen active and reserve members attended.

CORRESPONDENCE

Xmas greetings from Country Fire Authority. - Received.

From same, concerning resumption of duty of Fireman K. O'Loughlan. - Received.

From Assistant - Chief Officer W. C. Compton, stating he would inspect brigade on Thursday, Dec. 9. - Received.

From Ballarat City Brigade, forwarding invitation to send two representatives to annual meeting and banquet on Dec. 7. - Captain Day and Fireman J. Holdsworth to attend.

From Country Fire Authority, re establishing register of honorary life members. - Ex-Captain J. Duke to be enrolled as an honorary life member.

From Kerang Urban Brigade, re Xmas box competition to pay for watering system, and enclosing two £1 tickets. - Received.

From Country Fire Authority, stating that Landis Department had granted the Brigade's application for permissive occupancy of training track site, Beaufort, at a rental of £1 per year. - Received.

Firmo A. M. Crick & Co., forwarding donation of £5 0/6 in appreciation of services of brigade at recent fire at their Beaufort premises. - Received, and letter of thanks to be sent.

From Country Fire Authority, approving of enrolment of C. A. Bennett, D. A. Grant, M. Plover and C. Davies as reserve members. - Received.

From Country Fire Authority, re transport of firemen to Ballarat demonstration, to be held from 1st to 3rd March. - Form completed.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Matters in connection with the construction of the training track (which is in progress) were discussed, and a working bee arranged for Saturday morning.

A letter is to be sent to Fireman J. D. Duke, who is in the Heidelberg Military Hospital, expressing the best wishes of the members for his speedy recovery.

It was decided to get a new battery for the motor truck, and to have the generator checked.

The annual smoke social was arranged for Monday night, Dec. 20, if possible to hold it on that night.

Captain Day and Fireman F. Houston were appointed for motor pump duty for the month, and Firemen E. Caulfield and E. George for hall duty.

It was resolved to meet during the summer months at 8 p.m.

BEAUFORT CLUB

On Saturday 4th Dec. the secretary's team of the President's team to 6.

In the final of the doubles tournament on Sunday 5th December, Mrs. D. Coo and Mrs. D. Irwin defeated Mrs. G. Coo and Miss B. Irwin.

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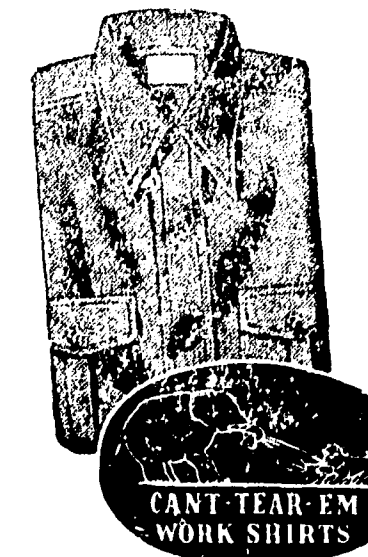
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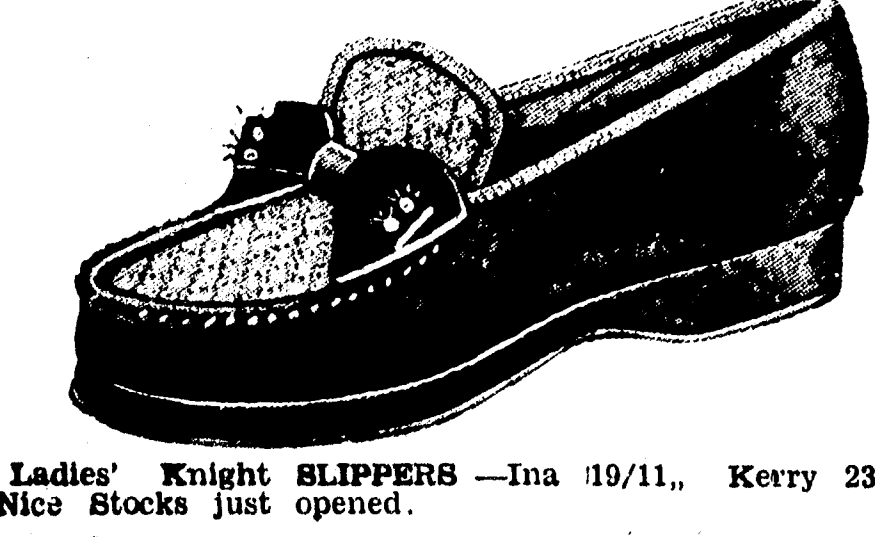
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The annual meeting of the Carranballac Branch of the C.W.A. was held in the Hall on Nov. 16. There was a good attendance and Mrs Darbyshire, Group President, and Mrs Dawson, Group Secretary, were welcomed by the retiring President, Mrs Funston, and presented with shoulder sprays. Mrs A. Hinton read her report on the year's activities and the treasurer (Mrs Ian Alexander) presented the balance sheet. Mrs Darbyshire then took the chair for the election of officers and the following ladies were elected and installed:—President, Mrs A. Thompson; vice-presidents, Mrs Bagnall and Mrs R. Waldron; secretary, Mrs A. Hinton; treasurer, Mrs Ian Alexander; committee, the five office-bearers and Mesdames Funston, H. Q. Smith, and J. Liston; magazine secretary, Miss Hazel Hinton; flower hostess, Mrs Funston. Each lady was presented with a shoulder spray. Mrs Darbyshire's helpful chat on all branches of C.W.A. work was much appreciated by the members. The competition aggregate prize was won by Mrs K. Waldron and she was presented with a C.W.A. spoon. A spoon was also presented to Mrs Joyce, a very good member, as a parting gift prior to her leaving the district. The monthly competition, a plate of shortbread, was judged by Mrs Darbyshire and Mrs Dawson, and the winner was Mrs Bagnall, with Mrs A. Waldron second. Following the annual meeting a short monthly meeting was held, when correspondence was dealt with and a competition decided on for next meeting. This is to be gifts of toys suitable for the children at the Mentally Retarded Children's Centre in Ballarat.

SKIPTON C.W.A.
The 21st annual meeting of Skipton C.W.A. was held on Nov. 12, with Mrs H. Lempriere, Group President, and Mrs Knight, Group Secretary, present. Miss Daly gave a short talk on branch activities, after which Mrs Lempriere invested the officers and gave a talk on all C.W.A. activities. Mrs Street was appointed president, Mrs Caulfield treasurer, Miss A. Corbett country crafts secretary, Mrs McPherson and Mrs Vowles vice-presidents, Mrs A. McDonald, Mrs Dunn and Miss H. Daly committee. The competition for the year was won by the secretary, Mrs Primrose and Mrs Gray presented flowers to Mrs Lempriere and all officers. Afternoon tea was served by Mesdames Parkins, Gray and Martins. The competition for December is to be the best Christmas gift for 3/ to be exchanged among members is to be the best Christmas gift for 3/ to be exchanged among members who were asked also to bring gifts for inmates of the Queen Elizabeth Home. Resolutions for the March conference are to be brought

BROKEN TOE
Mr A. S. Duncan, of Beaufort, broke a bone in his toe, owing to a log of wood falling on it.
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In the Ballarat Pennant Competition on Saturday East 101 defeated Beaufort 79.
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PERSONAL
Mr Alex Pearce, of Beaufort, is on the sick list.
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BUANGOR COUNTRY WOMEN
At the first annual meeting of the Buangor C.W.A., the President, Miss J. Lewis, welcomed the Group President, Mrs Darbyshire, and her Secretary, Mrs Dawson, and pretty posies were presented to them.
The financial statement presented by the treasurer Miss Audrey Brennan, showed a credit balance of £17/7/6.
Mrs I. MacInnes, secretary, presented an annual report, showing that the membership had increased from 23 to 41 and reviewing the year's activities.
Miss J. Lewis thanked the members for support given her during the year, and presented the office-bearers with posies.
Office-bearers were elected as follows:—President, Miss M. J. E. Lewis; vice-presidents, Mrs L. Franc and Miss Aileen Brennan; secretary, Mrs I. MacInnes; treasurer, Miss Audrey Brennan; magazine secretary, Miss A. Roberts; stallholders, Mrs J. Mansfield and Mrs Waldron.
Mrs Darbyshire congratulated the branch on the excellent progress made during the past 12 months, and she stressed several points which should be observed, such as United Nations Day in October, Thanksgiving Fund and a link overseas.
Miss Lewis thanked Mrs Darbyshire for her assistance with the annual meeting, and was supported by Mesdames Peters and J. Sanson.
The golden thread competition was won by Miss Aileen Brennan.

EUCHERE SOCIAL
At the Beaufort F.B. Ladies' eucchre social on Saturday night Mrs F. Houston was the winner in Section 1. Mesdames E. Day, E. Sullivan and C. Hare divided second. Mr I. Cheeseman had a win in Section 2. Mrs J. Laney and Miss L. Dalgleish dividing second.
PRESENTATION EVENING
A very enjoyable evening was spent in the Church of Christ Hall, Ararat, in honour of Miss Norma Welsh and Mr Ron Johnston, who were recently married. Mrs Owen, on behalf of the Ladies' Aid, presented the guests with a picture, and Mr Duckett, on behalf of the Church, presented them with a travelling rug. Both Mr Duckett and Mrs Owen commented on the sterling qualities of the young people and complimented them on the step they were taking. Mr Duckett drew special attention to the valued services of Norma as church organist for 13 years. Not only for the quality of her music, but for the consistency with which she attended to her position in the church, she would be hard to replace. Mr Johnston responded for the bride-to-be and thanked them sincerely for their good wishes and gifts. Very pleasing items were rendered by Misses Embury, Lloyd and Welsh and Mesdames Biggin, Bryant, Hewitt and Verdon and Mr Jewitt. Supper was served by the Ladies' Aid. — "Advertiser."

OBITUARY
MRS CHERRY M. STUART
The death occurred on Dec. 1 at her home, Carn Brea, Stanley, Tasmania, of Mrs Cherry Marie Stuart, wife of Mr Harry Stuart, of that town (formerly of Beaufort). Besides her husband she leaves a son. The late Mrs Stuart was noted for her kindly deeds. She was the sister-in-law of Miss L. Stuart, of Beaufort.

ELMHURST FLOWER SHOW
The third annual show of the Methodist Ladies' Guild was held at Elmhurst on 12th Nov., and was a great success. Entries in cooking and cut flower sections were greater than ever, although there were scarcely any entries in the rose sections, owing to severe frosts completely burning off the rosebuds.
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ON AIR BOARD
Air Vice-Marshal P. R. W. Scherger, who has been appointed Air Member for Personal on the Air Board, succeeds Air Vice-Marshal V. E. Hancock, who will vacate the post on Jan 3 to become head of the Australian Joint Services Staff, London. Air Vice-Marshal Scherger, at present Air Officer Commanding the Royal Air Force in Malaya, will not be available for the new post till March. The Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, Air Vice-Marshal W. L. Hely, will act as Air Member for Personal from Jan 3 to March 6.
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LEXTON COUNCIL NOTES
The approval of the State Electricity Commission to the extension of electricity supply to Lexton is expected soon.
This was stated by the secretary, Mr C. F. Loxley, at the recent meeting of the Lexton Shire Council. Mr Loxley said the necessary funds had been raised and the consumers signed up.
The Government statist notified that the shire population had increased from 1189 in 1947 to 1350 when the census was taken last June.
Several Langi Kal Kal ratepayers asked that the continuation of the Black Bottom road through to the Western Highway be thrown open. Council agreed to this.
Council was notified that the school bus route at Langi Kal Kal was to be extended to cover all Langi Kal Kal settlers' families via Emu Creek and Blackbottom road.

SNAKE VALLEY C.W.A. PARTY
The December meeting of the Carnham Branch of the C.W.A. took the form of a Christmas party. Members entertained a party of men and women from the Ballarat Mental Hospital. Midday lunch was provided and the tables were beautifully decorated and well laden. Mrs Tuddenham, the past-group president, cut a Christmas cake and everyone received a piece. The afternoon was devoted to community singing and games. Items were rendered by Mrs Tuddenham. Christmas carols were also sung and some of the visitors.

Each visitor received a gift from the beautiful Christmas Tree. The male visitors received ties, and the women strings of beads in cases. Ice cream was served and the women received posies of flowers. The vice-president of the Auxiliary, Mrs G. A. Bath, thanked the members of the members of the C.W.A. for the wonderful afternoon they had provided for for the patients. The President of the branch (Mrs Rex Hayward) replied.

GIFTS TO HOME
The Queen Elizabeth Home, Ballarat, will benefit to the extent of £320 from the estate of the late Annie Grant, of Beaufort. The Board of Management of the Home was advised of this at its meeting on Monday night. It was reported that the Home had received a donation of £100 from Mrs M. Gange, of Westmore, and would receive £100 under the will of the late Lillian C. Anderson.
AUTOMATIC PHONE SERVICE FOR SNAKE VALLEY
Tests of automatic telephone services for Snake Valley and Carnham are being completed by the P.M.G. Department. Some time ago the underground cable was laid from Carnham to the exchange at Snake Valley and now the laying of the cable for Snake Valley has been finished. It should not be long before subscribers are connected and a continuous service put into operation.

OBITUARY
LATE MR T. M. BOWE
The death occurred at his residence in Ballarat on 11th Nov., reports the "Ararat Advertiser", of Mr Tregallas Martin Bowe, a former manager of the E.S. & A. Bank at Beaufort. Mr Bowe is well remembered by the older generation of Ararat residents, as he was on the staff of the London Bank here for many years before the name was changed to E.S. & A. Bank. Mr Bowe's parents lived in Ararat at the beginning of the century, his father being one of the pioneers of the Mr. William gold rush. During his residence in Ararat Mr Treg Bowe was very interested in the work of the Presbyterian Church and he also took a prominent part in musical and dramatic societies. In his younger days he was a keen and capable tennis player. During latter years Mr Bowe visited Ararat to see his daughter, Mrs J. Hartrick, who lived here with her husband and family a short time ago. He leaves to mourn their loss his widow, who was formerly Miss Mary Craig, of Ararat, a daughter, Nance (Mrs J. Hartrick, of Charlton) and three sons: David (Frankston), Keith (North Caulfield) and John (Ballarat).

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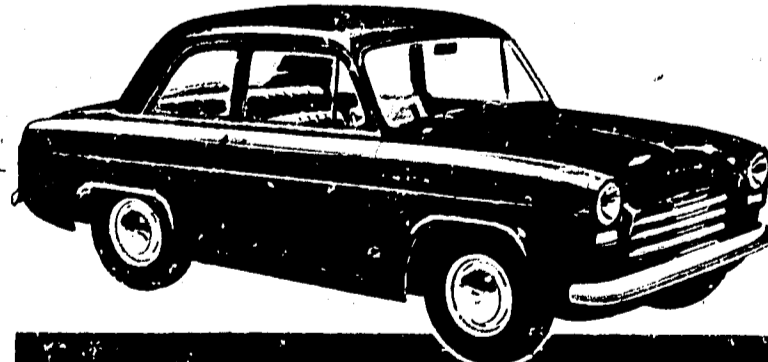
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Presbyterian Church Beaufort 11 and 3.30 Beaufort Sunday School Anniversary; Middle Creek, 2.15 (Rev. H. A. Harris. No service at Blunton).

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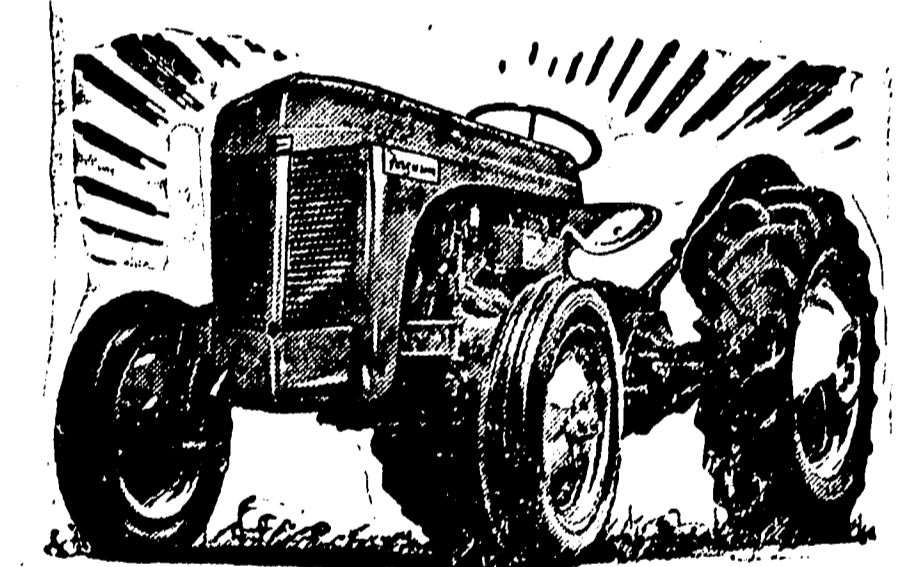
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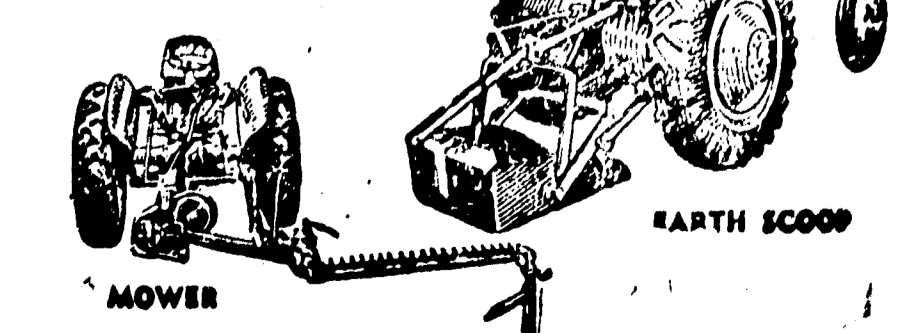
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R.S.L. WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The annual meeting of the R.S.L. Auxiliary was held on Monday afternoon; 20 members being present. Mrs R. T. Macdonald (vice-president) presided. Mrs Macdonald spoke of the good work Mrs C. Ward had done for the Auxiliary as president, and moved that a minute of appreciation of her work be recorded on the books. Carried.

ANNUAL REPORT
The annual report, presented by the secretary, Miss M. Hannah, was as follows:—In presenting to you our annual report for the year ending 10th Novr., 1954, we are pleased to state our Auxiliary has had a successful year. We have a membership of 36 and to those ladies who attended our monthly meetings and cards on the first and third Mondays regularly and to those who helped with the August fair we extend our grateful thanks. The fair resulted in a profit of £62/19-3, which was paid into the No. 2 Account. The smoke night was catered for. The members arranged the tables for the R.S.L. and returned later to wash up. We also took part in the Anzac services. Our President placed a wreath on the Shrine and we served afternoon tea to League members and their guests. Our members also sold 100 poppies. Four members attended the get-together at Terang and 18 Auxiliaries were represented. Mrs Ward and Miss M. Hannah attended the Central Women's Auxiliary Conference in Melbourne and we thank Mrs Ward for her report on same. We regret that Mrs Ward has gone to Melbourne and wish her and Mr Ward health and happiness. To all those who suffered bereavement we extend on behalf of the Auxiliary our heartfelt sympathy. In conclusion we extend to all our members our grateful thanks for their support and wish them the compliments of the season and trust that peace and happiness will remain with us. "Lest we forget."
The balance-sheet showed a credit balance in the General Account of £6/11/- and £202 9/5 to credit of the Building Fund.
The balance-sheet and report were adopted on the motion of Mrs Macdonald.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS
Office bearers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—President, Mrs R. T. Macdonald; vice-president, Mrs Hilton Dunn and Miss M. Anderson; secretary, Miss M. Hannah.
All present formed themselves into a committee with power to add.
It was decided to go into recess for the January meeting to hold the flag bridge on the third Thursday, and to carry on the usual flag bridge socials each month.
A flag bridge social followed the meeting.
A tasty afternoon tea was provided by the members.

APPRECIATION OF 25 YEARS' SERVICE

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INJURED GIRL DIES

Janice Marlene Kneebone, 8, of Warrak, who was admitted at the Ballarat Base Hospital late on Monday night, 20th Novr., died early on Nov. 30. The girl is believed to have overbalanced from the back of a utility truck being driven near her home. She was first admitted to the Ararat Hospital, but was brought to Ballarat because of the seriousness of her condition. S/Const. J. Barry, of Ballarat South police station, made inquiries. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs L. Kneebone, of Warrak.

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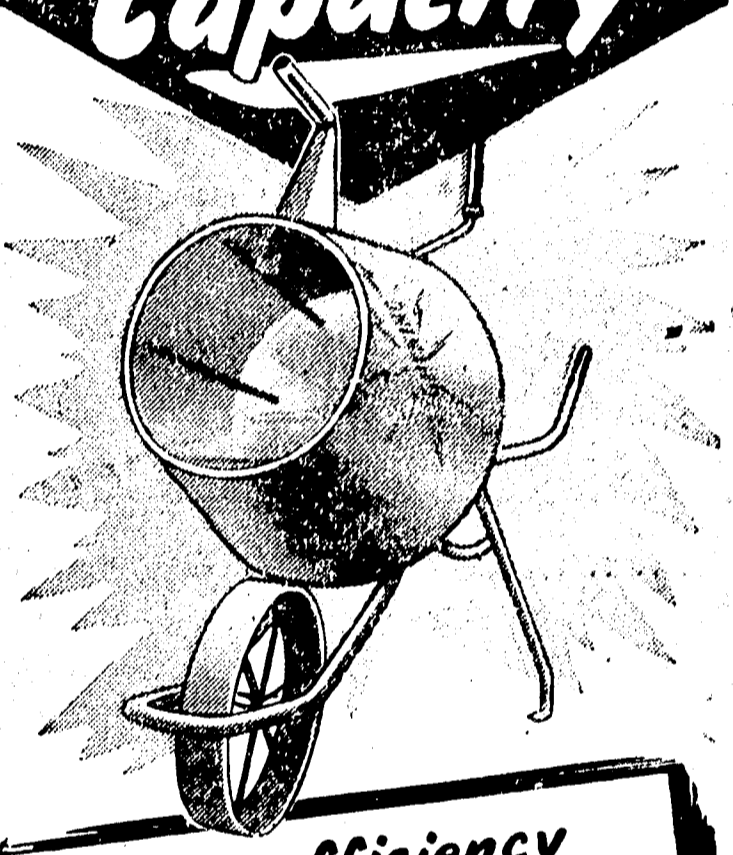
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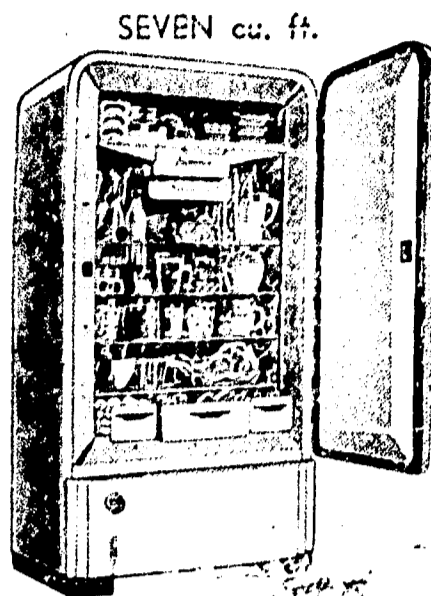
Six Injured In Elaine Accident
Six persons were injured when two cars collided head on about two miles on the Ballarat side of Elaine, on the Geelong Road about 9 o'clock on Sunday night. The front portions of both cars were extensively damaged.
Two of the injured persons were brought to the Ballarat Base Hospital by ambulance. Four others came in by private cars. Four treated at the hospital were admitted.
Those injured were: Arthur Miner, of 78 Moorabool St., Geelong, driver of the car which was travelling towards Geelong. He was admitted for observation with shock and back injuries.
His wife, Lillian Miner, was treated and allowed to leave.
Peter Joseph Kelly, also of the same address, was admitted with a fractured left leg.
Edward Clough, same address, was admitted for observation with abrasions and shock.
James Ward, also a passenger in the car, and also residing at 78 Moorabool St., went on to Geelong after the accident. He was not injured.
Beaufort Residents in Accident
In the other car, which was travelling towards Ballarat, were Clarrie Nuzum, of Cummins St., Beaufort, driver, who was uninjured; his wife Valerie Nuzum, who was treated for abrasions to the leg and allowed to leave, and Beryl Young, of Beaufort, treated for abrasions to the hand and allowed to leave.
P/Const. P. Griffin, of Mercedith, is in charge of inquiries. "Courier."

SKIPTON VETERINARY SCHEME
At a meeting of the District Council of the A.P.P.U. at Skipton final action on the local Veterinary Scheme was postponed to the next meeting of the committee. The secretary, Mr E. Keable, said that over £800 of the £1000 fund necessary had been collected, but they were not empowered to act until the full amount was forthcoming. It was a case of all branches reminding their members and others who had promised to donate to send along their cheques. The President, Cr. S. Waldron, told the meeting that one veterinary surgeon already had applied, and was keenly interested in starting a practice in Skipton.
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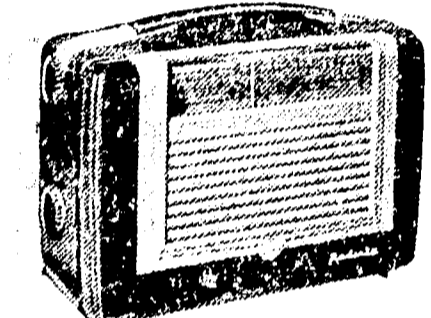
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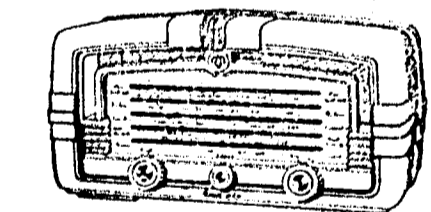
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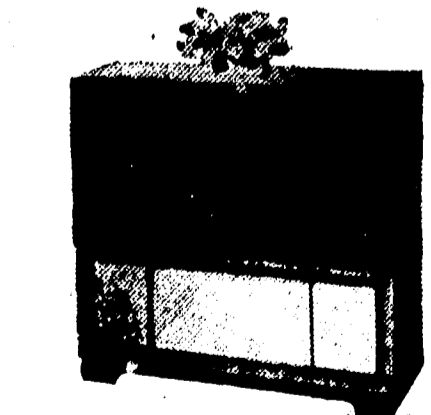


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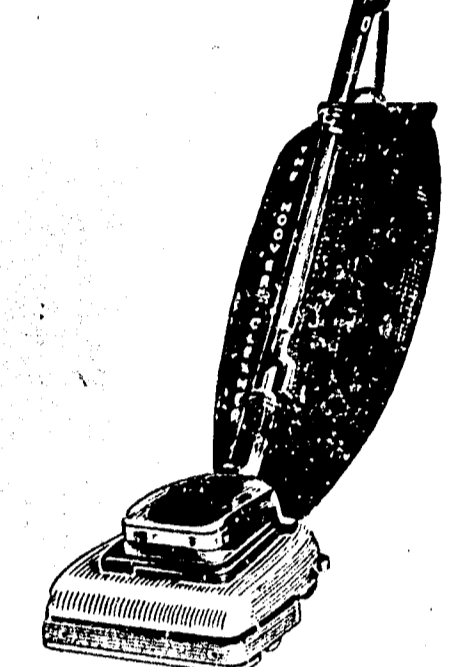
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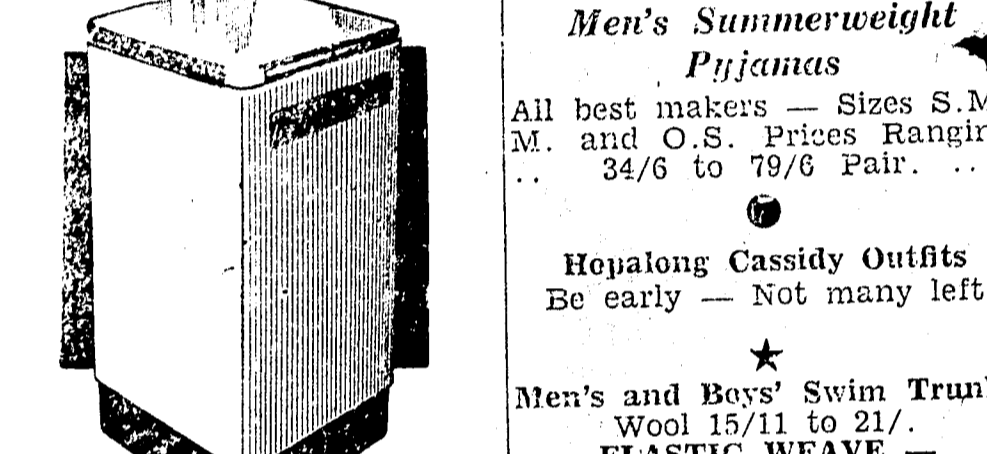
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The shire president, Cr. Rowan, reported that the Railways Commissioners were referring to the crossings committee the proposal that a public crossing replace the present private crossing at Trawalla railway station.

The auditor reported completing the annual audit which showed the revenue account showed a surplus of £4931 compared with an estimated deficit of £776. Despite purchase of plant costing £8828 during the year, the Council's financial position had only declined by £2060 in that period.

The engineer reported that sealing of a total length of 4.35 miles had been completed on the Beaufort - Amphitheatre, Beaufort - Lexton, Lexton - Talbot and Wabra - Talbot roads. Replacement of four timber culverts by R.C. pipes and box culverts on the Beaufort - Amphitheatre road was under way. The high level bridge over the Emu Creek on the Langi Kal Kal - Beaufort road had been submitted to the C.R.B. for approval.

The Council struck a general rate of 3/ in the £, levied on a net annual valuation of £86,133, which was estimated to produce revenue amounting to £12,320. Estimates for the year were adopted. Surplus funds totalling £5445 at October 1, 1954, would be reduced to an estimated surplus of £2033 at Sept. 30, 1955.

The secretary (secretary) reported that the credit balance was £113/1/10.

It was decided to earmark the H.E. School gift of £32 15/ for the equipment account, on motion of Messrs Riddoch and Coburn.

Mrs Stowell said there was a Cr. balance of £57 to the equipment account, totalling £159 17/1 in the general fund were passed for payment, subject to funds being available.

GENERAL BUSINESS
The secretary said two more cupboards were required for the operating theatre. To be purchased, on motion of Messrs J. McErvale and D. T. Coburn.

Apologies were received for the absence of the President (Mr A. R. Beggs) and several other members.

The secretary and Sister Paul were granted expenses for attending meetings at Ballarat.

Arrangements were made to provide Xmas cheer for the staff and patients at the Hospital.

The chairman reported on the delay in painting the Hospital. - Contractor to be contacted.

The January meeting is to be allowed to lapse.

Sister J. Paul (sister - in charge) reported that 50 patients were treated for the month, and the daily average was 7.8.

SHIRE SPEECH NIGHT

Art Picture Theatre crowded with an enthusiastic audience on Tuesday, Dec. 14, for the annual speech night and concert at the Beaufort H.E.

The announcements were made by the head prefect, Betty Waldron.

Rev. A. L. Mills, leader of the local Ministers' Fraternal, was the guest speaker and his subject was "Secondary Education." He stressed the importance of children continuing at school after finishing the primary course.

A very entertaining programme was provided by the various clubs connected with the school, and consisted of choral items, dramatic pieces, puppet shows, and a first aid display. All the items were received with great applause.

The Head Teacher (Mr A. K. Ruxton) presented a comprehensive report of the year's activities.

The Senior Secondary Master (Mr A. McLachlan) endorsed the head teacher's remarks, thanked the staff, and stressed the need for greater interest in secondary education and the advantages of secondary schools. He outlined the scholastic and sporting achievements for the year.

The certificates, etc., were presented by Mrs A. G. Powles (president of the Mothers' Club) and Mr W. Thompson (Chairman of the School Committee).

The dux of Form I, was Jennifer Tiley, Form II, Margaret Fraser, Form III, Alan Waldron, Form IV, Margaret Norman, Form V, and the School Joan McCumber.

The prize for outstanding girl for the year went to Beverley Peters, and for outstanding boy to Geoffrey Wilson.

On behalf of the School Committee, Mr W. Thompson presented a travelling rug to Mrs Ruxton and wished him success and happiness in his new school at Clunes.

At the end of 1953 eight candidates were presented for the Intermediate Certificate.

Eveley Peters and Betty Waldron each passed in 10 subjects, Dawn Dunn, Donald Smith, Graeme Whittaker, and Geoff Wilson in 9 each, Margaret Hopkins 7, and Joan McCumber 6.

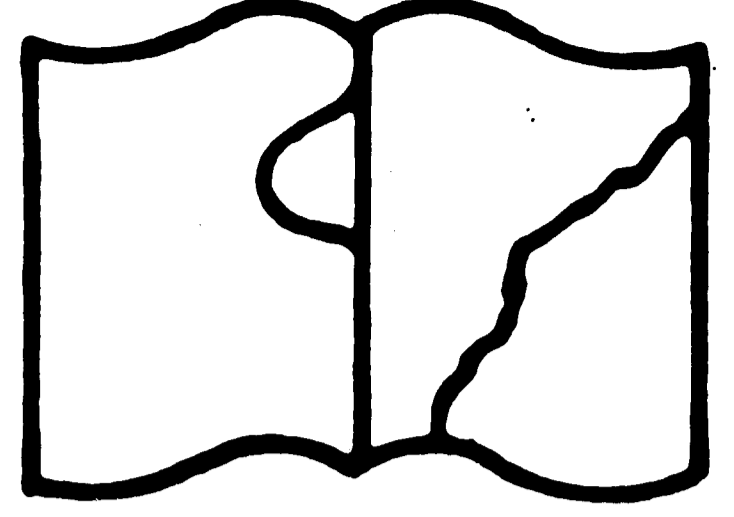
Marlene Stephens and Lewis Jaensch passed the leaving certificate examination through correspondence.

This year (1954) there were six candidates for the leaving certificate and five for the Intermediate certificate (results not yet known). There were 11 successful candidates for the proficiency certificate.

A fuller report will appear in next issue.

OBITUARY

MR E. H. WELSH.
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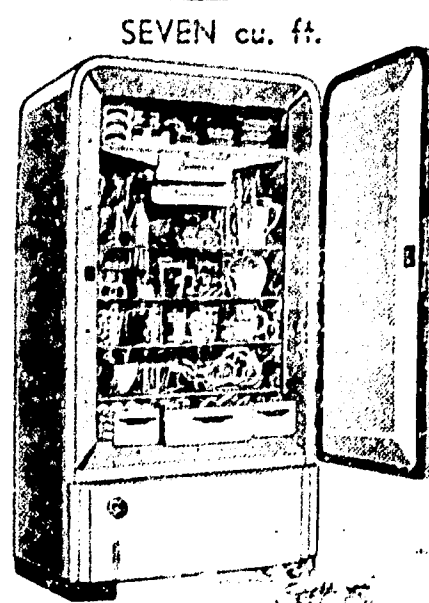
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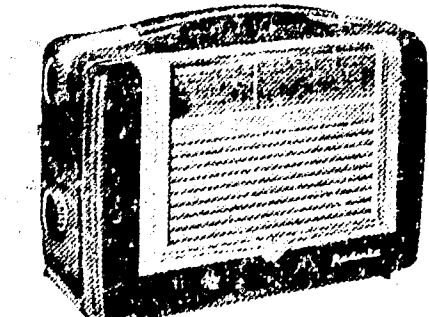
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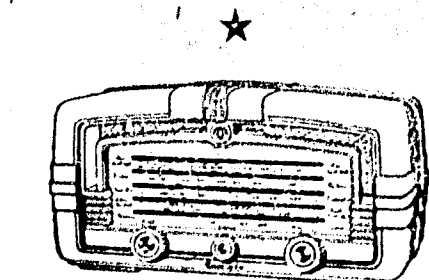
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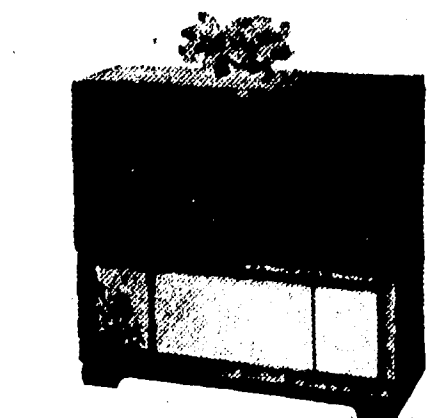
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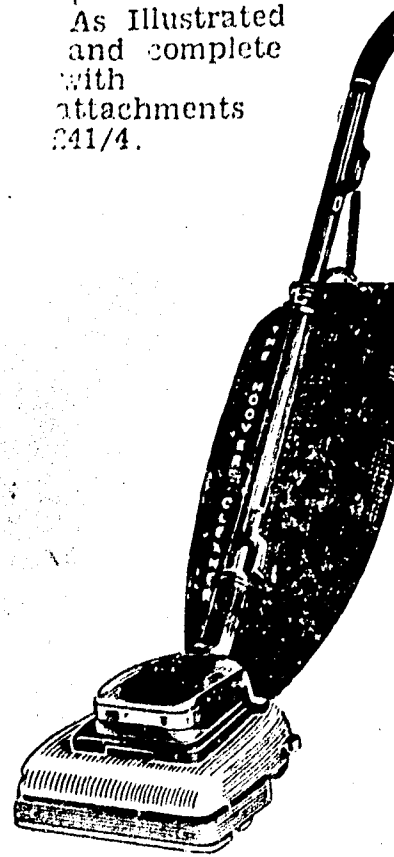
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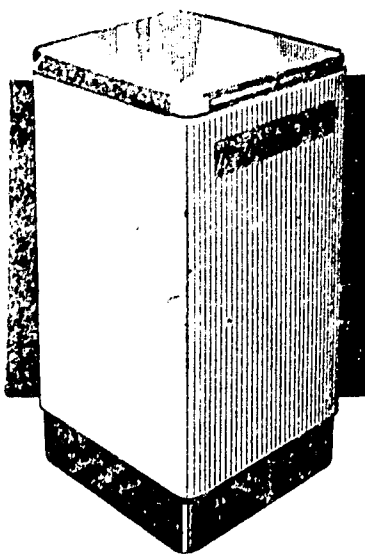
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Mr N. S. McLeod (vice-president) presided, and 10 members were present. Mrs Stowell reported on the White Elephant Sale on December 17th, and mentioned that Mr W. Jones, who intended to make a house to house canvass, was ill in the St. John of God Hospital. Goods were coming in. Afternoon tea and cakes were to be provided by the ladies. Mr Saph had promised to assist with the catalogue.

From Hospital Inspection Board, reporting that equipment (a steriliser) for midwifery washing and an additional midwifery nurse was also needed. - Secretary to make enquiries re steriliser. Copy of letter to be sent to Hospitals and Charities' Commission and grant applied for. In answer to a question, the secretary said they were complying with the requirements in regard to an additional midwifery nurse temporarily.

From Beaufort I.E. School Social Service League, forwarding a cheque for £32/15/ from fund contributed by the children. - Received and letter of thanks to be sent, on motion of Mr J. McErvale and Mrs Macdonald.

Notice of meeting Central Highlands Hospital Council on Decr. 14. - Mrs Stowell mentioned that Sister Paul, Dr. Talbot and herself had been appointed to various committees.

Cheques for £104 and £99 from the H. & C. Commission for hospital benefits and ordinary accounts were received.

Mrs J. Stowell (secretary) reported that the credit balance was £113/1/10.

It was decided to earmark the H.E. School gift of £32/15/ for the equipment account, on motion of Messrs Riddoch and Coburn.

Mrs Stowell said there was a Cr. balance of £57 to the equipment account.

Accounts totalling £159 17/1 in the general fund were passed for payment, subject to funds being available.

The secretary said two more cupboards were required for the operating theatre. - To be purchased, on motion of Messrs J. McErvale and D. T. Coburn.

Apologies were received for the absence of the President (Mr A. R. Beggs) and several other members.

The secretary and Sister Paul were granted expenses for attending meetings at Ballarat.

Arrangements were made to provide Xmas. cheer for the staff and patients at the Hospital.

The chairman reported on the delay in painting the Hospital. - Contractor to be contacted.

The January meeting is to be allowed to lapse.

Sister J. Paul (sister-in-charge) reported that 50 patients were treated for the month, and the daily average was 7.8.

Gifts for the month: - Mr and Mrs B. Hayes, Mr M. Drew, eggs; Hospital Auxiliary Stall and Mr Gerald Woods, seedlings and pastry; Mrs Coultis, Miss Ward, butter; Mr A. Walker, cream; Miss Ward, cakes and sponge.

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The announcements were made by the head prefect, Betty Waldron.

Rev. A. L. Mills, leader of the local Ministers' Fraternal, was the guest speaker and his subject was "Secondary Education." He stressed the importance of children continuing at school after finishing the primary course.

A very entertaining programme was provided by the various clubs connected with the school, and consisted of choral items, dramatic pieces, puppet shows, and a first aid display. All the items were received with great applause.

The Head Teacher (Mr A. K. Ruxton) presented a comprehensive report of the year's activities.

The Senior Secondary Master (Mr A. McLachlan) endorsed the head teacher's remarks, thanked the staff, and stressed the need for greater interest in secondary education and the advantages of secondary schools. He outlined the scholastic and sporting achievements for the year.

The certificates, etc., were presented by Mrs A. G. Vowles (president of the Mothers' Club) and Mr W. Thompson (Chairman of the School Committee).

The Dux of Form I, was Jennifer Tiley, Form II, Margaret Fraser, Form III, Alan Waldron, Form IV, Margaret Norman, Form V, and the School Joan McCumber.

The prize for outstanding girl for the year went to Beverley Peters, and for outstanding boy to Geoffrey Wilson.

On behalf of the School Committee, Mr W. Thompson presented a travelling rug to Mr Ruxton and wished him success and happiness in his new school at Clunes.

At the end of 1953 eight candidates were presented for the Intermediate Certificate.

Beverley Peters and Betty Waldron each passed in 10 subjects, Dawn Dunn, Donald Smith, Graeme Whittaker, and Geoff Wilson in 9 each, Margaret Hopkins 7, and Joan McCumber 6.

Marlene Stephens and Lewis Jaensch passed the leaving certificate examination through correspondence.

This year (1954) there were six candidates for the leaving certificate and five for the Intermediate certificate (results not yet known). There were 11 successful candidates for the proficiency certificate.

A fuller report will appear in next issue.

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The S.M. made an order for £3 costs against defendant.

In regard to a claim by Mrs J. Pearce against the Shire of Beaufort Common for damages for a cow killed on the road, Mr Hall appeared for defendants.

Mr Hall said that morning he received a letter from complainant's solicitors stating that their client had them to discontinue the matter. On the question of costs he wished to say that this matter was an important one of policy to the Council. The claim was in respect to the loss of a cow by the owner which had been knocked out by a vehicle on the Highway, and which it was alleged escaped from the Common under terms of a contract alleged to exist between complainant and defendants. A very considerable volume of work had been put into the case in preparation of a notice given by complainant of the desire to withdraw, he might mention that he worked all yesterday and till the early hours of the morning finalising the brief. He asked for a special allowance to be made in respect of costs.

To the S.M. - The advice was dated 10th Decr. and reached him that morning.

The S.M. said he intended to allow £9/1/6 costs and dismissed the complaint.

RENEWAL OF LICENCES
A number of applications for real estate agents', business agents', secondhand dealers' and carriers' licences were granted.

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A. Wilson, C.R.B. inspector, proceeded against Joseph Clarence Dunn for allowing his cattle to wander on the Western Highway unattended on 23th July.

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The S.M. fined defendant £3 with 2/6 costs.

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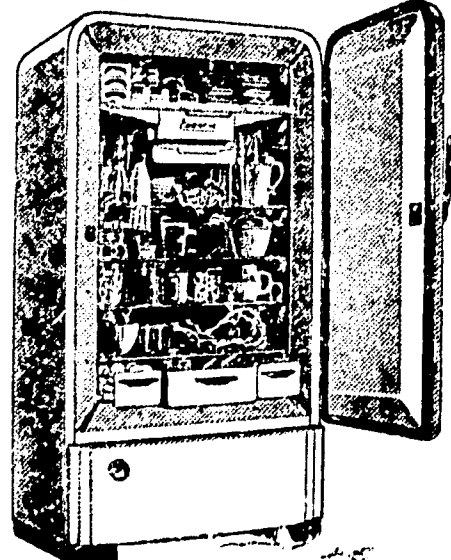
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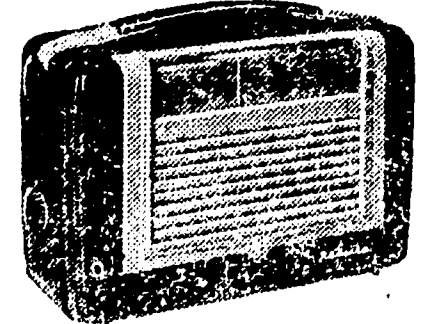
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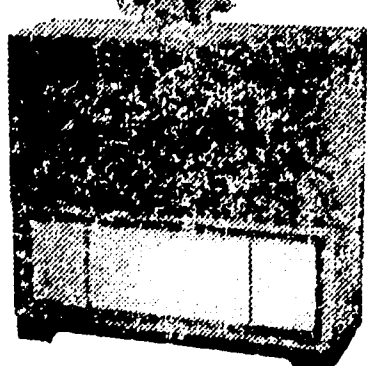
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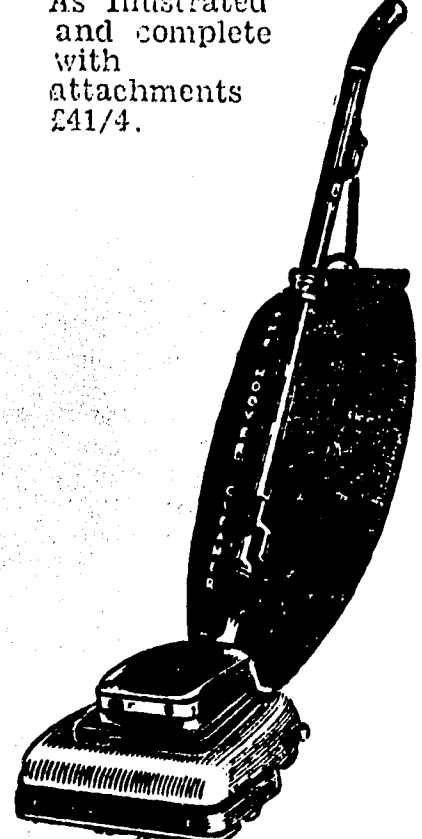
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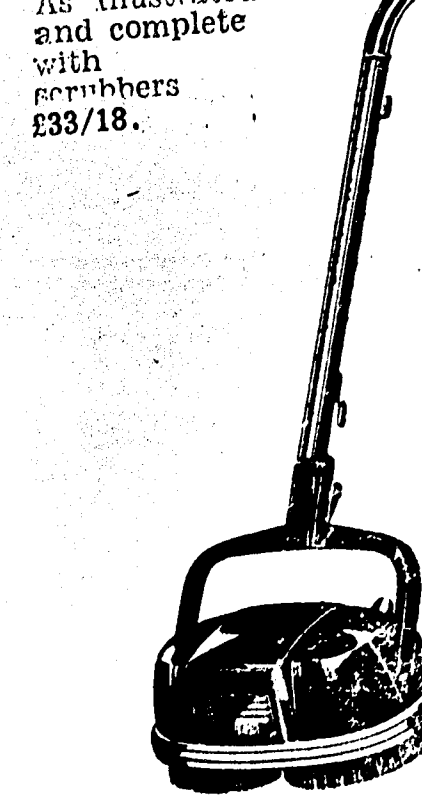


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DEATH

WELSH. - On Decr. 6, at a Private Hospital, Ernest Henry, dearly beloved husband of Ellen Rhoda (Drummond) and loved father of Thomas (deceased), Ella and Ethie.

IN MEMORIAM

EMIN. - Treasured memories of our dear Max, suddenly called home, 16th Dec., 1950. It does not need a special day to bring you back to mind. The days we do not think of you would be very hard to find. -Inserted by Mother, Norman, Muriel and Alex.

LEWIS. - Cherished memories of my dear Father, passed away 17th Decr., 1941. Not just to-day. But always, I remember. -Eva and Claude.

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A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

If you ever find happiness by hunting for it, you will find it, as the old woman hid her spectacles, safe on her nose all the time.

POLICE COURT

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The S.M. said taking into consideration the importance of the Highway, defendant would be fined £7, with 2/6 costs.

TRAFFIC PROSECUTIONS F/Const. T. Holdsworth proceeded against Oswald Henning, truck driver, for failing to have a time card on 20th August.

F/Const. Holdsworth stated that on 20th Aug. he saw defendant on the Western Highway carrying a load of firewood. He said he was taking it from Warrak to Melbourne and that he had forgotten to fill in a time card. The S.M. fined defendant £3.

F/Const. Bolton charged Bernard H. Lokon with having on 20th Aug. carried goods without a permit.

F/Const. Holdsworth stated that at 9.30 a.m. on the date in question defendant was driving a truck laden with 2 1/2 tons of flour, and said he was going from Melbourne to Stawell. He said he had no permit, but took firewood to Melbourne and thought it was all right to take back-loading. The S.M. fined defendant £3.

LICENSING CASES Inspector Rees charged D. R. Hobbs, licensee of the Beaufort Hotel, with certain persons having been found on his licensed premises on Sunday, 17th October. Defendant pleaded not guilty.

Two men who did not appear were charged with being found on licensed premises on the same date.

F/Const. J. Rees, Beaufort, stated that at 3 p.m. on Sunday, 17th October, he was on licensing duty at the Beaufort Hotel. He saw two men standing near the hotel and interviewed them in the presence of the licensee. One man said he went to pay Mr Hobbs some money, and Hobbs said he owed it to him for some beer he got previously at the hotel. The other man said he came with his companion.

In answer to defendant, witness said the men were standing at the door and leaning against it.

D. R. Hobbs stated on oath that he was licensee of the hotel. He did not know the men were there - they came to the back door and gave a reasonable excuse. The officer

walked in the front door. Defendant was counting out the money in the dining room. It was approximately 3 p.m. It was correct that one of the men had to pay some money. To the S.M. - He did not serve them. To the Inspector - It would be correct that he was only about 3 ft. from these men. He knew the men and one of them had to pay some money to defendant's wife.

To the S.M. - They came in through the back gate of the yard which was always open. They had no drink. F/Const. Rees (recalled) said the men were standing in the doorway.

The S.M. said he did not think he could convict in this case. He dismissed the case against the licensee, and the men found on the premises would be fined £1 each.

Inspector Rees charged Wm. Edward Rowe and Dorothy Marie Rowe, licensees of the Railway Hotel, Beaufort, with persons having been found on their licensed premises on 20th October: permitting liquor to be drunk on licensed premises in prohibited hours; and disposal of liquor during prohibited hours.

W. E. Rowe, who was present in court, pleaded not guilty to the three charges. Six persons were charged with being found on licensed premises in prohibited hours on the same date, and with drinking liquor on licensed premises in prohibited hours.

One man was present in court and pleaded guilty. S/Const. S. Coish, Beaufort stated that at 8.30 p.m. on October 23, he went to the Railway Hotel. When he entered the dining room he saw the six defendants standing round a table. In answer to a question, Mrs. Rowe said she was in charge during her husband's absence. She brought him the lodger's book, and he said the names of these people were not in it. She admitted serving them with liquor. Her excuse for serving them during prohibited hours was that a lodger was entertaining them as his guests. He questioned the six defendants. One defendant said he was successful as a candidate for the Police Force in N.S.W. The men were in the ordinary dining room.

To Mr Rowe - Your wife said you were not well. Elephant Stood on His Foot. Wm. Edward Rowe stated that on that night he was not at home. An elephant had stood on his foot at Wirth's Circus the night before, and after working all day he was about finished and went to bed. He was told next morning about what had taken place. He pleaded not guilty; his wife was in charge.

The S.M. - Apparently they were being entertained by this gentleman, but not in order and not in compliance with the Act. These people could only be entertained on a proper basis. Inspector Rees withdrew the two other charges, and on the charge of having persons on the premises in prohibited hours the S.M. fined defendants £2.

Each of the persons found on the premises was fined £1, with the exception of the man present in court, the case against whom was withdrawn by the Inspector.

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DISTRICT NEWS WATERLOO

A sale of land, etc., in the estate of the late Miss Kelly was held recently. This property had been in the Kelly family for nearly a century. This leaves the Granite Hill with out a resident, when one time there were 10 families and a school. Mr H. Brody purchased the land. The rain of the last few weeks has held up seasona work, and also delayed late shearing. So far for December 439 points of rahi have fallen. Another former Waterloo resident has died, namely Mrs. Jim Frusher, of Rainbow. Mrs Frusher leaves a husband and two sons to mourn their loss.

CRIB SOCIAL

Beaufort P.B. Ladies' Club held a crib social on Wednesday night. Mrs L. Stephens was the winner in Section 1. Mrs. J. Rayner and Miss L. Daley, shared second. In Section 2 Mesdames J. O'Brien, H. Dunn, R. Smith, and J. E. Day divided first and second.

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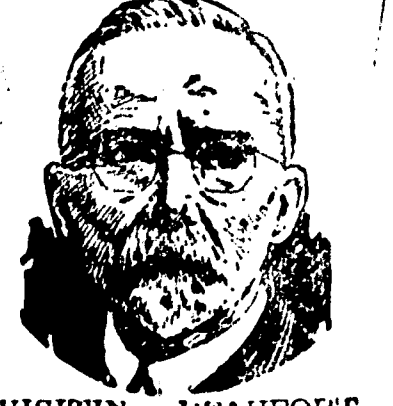
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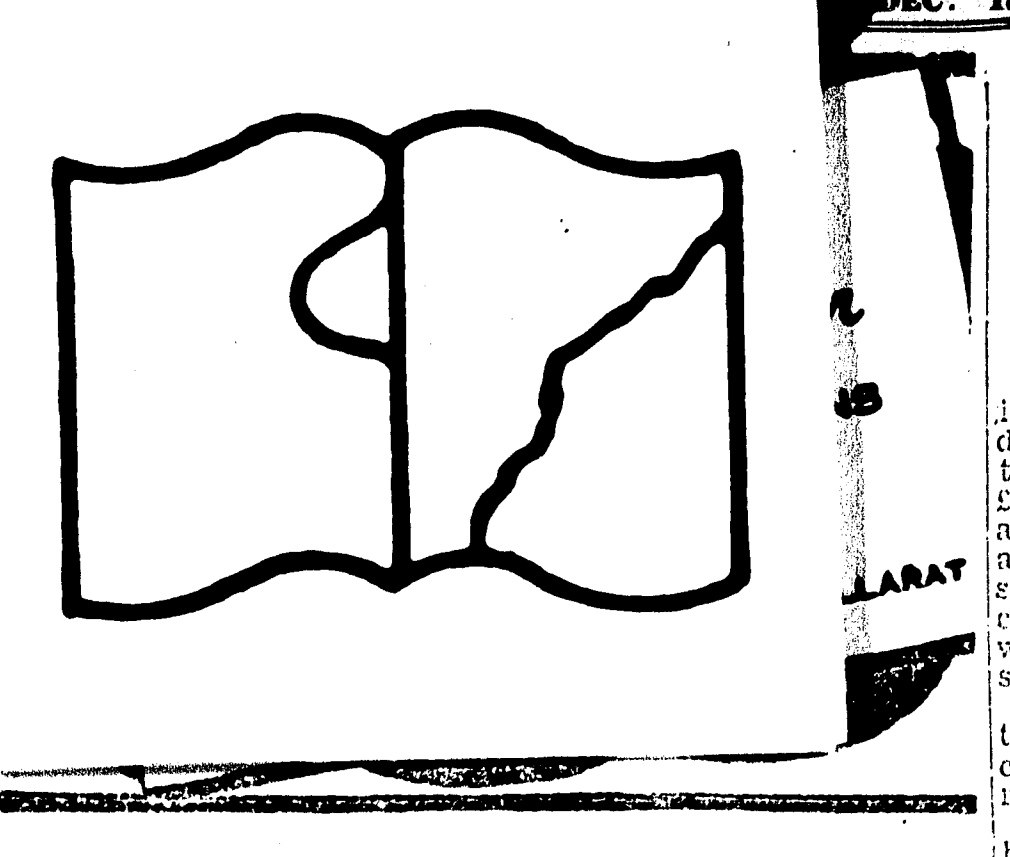
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Cr. Kirkpatrick - It was needed for about two miles at the back of Mawallok. He took it that it was to make a wider break. The President - The fireplaces had been a liability to them. He had never seen one used. The secretary asked if they were meeting on Jan. 12. - He had moved to that effect at last meeting and did not get a seconder.

The secretary asked if he could take a fortnight's holiday from then. - Approved. The secretary said in reference to Dawson's Dam at Snake Valley, the Mines Department could not see if there was anything to stop them from obtaining it if they had a concrete plan. Cr. Russell - If vested in the Council they could keep the bank of the dam in order. That should be done unless the Mines Department undertook to do it. He moved that that aspect be put before the Mines Department, and they be informed that it was under the control of the Council they would look after the bank to? - The engineer, Cr. Buchanan - The road from the Checking Station to Panther's Lane wanted attention. He asked that the engineer's report be circulated with the minutes. The Library authorities were asking for guarantors for the boxes of books sent out. If the secretary would sign the guarantee it would get over it. He moved to that effect. Seconded by Cr. Hinton and carried.

Cr. Mackinnon - Stockyard Hill road this side of Mawallok turn - off needed attention. Cr. Riddoch - During the last rain Hill St. was scoured by water in front of the school, and water was running across the road in the corner near the bowling green. on the Beaufort - Waterloo road at the bend near Beaufort, a straight dry tree should be removed from the east side. Cr. Hinton - Mr. William Road had potholes in it. The first culvert on the Skipton road needed attention. The road right through was getting pot-holey. In the E.R. on the road near C. Young's property he saw a bad hole in a culvert. The big hole at Carranballac P.O. had not been filled up and wanted filling with scoria. C.R.B. trucks running down Mt. Emu Rd. were travelling very fast and chopping up the road. The engineer - He had complained and tried to trace them. Cr. Hinton - There were bad holes at the approach to Carranballac crossing. Regarding grading firebreaks was an application in at last meeting? The engineer - He had been written to about it. Cr. Russell - Put the graders on to the job and push the bottles off the side of the road as well.

Cr. Nunn - Ratepayers were complaining about the bend in the road at Carrnham Presbyterian Church, where limbs of cypress trees were obscuring the road. The new limb of the Carrnham - Ballarat Road was being knocked about and should be sealed this year. Cr. Russell - In regard to the trees, the lower limbs should be removed. Were any of the Shire staff working on the widening of the Glenclg Highway? The engineer - No. They could write to the C.R.B. about a piece of road near the Highway. The President - Grenville Shire should be asked to do something to the Chepstove-Pitlong road from the boundary to Pitlong railway station. He suggested that they be written to. - Agreed to.

The President - Mr Tucker, of Skipton, wanted something done to the road in front of his shop. The foot-path from the Presbyterian Church past Hardman's store required some attention, and he asked the engineer to interview Mr Hardman. Cr. Mackinnon - He understood when Mr Hardman got his petrol station he would do something to the footpath. The President - The position in regard to their valuer should be cleaned up, and they should decide what they should pay him. Cr. Riddoch moved that the valuer be asked for his account by next meeting. (Continued on Page 8).

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R.S.L. ASSOCIATES The R.S.L. Associates have on Wednesday evening, Dec. 15, at the Messdams W. Torney, Beer. PEI Mrs J. Le has not been heard of for some time. Mr Walter private home Mr W. J returned at the District Mr and Mrs of Ormond, related on t Mrs Hughes D. Bebnor, of Buangor. Mrs S. Young, of Beaufort, has gone to Sydney to see the Davis Cup competition. LEFT DISTRICT Mr and Mrs B. Hayes have left Middle Creek for Ardmona. Mr Hayes was connected with the Beaufort Legion, and Mrs Hayes president of the Methodist Ladies' Guild. VISIT OF LIBRARIAN Mr J. Bonney, Chief Librarian of Ballarat Regional Libraries, visited the Beaufort Branch on Thursday, Dec. 16. Discussions with Cr. H. J. Duchanan and Mrs Grant Cougle for the improvement of library service concluded with the serving of afternoon tea. Mrs Bonney accompanied Mr Bonney. Both praised the clean appearance and fresh atmosphere of Beaufort. Mr Bonney has had experience in libraries in England, South Africa and Tasmania before coming to Ballarat.

RIPON R.S.L. MONTHLY MEETING (Continued From Page 5) Mr McLoughlin is to be asked to act as auditor of the sub-branch on motion of Messrs. Riddoch and Dunn. Mr McLean said he would be unable to act as secretary during the coming year, as he might not be here for its full duration. ORDER OF THE DAY Plan of subdivision, Allot. 17, Sec. 9, Skipton, Well to Gould. Approved, subject to engineer's recommendation, on motion of the President and Cr. Mackinnon. Replying to a question by Cr. Mackinnon about Skipton rubbish tip, the engineer said that the notices had to be up for 30 days.

TRUCK OVERTURNS Mr O. Hinchcliff, of Lexton, was driving a truck on the road between Amphitheatre and Lexton on Friday night, Dec. 10, when it overturned. He received cuts on the nose. RIPONSHIRE COUNCIL General Business (Continued From Page 7) Seconded by Cr. Mackinnon and carried. The President wished the Councillors, staff, employees, ratepayers and Press the compliments of the festive season. He thanked the Council and staff for their co-operation in the past year. They should consider the matter of a new Shire Hall in the New Year. They were lagging behind other shires in that respect. The building was unsuitable for the staff and he asked them to turn their thoughts to the matter in the coming year and consider calling tenders.

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PROGRESS ASSOCIATION The monthly Committee meeting of the Beaufort Progress Association took place at the Shire Hall on Monday night. Mr R. C. Hodgetts (vice-president) presided, and nine members were present. Apologies were received for the absence of the President (Rev. A. L. Mills) and other members. Mr Hodgetts reported that the President and he had attended a meeting re Park improvements. From Shire of Ripon, stating that matter of seats and tables, Memorial Park, had been deferred for the present. A notice would be erected directing people to the caravan park. Received. From same, stating that £100 would be available for Park improvements by 30th June, with local contributions; association's contribution £400, and acknowledging receipt of contribution of £114. The chairman - No doubt they could raise the extra money, but wanted a lot more public co-operation than in the past. He suggested that the matter be deferred till the January meeting, and that representatives of affiliated organisations be asked to attend. Mr P. Larkens moved to that effect. Seconded by A. M. Parker and carried. An amendment moved by Mr Roy Crick that a special meeting be held to consider the matter of a second hymn book. From Cemetery Trustees, thanking Association for interest in Cemetery and desiring that representatives of Trust meet them at next meeting. Mr Hodgetts said he thought the objective was to organise a working bee to clean up the Cemetery paths. From Urban F.B., inviting representatives to smoke night. Messrs. Petrie and Coburn were appointed to attend. Mr Petrie reported the following Cr. balances: - General A/c., £24/2/9; "Sun" Youth Tour, £164/7/7. The Chairman said £100 had been sent away and £80 had yet to be raised. Mr Petrie said the name of the successful lad would not be known till February, and they had till March to raise the money. Five boys had sat for the examination. Mr P. Larkens said that Mrs Sutton had donated £1 to the Youth Tour Fund and £1 to the general fund, and said she was pleased with the work the Association was doing. The Chairman said that was very pleasing, and they must try and stimulate interest. Their achievements were considerable. Mrs Campbell drew attention to bad potholes along the Lawrence St. footpaths. She moved that the Shire Council's attention be drawn to the matter. Seconded by Mr Larkens and carried. The Chairman directed attention to a drawing by Mr T. E. Sands (on view in Wether- spoon's hardware window) of his home at Trawalla and the memorial fence to the old miners of the district (with a list of surviving miners). Mr Sands lamented the fact that nothing had been done to celebrate the Centenary of the finding of gold here. It was suggested by Mr Crick and Mrs Campbell that a cairn be erected with stones from the Beaufort mines to mark the Centenary of the finding of gold here. Mr Hodgetts moved that the Association give consideration to the proposal. Seconded by Mr Crick and carried. The Chairman extended Xmas and New Year greetings to all, and hoped the Association would continue to be an active body in the coming year.

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METHODIST LADIES' GUILD RECORD FAIR The Guild members were blessed with a perfect day for their Christmas Fair, and the happy crowd of shoppers added to the gaiety of the scene. Regret was expressed that our secretary was unable to attend through illness, but we do hope that she will soon be restored to health and strength; also Mrs Stan. Hayes and any others who have been ill, we do hope that you will all be able to enjoy your Christmas dinners. The various stalls were literally weighed down with gifts. Pastor Popple introduced our Guild President, Mrs Bert Hayes, who welcomed all present and congratulated all members on their excellent effort and hoped we would have a bumper fair. She then declared the fair open. And then the Christmas rush started. Joy Dunn presented Mrs Hayes with a shoulder spray. At the end of the afternoon the takings amounted to the record sum of £102/6/4. Congratulations, ladies! The sum of £80 was donated towards Circuit funds. At the conclusion of the gathering, Mrs Roy Dunn, on behalf of all members, presented Mrs Hayes with a hymn book, with tunes, which was autographed by all members. SOCIAL EVENING On Saturday, Dec. 11, all the boys from Langi Kal Kal were entertained at a social evening in the Sunday School. The Guild members provided the supper, and their menfolk organised the games, and a happy time was spent by all. PRESENTATION Mr and Mrs Bert Hayes and family were presented with a picnic basket from the Church and many good wishes were expressed for their happiness at Ardmona. END OF YEAR Once again our year of work and play has come to a close, and we look forward to the resumption of fellowship in the New Year. May one of our New Year resolutions be that we will each bring along a new member, and thus extend our Guild still further in the interests of the Church. Our very grateful thanks go to Mr Parker, who has so kindly allotted us space to tell of our doings and ambitions through his paper. In closing, we wish all members and friends the compliments of the season; we hope to see you all again when the Guild resumes in February. ESCAPEE BLUES CITY ROAD BLOCK A 16-year-old youth, Gerald Overmars, of Hampton, who escaped from the Langi Kal Reformatory, near Beaufort on 13th Dec., is alleged to have used two cars and a truck to make his getaway. He eluded a road block set up in Doveton St., Ballarat. Police said that Overmars escaped from Langi Kal Kal about 9.15 p.m. on Monday. He took a truck from the prison and abandoned it near Beaufort. A grey Holden sedan owned by Mr W. McCole of the C.B.S. Bank, Beaufort, was taken from Beaufort, and later recovered from Skipton St., Ballarat, after a chase by the police. Later Overmars is alleged to have taken a Holden from Ballarat, owned by Mrs Gzelle, of Dimboola. The escapee was recaptured by the police at Kellor.

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE The last meeting of Beaufort H.E. School Committee for the year was held at the School on Monday, Dec. 13. Mr W. Thompson was in the chair, and four members of the staff, Mr and Mrs A. H. Ruxton were present. Accounts totalling £2/10/9 were passed for payment, on motion of Messrs. Crouch and Peters. Mr Peters suggested that school requisites be made available for purchase at the school. After discussion, this matter was deferred till next year. The Works and Buildings Allowance for a first-class school (£100) was received. The Education Department are supplying two portable incinerators. One prior scholarship and one for a place have been awarded. Beaufort. P.W. engineers have inspected the outflows and recommended the installation of sewerage to cost approximately £2000. The S.E.C. have reported to the P.W.D. their requirements for installing light and power to the Secondary School block. The P.W.D. have now erected a new cyclone fence along the top of the new retaining wall. Mr Peterson donated £5 to school funds in appreciation of his daughter obtaining her leaving certificate at Beaufort. Miss Gillespie is leaving for Training College, and Mrs Mathews has been appointed as assistant in the F.B. School. Necessary spainting and patching are to be carried out from the Works and Buildings Account. The Head Teacher, Mr Ruxton, in wishing the Committee the compliments of the season, thanked them for their loyal support and co-operation during his three years as Head Teacher at the school. Mr Thompson, in reciprocating the seasonal greetings, said that the Committee greatly regretted losing Mr Ruxton, and wished him every success in his new position. His relations with the Committee had always been most harmonious. These remarks were heartily endorsed by Messrs. Crick, Crouch, Peters and Stowell.

SHIRE WAGES AND SALARIES Shire Wages and Salaries covering the period 10/10th November. A Brown £36/4; W. Gould £33/0/8; A. J. Dunn £35/7/9; J. J. Cowan £35/1/8; W. E. Howlett £37/14/4; E. J. Nice £36/0/5; E. Howlett £36/1/8; R. Howlett £28/8; J. Callaghan £27/14; N. Killfoyle £35/0/11; B. Tiley £30/14; A. C. Bending £28/14/10; W. Williams £29/12; A. J. Crozier £33/11/8; C. H. Newey £26/2; T. A. Pearce £30/14; B. I. Neil £29/15/8; C. Bates £27/14; C. G. Davies £26/2; C. Herbert £26/2; W. E. Beer £26/8; E. George £26/2; T. Hancock £38/14; H. A. Stowell £26/6. Total £747/14/5. L. E. Godfrey £48; N. B. Acton £108/10/6; B. J. Grimmer £35/4/3; N. Boyle £59/14; D. T. Coburn £106/13/8; Mrs Torney £10; C. Rayner £6/0/4; Mrs Sullivan £1/8 - £1218/4/8. Total Expenditure £6847/9/1.

OBITUARY MRS. MARY FRUSHER The death occurred on Dec. 11, at Rainbow of Mrs Mary Frusher, wife of Mr J. E. Frusher, of that town, and a daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Jas. Boyd, of Waterloo. Besides her husband she leaves two sons, four grandchildren, and a great grandchild. MR P. M. LISTON Mr Percy M. Liston, 47, of Lismore, died on Dec. 11 at a private hospital in E. Melbourne. He leaves a widow and two sons. MR. W. ALLENDER The death occurred at Ararat on Dec. 12 of a former Warrack resident, Mr W. Allender, 77. He leaves a widow, four daughters and two sons. MRS W. S. O'LOUGHLIN Mrs Winifred Sarah O'Loughlin, 70, who died at Daylesford on Dec. 10, was the wife of Mr James O'Loughlin, formerly of Middle Creek. Besides her husband she leaves a grown-up family of three. Mrs O'Loughlin was a member of the Hill family of Beaufort, and the aunt of Mrs W. A. Skene and Mr J. Vowles. CANTATA At the Beaufort Methodist Church on Thursday night, Dec. 16, the combined Church choirs gave a fine rendering of the cantata, "The Nativity of Christ" (Caleb Simper). The conductor was Mr E. K. Crouch and the organist Mrs Roy Dunn. The solo parts were taken by Mrs Hunt, Mrs N. Smith, Mrs J. Martin, Miss L. Stuart, Miss V. Fraser, Rev. H. A. Harris, Mr E. Dunn, Mr A. J. Hughes, Mr J. Martin, Mr S. Grimmer and Mr W. L. Williams. Carols were also sung, and solos contributed by Miss Gladys McPherson and Mr Colin Brown, of Ballarat. Mr Crouch thanked the visiting artists and the choir members. A collection was made for the Save the Children Fund. The Methodist ladies provided supper. Continued From Previous Col.

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SHIRE WAGES AND SALARIES. Shire Wages and Salaries covering the period to 10th November. A Brown £36/4/; W. Gould £33/0/8; A. J. Dunn £35/7/9; J. J. Cowan £35/1/8; W. E. Howlett £37/14/4; E. J. Nice £36/9/5; E. Howlett £36/1/8; R. Howlett £28/8/; J. Callaghan £27/14/; N. Kilfoyle £35/0/11; B. Tiley £30/14/; A. C. Bending £28/14/10; W. Williams £29/12/; A. J. Crozier £33/11/6; C. H. Newey £26/2/; T. A. Pearce £30/14/; B. I. Nell £29/15/8; C. Bates £27/14 C. G. Davies £26/2/; C. Herbert £26/2/; W. E. Beer £26/8/; E. George £26/2/; T. Hancock £38/14/; H. A. Stowell £26/6. Total £747/14/5. L. E. Godfrey £43; N. B. Acton £108/10/; S. J. Grimmer 135/4/3; N. Boyle £59/14/; D. T. Coburn £106/13/8; Mrs Torney £10; C. Rayner £0/0/4; Mrs Sullivan £1/8/ - £128/4/8. Total Expenditure £6847/9/1.

OBITUARY. MRS. MARY FRUSHER. The death occurred on Dec. 11 at Rainbow of Mrs Mary Frusher, wife of Mr J. E. Frusher, of that town, and a daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Jas. Boyd of Waterloo. Besides her husband she leaves two sons, four grandchildren, and a great grandchild. MR P. M. LISTON. Mr Percy M. Liston, 47, of Lismore, died on Dec. 11 at a private hospital in E. Melbourne. He leaves a widow and two sons. MR. W. ALLENDER. The death occurred at Ararat on Dec. 12 of a former Warrack resident, Mr W. Allender, 77. He leaves a widow, four daughters and two sons. MRS W. S. O'LOUGHLAN. Mrs Winifred Sarah O'Loughlan, 70, who died at Daylesford on Dec. 10, was the wife of Mr James O'Loughlan, formerly of Middle Creek. Besides her husband she leaves a grown-up family of three. Mrs O'Loughlan was a member of the Hill family, of Beaufort, and the aunt of Mrs W. A. Skene and Mr J. Wovles. CANFATA. At the Beaufort Methodist Church on Thursday night, Dec. 16, the combined Church choirs gave a fine rendering of the cantata, "The Nativity of Christ" (Caleb Simper). The conductor was Mr E. K. Crouch and the organist Mrs Roy Dunn. The solo parts were taken by Mrs Hunt, Mrs N. Smith, Mrs J. Martin, Miss I. Stuart, Miss V. Fraser, Rev. H. A. Harris, Mr R. Dunn, Mr A. J. Grimmer and Mr Martin, Mr S. J. Hughes, Mr J. W. L. Williams. Carols were also sung, and solos contributed by Miss Gladys McPherson and Mr Colin Brown, of Ballarat. Mr Crouch thanked the visiting artists and the choir members. A collection was made for the Save the Children Fund. The Methodist ladies provided supper. Continued From Previous Col. fort, but they could not work in the State. They had made definite steps towards better re- tention in Beaufort. Their scheme to improve the water supply had been approved by the S.R. & W.S. Commission. Captain Day said the Water Commission had done more in two years than the Council had done in 20 years. The firemen were astounded at the number of new fire-plugs that had come into existence in the past few years. Fireman J. Holdsworth proposed "Ex-captains" and Mr J. Duke responded. Captain Day announced that Mr Duke was nominated as a life governor of the C.F.A. at last meeting, in appreciation of his 30 years' service. Mr Duke thanked the firemen for the honour. "Kindred Societies" was proposed by Fireman D. Harrison, and Mr A. Petrie (Progress Association), B. Nell (Legion) and R. C. Hodgetts (R.S.L.) responded. Other toasts honoured were: "Ladies' Social Committee" (proposed by Fireman F. Houston, responded to by Mrs W. Gillingham), "Rural Brigade" (proposed by Captain Day), "The Press" (proposed by Fireman J. Doull), and "The Chairman" (proposed by Fireman J. A. Dixon). Fireman J. A. McGregor referred with regret to the fact that Fireman J. D. Duke was an inmate of Heidelberg Hospital, and on behalf of the Brigade wished him the season's compliments and a speedy recovery.

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SCHOOL SPEECH NIGHT

Beaufort Picture Theatre was crowded with an enthusiastic audience on Tuesday night, Dec. 14, for the annual speech night and concert of the Beaufort H.E. School.

The announcements were made by the head prefect, Betty Waldron. Rev. A. L. Mills, leader of the local Ministers' Fraternal, was the guest speaker and his subject was "Secondary Education." He stressed the importance of children continuing at school after finishing the primary course.

A very entertaining programme was provided by the various clubs connected with the school, and consisted of choral items, a musical puppet show, and a first aid display. All the items were received with great applause.

Those who took part were: Barry Hayes, John Meadows, Alan Rutherford, Robert Gamble, Robert Coburn, Colin Hutchings, Josephine Palladini, Ted Tomkins, Monica Nash, Marilyn Shaw, Loretta Drew, Iris Waldron, Ted Goddard, Betty Waldron, George Slater, Jennifer Croach, Rose Clark, Lance Mcumber, G. Whitaker, Margaret Moman, Terry Cavell, Loretta Coles, Jennifer Foster, Bill Carnes, Douglas Green and Geoff Wilson. Ian McGuire, Jim Bending, Margaret Fraser, John Gunn, Don Smith, Beth Hayes.

HEAD TEACHER'S ANNUAL REPORT

The Head Teacher (Mr A. H. Ruxton) presented a comprehensive report of the year's activities.

Enrolment - There was a further increase in the number of pupils enrolled. The total of 94 pupils doing Secondary work was made up of 50 boys and 44 girls. Of these 33 were conveyed in school buses. The present enrolment of 31 shows a loss over the year of 10 pupils, of whom 4 were transferred to other Secondary schools. Pupils leaving School on reaching the age of 15 lose a golden opportunity of securing extra training so essential to our nation's fullest development.

Curriculum - The establishment of a leaving class marking an important stage in the school's development. It is possible that the Conkory and Home Management courses for the girls, and woodwork for the boys, may be extended beyond Forms I. and II. next year. A course of Mothercraft lessons for those girls leaving School at the end of this year was again conducted by Sister Renfree of the local Baby Health Centre. Staffing - Mr McLachlan who has taken over the duties of Senior Secondary Master in charge of the secondary class-

es having the School the benefit of his experience in a successful High School. Mr Thomas, a trained Manual Arts teacher, has widened the range of activities in the wood work room. Miss Needham intends to enter the Teachers' College next year, and we wish her success in her future studies. The staff for 1955 will be: Mr A. R. McLachlan, Mr M. L. Mathew and Miss G. Cougle will continue as half-time instructors.

Accommodation - An additional class room was brought into use this year. The continual growth of the town and district makes the purchase of a suitable site for a secondary block an urgent necessity, and this need has been frequently brought under the notice of the Education Department.

Improvement in Building and Grounds - Interior painting and renovations have brightened the appearance of the classrooms. Lockers have been painted, and display boards placed in rooms and corridors. A guard fence has been erected along the top of the concrete parapet walls.

Examination Results 1954 - Last Year, one Junior Scholarship and one Free Place were allotted to the School. The Junior Scholarship was won by Alan Waldron and the Free Place by Norman Nash. This year, similar awards will be available. The winners will be announced in the daily press early in 1955. Intermediate Certificate results obtained at the examinations conducted by the University of Melbourne by December 1953, were again highly creditable. The School presented 6 candidates with the following results: - Beverly Peters passed 19 subjects; Betty Waldron, 10; Dawn Dunn 9; Donald Smith 8; Grease Whitaker 9; Geoff Wilson 9; Margaret Hopkins 7; Jean Cumber 6. Marlene Stephens and Lewis Jaensch, working at Beaufort through the Leaving Certificate Examination.

Social Service Activities - The social service league raised a record total of £49/5/ during the year. Of this total £22/13/ was handed to the Beaufort District Hospital. £15 was donated to the Christmas Bowl of Remembrance to assist homeless children. In addition, £1 was donated to the Adult Deaf and Dumb Society, and a similar amount to the Association for the Advancement of the Blind. Other activities included the sale of tickets for the Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind Concert, and for the Victorian School for Deaf Children. The record total of 3200 dozen collected by both primary and secondary scholars was allocated thus: - Beaufort District Hospital - 178 dozen; Ballarat Orphanage - 142 dozen. The generous and sustained support by pupils, parents and district residents of these worthy appeals is greatly appreciated. Continued Next Column

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School Uniform - It is felt that the wearing of a School uniform by Secondary students is desirable, and parents are asked to note that the uniform will be available locally for introduction next year. Details are being supplied to all parents. Thanks - The Mothers' Club continues to give active and generous support in providing better facilities for study and sport. During the year the amount of £142/2/7 was raised by means of a system of regular voluntary contributions. I would like to express my sincere thanks, not only to the Mothers' Club, but to all who have helped to make the life of the School useful to the community. The staff have worked diligently under the handicaps of inadequate room. The members of the School Committee have met regularly to carry out their duties. Our bus drivers - Messrs. Alan Torney, Fred Houston and Phillip Sutton have brought their charges safely and punctually to their classes. The Religious Instructors - Pastor A. Poppel, Rev. A. Mills, Rev. H. A. Harris, Lieutenant Moyle and Father D. O'Brien have given due attention to their important contributions to the children's welfare. Mr A. M. Parker, of the "Riponshire Advocate" has given valued publicity to School activities. I wish to thank Mrs Harris for accompanying the School Choir. The Prefects, House Captains, and Form Captains have willingly and faithfully discharged their duties. In conclusion, I would like to express my sincere thanks to all who have assisted me during my three years here, and I hope that you will extend your full support. May I now wish you all the compliments of the season, and give you my best wishes for the future welfare of your School.

In supporting the remarks of the head teacher, Mr A. McLachlan, Senior Secondary Master, extended his sincere thanks to the teachers for the way they had co-operated with him in conducting the school. Two facts were disappointing. So many children were leaving school at the age of 14. That should never be. During the year they had 90 students but only 11 in the two senior forms. In a school this size they should have a much bigger curriculum. Next Year they would have 100 students and only eight would be in the senior form. Children left school before reaching a high standard of education which they needed to take their place in society. They needed some changes in the curriculum in Beaufort. There was a great need for a Secondary School to offer greater variety of courses than they could offer. A commercial course was most desirable to have students trained in typewriting, shorthand and book keeping. That was a very great fault of the system of education they had in Beaufort. The Department was not likely to do anything about a Secondary School unless enrolment reached a certain level, and unless there was a demand in the town and district. One of the greatest signs was the size of their senior form. The certificates etc. were distributed by Mrs A. G. Vowles (president of the Mothers' Club) and Mr W. Thompson (chairman of the School Committee). Mr McLachlan thanked the people for their attendance. On behalf of the staff he wished Mr and Mrs Ruxton a happy time at Christmas. Mr Thompson, on behalf of the School Committee, presented a travelling rug to Mr Ruxton with their best wishes. Mr Ruxton in returning thanks, said he had had a very pleasant time in Beaufort and their relations had been friendly all through. He hoped they had listened to what Mr McLachlan said about the Secondary School and would give their full support in the forthcoming year. EDUCATIONAL AND SPORTS AWARDS There were six candidates for the Leaving Certificate and five for the Intermediate Certificate (results not yet announced). (Continued on Page 6)

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Strachan and Co. Limited, report on the closing day of the fourth series of sales on Thursday 5th December, they submitted 7,000 bales. A most satisfactory clearance was effected. A good strong market saw the end of the first half of the season's selling in Geelong with prices for all descriptions very firm on the opening rates with the exception of good summer, and best topmaking Merino wools of 6 1/2 to 7 1/2 quality. These wools were easier to buy and sold at prices 2 1/2 per cent to 5 per cent below the best rates for the week. Best Merino Fleece price was 196 pence for four bales ex Sup AAA Com branded E O from Camperdown. Highest price for Comeback fleeces 115d for twenty four bales from the G R Chip from Sheffield. Top Price for Lambs wool 335d was shared by SC/Hill (Matooona). High prices included: - Merino Fleece - CEB / Hillcrest/Carnegham 180d for four bales. The following are our principal prices: - Lambs - CMD (In box) (Mortehup) 311d. Merino Fleece - CEB/Hillcrest/Carnegham 180d, CMD (In box) (Mortehup) 122d, Dundoree / NN (Nerrin Nerrin) 1183d, RG / Buangor 112d JAS / G (Carnegham) 108, Alawa / PWM (Vite Vite) 104. Comeback and Crossbred Fleece - Dundoree / NN (Nerrin Nerrin) 100d, Kinross (Willowvale) 993d, Alawa / PWM (Vite Vite) 983d.

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BEAUFORT YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB

On Monday night, December 13 the monthly meeting of the Beaufort Senior Young Farmers' Club held in the Mechanics' Hall, 13 members present. In opening the meeting the President (Mr Peter Cushing) welcomed Mr A. Williams, who was guest speaker for the evening.

The Secretary (Miss June Lewis) gave an account of the State Council meeting held in Melbourne on the 3rd December. Owing to the Ballarat District Council Meeting being held in January it was decided the next monthly meeting be held on the third Monday of January.

Following the meeting Mr A. Williams gave a very interesting talk on "Fa Lamb Raising, and a vote of thanks was moved to Mr Williams by Messrs. T. Morcombe and W. Millar. Supper was served at the close of the meeting.

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Winners of various novelty prizes collected their prizes from the Christmas Tree. Wilson's Orchestra supplied the music for dancing and Mr W. Miller acted as MC. A splendid and beautiful supper was set in the hall, at the conclusion of the feast, Mrs Simpson lit the three candles on the birthday cake made and decorated by the secretary (Miss June Lewis) Mr Simpson blew out the candles. Both Mr and Mrs Simpson cut the cake.

The President (Mr Peter Cushing) made a presentation to Mr A. H. Ruxton of the Club's Advisory Panel on leaving the district and expressed the Club's appreciation for his services given. The evening concluded with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

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DEATH

O'LOUGHLAN. - On December 10th, at Daylesford, Winifred, the loved wife of James O'Loughlan, aged 70 years. And still you seem to linger here. Beloved, thy resting place is blessed. Requiesscat in Pace.

IN MEMORIAM

DOWNS. - Treasured memories of my dearly loved daughter Verna, who passed away 5th of January, 1952. -Inserted by her loving Mother, Helen Cuthbertson.

FOX. - Treasured memories of my dearly loved husband and our dear Dad, who passed to the higher life Dec. 31st, 1944.

No space of time, no lapse of years Can dim the loving past; Remembrance holds you ever dear.

As long as life shall last. -Inserted by his loving wife, Anne Fox, and Family.

GEORGE. - In loving memory of our dear son and brother Laurie, passed away Dec. 30th, 1950.

We think of you in silence, We often speak your name; What would we give to hear your voice.

And see you smile again. -Inserted by Mum, Dad and brothers Doug, Billy, Harold, Norman and Eric.

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SATURDAY, DEC. 25, 1954.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

Spite and ill-nature are among the most expensive luxuries in life. -Dr. Johnson.

Mr. J. G. CRAMERI, B.D. Sc., L.D.S. DENTAL SURGEON. VISITS BEAUFORT EACH THURSDAY 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Appointments: Jackson's Pharmacy.

Mr. Crameri will not visit Beaufort on THURSDAY, 30th DEC. and THURSDAY, JANUARY 6th.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

WE wish to inform all our Customers that in accordance with Country and District Dry Cleaners our Premises will be CLOSED from DEC. 24th until JAN. 10th, 1955. Bring your clothes in Early before the Holiday Rush. No articles accepted after 6 p.m. DEC. 22nd. Please collect ALL articles before 6 p.m. DEC. 24th.

Thanking all our customers for their wonderful support; Save your Cleaning until we reopen. (Signed) T. SANDY SANDFORD. HEATHER J. SANDFORD.

PERSONAL

Mr J. L. Kirkpatrick, of Stockyard Hill, had to undergo an operation at the Beaufort District Hospital. Miss Crick had to undergo a major operation at Beaufort District Hospital.

BALLARAT MARKET

TOU PRICE AND AVERAGE

At Ballarat Market on Tuesday, 21st Dec., 7 bullocks sold on a/c. of Mrs Ellis, Merindal, Burrumbet, realised £57/7/6, av. £54/4/, top price and average of the market. Mr A. R. Tippett, Beaufort, secured top price and average of the market for 50 xhd. wethers, which sold to 73/1. av. 70/1.

BEAUFORT RAINFALL

1952 - Jan. 60, Feby. 183, March 61, April 257, May 212, June 442, July 221, August 365, September 295, October 43, November 503, Decr. 195, total for year 32.89 inches.

1953 - Jan. 57, Feby. March 41, April 162, May June 304, July 345, August 458, September 460, October 263, November 512, December 147, total for year 30.49 ins.

1954 - January 133, February 56, March 61, April 332, May 150, June 211, July 155, August 220, September 151, October 249, November 357

VERSATILE OCTOGENARIAN

The veteran champion trap shooter, Mr Tom Sands, of Traralgon, has blossomed out as an artist in his 80th year. In the window of Messrs. J. R. Wotherspoon & Co's. hardware department, Beaufort, he has a water colour painting of his home at Traralgon with the ornamental wall he erected with stones from local mines as a memorial to the old miners of the district. His artistic effort and his lament that nothing has been done to celebrate the Centenary of the discovery of gold in this district (which fell this year) have so impressed the local Progress Association that they have decided to consider a proposal to erect with stones from local mines a cairn to mark the Centenary of the discovery of gold in the district. Attached to Mr Sands' painting is a list of the surviving Beaufort and district miners.

ACCIDENTS

Mr H. Lewis, Beaufort, had a large splinter removed from his thumb.

Mr John Muleahy, Lake Goldsmith, had a fall and cut his hand severely on broken glass. Some of the tendons were severed.

Mr Ron Hinchelife, of Lexington, broke his nose and lacerated his face when a truck he was driving overturned.

Kelvin Davies, son of Mr and Mrs Geo. Davies, Beaufort, received an injury that had to be stitched.

Mr Keith Broadbent, Beaufort, received a laceration of the face and stitches were required.

Mrs N. Schowelys, of Main Lead, fell from a bicycle and lacerated her knee, which had to be stitched.

COMPLIMENTS OF SEASON

We wish our subscribers, advertisers, and printing customers a Happy Xmas and a bright and prosperous New Year. Our sheet calendar was issued a fortnight ago.

REGIONAL OFFICER

Members of Rural and Urban Fire Brigades in the Beaufort area learned with regret that Mr E. Schreanan, Regional Officer at Ararat, who has been in ill health, is to discontinue his duties in No. 16 Region and take up another position under the Fire Authority at Ballarat.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR BOYS

Opportunities for careers for boys exist in various branches of the Victorian Railways. These are features in to-day's advertising columns. Boys are asked to fill in a coupon. This saves them the trouble of sitting down and writing a letter. Only four simple details are required from them.

BAND SOCIAL

Beaufort Band Ladies' Auxiliary held an euchre social on Tuesday night. Mrs E. Day was the winner in Section 1, and Mrs C. Broadbent second. Mrs A. J. Hughes had a win in section 2, with Mrs J. E. Day and Mrs R. Pitt dividing second.

ARARAT SHIRE COUNCIL

Ararat Shire Council has been notified by the C.R.B. that A. Sist's tender for supply of 15,000 yds. of crushed rock has been approved. The Council received a letter from H. J. Cox, requesting that lane from Buangor - War-rak Road leading to his property at Bayindeen be inspected, with a view to forming about a mile to prevent erosion. - Engineer to inspect, on motion of Crs. Pickford and Dawson.

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Further particulars from the Shire Engineer. S. J. GRIMMER, Shire Secretary. Beaufort, 15/12/54.

BEAUFORT TENNIS CLUB

CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENT, MONDAY, 27th DECEMBER, 1954. Play Starts 9 a.m. Men's and Ladies' Doubles. Enter with Partner. Entries close SATURDAY, 25th DECEMBER, with Hon. Secretary S. C. BUTLER, Beaufort 216.

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Beaufort Agricultural Society

OAT CROP COMPETITION Mr R. W. Richards, secretary of the Beaufort Agricultural Society, has been notified by the judge, Mr C. T. Patton, of the result of the Oat Crop Competition in the district. Crops in the competition were all fairly even and should return good yields. The final placings were:- J. McCarron, Streatham, 1 (Dale). R. White, Buangor, 2 (Algerian N.Z. Black). J. McCarron, Streatham, 3 (Balliol).

LADIES' TENNIS Lady members of the Beaufort Tennis Club played Doubles on Wednesday afternoon, and the winners were Mrs K. Broadbent and Mrs M. Cuthbertson.

CHURCH SERVICES Xmas. Eve, Friday, 24th Dec., 1954. Catholic Church. - Beaufort 12 (midnight).

Xmas. Day, Sat. 25th Decr. Catholic Church. - Beaufort 8, Buangor 9. Church of England. - Beaufort 7 (Holy Communion) - Rev. A. L. Mills.

Sunday, 26th Decr. Catholic Church. - Beaufort 9, Buangor 10.30. Church of England. - Beaufort 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. (Carol Service) - Rev. A. L. Mills.

Presbyterian Church. - Beaufort 11, Middle Creek 2, Buangor 3.30 - Rev. H. A. Harris.

Methodist Church. - Beaufort 11 and 7, Raglan 3.15 - Pastor A. M. Poppo.

Salvation Army - Public Meetings will be held each Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Children's Meeting at 2.30 - Lieut. Moyle.

BEAUFORT THEATRE FRIDAY, DEC. 24. "Desert Legion" (Tech.) Alan Ladd, Arlene Dahl "A and C. Go to Mars" Abbott and Costello. "Byways of Broadway." News. Tom and Jerry.

MONDAY, DEC. 27 "Worm's Eye View" (X) "Dark Man" Cinesound Review, Mr Droopy

WED. DEC. 29 "Davey, My Son" "California Conquest" Cinesound Review, Mr Droopy

SATURDAY, JAN. 1 "Meet Me at the Fair" (Tech.) Dan Dailey "No Room for the Groom" "Brooklyn Goes South" Tom and Jerry

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 5 (X) "The Blue Lagoon" Dirk Bogarde, Tommy Handley "The Magnet" Clifton Murray Cinesound Review

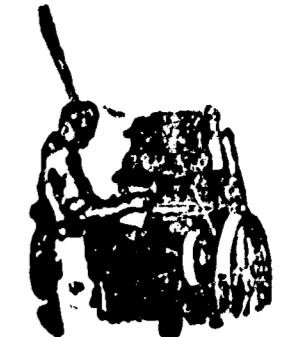
SATURDAY, JAN. 8 "Excuse My Dust" (Tech.) Red Skelton (X) "Light Touch" Geo. Sanders, Pier Anjeli Dogs & Ducks, U.N. Magazine Tom and Jerry

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 12 "Miss Grant Lakes Richmond" William Holden "Sound Off" (Tech.) Mickey Rooney "General Ausance" Mr Tennis

SATURDAY, JAN. 15 "Where's Charley?" (Tech.) Ray Bolger "Big Jim McLean" John Wayne Circus Town, Mexican Joyride, Tom & Jerry

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School Speech Night (Continued From Page 2).

Eleven candidates gained the proficiency certificate, viz., Alan Waldron, Adeline Armstrong, Iris Waldron, Madeline Jenkins, Ted Tomkins, Brian Lewis, Norman Nash, Barry Hayes, Robert Gamble, Faye Clark, Nola Martin. Honours Awards - Form I. - Jennifer Tiley, Keith Topp, Pat Jenkins, Ian McLean, Jennifer Crouch. Form II. - Margaret Fraser, Edward Goddard, Tony Fleay, John Meadows, John Rutherford, Irene Stoddart. Form III. - Alan Waldron, Adeline Armstrong, Iris Waldron. Form IV. - Margaret Norman. Form V. - Joan McCumber, Betty Waldron. Dux Certificates. - Form I. - Jennifer Tiley, av. 86 p.c. Form II. - Margaret Fraser, av. 84 p.c. Form III. - Alan Waldron, av. 71.1 p.c. Form IV. - Margaret Norman, av. 56 p.c. Form V. and the School - Joan McCumber, av. 63 p.c. Mothercraft Certificates - Joan McCumber, Beverley Peters, Betty Waldron. School Magazine - This has been published for the first time. Editress, Beverley Peters. Highlights of the year's work were: - School Sport. - Matches were played against Ballarat and Ararat High Schools and St. Mary's, Ararat. Outstanding feature of this sport was the success of the Senior Girls' Basketball team which lost narrowly one match. Football - Two losses, 2 wins. Inter-house Sport - A varied programme of sport was carried out during the year; the girls competing in basketball, hockey, softball, tennis and rounders, and the boys in cricket, football and tennis. Special features were the Swimming Sports and the House Athletic Sports. In spite of the varied and interesting programme and the high standard of competition very few parents attended on either day. Introduction of Hockey as a Major Sport. - Parents are thanked for co-operating in a fete at which £64 was raised to enable the purchase of hockey sticks. Sports certificates - Girls: Joan McCumber, Beverley Peters, Lola Lotts, Margaret Norman, Adeline Armstrong, Nola Martin, Margaret Fraser, Dorothy Irving, Dorothy Lytle, Beth Smith, Jennifer Tiley, Pat Jenkins. Boys: Don Smith, Geoff Wilson, Graeme Whittaker, James Bending, Alan Waldron, Barry Hayes, David Norman, George Sferco, Ron Day, Ian McLean, Bill Carnes, John Cuthbertson. Certificates - Swimming - Adeline Armstrong, "Herald".

PERSONAL. Mr and Mrs Ivan Laney have sold their new home at Beaufort to Dr. Clifford Wright and are leaving for Geelong. Mrs A. S. Duncan, Beaufort, has been very ill. HAND CRUSHED. Mr Cyril Jenkins, a Beaufort truck owner, had his hand jammed in some logs at Mt. Cole and severely crushed. GET TO HOSPITAL. The Beaufort District Hospital has received a cheque for £21 from the sale of rams donated by Miss Helen Anderson, of Trawalla.

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Garden Party at Banongill. H.E.S. SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE DONATION. £32/15/ TO HOSPITAL.

Despite the heavy downpour of rain the garden party held on Saturday 12th December at "Banongill" Skipton, the home of Major and Mrs C. O. Fairbairn, was very successful financially and an interesting social function. Proceeds totalled over £500 and will be divided equally between the three churches for which the party was arranged, the Roman Catholic Church, Presbyterian and Church of England. The Governor-General, Sir William Slim, accompanied by Lady Slim and attended by Squadron Leader Blackwell opened the fete. He commended the organisers on getting together and having a combined fete. It brought the people together, he said, and he thought if something of the same kind it would help unite countries. Sir William and Lady Slim were the guests of Major and Mrs Fairbairn for the weekend. "Banongill" garden was full of bloom, delphiniums, lilies and hydrangeas making a gay show. The stalls were arranged in well sheltered positions under tree and palms and afternoon tea was served on the homestead verandah but some side shows could not be held. Mr A. McDonald was the secretary for the function.

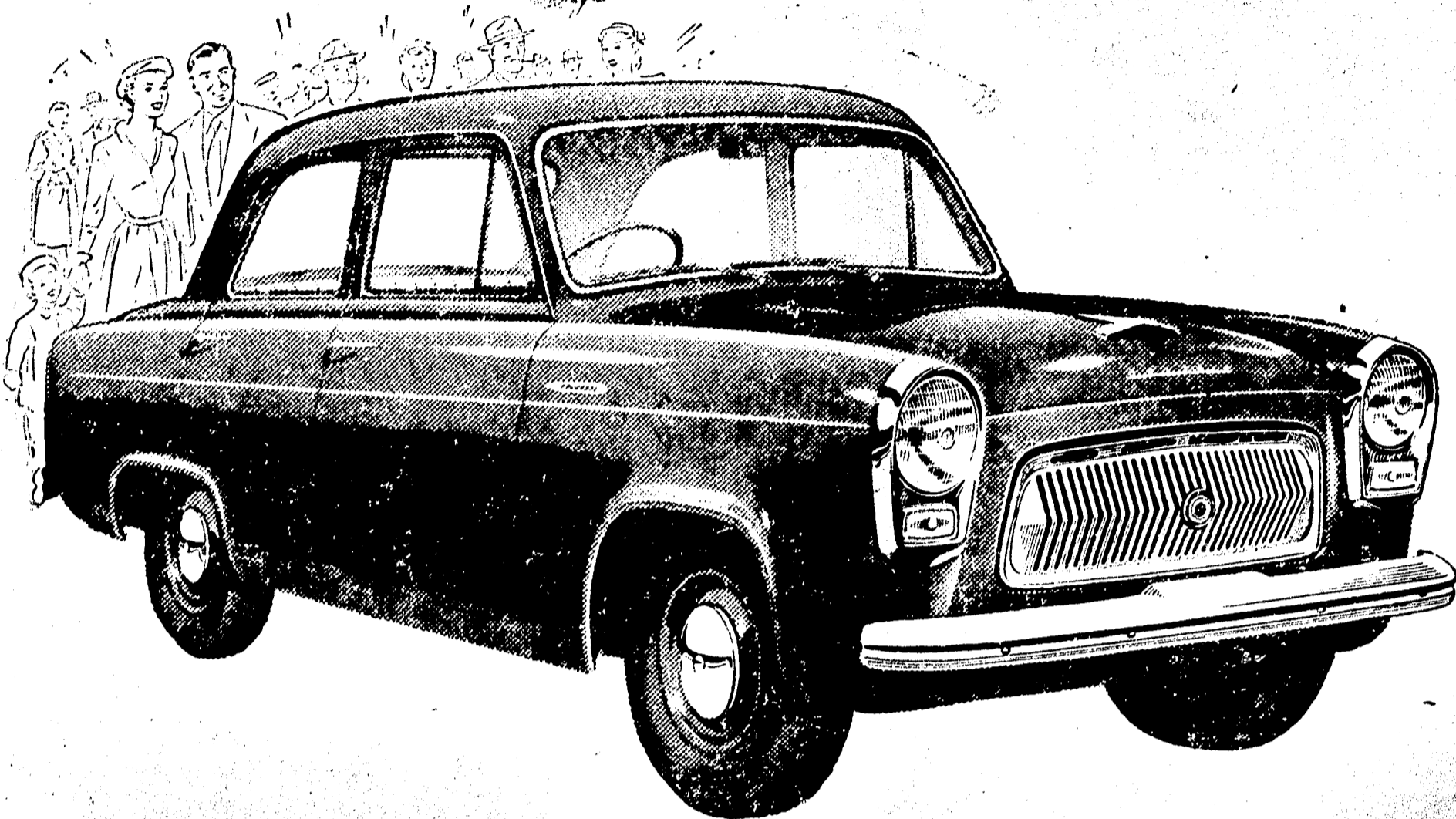
PERSONAL. Mr and Mrs C. F. Loxley, Lexton, have much pleasure in announcing the engagement of their younger daughter, Roberta Suzanne, to Thomas youngest son of Mr and Mrs Chas. Driscoll, Navarre.

CARD SOCIAL. Beaufort F.E. Ladies' Club held a card social on Saturday night. Mrs Dunn was the winner in Section 1, with Miss J. Duffin second. In Section 2, Mr G. Wilding, Mr A. G. Vowles and Mrs Beer divided 1 and 2.

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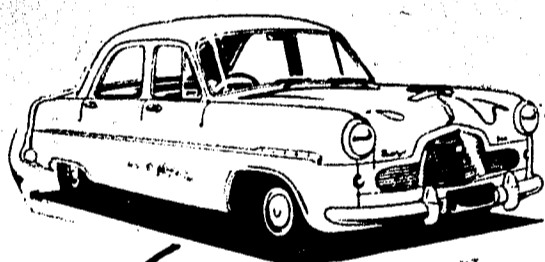


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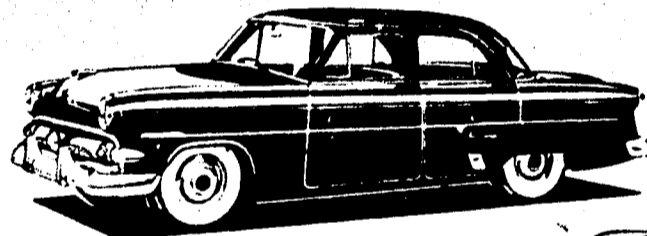
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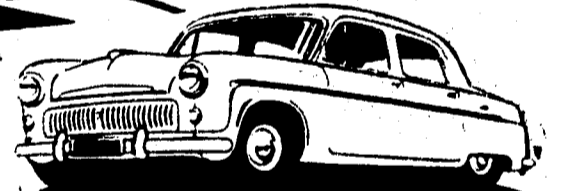
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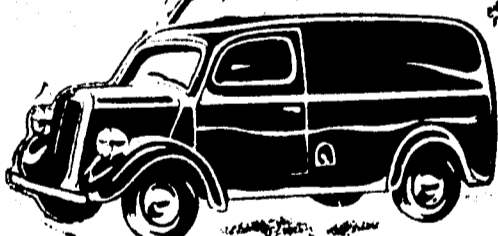
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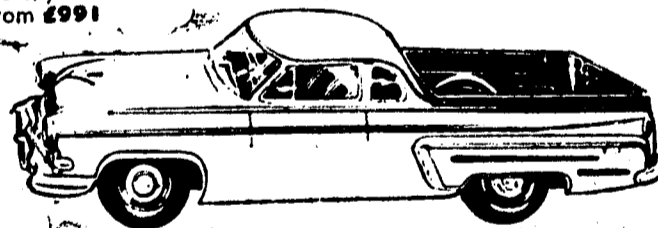
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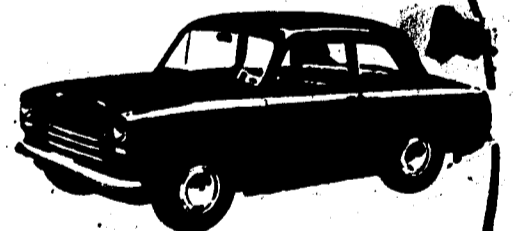
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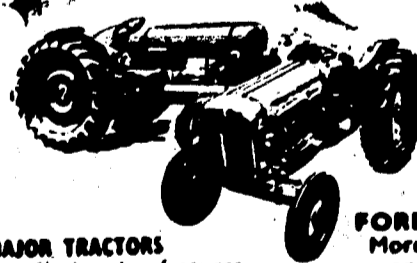
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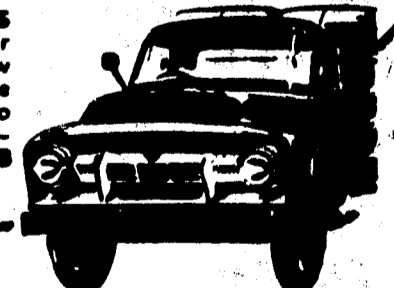
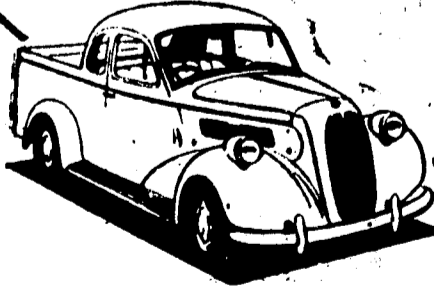
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