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## WELCOME TO THE SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

With the newsletter are some extracts from early editions of The Advertiser. One extract refers to Morwell's "White City".

Many will rember the "White City" so named because of the white houses built to accommodate migrant families who moved here to work for the SEC. Many children from this area attended Commercial Road Primary School and could be seen walking (or riding bikes) along Commercial Road, Avondale Crescent, under "the tunnel", past the Whykes family property to their homes. The area, located south of the present SEC coal train line, has disappeared under the weight of bitumen of the new Morwell Princes Highway By-Pass. The article refers to "temporary haven" yet migrants from England, Holland, Germany and Malta found happiness and security in a new country that promised a brighter future.

"Glimpses of Our Past" is a project successfully completed due to the energies of a small group of people. The publication will soon be available for purchase. Congratulations, Morwell Historical Society.

## NEWS AND NOTES

Another apology! In the revised article printed in our August news letter there was again an error. Mrs. Smith's grandfather, who built the Port Melbourne theatre and was M.L.A. for Melbourne Ports was, of course, Mr. Alexander Rogers, not Smith. Our reporter apologises for this obvious mistake.

"Glimpses of Our Past" is now at the printer's. We hope to hold the launch of this, our first publication, in mid-November. Further details in the October newslatter.

A request has been received from Ann Dettrick, History Co-ordinator at Morwell Heights Campus, Kurnai College, for assistance from members. Some of her year 10 Gippsland History students are undertaking research into the history of buildings and sites in the Morwell town area with a view to developing a "history trail". Ann hopes that members of our Society will be able to help her students with information, reminiscences and perhaps photographs. Please contact Secretary Elsie McMaster (341149) if you can help. It is good to see our schools encouraging students to research the history of their localities.

Below are some items of interest from R.H.S.V. History News, September 1989. Our Society receives several copies of this publication, together with copies of the Moe and Traralgon Newsletters, all of which are available for members to borrow. If you are unable to attend meetings but would like to borrow these very interesting publications, please let Elsie Mcmaster know.

### Historic Rambles

Those interested in an unusual excursion should ring Wilma Farrow on 391-0787. She will be conducting historic rambles in East Melbourne on 1 October. 5 November, 3 December; in Willamstown on 17 September, 15 October, 19 November and 17 December; in Queenscliff on 14 September and in Fitzroy on 10 September. Cost is of the order of \$10 a person.

### Having difficulty with your family history?

The RHSV intends to hold workshops on Genealogy and Family History beginning on Saturday 2nd December from 1.30 to 4.30 pm. If this is successful, further Saturday workshops will be held in 1990. The cost of these will be \$12.00 for members and \$15.00 for nonmembers for each day. Experienced researchers, with particular expertise on Victorian and Tasmanian records, will be available to conduct these sessions. Use of the Society's library will be made, together with an introduction to the Society's holdings, if appropriate. Individual help will be given to those with particular problems. The course will be geared to people who have started their research and who want guidance to further relevant material. Beginners are also welcome to attend. Afternoon tea will be served.

Please telephone the Society to make a reservation as

numbers are limited and booking is essential.

### THE IMPACT OF WORLD WAR II IN COUNTRY VICTORIA

Dawn Peel, of Colac and District Historical Society, currently holds the Australian War Memorial's 1989 C. E. W. Bean Postgraduate Award to enable her to continue her study of Colac during World War II. She is interested in exchanging experiences with other societies on the impact of World War II on their local communities. In order to do so she is prepared to talk to societies on the wartime history of Colac and her experiences in studying it. She would, however, welcome the opportunity to exchange information after her talk. Those interested should write to Dawn Peel at 33 Grant Street, Colac 3250 or ring her on (052) 312-528.

## SURVEY OF VICTORIA'S STEAM HERITAGE

Matthew Churchyard is conducting a survey for the Museum of Victoria of all surviving steam engines in the State. Members and Societies with relevant information should phone him on 669-6656 or AH 419-1453 or write to him at the Division of Science and Technology, Museum of Victoria, 328 Swanston Street, Melbourne 3000. Special forms are available from him and from the Director.

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## MORWELL IN THE EIGHTIES.

Apart from 1985 being Victoria's 150th Anniversary, Morwell and district has some anniversaries of its own to celebrate - for example, the 100th anniversary of the appearance of the first local newspaper here. This was the Morwell and Mirboo Gazette, first printed by Charles Pitt Nind on 5/10/1885. The Morwell Advertiser was published the next year on 30/10/1886. In its last issue in 1972 the Advertiser announced that the news columns of the Latrobe Valley Express would be widened to give Morwell and District a bigger news cover.

So we come to the first item in this month's reminiscences of the eighties. As usual, all items were found in copies of the Express on the dates shown.

Tues. 16/7/'85 Express celebrates its 20th birthday - first published on July 14, 1965 by Mr. Patrick Hegarty, it pioneered the modern offset printing method in newspaper production in country Victoria. A reunion was held at the weekend (11th-12th) - more than 30 people attended, including four from the original staff. They were Mr. Hegarty; photographer, Edward Jones; type-setter, Mariène Uhrane (now Furner), and office manager Judith Norton. In those twenty years an estimated 40 million Express newspapers had been printed.

Thurs. 18/7/'85. Say No to I.D. Cards

Thurs. 25/7/85. Safe River Pipe Plan - \$4m Compromise likely. The long-running battle to stop the A.P.M. discharging waste into the Latrobe R. could be reaching a compromise from next year. The upgrading of the outfall sewer and the establishment of an ocean outfall and a second pipeline is an alternative that would be carried out in four stages.

Tues. 13/8/85. C.W.A. Tribute to Pioneering Women. A photo shows Mary Hocking (Morwell) Miriam and Neata Bond (Yinnar) dressed in period costume for C.W.A. area conference honoring pioneer women.

Thurs. 15/8/'85. 5th term as Morwell's Shire president for Mr. Jack Vinall.

Thurs. 15/8/85. Mrs. Esther Keyzer presents special National Red cross Service Award to life member Mrs. Florence Wheeler.



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# THE SUN

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Meibourne, Wednesday, December 1, 1948

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# MANY NATIONS MEET TO PLAN THE FUTURE OF ASIA AND THE FAR EAS

Here are some of the delegates who are meeting at Lapstone (N.S.W.) for the fourth conference of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East. Their main task is to discuss proposals for economic reconstruction in the post-war

world. The Governor-General (Mr. McKell) said in opening conference that Australia's position at the conference was to as bridge between East and West. — (Soviet "No" to all proposals bar one—Page 8. Sundowner's Comment—Page 1



SOVIET AMBASSADOR to Australia, Mr. Lifanov, recording the sole vote for his amendment that discussion of Japanese economy should go to another section of U.N.



FRANCE AND CHINA are represented by Mr. H. C. Maux (left), who is leader of his country's delegation, and Dr. Li Chao-Ming.



NETHERLANDS AND INDONESIA are represented by (left to right); Dr. H. C. Gelessen, Dr. H. F. Eschauzier and Mr. J. Thaya, talking with Dr. H. R. Usman (Indonesia).

# STATE CABINET FLARE-UP:

# KING CONDUCTING BUSINESS OF STATE FROM BED

ONDON, Tuesday. AAP. - Two doctors, Sir John Weir and Professor J. R. Learmouth, this morning visited the King at Buckingham Palace, where he is continuing to conduct routine State business from his bed.

Reuter's Court correspondent says that he has it on good medical authority that the King has received neither massage nor electrical treatment.

The doctors are keeping the condition under close and regular observation, but there is no indication of when they will issue another bulletin.

The reference in Monday's Palace bulletin to the plural word "feet" indicates for the first time that both sides are affected, says the Daily Telegraph's medical correspondent.

This in turn would mean that the King is suffering either from thrombo - arteriosclerosis (thickening of the or thromboangiitis obliterans toeclusion of the arteries.

In both these conditions the anxiety is that an obstruction to the blood flow may involve a risk to the toes or the whole foot

In spite of thick for and bitter cold thousand; of London's teen-agers gate the Queen, Princess Margarer and the Doke of Sidenburgh a great welcome at the Empire Theatre, Leicester Square, for the Royal

Command film show to-

The Queen wore an evening gown of soft oyster grey net richly embroidered with silver and gold sequins, and a hip-length cape of dark mink. Her tiara was of diamonds and rubies. and she wore magnificent diamond and ruby earrings, necklace, brooch and bracelet.

Princess Margaret wore white figured brocade with a white for cape and a necklace of diamonds.

The crowd was so great that latecomers in evening dress with 15 and 20-guinea tickets were forced into a queue to wait outside until after the Queen entered. Sir Laurence and Lady Ciliana pas ed in almost unnothed benind the Ameri-

Cin day Ronald Resource.

# "Hell Ship" Served

The Rena arrived on! a terrible hellship."

half of R. P. North and Co., of Perth, and the harbor authorities at Batavia, where the ship last night that withdrawal full report of the happenings

It is alleged that money is owing in both these ports for provisions and harbor dues.

If the writ is not complied with within seven days, the Rena will be "arrested."

yesterday the messenger had to withdraw from the Ministry if the approval of the Premier's tie and stick it to the ship's they did not agree with his action in promoting the settlesteel mast. The law states that handling of the dispute over ment of the recent industrial Road Sigis if posible the writ should be the Essential Services Act. tacked to the mast.

ship by crew members.

A petition signed by Maltese ment further. who travelled on the ship to After the Legislative Assem-Melbourne was given to a Com- bly rose at 10.40 p.m. Mr. Holi- Timors that other concessions in the tained references to the way ter (Mr. McDonald), who is also accepted the assurances of Mr. the passengers had been treated CP. Leader. No statement was Hollway and Mr. Kent Hagine 12ter also claimed that the pas--engers had been overcharged.

monwealth linmigration official way conferred for several aunions not discoved and been was erday. The petition con- minutes with the Deputy Prem- granted by Mr. Hodway.

The immigration official -aid he would ferward the perition to the Boush con-ul at Alexandria. The letter would also he "C" to Camberra be added.

# WILL GET

With Writ THE State Parliamentary Country A SUPREME COURT writ I Party today may urge the withfor £2576 was served drawal of the six C.P. Ministers from yesterday on the 42-year-the composite Cabinet.

An alternative may be the launching of a Monday after what passen- censure motion against the Premier (Mr. Hollway) for his handling of the dispute over The writ was served on be- the Essential Services Act.

cailed at on the way to Mel- from the Cabinet was pro- over the Essential Services Act posed, but members of the party were clearly resentful Another, U.P. Minister same at the ultimatum delivered of the settlement of the disby Mr. Hollway at Monday's pure." Cabinet meeting.

When the writ was served CP. Ministers that they could a resolution recording its en-

Last night reporters and oholographers were ordered off the he was leaving Parliament tion of the Premier's courage. A ship by crew members.

One C.P. Minister, asked as it also recorded its appreciation of the Premier's courage. A ship by crew members. resignations of Ministers, replied: "No, not for the appreciation of the ec-operation trail."

Mr. McDonald said last highe ment were the three ann. anced.

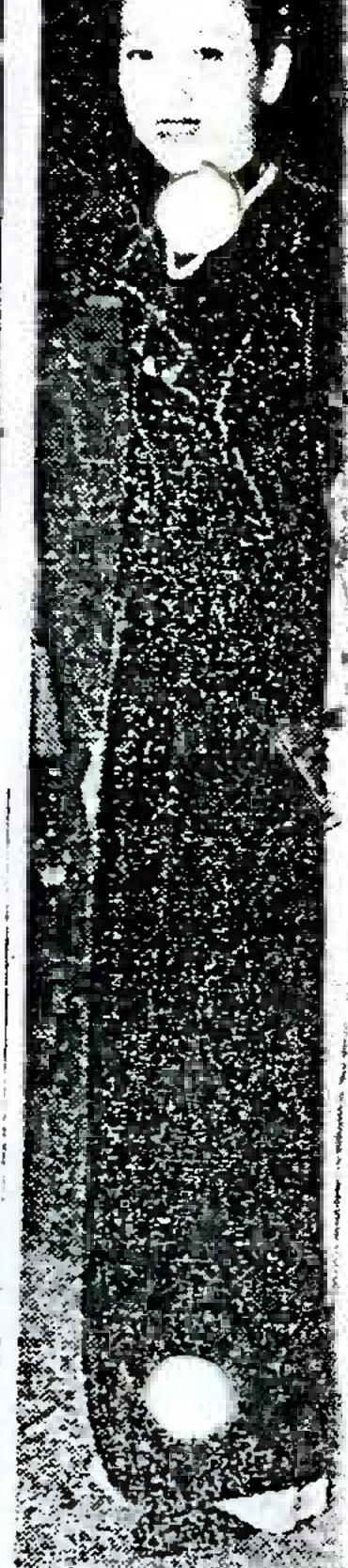
Mr. Hollway was chopped and the state of t

CP. Ministers, denied however, that he would make a when his party met at 9.30 a.m.

The State Parliamentary Mr. Hollway then told the Liberal Party yesterday carried

Another resolution expressed and granteof the Deputy Libera, Leader cutties ... Mr Kent Hughes.

The party, after discussing net Brief, we and that the only terms of settle- come



INDO-CHINA deleg Madam Nguyen-va

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POLICEMAN %

By KEVIN HOGAN

have made "comebacks" and Clive

Fairbairn, Melbourne opening

bowler, has won selection for the

night is:—

EITH STACKPOLE, batsman, and

Baker, wicketkeeper,

# Fairbairn Wins Place J Shield Team







KEITH STACKPOLE

# Star Men In Doubt At Bradman Game

By BRIAN FEELY TEITH MILLER, brilliant all-rounder, may not be fit to play for Bradman's team in the when three centuries in succession in District games in 1946-47 Johnston is being allowed to play in the Bradman Testiplay.

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Department of a sore tog when but did not appropriate to the Sydney sales examination by that he does not bowl fast.

There is a strong probability the will need similar "nurs-" templated by Mackinnon & He hope to be play in the charment.

Hassett's side, may not be seen at their best because

of heel injuries. After examination specialist in Brisbane yesterday, Miller was ordered to hos-

pital for treatment for a germ terday was affected by badly He will return to Sydney to- If Miller is unfit to play, the

The secretary of the Board difficult. of Control (Mr. W. H. Jeanes) Sam Loxton (Victoria) and Norman Smith garding Miller's pros- Bradman's side.

playing on Friday. Johnston's badly bruised New South Wales against heel, received towards the end Queensland, is expected to arof his strenuous tour of Eng- rive in Melbourne today. Other land, was examined by speci- interstate players will arrive toalists yesterday, who said he morrow.

Huray, 14-year-old left-rain on Friday and Saturday. Smith to discuss appoint. cess was his second since then, price and whether breeders of Before he started training such yearlings would be liable bowler, has scored 1039 runs in Victoria to the testimonial fund open competition this season, has been disappointing, but

Western Suburbs fourth grade during the match. churches competition and technical schools' contests.

THE men's championship of mission to the outer ground only two retiring members will consociation will be decided at 60. The wicket will be covered mittee at Fitzroy's annual

H. Brereton) said later that Hassett had agreed to Johnston playing as time, but is an indication that the selectors value current form

higher than past reputation.

come to Melbourne tomorrow. replace him adequately will be

that had not received any are the fast medium bowlers in

He has made 309 not out and officials believe there will be meet tonight to appoint a coach cyclist with match race wins reach the owners' valuation. two other centuries, and has an ready contributions to the col- to succeed "Checker" Hughes, over well-known overseas stars In Melbourne the only pro-

Fencing Championships children, 1/3. After 4 p.m. ad- Three new candidates and

Russell-st. tomorrow. Mr. Ivan throughout the match, which meeting at St. Luke's Hall, St. Stokes, Excalibur Club, who will begin each day at 11.30 George's-rd., North Fitzroy, on holds the championship, will a.m. Luncheon adjournment December 14. Voting will be be unable to defend his title will be from 1.15 to 2 p.m. and from 7 to 8.30 p.m. because of illness. The women's tea from 4 p.m. to 4.15 p.m. Nominations are: Messrs. H. championship will be held on The Governor (Sir Winston Collins, W. Williams (both re-December 11, also at 60 Rus- Dugan) and the Lord Mayor tiring). G. E. Waldron, R. L. (Cr. J. S. Disney) will attend Bullock and L. Peterson. Sports Parade in Melbourne Mr. L. Phelan, retiring vicein aid of the Bradman fund, posed.

will be broadcast

The V.C.A. secretary (Mr. innings - his 185 against next few weeks.

bowler. Lindwall's bowling in

day for further treatment and finding of another player

Barnes, who did not play with

Bradman is expected to re- FITZROY FOOTBALL CLUB Another Bradman? is played under good weather cided to apply to Melbourne one of his proteges to extend It is not known whether this condition applies to vearlings Sydney, Tuesday. — Grant le for £1000 against 10 points of sion to interview Norman by a yard. Last night's suc- on which is placed a reserve to the price and whether breeders of

Baker's return to the team

at the expense of Len Mad-

docks, who displaced him

half-way through last season,

Sought

For Fitzroy

By Kevin Hogan

confirms this

The runs have been made in trance to the members' reserve Western Suburbs fourth grade during the match.

When the suburbs fourth grade during the match.

Who has retired.

It is understood that Melber of the won last night's final yearling sales is that a young-by Tom Warhurst from the limit mark of 10½ ster entered for the first two Newcombe, will meet the sale must be with the sale must be Suburbs Admission charges (including yesterday approved a recom- yards by inches from R. V. days of the sale must be Newcompe, will mee tax), which are the same as for mendation for the appointment Banes (7½) and J. Jamison eligible for the Australian Stud morrow.

the Victorian Fencing As- will be 11d., children 6d. test an election for the com-

Town Hall at 8 p.m. on Friday president, was returned unop-

play Queensland on December 10. The team announced last, Clive Fairbairn, Melbourne medium-pace opening bowler, A. L. Hassett (South Melb., captain), E. A. Baker (Colling-wood). C. Fairbairn (Mel-past two seasons.

bourne), N. Harvey (Fitzroy), I. Perfect physical fitness and Johnson (South Melbourne), W. natural stamina often enabled Johnston (Richmond). S. Lox- him to retain "life" in his bowlton (Prahran). C. McDonald ing even under long pressure (Melbourne). K. Meuleman (Es- from good batsmen. This is the Fothergill (Northcote) is 12th "stock" bowler to keep an end and tomorrow. covered economically as well as Recall of Stackpole to the side a potential wicket-taker at the

after two seasons "in the wilder- start of an innings. ness" was the selectors' most. If the selectors had any doubt unexpected move. about choosing Fairbairn it was Possibly nobody will be more probably resolved by the knowsurprised than the player him- ledge that Test left-hander Bill self. Johnston may not take his usual Although still confident he share of the pace bowling while

Apparently one magnificent ing" in Shield matches for the

Prahran two weeks ago - has N.S.W. Batsmen Barracked -Page 18.

## Ex-Trainer Better As Sprinter

By KEN MOSES

I IONEL CUTTS, who gave years ago when he found he could beat his pupils, won the 75 yards sprint Maribyrnong last night.

Melbourne committee will an amateur and professional if the colt or filly does not Fitch. runners he was well known as for the payment of the £10

# first time in the Victorian team to VICTORIAN TE PROSPECTS S

By COLIN LONG

/ICTORIA will be seriously we V the absence of Ken MacGrego: interstate tennis match between t sendon), D. Ring (Richmond), best possible asset for a man Wales and Victoria is played at Koo

## SHOCK FOR SYDNEY STUD MEN

Cox Pty. Ltd. for the Mel- play in the champi bourne sales next March.

N.S.W. breeders have been advised that a voluntary reduction is being sought in each draft; that notification is required of each yearling eliminated, and that £10 will so charged for all yearlings offered but unsold. This followed a decision reached in collaboration with today are Sidwell sociation in N.S.W. Probably the first two conditions are being enforced because of limited accommodation available and the increasing number of yearlings being catalogued up training runners two for sale in Sydney each year. The £10 condition is ob-

viously included as a deterrent to breeders entering yearlings at for sale without the intention

Before he started training such yearlings would be liable

N.S.W. provein the intersta Sydney last mc though John I not playing on N.S.W. should

start on Friday.

Max Bonner, w well in trials before tion of the team fo been promoted to his place in the being taken by another of Victo "possibles."

and Miss Filer In the men's players will be ar win, with a view selection in a 1949 Sedgman. with Quist and Brown, with a win at my a good showing ag wich during the re championships, ap matched.

As they are seed in the semi-finals torian champions: form tomorrow ma guide as to their c!

Mrs. Bolton play low her best when Sydney by Mrs. Lor.

Tom Warhurst co. major upset in the ing championships. excellent service s volley, but lacks to practice. With the matches "under his will be a tough op any player.

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# Full-Time City Council Officer For Olympics

CITY Council officer, Mr. R. McPherson, has been given leave of absence to co-ordinate efforts to obtain the 1956 Olympic Games for Melbourne.

Under control of the The Lord Mayor (Cr. Disney)

Melbourne Invitation Com-said yesterday that with Sir mittee, he has been given Raymond's splendid work good An interview with Bradman Donations to the testimonial Chambers. He will work should tin the section in April