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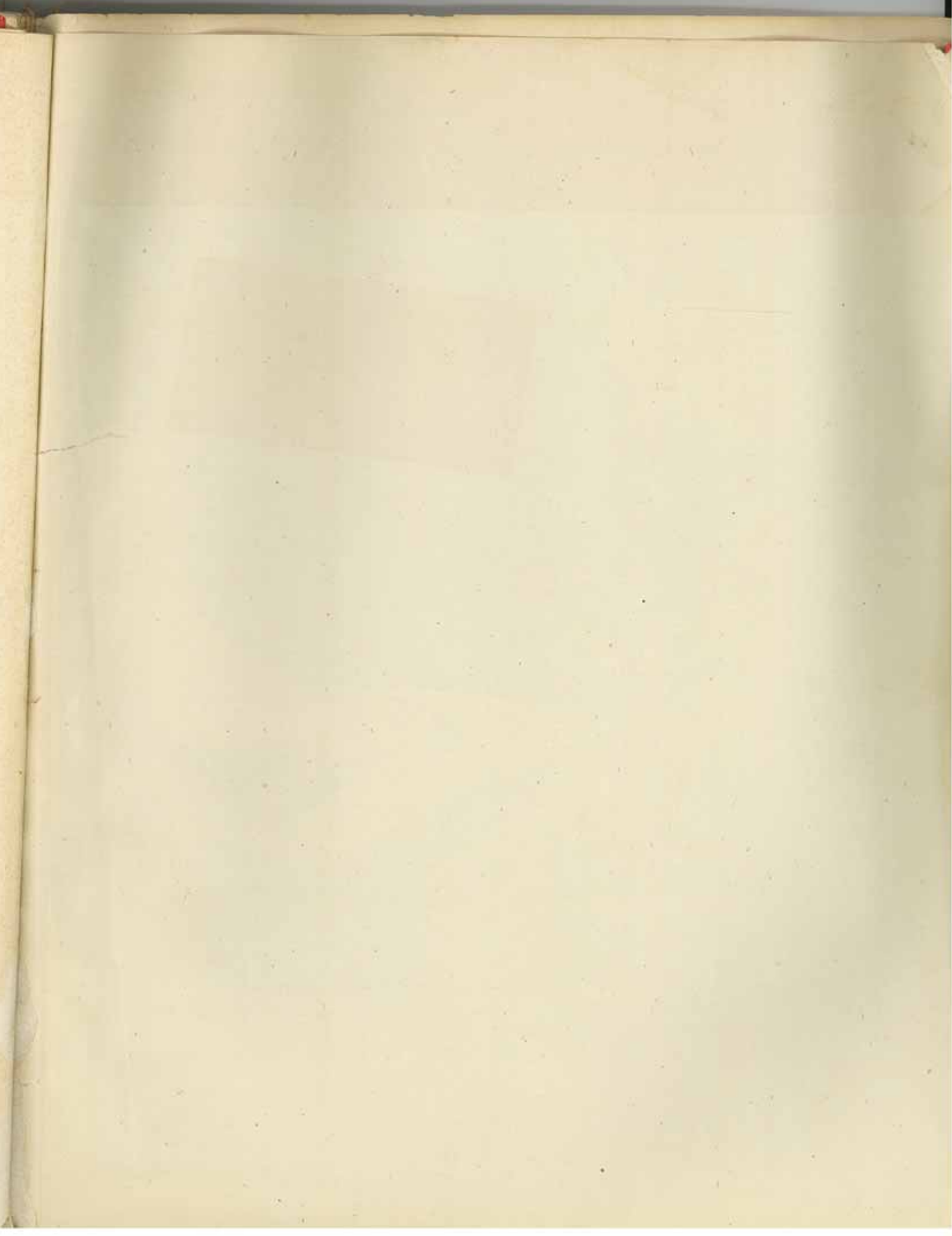
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# A Xmas Message from the "Apexian"

Since that still and Holy night, nigh on two thousand years ago, demagogues, in monotonous procession have caught the World spotlight, offering some new Utopia . . . had their day . . . then vanished into obscurity . . . and still, year after year, Christmas has returned, quietly, gently saying "Remember me? . . . Mine is the only and lasting way to peace on earth, goodwill towards men."

And for a few hours we do remember . . . The family draws closer together . . . Stranger grins at stranger . . . Boss and worker meet with warm handshake . . . Some of us even give the parson an opportunity to say "Hope to see you again before next Christmas."

Against this all-prevailing spirit, politics, profit and the problems of the day diminish into their true perspectives . . . The World and its people are as they were meant to be.

Why then . . . why can't we keep Christmas EVERY day of the year.

It is with this thought that we extend to you the traditional greetings of the Season.

ROY  
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To All Apexians, your Association extends this sincere wish:—

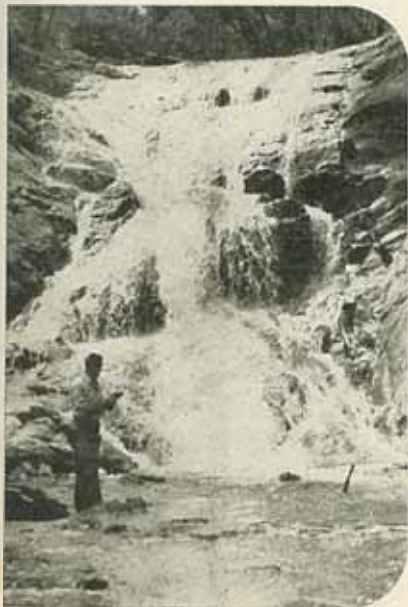
May the Christmas Season and the coming  
New Year bring to you and yours,  
its blessing and bounty.



# 14th NATIONAL CONVENTION

Perth, 26-29 March 1948

An invitation from the  
Convention Committee  
and the Perth Club.



Fellow Apexians,

Hearken to "the call of the West" and be a conventioneer for Easter 1948 . . . the West is the place where lovely beach girls throw flowers and both arms round your neck, where nobody works, where summer and the Easter Moon go on for ever, where . . . well it's not quite like that . . . but still, Perth at Easter is a pretty good place for a convention and a cordial Apexian welcome awaits all who make the trip.

Already, essential arrangements are well under control. Accommodation for the main party has been reserved at reasonable tariffs, in good class conveniently located hotels. For those who prefer private billeting, local club members are eager to enjoy the privilege of offering you the hospitality of their homes.

Apart from all this, apart even from our own Apex welcome, visiting Eastern Staters always remark on the friendliness and goodwill of the West and we know you will find this too, if you come over for Easter (26th to 29th March).

Cordially yours,

BILL POWELL.

As President of the host Club may I add my personal invitation. I feel strongly that this particular convention is timed to coincide with a great forward movement and strengthening of Apex throughout Australia. Our Association has successfully weathered a difficult change-over period and is now in process of a general reinvigoration with young blood and initiative. In the careful fusing of this new drive with old experience lies our surest hope of useful growth. To achieve this mutual understanding, for a real meeting of minds, nothing can equal a personal get-together. Therefore, I urge you to help by your attendance to make this a strong, representative convention.

HERB ELLIOTT.



Photo of the Perth Club is simply a challenge to other Clubs to come over at Easter and swipe the "Whopper Gavel."

## Carols by Candlelight

### Christmas Function

#### Organised by Perth Club.

Perth Club is now in the last stages of organisation (and exhaustion!) of Carols by Candlelight for the third successive year.

Inspired and originated by Mr. Norman Banks, of 3KZ, Melbourne, the main objects of the function as far as Perth Club is concerned are:

1. To give the public an opportunity to recall in a happy Christian atmosphere, the true mystical significances of Christmas.
2. To give Apexians an opportunity of personal service and
3. To financially assist a deserving charity.

This year they are devoting the proceeds to the ANTI-TB campaign. Melbournians probably need no introduction to how "Carols" are run as it originated in their city and attracts a mere 25,000 each Christmas Eve. But other Clubs may see a desirable avenue of service which holds an excellent potential for funds, and which takes a lot less organising than, say, a Billy-Cart Derby. As the name suggests—the function takes the form of carols and other suitable Christmas songs, sung by the audience, the only illumination being by candle and torch light. Singing is led by massed choirs, and leading celebrity artists contribute numbers appropriate to the spirit of the evening.

This year for the first time, Perth is conducting "Carols" on a totally enclosed arena (the Supreme Court Gardens, right in the heart of the city and on the banks of the Swan River). In addition, they are employing a paid organiser. The Club has been divided into five committees (one executive, the others organising) and are hopeful of attracting some 10,000 people.

To any Club interested Perth will be very pleased to send specimen programmes and details of organisation. And, they feel confident of assuring you of the active support of Norman Banks himself. He has been a tremendous source of inspiration and help to this club and would be to you too.



## AN UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIAL FROM A CORNSTALK.

by Swanee Swanson.

After 9 years of very happy associations with the Lismore Club and Zone 5, it was with sincere regret that my wife and I said "Goodbye," or perhaps it should be "Au revoir," to Lismore Apexians and Henpexians on February 13th, 1947. Our destination was Perth and we wondered just what was in store for us.

National President Bill Tresise had "ear bashed" me for several weeks about the hospitality that would be extended to me by the Perth Sand Gropers, sorry—Apexians, but he was far from right. Hospitality—Yes! but overwhelming hospitality of a kind that gladdened two lonely people.

### TRUE APEXIAN HOSPITALITY.

But let me tell you chaps about it—Very soon after our arrival my 'phone bell called me to the receiver and I was quite ready to say "wrong number" when a cheery voice said—"Is that you Swanee" — just how happy I was to hear that I can't describe. It was Herb Elliott, very well known in Apex and at present Perth Club President. From then on things just happened to me and my family. Apex Dinners, Board Meetings, Informal Luncheons, Picnics, Parties and Fellowship plus, believe me it was good, and now after 8 months in this warm friendly West, "Where lovely beach girls throw flowers and both arms round your neck, where nobody works, where summer and the Easter Moon go on forever, where . . . (thanks to the National Convention Letter) I feel that I am gradually reaching the

stage when I can ask Zone President Jack Bennett to change my Naturalisation papers from Cornstalk to Sand Groper.

A trip to Bunbury with Herb Elliott, there to meet Rod Johnston and Les Clarke and to partake of real Apexian fellowship was Apex at its best. To see Lance Chessel in Perth, one time Secretary of the Brisbane Club, firmly and happily changing from a Bananalander to a Sand Groper was another sight well worth seeing.

### A PLUG FOR THE PERTH CONVENTION

I am not by any means an advance agent for the 14th National Convention to be held at Perth next Easter, but fellows if it is at all possible, do come and sample the warmth and friendliness of the Sand Gropers and enjoy the hospitality that will be showered on all Apexians and Henpexians in this State of sunshine "Where lovely beach girls throw flowers and both arms round your neck"—again thanks to the National Convention Letter, but this time it is intended for unaccompanied Apexians.

And so I must say "Au revoir fellows for the present" but do come to Perth at Easter, bask in the glorious sunshine, be carressed in the evening by the "Fremantle Doctor" and at night marvel at the beautiful and succulent "Swan"—on second thoughts perhaps I should add—River.

Apexians for the present, the State, the Club, in fact all Sand Gropers await you, in the Swan, near the Swan, and with the Swan-



INTRODUCING . . .

**THE GOLDEN WEST**

A Travelogue of the 1948 Convention State Written for the Apexian

by John Morrison, Perth Club.

Business, holidays and war-service have brought many Apexians to Perth, and it is hoped that the 1948 Convention of Apex will renew many of the resulting friendships and found many new ones. In order to whet appetites, Perth Club explains some of the State's mysteries and wonders.

Because of its sunny climate, its abundant gold resources (and perhaps a little vanity on the part of those of us who live there) the inhabitants of the most Western State in the Commonwealth have called their State the "Golden West."

The selection of the picturesque site of Perth on the North bank of the Swan River, where it broadens out into Perth Water and at the foot of Mount Eliza, was happily inspired. Perth being the smallest of the mainland capitals does not possess the atmosphere of bustling crowds and big business usually associated with capital cities, but in its beauty and friendliness has a charm of its own.

Few cities have anything to compare with King's Park—a thousand acres of parkland, the majority of which is retained in its natural bush-land state—within five minutes walk of the city. Rising sharply from the river foreshore, this practically virgin area is at its best in Spring, when the splash of gay colors from the wildflowers presents the most entrancing sight. From the natural grandstand of Mt. Eliza in the Park a view of the city lights and the reflection in the still waters of the river are experiences to be treasured.

At left—Main Hall, University of Perth.



William Street, Perth.

The Darling Ranges, rising from the Coastal plain, mark the Eastern horizon from Perth and stretch North and South. The ranges provide a Winter and Springtime playground for residents of the Metropolitan area, and rich scenic experiences for visitors. In the hills are such scenic spots as Kalamunda and Darlington, where permanent residents farm glorious garden plots resplendent with indigenous and exotic plants; Bickley Valley—where orchards form a thriving industry—Helena Valley and Mundaring Weir the source of the Goldfields water supply. Further afield are Roleystone, Araluen, the delightfully plan-

ned hills home of the Young Australia League, and Canning Dam—the State's largest reservoir, with a capacity of 20,550 million gallons, and a catchment area of 282 square miles. Overlooking the coastal plain is National Park an expanse of 4000 acres of stream filled wooded country which in the Spring is a riot of color, produced by the wildflowers and undergrowth. The look-out 1000 feet above sea level is on the six mile drive which winds through the Park.

**GARDEN OF THE STATE**

To the South and South-west of Perth lies the "Garden of the State," where forest, river and plain have planned a garden fertile and scenic. Bunbury, the capital of the South-West, is the centre of the State's dairying industry and the natural port for the timber export trade and the wheat and wool of the Southern agricultural districts. Scenic roads radiate in all directions. One leads to the Donnybrook-Bridgetown district, one of the outstanding fruit-growing districts of the State. Where orchards are not in command mixed farming is successfully carried on by the combining of sheep and wool production with dairying.

In the Southern journey beyond Bunbury, Busselton, one of the oldest settlements in the history of the State, is reached within an hour. Busselton, is reached within an hour cal landmarks connected with the old pioneers. This town is the natural starting point for the Southern scenic spots such as Yallinup Caves.

At right—In an old world setting, London Court Perth, an arcade built on medieval lines.





## THE GOLDEN WEST

(continued)

### WORLD FAMOUS PEARLS.

Geraldton, the chief port north of Perth, is situated 320 miles from the capital by rail. Its geographical situation provides Geraldton with two tourist seasons. When winter comes to the south visitors can go north to enjoy the sub-tropical winter days. When the long dry summer afflicts the inland towns, residents of the Murchison goldfields and northern wheatbelt go to Geraldton to enjoy the seaside coolness or to spend a fishing holiday on the Abrolhos Islands. The Abrolhos, which are the most southerly coral isles in the world, lie 50 miles west of the town, and with their abundant bird life, crystal clear water and coral of every colour are a scenic wonder.

Further north is Carnarvon the clearing house for the pastoral properties in the Gascoyne. More recently attention has been devoted to the cultivation of tropical fruits, more particularly bananas, the plantations being irrigated from the Gascoyne River. Then come Onslow, Port Hedland and Roebourne, ports serving the requirements of the inland sheep and cattle stations. Broome is the fascinating town of white pearls and colourful people. Northernmost is Wyndham, where a meatworks has been established to treat cattle from the extensive cattle stations of the Kimberleys.

### GOLD DISCOVERY

It was the discovery of gold which changed the whole of Western Australia's history. Some years prior to 1890 gold had been discovered in various parts of the State, but it was not until 1892 with the sensational gold find by Bayley and Ford at Coolgardie, that the attention of people in every part of the world was directed to Western Australia. Then a year after the Coolgardie discovery came the equally sensational find at Kalgoorlie. These discoveries led to such a rush of population that it was difficult to cope with the requirements of the new arrivals. The population of the State, which in 1890 was 46,290 rose by 1900 to 179,700. Three cities—Coolgardie, Kalgoorlie and Boulder—sprang up like mushrooms and flourished. additional population on the goldfields proved of vital importance. Inspired by the Premier, Sir John Forrest, and trusting to the engineering skill of Mr. C. Y. O'Connor, the small community embarked on the daring project of pumping water a distance of 350 miles from the coast to Kalgoorlie a height of 1200 feet. Within five years water was delivered by a pipe line from the Mundaring Weir.

### TIMBER COUNTRY

Jarrah and Karri are the giants of West Australian forests. From immediately South of Perth to the ex-



Picturesque Bunbury noted for its dairy produce and Apexians of high standing.

treme South-west of the State is the habitat of Jarrah, which is the State's principal commercial timber. Jarrah prefers the hillsides where there is plenty of sun. The kingdom of stately Karri is located in the fertile extreme South-west. The tallest tree in Western Australia, the Karri is, with its clean straight salmon pink bole, of outstanding beauty. Trees 160 feet to the first limb and an overall height of 280 feet, or more, have been measured. A tour through such grandeur is an experience always treasured.

On the shores of Princess Royal Harbour — an inner anchorage of King George Sound—lies Albany the capital of the Great Southern District and premier summer seaside resort of the South Coast. Albany has a fine natural harbour, which provides ample scope for fishing, yachting and excursions. Around the harbour and along the south coast there is some magnificent rugged scenery

### WILDFLOWERS.

Any description of Western Australia would be incomplete without a reference to the beauty of the wildflowers. The flora of the State includes tropical and temperate plants to the number of approximately seven thousand, and including at least half the known families of flowering plants, from the strange and primitive blackboy to the delicate orchid.

Practically all the year round in Western Australia wild-flowers show their gorgeous colours. From January, bringing with it the magnificent bloom of the Red Flowering Gum, through the early months of the year, with the scarlet banksias and the bright hued morrison in evidence, to the winter months, brightened by the Templetonia, brilliantly red and glowing with coppery tones in the sun-

shine, the holly-leaved Hovea and the rose toned myrtle, with the lovely yellow wattles waving over all.

Spring-time brings to West Australian bushlands an indescribable charm, as thousands upon thousands of plants don their brightest and gayest garments to salute the new season and bring fresh life to hills and dales. In a colourful carpet are woven the greys of the smokebush; the purples of the hovea, the vivid reds and greens of the Kangaroo Paws; the delicate tints of a wealth of orchids, beautiful and quaint; and through it all the lovely blue of the dainty Leschenaultia.

### AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

The mining industry reached its zenith in 1903 and as production commenced to fall, attention became more fully directed to the agricultural possibilities of the State. The agricultural development has progressed to such an extent, that Western Australia appears to be destined to lead the Commonwealth as a producer of primary products.

As the population has increased the necessity has arisen for the establishment of secondary industries to balance the State's economy. In recent years good progress has been made in the manufacture of an increasing variety of the State's requirements, for its population of 500,000.

### CLIMATE

The climate of the South Western division is one of the most temperate in the world. Excessive cold is never known and excessively hot days are very rarely experienced. The summer months are dry and the occasional hot days are relieved by cool sea-breezes in the afternoons. Most of the rain falls in the winter between May and August, but this period is interspersed with spells of perfect weather.





World Council Meeting. Round the table, left to right are:—Jim Verneti (20-30), Gordon (loud tie) Murray (Apex), Buzz Nelson (20-30), Arnold Scheldt (Active), Duncan Campbell (Kin.), Bob Moore (Active), Harry Greenway (Kin.), Leslie Crew (Round Table).

## A Memory of Montreal

by GORDON MURRAY.

Of the many impressions gained abroad as your representative to the World Council, there are two in particular that I feel should be conveyed to all Apexians.

To me, they were proof, if proof were needed that a closer relationship between the common peoples of the world is essential to international peace and goodwill. Such contacts, whether by letter, over a cup of tea, coffee, or if you like it, with your foot on a bar rail, and in an atmosphere of friendly informality achieve much more than with the usual frigid diplomatic formalities. Secondly, that a continuance of the attitude, "My country right or wrong" can only lead to further world chaos.

To me, this was convincingly demonstrated at the actual meeting of the Council. Let me give you the picture. Around that table sat eight young men, representing four nations.

America is a country which in wealth and material resources make it the World's No. 1 power . . . a land of plenty and prosperity . . . only just learning that there are other Worlds beyond the Pacific and Atlantic oceans, and whose knowledge of those Worlds is often based on reports of a biased and sensational press.

Canada is a country, financially and geographically closer to America than to England. You will recall it was originally settled by the French and today the French still predominate the population, particularly on the eastern coast.

From Australia came yours truly, from a country which, with its youth, energy and the influence of Hollywood is probably closer in living habits to America than to England. But a country that freely gives to England a family loyalty.

Sitting, it seemed at first, apart from the others was an Englishman, Leslie Crew. He well knew that America could not understand why his country is in the position it is today. A few hours ago he had sat down to a meal, on his plate was more meat than his whole family received in a week at home. As an Englishman he felt the Americans would try and sell him something, and on behalf of Round Table was prepared to withdraw from the Council. Leslie was behind the "eight-ball" and knew it. That made him even more of an Englishman.

Now to date the description of this meeting could well sound like many others, from U.N.O. down. But there was a difference, a vast difference. Each representative was prepared to try and understand the other persons point of view. This meeting began with goodwill as its keynote.

You have already heard something of the outcome of this meeting. Kin., 20-30 International and Active International have adopted, as a major service scheme an "Aid to Europe" campaign. But more important than that, four Americans have gone back to their Clubs, with a new respect and new understanding of England, and to enthusiastically convey this thought to 10,000 club members. An Englishman, too went home, with a new understanding and respect for America.

After the meeting, the American boys purchased for Leslie the loudest tie that could be found in Montreal. That night, at the Convention dance, a little self-conscious, he wore that tie, and wore it proudly. To me, that little incident seemed to have a far deeper significance than mere Convention frivolity, it represented a down-to-earth beginning of a successful future for the World Council.



## Details Member Organisations

### World Council Young Men's Service Clubs

| Detail                | APEX                       | 20-30<br>International  | Active<br>International  | Kin of<br>Canada   | Round Tables<br>G.B. and<br>Ireland |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|---|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| Formed                | 1930<br>Geelong            | 1923<br>Sacramento,<br>Calif., by Paul<br>Clayborn.<br>Now Active<br>Inter. with 5<br>clubs, Mexico | 1922<br>Aberdeen.<br>Wash. State.<br>Became Inter.<br>1929 when Club<br>formed Van-<br>couver, Canada. | 1920<br>By Hal Rogers  | 1927<br>Norwich, Eng.<br>By Rotary  |
| Age Limits            | 18-35, stay on<br>till 40. | 20-35, go past<br>active on 36th<br>birthday.   | 21-35, no office<br>or vote after 40,<br>but can stay on<br>in club.                                   | 18-40. Cannot<br>hold office after<br>40, but stay on<br>as privileged<br>members. | 18-40                               |
| No. Clubs             | 47                         | 230 --  | 65.  | 200--  | —                                   |
| Total Mem-<br>bership | 1500                       | 8000--  | 2000--   | 8000   | 3300                                |

## Organisation and Management

The management of Apex, 20-30 and Active International Clubs, is by a Board of Directors. Kin Clubs, too, have a board comprised of President, Past President, Vice-President, Registrar, Historian, Secretary-Treasurer and 3 Directors. Round Table Club Council comprises 6-8 members.

Apex Clubs, as you know, are then combined into Districts, each with a District Governor and then into Zones, with Zone President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

20-30 International Clubs are grouped into Sub-Districts, then 11 Districts, and finally 6 Trustee Areas. East Sub-District has its Governor. Districts each have a Board of Governors, consisting of District Governor and Sub-District Governors. The Trustee Areas (an amalgamation of districts) have a trustee, elected at National Convention by the Districts. Active International is divided into 6 districts, each with a Governor, who is elected at District Convention. In large districts, there is also a Lieut.-Governor. Then follows a Board of Governors, comprising 6 District Governors and immediate Past-President, who select President, 2 Vice-Presidents, and Secretary (who has no vote).

Kin has 8 Districts, each with Governor, Immediate Past Governor, Deputy Governor (elected), Dep. Governor (appointed), District Sec. Treasurer and Historian appointed by Governor. Districts are governed by National Executive.

Round Table is divided into 18 areas, with two representatives from each Club. National Council comprises one or two delegates from each area. Council has administrative powers only.

Top governing body of Apex, of course, is National Council, comprising Secretary-Treasurer, Zone Presidents and two others. In 20-30 International it is the International Council made up of President, Past President, Vice President, six Trustees, and Secretary-Treasurer, who is elected by this Council. The secretary is also magazine editor at a salary of £1200.

Active International governing body varies to the 20-30 in that there are committees to control programmes, attendance, awards, expansion, membership,

etc. Chairman of a committee is appointed by President and board of governors.

Kin of Canada has its National Council made up of National Executive and 8 District Governors. Round Table top body is the Executive Committee, which includes a President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, and four members of National Council.

## General Notes

In all organisations (except Apex) every club has one or more delegates at National Convention. Both Kin and R.T. use Classification System in selecting members. In R.T. a club under 40 members can have two members of each classification, 40-60 members three of each classification, and above 60 four of each classification.

20-30 allows a Proxy vote at all conferences and Conventions. Kin allows Proxy votes at National Convention.

At Kin National Convention each club has five votes for the first 25 members in the club and another vote for each additional 25 or major part thereof. (Designed to create larger clubs and a greater interest in convention decisions through greater voting power).

Kin National President comes from West of continent one year; East the next.

In 20-30 the club President and Secretary hold office for six months, only though the Secretary usually serves for two terms.

20-30 has two educational meetings each year prior to new club officers taking over their duties. The meetings present a programme of ideas for Presidents, Secretaries and Directors.

Kin adopts an annual National slogan. At the moment it is "The Nation's Greatest Need" (reference is to their cancer campaign).





Neville Joel (Bunbury) and Jack Bennett (President Zone 4) take time out for a cup of tea during Zone 4 Convention.

## 40 APEXIANS ATTEND ZONE 4 CONVENTION

### Bunbury Mayor suggests Apex interest in Local Government.

The Association of Apex Clubs Zone 4 Convention was held at Bunbury and was opened by the Mayor, Mr. P. C. Payne, who, in his opening remarks stressed the value of open discussion and complimented Apex on the good work it is doing. He also suggested that more people, and particularly organisations, such as Apex, should take a much greater interest in local government affairs.

The Convention was attended by members from Perth, Bunbury and Narrogin.

#### WORLD COUNCIL SUPPORTED

Zone President, Jack Bennett in his report said he was pleased to say that our delegates had brought back from the Launceston National Convention (Easter 1947) three things—inspiration, the "whopper gavel" which is given to the Club with the best representation at the Convention, and the 1948 National Convention which will be held in Perth next Easter, and, will be attended by delegates from all over Australia.

Zone Secretary-Treasurer, Ralph Hoare, Herb. Elliott and Bentley Hilman, all spoke very strongly on the advantages of Apex being a member of the World Council of Young Men's Service Clubs, in particular how visits to Conventions in other countries helped materially to break down those prejudices which are the result of imagination and not of fact.

The Convention, which was attended by about 40 members, was a great success, particularly from the fellowship angle.

The Zone officers for the 1947-48 years are: President, Jack Squires (Perth); vice-president, Norm. Hall (Narrogin); Secretary-Treasurer, Ralph Hoare (Perth); Board of Central Member, Jack Best (Bunbury); Past President, Jack Bennett (Perth).

# SENSE and NONSENSE

## Titbits from Club Dinner Notes.

A poster board has been donated to Bathurst Club. Board is to be remodelled and repainted to the effect that there is an Apex Club in that town and gives details where and when it meets. Sign is to be displayed in a prominent position on the Sydney side of Bathurst.

"If you have genius industry will improve it; if you have none, industry will supply its place." So you see you can't say you are unable to do a good job on the Board—Closing thought in Benalla Dinner Notice.

In Tibet  
They are not quite civilised yet,  
Very few lamas  
Wear monogrammed pyjamas.  
—From Albury Club Dinner Notice.

To raise funds in support of the local Miss Australia candidate, Bowral Club held a bottle collection. The score was 15 lorry-loads of empties. No comments, please!

First prize to Melbourne Club for their howler in a recent dinner notice—"Some organisations in Melbourne are aiding considerably by collecting housewives fat and treating and tinning same."

Gentle hint on Corowa dinner notice:—"Some subs are still unpaid. Remove the bricks from the hearth, lift out the old Mintie tin, then remove the lid and spray with insecticide, removed required amount then spray again before replacing under hearth."

Mayor of Bunbury, Mr. P. C. Payne, with Zone 4 Officials at the Opening of the Convention. Note the "whopper" gavel well in the foreground.



Goulburn recently invited 10-minute speakers from among Club members. Subjects set for discussion were "My most thrilling experience," "My most embarrassing experience," "My most amusing experience." Stories could be either fact or fiction.

A golf note from Goulburn:—  
Bob Gray and Bessie (his wife) talk in their sleep. Bob is a keen golfer, Bessie attends auction sales. The other night, Bob, in his sleep called out "Fore," to which Bessie (also asleep) replied "Four-ten."

From the Launceston Club Newsletter:—

"This new world of international understanding we hear so much about has a hell of a lot of architects, but what it really needs is a few good bricklayers."

Orchids to our Apexian correspondent from Burnie. He went even further than merely typing his notes. They were actually type-set and galley proofs were mailed us. You beaut!

One dinner notice tells the story of an Apexian about to have an addition to his family and frantically rang the Doctor asking he come straight away to attend the Hen-pexian. The Doctor asked, "Is she labouring?" to which our hero replies: "Gosh no! She's in bed, I'm doing all the work."

Has your Club written Dr. Wunderley?



## A XMAS MESSAGE

## From Apex President



Dear Fellow Apexians,—

I'm sure you all join with me in congratulating all the Zone officials on their recent elections and I feel sure that these officials can be relied on to carry out their duties faithfully. However the success they attain is largely dependant on the co-operation and assistance given them by each club and individual.

I indicated a short time ago that I was about to launch an efficiency drive throughout the Association, and I can think of no more suitable time to start it than at the beginning of this new Apex year. I'm not going to suggest that Apex should attain the efficiency of a high pressure business or that we should burden ourselves with elaborate systems but if we are going to pull our full weight and accomplish the things we set out to do we must have some semblance of order in our organisation.

This problem is not one that has arisen recently. It has been in the

forefront for years but with prospective expansion, new undertakings and international affiliations it can't be allowed to drift any further. It has been said in some quarters that Apex is over administered, and that as a result is becoming too expensive. Be that as it may, and I don't propose to enter into an argument on that issue now, it is no reason why we should become haphazard and perhaps apathetic. You may think I'm over exaggerating the position, but the following facts may speak for themselves:—

(a) More than one-third of the clubs failed to send in any club notes to the last issue of the Apexian, many of them having also defaulted in the preceding issue.

(b) Over half of the Clubs completely ignored two written requests for information from the I.L.C. Committee.

(c) Several clubs have not as yet answered any one of the circulars sent out by the Anti-T.B. Committee

although this is our National Service scheme.

(d) Twenty clubs failed to comply with the requests made by the National Secretary-Treasurer in Circular No. 2 of 1947.

I could go on giving you many more details but surely these few are sufficient to make each and every one realise that things are not what they ought to be. I regret having to write in this strain but at the same time I make no apologies for it. Apart from other considerations it is grossly unfair to those individuals and clubs who are doing everything expected of them.

It behoves all of us therefore to do a little soul searching and if on doing so we find ourselves wanting let us start and make the new year the beginning of a long period of Apex efficiency. You won't regret it if you do.

Your in Apex,

TOM MAGUIRE.

## Apex Action Brings Results in Anti-T.B. Drive

Contributed by GEOFF. DOLPHIN (Benalla).

Benalla Club's efforts in our National Service Scheme were finally brought to a climax with the staging of a Health Week in the town from October 20th to 25th.

At the local Agricultural Show on October, 1946, members obtained over 1000 signatures to a petition urging the State Government to take some action in Anti-T.B. measures. This was forwarded to the State member, Mr. F. A. Cook, M.L.A., and followed up by individual letters from club members requesting action, and letters to the Victorian Department of Health

## APEX ACTION BRINGS RESULTS

As a result, the Health Department decided that Benalla was to be the second Victorian town to have a Health Week and advised the Shire Council accordingly. A public meeting was called for the purpose of organising the week and the club members attended in force. The writer was elected Secretary of the organising Committee and two other club members appointed to the Committee.

The Club arranged publicity and distributed 400 explanatory pamph-

lets in addition to clearing the local Shire Hall of chairs used by picture patrons so that the display stands could be set up.

LOCAL INDUSTRIES  
LEND SUPPORT

In addition to the Micro Film X-ray plant the Health Department supplied a four cubicle display stand approximately 40ft. x 8ft., each cubicle being in charge of trained officers dealing with—(1) Anti-T.B. Campaign; (2) Infant Welfare; (3) State Nurses' Bureau. (4) Sanitation. These displays aroused considerable interest.

Other display stands were obtained from Nestles, who provided 150 gallons of Milo free, Overseas Corporation (Aqualux Automatic Glass Washing Machine), Red Cross Nutrition Service with a Dietitian in charge, and the local bakers co-operated with a bread making exhibit, local hardware firms provided a model kitchen display, and a refrigeration display was arranged through the courtesy of the Electric Supply Dept. and local electrical firms.

The Week was opened at 2.15 p.m. on October 20, 1947, by the Minis-

ter of Health, the Hon. W. P. Barry, M.L.A. and the X-ray plant went into operation at 3 p.m.

By 10 p.m. on November 25—4½ days later—2318 people had been X-rayed at an average rate of 50 per hour.

## MANY PERSONS X-RAYED

Other attractions were films on health subjects and lectures on T.B. and other subjects, all of which were well attended.

The week was an outstanding success—the public has become more Anti-T.B. conscious and included in the total number of persons X-rayed were 900 school children who were "patch tested" as well.

As the original impetus for the scheme came from the club and most of the organising was carried out by club members, Benalla Apexians are very pleased with the results of their efforts.

The Victorian Department of Health is arranging their weeks in other Victorian towns, and expressed the view that they would prefer to select towns which boasted an Apex Club. (Other clubs please note).



## A WELCOME TO THE CONVENTION.

On behalf of the members of Perth Club, I extend to Apexians wherever they may be, sincere good wishes for a Happy Christmas and suggest as a thought for a New Year resolution, a study afresh of our ideals with a more vigorous application of them.

At a recent Apex dance in Perth, one of our younger and newer members, a non-drinker and a non-dancer, after making suitable arrangements for the comfort for the night of his wife (a newly-arrived English girl and an expectant mother) came along to the dance and dispensed hospitality for four hours. That member needs no refresher course on his Apex Ideals. As a New Year resolution, we can capture that same enthusiasm and practical idealism which was typified in this case—and is ever present in our ideals—THEN and only then can we say that we are really contributing to a

### HAPPY, PROSPEROUS, and PEACEFUL NEW YEAR.

May all those good things be yours for 1948 and evermore.

Apexians throughout this State are looking forward to being your hosts at EASTER. Our Convention committee, under the chairmanship of Bill Powell, ably assisted by dynamic secretary Ralph Hoare, have been flat out on organising what they and we plan to be the BEST EVER convention.

On behalf of Perth Club who will be your hosts, I extend a warm invitation to you. We pledge that no effort will be spared to ensure that the expense of your long trek will be amply rewarded.

President.  
HERB. ELLIOTT,

Norm Mitchell tells of a

## FINE AVENUE FOR APEX SERVICE

Every year house-hungry Australia pushes more and more of tomorrow's criminals into the streets. At first they are in the guise of children at play, but soon older children have taught them a different kind of game that is more exciting, far more dangerous and apparently more profitable.

Public spirited organisations and men who were quick to view the streets as the playing fields of Dartmoor, and other prisons, sponsored the Police Boys' Clubs. These Clubs directed youthful energies away from vice and lawlessness and began the stupendous task of moulding Australia's citizens of the future.

Perth Apex has been connected with Victoria Park Police Boys' Club for several years, and it may be of interest to relate the origin and carrying on of the boys' club.

Early in 1941 a committee was formed in Perth Club to investigate and recommend a local service scheme. A decision was made on service to youth and ultimately it was agreed that we should sponsor the formation of a Police Boys' Club at Victoria Park. This, being a working man's residential suburb, offered the necessary material for such a club.

After considerable publicity, a public meeting was called on the 12th May, 1941. A satisfactory attendance was obtained, including Members of Parliament, Councillors, leading citizens and a strong Apex representation.

Apexians addressed the meeting, strongly urging the formation of the Boys' Club. A representative committee was formed, Apex taking the positions of Treasurer and Secretary, and making an initial donation of £25. No difficulty was experienced in obtaining members—in fact membership was limited by the inability to obtain a suitable hall.

A fund was inaugurated for the building of club rooms on land donated by the Perth City Council. Through the active assistance of Apex and other helpers substantial funds were soon in hand. However, when we were ready to proceed with the building, war conditions put this out of court. Even through the darkest years, the Club continued to function, which is to the credit of the committee. Premises, although not very suitable, were obtained and under instructions from the National Fitness Council healthy exercise in the form of Gymnasium, Physical Training, Boxing, etc., were carried on. Later, outdoor games were organised and teams entered in competitions. Our club teams have successfully taken part in Football, Cricket, Swimming, Basketball and Athletics.

### SOCIAL ACTIVITIES NOT FORGOTTEN.

Since the war, inter Police Boys' Club visits have been arranged and we have sent teams to several country centres and entertained country boys in return. These visits have always proved successful and provided friendly, though keen rivalry in sports.

Another post-war development has been the provision of a library. This has been stocked with suitable books chosen by experts and has proved a boon to the boys.

The social side is also being looked after by running river picnics, outings in the country and weekly dances. Towards Christmas it is the practice to put on for the boys, a dinner at which sporting trophies won during the year are presented.

Victoria Park is the strongest and most solid of all in the Police Boys' Club, having in hand funds totalling £2,000, which we are most anxious to spend in erecting club rooms. A substantial amount of money is also invested in sporting gear and gymnasium equipment.

Introducing the Narrogin Club, who will be well represented at the National Convention. Laurie Lane (President) is seen, centre; Ray Hall (Sec.) at his right.





## Anti-T.B. National Service Scheme Originated By W.A. Clubs

In this article Bill Giles, Perth Apex Representative with the Anti Tuberculosis Association of Western Australia supplies some revealing figures in the campaign against T.B. in that State. Bill points out that any money spent on Tuberculosis will show a handsome profit in pounds, shillings and pence—quite apart from the profit in human life and human suffering.

Anti T.B. was first introduced to Perth Apex by Harley Morrison in 1945 and after discussion at Zone 4 Convention in the same year was introduced and adopted as a National Service Scheme for three years at National Convention held in Goulburn, N.S.W., Easter, 1946. The Perth Club was allotted the task of organising the campaign. The response by other clubs was immediate and soon intense interest was aroused throughout Australia by the activities of Apex. Letters to members of State and Federal Parliaments brought forth questions in the various Houses and subsequent action has no doubt been partly due to this approach. In Western Australia, a campaign to rid dairy herds of T.B. infected stock is in progress, a positive result of a positive approach to a very important aspect of Tuberculosis in our midst.

The formation of an "Anti-Tuberculosis Association" in Western Australia was due to a very large extent to the activities of Perth Apex.

The following facts and figures although applicable to Western Australia are of general interest and in the words of Adelaide Club now carrying on the central organising work, let us "Purge the Scourge."

There are 1,800 cases of Tuberculosis in Western Australia of which only 400 are in hospital. Of the remaining 1,400—who are wandering the streets of Perth in some cases—1,100 are infectious. Each year 165 people die in Western Australia from Tuberculosis.

As an income valuation of a life is estimated to be £2,000 for a minimum £330,000 is lost annually. 500 wage earners are continuously incapacitated each year, which brings about a loss in productivity of £125,000. The cost of hospital treatment per year is £60,000, the cost of pensions £30,000, making a total cost to the State of £546,000.

The Anti-T.B. Committee recommends that the Government spend a further £140,000 in the war against Tuberculosis. It claims that T.B. could be eliminated in 20 years. Some of the legislation which the Committee maintains is needed is as follows:—

1. Compulsory examination of all people.
2. Detention in sanatoria of persons with active lesion (people with small pox have lost the so-called freedom to infect others).
3. The compulsory pasteurisation of milk, and the distribution in sterilised bottles, mechanically sealed.
4. The elimination of all cows infected with T.B.

Dr. Webster had made two interesting statements on the effect of eliminating T.B. infected cows. On the 17th of August, 1941, he said: "A reliable index of the progress of a community in the elimination of tuberculosis of bovine origin is to be found in the frequency of occurrence of T.B. glands in the neck." On the 19th of July, 1941, he said: "The incidence of T.B. glands in the neck in Western Australia is increasing."

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Apexians who attended Zone 4 Convention, Bunbury, 25th, 26th October, pose for the camera.





## At The World Council Meeting with Leslie Crew

Official Delegate from Round Table, England.

Montreal rightly claims to be one of the largest cities of the Empire (Population 903,000) but I soon felt that I had known it for years. This may have been due to the instantaneous hospitality by members of the Kin Club, or to the fact that 70 per cent of the population is French, which seemed to make a link with Hastings.

But, of course, I must come back to the hospitality of the Montreal Kinsmen. My hotel was expensive, but any fears that my dollars would not last disappeared as the members of the World Council were taken out first by one and then another for meal after meal. And what meals—Lake Trout, Steaks, Lobster, Sea Food Salads, Frogs Legs and Scallops, etc.

If such a thing were possible, Hospitality and Friendliness increased when the Kinsmen's Convention started. Everybody looks at your name badge and when the "England" sank in, there was a hearty handshake, an introduction to the body and any others around, and demands as to what Kin could do for us in England in future.

**"Buzz" Nelson new World Council President**



### WARM HOSPITALITY

I found myself using Christian names at once, just as they did, and jotting down room number after room number. It is quite a custom to hold receptions by the clubs in bedrooms of members where the only competition seemed to be to empty the next bottle of rye, to tell a funnier story or to sing a better song than the last. There was a permanent room available for Kinsmen delegates, called the "Kin-Lounge" with a small room attached used as a bar conducted by members of the Montreal Club.

Montreal members and their ladies (Kinettes) never passed one, even in the corridor, without asking if there was anything wanted. The Chairman of the reception committee always seemed to be positively unhappy that we had no requests to make. But what else could we want? Not only were we made welcome at all the functions, but also received the very handsome souvenirs given to delegates.

### INTEREST IN FOOD FOR BRITAIN

Most of you know that the Convention saw a table set out with roughly one week's rations for one person in England. This was no idea of mine, but one "Sax" from Vancouver insisted on my writing down our rations, and he cajoled the hotel waiter to get the materials for the job.

A resolution to institute propaganda of the facts and to see what could be done in a practical way was passed immediately. What the outcome will be we must wait and see. Incidentally there were delegates present from the Kinsmen Clubs of Moose Jaw, Red Deer and Medicine Hat, names which since boyhood I have rolled round my tongue as fiction. But they were there.

Finally a note on what was, after all, the original purpose of my visit—the World Council of Young Men's Service Clubs. My formal report on the business has of course, gone to our National Association, but I can say that I felt "at home" immediately and enjoyed the meeting very much. Apart from minor differences in procedure and accent I might have been at a R.T. Committee meeting, and there was a noticeable desire both to get things done and to go into them thoroughly.

The pleasure expressed at the presence of a delegate from R.T.B.I. was warm and sincere and I was always allowed to take my time to explain our point of view. The members present were:—

**"Arnie" Scheldt**, retiring President, delegate from Active International, Seattle, Washington. A quiet respectable sort of "guy" in spite of the district from which he comes. Was on his honeymoon and Mrs. Scheldt upheld my notions of American women which I have gained from films.

**"Buzz" Nelson**, retiring Secretary, now President, delegate from 20/30 International Lives at Culver City, California, of which he says Hollywood is a small part (?). If he lost his accent and his ties and put on a coat, he could pass as John Bull anywhere. He'll do a good job as President.

**Harvey Greenway**, delegate from Kin, Lethbridge, Alberta. A dry, droll, backwoodsman who is obviously used to sittin' round the 'ole camp fire spinning yarns, breaking into song and giving sly digs at precocious youngsters from other parts. Seriously a fellow who sure knows his rules.

**Gordon Murray**, delegate from Apex. If I had been asked to give my idea of an Australian, Gordon Murray would just fit it; keen, lean, but far from mean, he's the chap I should like behind me in a spot of trouble. So tough he can eat "girdle" cakes for breakfast.

**"Bob" Moore**, delegate from Active, International. Says he comes from Sacramento, California, but under his genuine 10 gallon Stetson looks the image of a cowboy from Montana. Should say his character would fit the latter, too. Initiator of "Brighter Ties for Britain" Campaign, which I took as a great compliment from a great 'guy.'

**Duncan Campbell**, incoming Secretary-Treasurer. Delegate from Kin, Montreal, Canada. Waited for two hours at Airport until 1.30 a.m. for my arrival, was stationed at Haywards Heath during the war, and wants to come back to Sussex as soon as he can. Has taken on a big job as Secretary-Treasurer of World Council, but he'll do it.

**"Doc" Jim Vernetti**, delegate from 20/30 International Coronado, California. A quiet, unassuming fellow who would look at home under a Sombrero on a Mexican desert. 20/30 have five clubs there—I believe Jim's persuasive voice would get a club started if there were only cacti to be members. He lives on an island in the Pacific, and I have been dreaming of this for years, I left him last so as to finish in that dream."



# Open Forum

## APEXIAN ROY FIDGE comments on "STREAMLINING" APEX.

The propaganda of "Apex is too dear" lately appears to have developed into "We shall 'stream-line' Apex." Loud Cheers! Maybe we shall get somewhere. If the interpretation of "stream-lining" is not "more efficiency at less cost" please correct me. The complete solution will be found when every member of an Apex Club becomes an Apexian. Those who are sufficiently interested to study Club, Zone and National Apex financial statements will observe that not inconsiderable amounts are spent on stationery and postages. It is probably safe to say that these could be cut by at

least one-third if Clubs and individual Apexians (or members of Apex Clubs) would realise that paper reminders and imploring prayers for action cost money. Some of the advocates of a "stream-lined" Apex are invited to do a little introspection, and then by precept and example start their "stream-lining" in a small way at home, to the unbounded joy of Tom Maguire, John Northey, Roy Griffiths, Col Bowen Gordon Murray, Langdon Parsons, Don Williams, Alan David (fellows doing Apex jobs of which all should be aware), and others. This may be the better equip all concerned to later tackle even bigger and better "stream-lining."

## APEXIAN BOB raises further argument on the subject

### "IS APEX BECOMING TOO DEAR?"

The problem of Apex finance is probably here to stay, and I suppose we old hands can do no more than raise our voices in warning from time to time. Ted's remarks, however, open up another question so serious I think you can grant me a little further space to make a few observations. You will remember, however, that Ted threw some personal brick-bats so he will not blame me if I use him to illustrate my point.

It is easy to describe Apexian Ted. Perhaps the best description, and he himself would require no better, is that he is a tremendous Apexian. He turns up, rather limp, pink and perspiring, to every Apex Convention and every Apex get-together for miles around. Even if before the proceedings are very far advanced he becomes limper, pinker and perspires more that does not matter. He becomes the very embodiment of fun and good fellowship. Perhaps never quite making an actual convention meeting, he at least goes away voting it the best gathering yet.

In his home club he is always to the fore in the service schemes of the town. When the photographs are taken he is always in the middle with his shirt sleeves rolled up. Frankly, he does a good job and is very necessary to Apex, but he does it not for the good of the cause but for the good of dear old Apex. He is an Apexian for fifty-one weeks in the year. The other week being boat race week, he puts on his old school tie and becomes a tremendous old boy.

The trouble with Ted is that he is cut too much to a pattern and, unless every other fellow measures up to his standard, Ted can see no use in that person remaining in Apex. It takes all types to make an Apex Club. Let us keep our costs down so that no worth-while member may be barred. You will forgive me for making this personal reference, as these articles and correspondence are cloaked in anonymity. For some years my service to Apex as a Club has been limited. But there is a reason. Seven or eight years ago I was asked to accept a certain position in order that I might be able to interest Apex in a certain charity. My Club accepted the challenge and did what most old members consider one of the finest service jobs my club has performed. It helped to put a bankrupt charity on its feet. The job done, my Club looked to other fields to continue its service. The fact that my wife and I still have a sneaking regard for this particular charity probably is one reason why I do not seem to manage Conventions. The second reason is that we have a young family to look after. The third and most important is that to meet three hundred Apexian Ted's at one time would be too much for me. I like to meet them in twos and threes at the dinner table or at home at night.

But Apexian Editor Roy, this is only my personal reaction. Conventions are necessary to the movement, and there are sufficient members who like them to go in my place.

Yours in Apex,  
BOB.



## APEXIAN ERIC MAKES SOME PERTINENT COMMENTS ON "STREAMLINING APEX."

I was there on that pleasant Saturday afternoon at the Zone 1 Convention, and I heard the strident voices: "Streamline Apex," they said, "it's top-heavy. Too many Association and Zone officials, too many Conventions, too much expense."






Take Conventions: I divide Apexians into three groups—those who want to go to all Conventions, and go; those who would like to, but because of business or family ties have to miss out occasionally, and those who have never been and have no intention of going. Personally, I'm in class 2, and always look forward to renewing friendships from time to time. A fellow does not appreciate Apex to the full until he has attended a Convention. So from my point of view, I would attend and enjoy Conventions even if no business were transacted and the time were devoted to fellowship alone.

It was on the top-heaviness of Apex that the Streamliners really went to town. By "top-heavy" they meant that there were too many officers—club, district, zone and national—for the number of clubs and members. There might be a case for elimination of some officers if Apex were a dying organisation. But the movement is only 16 years old, of which six were war years, with steady progress all the time. If the Streamliners think the garment is too big for the man, let them do something about helping him to fill it out. **More members in all clubs, and more clubs—that's the answer.** The Apex Constitution is designed for an ever-expanding movement, not for one on the way to the grave.

Wherever you look the horizons for Apex are bright, if only we will strike out for those horizons instead of being satisfied to stagnate in our own back yards. More clubs should be formed, not merely for the sake of expanding our Association but because there are many towns that NEED Apex Clubs—groups of young enthusiastic men, combining to do jobs of real value to the community in which they live, and learning how to serve in later life.

**Forget about the so-called "top-heaviness" of Apex. Set to work to extend the influence of the As—to extend the influence of Apex itself, and for the good of the community as a whole.**



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| <b>INTERNATIONAL LIAISON NEWS</b>   |   |   |   |   |
| from Chairman Langdon Parsons.  |   |   |   |   |

Apexians everywhere extend a warm "Welcome Back" to Gordon Murray, our delegate to the Annual Meeting of the World Council of Young Men's Service Clubs, held at Montreal.

We take this opportunity of congratulating Gordon on a job well done. From reports received, he made an excellent impression in Canada and U.S.A. and did much to further the name of Apex in these countries. The decision of the three American and Canadian organisations to support and conduct an "Aid to Europe" campaign was materially influenced by Gordon's efforts.

#### NEW PRESIDENT FOR WORLD COUNCIL.

At the World Council Meeting, the President for the ensuing year, is Merrill ("Buzz") Nelson, a member of Twenty-Thirty International. It is most appropriate that "Buzz" Nelson should be the new World Council President, as he was one of the originators of having a World Council, and last year was Secretary of it. Apex heartily congratulates "Buzz" on his election, and assures him of our wholehearted support.

In a letter received from Oliver Pincock, the convenor of the International Relationships Sub-committee of the National Association of Round Tables, dated the 27th September, 1947. Oliver writes that he is very disappointed at the apparent lack of

liaison of his association in the international correspondence scheme with Apex. He states: "I do feel that we must let bygones be bygones and I am sure that both yourself and your Association will be sufficiently broad minded to accept my assurance that Round Table will in future remain conscious of the continued obligation entailed when contact and correspondence are established between kindred clubs."

"At a meeting of our National Executive Committee in London this week, I was able to bring to their notice the unsatisfactory state of affairs which has existed so far, and I was empowered to take the necessary action to remedy this. I am afraid it means starting almost at the beginning again, and I am now compiling a circular, based on the information you have given me, for distribution to all the members of our Association. From this, I hope to find those Tables really interested in international affairs and thereby establish contact with your own Clubs. This may appear to be a somewhat lengthy process, and it is going to be a little time before this gets under way, but I am sure that the ultimate results will be worthy of our efforts."

Apex is now awaiting a list of Round Tables that are prepared to correspond with us, and immediately same is received, your I.L.C. will advise you.

#### ROUND TABLES ASSOCIATIONS IN EUROPE

Oliver Pincock advises us that Round Table is developing rapidly on the Continent of Europe. 18 Tables are established in Denmark; 7 in Holland; 5 in Sweden; whilst the first Table in Norway was chartered at Bergen during September. The National Officers in these countries are:—

**Denmark:** President, Erik Emborg, Skovbrynet, Hasseris, Aalborg, Denmark.

**The Netherlands:** President, Henk Bruna, Adriaan van Ostadelan, 110 Utrecht, Holland.

**Sweden:** President, H. Lacobi, Round Table Sweden, Grand Hotel, Halsingborg, Sweden.

**Norway:** Chairman of Bergen Table, Ragnar Visted, Mellendalsvet 63A Bergen, Norway.

#### CORRESPONDENCE WITH EUROPEAN CLUBS INVITED.

Oliver says that we need have "no hesitation in writing to any of them in English, for, I can assure you, their knowledge of our language is excellent, and I am sure they would all appreciate a contact from Australia. For your information, a number of Tablers from Holland and Denmark came over to our National Conference at Harrogate in June last, and they were very keen indeed on the further development of the movement. Up to the present, the Round Table Associations in the countries I have mentioned, have existed as entirely separate associations, and, while this will continue in the future, a draft constitution has now been approved for the establishment of an association to be known as "Round Table International," the principal objective of which shall be "to provide a liaison body between Round Table Associations in all countries."

Letters have already been sent by the International Liaison Committee to these four European Associations and replies are awaited with interest.

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## ZONE 1 CONVENTION RESOLVES TO INTENSIFY ANTI-T.B. CAMPAIGN

### 100 Members from Three States Attend Rally at Bairnsdale.

With 14 Clubs represented, Zone 1 gathered during the week-end, October, 11-12, for the Annual Convention. In addition to the Anti-T.B. drive, other major decisions included a recommendation that Geelong be chosen for 1949 World Council meeting. T. Langdon Parsons (Glenelg) was elected Zone President for 1947-1948.

The president of the Bairnsdale Club, Apexian Geo. Beecher; Convention secretary Ian Thatcher, and team of able helpers deserve great credit for the interesting programme arranged for the expedition with which it was carried out.

Clubs represented comprised Bairnsdale, Geelong, Colac, Bendigo, Ballarat, Glenelg, Horsham, Mildura.

The President of the Bairnsdale Shire (Cr. T. H. Peart), in opening the Convention, welcomed the visitors on behalf of the citizens, and wished them a happy and profitable week-end. He congratulated the movement on the way it put into practice the ideals of citizenship and service to the community.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

In his report Bill Patterson expressed his pleasure to note the increase of 15 per cent. in Zone membership, and the excellent service jobs being undertaken. He appealed to all members to develop and encourage an association outlook as the only way by which Apex could make its ideals felt throughout Australia. The anti-T.B. campaign had, at long last, begun to show results. The Victorian State Health Department seemed to be stirring itself.

Bill referred to the disagreement between the department and the group of leading medical men under Sir Sidney Sewell, as to whether there was enough labor, material and nurses to back up an intensive campaign. The association agreed with Sir Sidney and his colleagues that the only way to overcome these shortages was to form an Anti-T.B. Association and give the scourge State-wide publicity.

#### WORLD COUNCIL MEETING 1949

Apexian Tony Douglas moved and Fred. Kiellerup seconded that Zone 1 recommend to the National Convention that the World Council meeting and National Convention for 1949 be held at Geelong.

Speaking in favor of the motion the Geelong delegate pointed out that his club was the home of Apex and that they had the facilities and enthusiasm to carry through the project.

The motion was passed.

#### "APEX ACTION"

There was some discussion as to whether the clubs should tackle other national problems in addition to T.B. "Populate or Perish," was one suggestion.

The general consensus of opinion, however, seemed to be that one matter of this nature was sufficient at a time.

#### NATIONAL CONVENTION TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

There was a good deal of protest from certain clubs at the extent of the levy to pay the travelling expenses of delegates to the National Convention.

It was pointed out that this levy was contrary to the aims of the movement to encourage younger members and to keep Apex cheap.

The discussion developed into a criticism, on the part of some delegates, of the organisation of Apex.

Apexian Tony Douglas (Ballarat) criticised the top-heavy set-up of national, zone and district councils. He submitted the following motion:

"That this Convention appoint a sub-committee, representative of the clubs, to consider a motion to be submitted to the next National Convention on behalf of Zone 1, to streamline the organisation of Apex, with the object of reducing the cost thereof."

The motion was lost on the casting vote of the president.



The long and the short of it. Ian Feddersen and Eddie Clifford (Colac) on parade at the Bairnsdale Convention.

Apexian Ted Townsend (Bendigo) then moved that this Zone Convention recommend, as an amendment to the constitution, that any levy or increase in per capita fees passed at a National Convention be referred to all chartered clubs for approval by a three-quarters majority. This motion was carried by nine votes to five.

#### SUBDIVISION OF ZONE INTO FOUR DISTRICTS

To implement the division of the Launceston Convention (1946), the zone has been divided into four districts, viz.:-

District 1.—Colac, Ballarat, Geelong, Bairnsdale.

District 2.—Horsham Bendigo, Maryborough, Castlemaine.

District 3.—Mildura, Swan Hill, Kerang, Echuca, Shepparton.

District 4.—Adelaide, Glenelg.

Hot off the press, Business Manager Col. Bowen, Asst. Bruce Wemyss and Asst. Editor Vautin Andrews distribute the last issue of the Apexian.





**GEORGE MEDAL**

Lieut. JACK SYRETT (NX 150794)  
(Inverell Club).

**CITATION.**

Lieutenant Syrett accompanied an armoured patrol clearing the Buin Road west from the Pororei River to the enemy occupied Egans Ridge. Extensive minefields were encountered causing casualties and delaying the advance. A Bomb Disposal Squad commenced clearing the area but were blown up when a booby trap exploded. Without further orders, Lieutenant Syrett immediately took over their duties and worked until night, lifting the enemy mines using a bayonet as detector. Next morning he continued the task and by evening had cleared three major minefields thus allowing the Buin Road to be opened for vehicular traffic.

The courage and devotion to duty of this officer was a major factor in allowing our forces to consolidate in the area South East of the Pororei River.

**BEAUTY AND THE SALESMAN**

A thought passed on by "Goldy"  
Goldsworthy, Perth Club:

"Salesmen are poets. Beauty is truth to them. Truth is both; truth, beauty—and not only is that all they need to know—it's all they are damned well capable of knowing. It's materialists like you and me and the brass-tack-gents—that have got to do all the dirty work."

Tony Slee (substitute delegate) and  
Bill Giles (official delegate), Perth  
members at Zone 4 Convention



**WOT! NO WOOD NYMPHS.** Sylvan glade near Bridgetown, W.A., is typical of the country that will be seen by visitors to the Perth Convention. Regarding the wood-nymphs, we cannot promise these as an item on the agenda, that is unless the local brew is overproof. However, wood-nymphs or not, this Convention will be a "wow." Below are the necessary details.

**TIME**—Thursday evening 25th  
March, 1948, onwards—for as  
long as you like.

**PLACE**—Perth, Western Australia.

**FARES**—See the first circular letter  
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# GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM

## Have you any bottles for the Boy Scouts?

### Launceston Club's Novel Scheme Aids Worthy Cause.

It appeared that the Boy Scouts had no money, no uniforms, no nothing, and an appeal was made to Apex for assistance in this direction. We here, in Launceston do not, on principle, endeavor to raise money in large lumps more than once a year. This has been done for this year, so the only alternative was a service scheme in which Apex contributed only with its strength and a little bit of brainpower.

We knew, from personal experience, that the bottle position was worse than grim, and felt that there must be at least 1 bottle lurking in everyone's back yard. With the assistance of the Scouts, the club felt it could remove these undesirable "eyesores," and so ease the conscience of the man of the house in many suburban residences.

#### CITY ZONED IN 7 AREAS

We, therefore, zoned the city into 7 areas of approximately five to six thousand population per area. These areas were then broken down into small sections consisting in the main of about 200 houses. Each particular sector area was cut from a town map and pasted in duplicate on 2 sheets of ordinary notepaper. The truck and the truck driver's name was also provided for. These were made up to cover the area for the day, and we endeavored to work on a basis of 16 Apexians attending. This is approximately half our Club strength, and we felt that we were reasonably sure of getting this number to turn up to this service job.

The Boy Scouts were asked to provide men on a basis of four Scouts to each Apexian. The city was canvassed for the loan of trucks and drivers.

A marshalling point, the Club Rooms, was decided upon, and the deadline set for 1.15 p.m. on Saturday afternoon selected. To endeavor to get our fellows there on the dot, we provided lunch at our Club Rooms for a nominal fee, which would be no more than they would pay if they went home to lunch. This was reasonably successful.

In the week prior to the collection, several advertisements of a distinctive character were inserted in the local newspaper, the first one giving broad details of the scheme.

#### DETAILS OF ORGANISATION

On the Saturday afternoon, all personnel were marshalled, as previously explained, and two Apexians and eight Boy Scouts allotted to each Section with one truck. These personnel allocations were made by the co-organisers Bill Wheeler and Doug Newton, who gave the Apexians in charge of the Section his copy of the Instruction Sheet and retained the duplicate copy for their own information and as a check as to whether the truck had arrived by 5.30 that evening. The Section crew, immediately on receiving instructions proceeded to the Bottle Company, where they picked up sufficient bottle crates or cases to completely cover the floor of their truck to one layer. A quantity of chaff and onion bags was also obtained on a basis of one bag per Scout.

The Section crew then proceeded to its Section and worked it as they thought fit.

A few snags were encountered here, and by a system of trial and error, it was found that 2 Scouts per bag was adequate. This allowed one full bag to be handled at the truck whilst the Scouts went on to the next house with their empty bag. All bottles were sorted on the floor of the truck and stacked in separate cases so that the maximum capacity of the truck could be utilised prior to returning to the Bottle



Boy Scouts were enthusiastic helpers in bottle drive.

Depot. It was also noticed that the Boy Scouts had a habit of getting lost, so to get over this difficulty, a bottle with a distinctive label (generally Boag's Lager, which has a pretty yellow label) was placed outside the entrance of the house in which they were collecting.

This drive to date has been conducted through 2 areas on 2 separate Saturdays, with a 100 per cent. Club attendance over both occasions. The nett result has been 60,000 bottles, approximately, as they have not yet been finally counted. This, we expect, will nett an approximate two to three hundred pounds for the Boy Scouts Association, at a total effort to individual Apexians of not more than 4 hours' work.

Red Tape Division, Zone 3: Left to right—Royce Neville, Cliff Ikin, Geoff Finney, Merv Conway and Geoff Wood. Fine Finney for not wearing his badge.





# Club Notes

## 1.—GEELONG GORDON MURRAY LCOMED BACK.

Gordon Murray, who has just returned from his trip to Canada and U.S.A. as Apex Delegate to the World Council of Young Men's Service Clubs, was welcomed back to Geelong at the dinner on November 5th. Geelong feels proud of his successes, and knows that Apex is going to benefit greatly as a result.

A stout effort to gain the coveted gavel with a task force of 17 at the Bairnsdale Zone Convention was done in the eye by the magnificent roll-up of bow ties and derbys from Colac.

### ANTI-T.B. DISPLAY

The annual Hospital Gala once again saw the Club rally to the Committee's assistance with collectors and sorters of the takings from the numerous stalls and sideshows also help was given in marshalling those taking part in the procession. The Apex float in the procession was awarded Second Prize in the Group Display Section. This float proclaimed visibly and audibly that T.B. can be cured, with a live demonstration of chest X-ray which is available free at the Newtown X-ray centre.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

A Golf Day was held late in October, with extra competitions and afternoon tea. The enthusiasm of the members assisting resulted in £11 each for the Geelong Hospital and the Disabled Youth Club.

Geelong is becoming the proud possessor of four beautiful new ambulances, and the Club has decided to take on the responsibility of equipping one of these units.

The Apex Orchard at the Old Folks Home is doing fine (only three casualties in well over a hundred trees), so are the weeds. But it won't always rain, then whacko the Furphy, the weeding and the back-aches.

Resignations.—Ron Tippett, Allan Duffield.

New members: Ken Field (Banking), Murray Richmond (Insurance).

The sterling efforts of Bob Griffiths in all aspects of Apex were recognised by Zone 1—he joins the distinguished coterie of Life Members of Club No. 1.



The scourge received a red hot purging at the hands of Geelong Apexians during the local Hospital Gala procession. Harry Whineray was at the microphone and earbashed the crowd to some order.

## 15.—HORSHAM THAT SPANIARD IS HERE AGAIN

Horsham Club has again realised that "Manual Labour" is not a native of Spain; for it has become more than theoretically interested in a large Park. The Club has stuck its nose out and had representatives elected to the Sunnyside Park Committee, and pledged itself to assist in all the Park affairs. Members have already held one working-bee to prepare the area for the summer sports season, and plenty more similar "entertainments" are forthcoming.

Apexians visiting the Wimmera will soon be able to see an Apex sign at the entrance to Horsham; for one is in the course of construction and will carry the names and addresses of the President and Secretary.

### APEXIANS 100-1 POP IN WHEELBARROW DERBY

In connection with the Hospital Sunday Appeal the Club quickly donated the £5 entrance fee and has entered two "strong men and true" namely, Apexians Wes Hutchesson and George Grabsch to represent the Club in the Wheelbarrow Derby to be held in the main streets. Of course this is in addition to other money donated recently.

A most interesting address was given when Frank Foster, author of that well-known book "Comrades in Bondage," told the Club of his experiences in Java. Mr. Foster

stressed the need for international goodwill and the ability to understand both sides of the very involved issues in Java and other eastern countries.

The Club was gratified when Club life membership was granted to Johnny Nattrass and Ray Huf, and as special guests at a recent dinner they were presented with their certificates.

Four new members have recently been admitted namely: Frank Butcher, Max Scott, Cyril Smith, Ted Foley and Jack Watts tendered their resignations which were accepted with regret.

### MY KINGDOM FOR A HORSE

The Club is arranging a Horse and Novelty Gymkhana to be held on Foundation Day, the proceeds being used to replenish the charity account. Approximately £50 is already in hand to finance this effort, the money being donated by interested citizens.

### CLUB BEHIND LOCAL HEALTH WEEK

The Anti-T.B. Committee is preparing the necessary agenda of work required to make the Health Week a success. This effort is to take place early in the new year, when the public of Horsham will be X-rayed and tested for T.B.

Five Club members attended the recent Zone Convention at Bairnsdale, and on their return were loud in their praises regarding the business completed, and the fine time given them by the Bairnsdale Apexians. The Club is also pleased that Ron Shepherd was appointed Governor of District 2.



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**16.—MELBOURNE.****11 NEW MEMBERS**

Melbourne is slowly coming good although many members find their family duties interfere with what they want to do in Apex. With eleven new members, most of them single, the club is looking forward to a renewal of the personal service so much to be desired.

Chief occupation has been giving movie shows to Children's Homes and Institutions; Keith Lawson and Gordon Hare manage about two shows a week. The club is still patching up the creche at Fitzroy, but hopes to put on the finishing touches before Christmas.

A pleasant and sad occasion was the farewelling of retiring members, George Grigg, Joe Smith, Alec Rackham at a valedictory dinner; we have seen them since and they are helping still.

**KIDDIES PICNIC AT WATTLE PARK**

Eight cars were recently raked up and a number of children taken to Wattle Park for a picnic; an excellent day was had by all. Another job was the packing of a complete naval assignment of 11 pound food parcels at the Silver Door.

**8.—KERANG****CLUB BACKS ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN**

Kerang Club is still on the improve, and is pleased to say that they are at last getting organised in some service work.

**CLUB TO SELL LAPEL BADGES**

The latest efforts are a Road Safety Campaign in the local press, also the club has to raise £500 as its share of the Community Centre, so have made the arrangements for Lapel Badges to sell at the forthcoming Back to Kerang. This should bring in £100 of the required amount.

For the benefit of all those who had a good laugh at the Kerang cricketers' expense last year (having only won one game) they would like to say that they are a force to be reckoned with this year.

**BEWARE THE WOLF**

Clive Rees, the latest induction, has been a gem in this cricket team, being a star bowler. Look out, Swan Hill, Kerang is out to avenge its defeat of last Summer at Charm. If you see a 1946 pale blue Chev. with Apex car badge affixed in town, you will know that a car-load of wolves are on the prowl from Kerang.

Still no news for the Populate or Perish article.

**19.—COLAC****HOW WE BROUGHT HOME WIDDLE GAVEL**

Bairnsdale trip, the boys stole the show completely. Bowler hats and coloured bow ties. Noticed couple of Geelong chaps tried to put it over with ties and things, but not good enough Geelong. See how we brought home the "Widdle Gavel" this is an invitation for any Club to pay us a visit and try to get it, our Sergeant-at-Arms (Wolf) Dixon sleeps with it every night.

**PLAYGROUND**

Progressing very well, engineering section of the Club has constructed 5 pieces of equipment including double swing for senior children, swing for young kiddies, seesaw, giant stride and boat swing also a sand pit will be made in near future. About to start on public appeal to offset the cost of equipment.

**"IT'S THE CHANGING OF THE PRESIDENTS"**

Bombshell was burst at Board Meeting recently when Secretary Geoff Castels read out President Murray Lang's resignation. It was with deep regret and sorrow that the Board and members received this resignation as the Club is greatly indebted to Murray for his enthusiasm as Secretary for five years and for his work this year as President. Murray has been granted 3 months leave of absence in the hope that he will be able to associate himself with Apex in another district. Murray's sudden departure from Colac has come both as a surprise to himself and everybody connected with him. Leo Callinan elected new President for next six months. Congratulations to Leo.

**PEA GROWING PROJECT**

All peas are up and doing fine, hoeing out the weeds is taking up all our spare time now.

Congratulations in order for Apex table tennis team "B" Grade winning the cup for that section, against strong opposition.

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This is not the Kentucky Minstrels its the Colac Club—complete with Bowler hats and bow ties at the Bairnsdale Convention

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## CLUB NOTES

### 50.—GLENELG MANNEQUIN CABARET SUCCESSFUL

The highlight of activities in recent months was the "Mannequin Cabaret" in aid of Miss Australia Quest candidate, Miss Glenelg (needless to say she qualified) and benefited the Kindergarten Union and the R.S.L.

John Thompson was the maestro who wielded the organiser's wand and the only things he forgot were the bottle openers. Being in S.A., where the licensing laws are scribed upon scrolls of yellowing parchment this mattered but little . . . there was no grog. However, in spite of the fruit-cup and claret-cup (under 2 per cent. alcohol and 3/- per jug) which aroused some comment, the evening was a terrific success and Glenelg's reputation as organisers was saved . . . nay, boosted. "Tone" was the predominating feature: the show fairly dripped "tone." It brought in over £160, of which the Club reckons on well over £100 profit. Glenelg recommends the idea to any would-be money raisers and will be happy to supply some of the complex details learned in the hard school of experience.

Following an earlier success with a cheap-jack stall, they tried it again at a fete held in aid of the Children's Hospital and managed to scrape together £90. The Stall was next to the bathing beauty parade, which was held three times during the afternoon. Three times during the afternoon the stall was left unattended.

FLASHES: Passers-by stop to admire the verdant perfection of the lawns at the Crippled Children's Home. Pictures are still shown fortnightly at one of the following:—Crippled Children's Home, Deaf and Dumb Institute and Minda Home.

We say "Hello, old man" to our newest member, John Colton (law). Members of the "S.A. Blood Transfusion Service" were invited to a meeting to puncture and enrol those game enough. A sub-committee has been appointed to purchase a £40 loom for T.B. sufferers at the Bedford Park Sanatorium. £10 worth of toys has been donated to the Glenelg Pre-School Community Kindergarten, and a further £15 to the Brighton "ditto" to use as they think fit.

A couple of months back all trooped up for the annual "X-ray." several members appearing rather wan, and sporting nasty coughs. However, as it turned out, the boys all have a new lease of life.

### A CHEER FOR LANGDON PARSONS

As the second youngest club in the Association, Glenelg feels pretty good at having a member of the World Council, and Zone President to boot, in their midst. Who else but the badge collecting Apexian Langdon Parsons. Same gentleman has just been elected a life member of the Adelaide Club. This probably means another badge, so help me. Question: What did Goering have that Langdon hasn't got? Answer next issue. (Our guess—a 60 inch waistline).

The I.L.C. will, no doubt, benefit by the addition of Ross Paterson and Gus Dodd.

Should anyone come a'visiting, dinner nights are now every second Monday as from 10th November.

### 7.—WAGGA WAGGA HEALTH CENTRE BENEFITS FROM SPARE TYRE DRIVE

Wagga Club continues to be actively engaged in Service Work, and recently a further drive for old motor tyres was held, and the results have shown quite a good profit. The profits go to the South Wagga Baby Health Centre.

### INTERESTING DINNER ADDRESSES

The dinner programmes have been attractive, and included amongst the speakers have been Mr. J. C. Blamey, who spoke on the Big Brother Movement, and Mr. Keith Crisp, who spoke on some aspects of "Electricity in Rural Areas." The most popular programme was the Quiz Session in which all members were asked some question relative to their jobs. The Club's Sporting Director arranged a golf match at the Country Club, Lake Albert, which was well attended, and he also issued a challenge to the Girls' A. Grade Premiership Team of the Teachers' College. The girls accepted the challenge, and a very enjoyable game was the result, with the Apex boys winning, the scores being 4 to 3.

### ROLL UP FOR GORDON MURRAY EARBASH

The Wagga Club was represented at Zone 2 Convention at Newcastle by Ken Duff (Official Delegate) and Barney Greenway (unofficial delegate). Noel Barnes and Barney Greenway also visited Albury Club on the occasion of their 350th dinner, when the Club was addressed by Gordon Murray, and a particularly enjoyable night was had.

New members inducted since the last report are: Steve Stephens, journalist; Geoff. Fitzpatrick, clerk; and John Dunn, clerk. Temora Club is still meeting regularly, and is at present arranging its first service job. Wagga Club is waiting anxiously for the Charter to be granted. After Temora is established the Club intends turning its efforts to Griffith, and have already begun an investigation at that town through an old friend, Frank Plumridge.

About 600 persons attended the Glenelg Apex Mannequin parade. Judging by the Mannequin, its a sure bet the Apexians grabbed the front seats.





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**21.—BENALLA  
WAS "POPULATE OR PERISH"  
DEBATE JUST TALK?**

Apex in Benalla has moved along smoothly, starting the new year off with its Handover Dinner and an excellent attendance of members, wives and guests.

The Club entered a team in the local debating competition, and although defeated, much experience and confidence was gained by younger members. Carrying this further, an Open Forum is held at Club dinners on various topics, and is proving popular. "Populate or Perish" proved an excellent topic, and many suggestions were put forward by members. However, as there have not been any proud poppas for the last few months, we must wait and see if "Populate or Perish" was just talk.

Zone President Geoff Dolphin, Zone Secretary Treasurer Trevor Kimball, together with Stan. Hearn and Cyril Lewis journeyed to Newcastle for Zone 2 Convention.

Six Apexians journey to Albury Club's 350th dinner and returned with the "Widdle Gavel." They did, however, bring back reports of a splendid night, not the least of which was the excellent address given by Gordon Murray.

The Club has answered National President Tom Maguire's call for Food for Britain, and is busy raising money for the purchase and despatching of parcels.

**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT**

"Carols by Candlelight" will again be held this year, and as the funds raised from this will be devoted to the Food for Britain appeal we are hoping for the complete absence of Jupiter Pluvius who unfortunately stole the show last year.

Further progress is reported in the Anti-T.B. Campaign in a special article in this issue by Geoff Dolphin.

Ron Stolz, Laboratory Assistant, is the latest addition to the Club bringing active membership to 31. Congratulations go to Malcolm Smith who recently announced his engagement.

**OBITUARY**

It is with regret we write of the untimely death of our Charter President, Harold Hanlon. Harold, who was later Charter President of both Benalla Rotary and Benalla Legion of Ex-Servicemen and Women, was a stalwart of the Club and was responsible for the carrying out of our early service schemes.

**13.—BATHURST.  
TRIBUTE TO  
GORDON MURRAY**

Most important feature of the period since last issue was the combined meeting of the Orange, Wellington and Bathurst Clubs at Orange on Tuesday, 21st October to hear an address by Apexian Gordon Murray of Geelong Club, recently returned from Canada and U.S.A. as official delegate to the World Council of Young Men's Service Club held in Montreal. Bathurst says that other Clubs would be advised to have Gordon along to tell the story of his trip and any special endeavor in this direction would be well repaid. Whilst in Bathurst Gordon made a recording of his talk this being broadcast in the weekly District Apex Session from Station 2GZ on Sunday 26th October. This quarter-hour Sunday afternoon broadcast of items of general interest from the three clubs in the district has become a regular feature and it is hoped to extend its scope in the near future.

**MEMBERSHIP NOW 42**

Club membership now stands at 42, new members welcomed since September being Ted Hamer, Boot Industry; Ray Gumbleton, Jack Ashelford, Cordial Manufacturer, and Jack Burke, Education.

Visiting speakers have been a feature of recent meetings—the various subjects included, "Christian Socialist," "Construction of the Hawkesbury River Road Bridge," "The Olympic Games" (by former Olympic representative Basil Dickinson) and "Archaeology."

The Bathurst Table Tennis Championship open to all comers is to be staged by the Bathurst Club on December 2nd to augment service funds. Matches will be played on ten tables simultaneously in order to handle the large number of entries.

Large attractive signs indicating that Bathurst is an Apex City and giving time, date and place of meeting, have been constructed and are ready for erection in prominent positions on the main highway approaches to the city.

The annual debate with Rotary this year will handle the subject, "Should Price Control be Abolished," and Apex team are confident of avenging last year's defeat.

Council work has commenced on the children's playing area in West Bathurst, and the planned beautification and developmental work by Apex will proceed.



Leo Callinan, President Colac Club.  
Note the Gavel.

**REG BAILLIE  
DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

Apexian Reg Baillie, of Bathurst Club was elected Governor of No. 2 District at the District Convention at Newcastle in September and succeeds Harry Ling of Wellington Club who was elected Vice-President of Zone 2.

**INTER-CLUB VISIT**

A further visit to Cowra in connection with the formation of an Apex Club in that centre was made on 15th November by District Governor Reg Baillie and Bathurst Club Vice-President Ray Stanton. It is hoped to hold the inaugural dinner of the new club during the Christmas period.

The visit to Bathurst National Fitness Camp by school children from the isolated Western area of Fiefield was recently successfully arranged by former Apexian, Rev. A. Reeder of Trundle—the Bathurst Club assisted financially in this venture.



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## 29.—ADELAIDE

## MANY SERVICE SCHEMES

New members are: Evan Roberts, Henry Hayward, Jack Willoughby, Geoff Nock, and Colin Van Senden. Membership Director is urging all Apexians approaching the "40" mark to bring in a new member to take their place. Keith Pettinger of Sydney Club, is a new Adelaideite.

The Zone Convention at Bairnsdale was attended by six Adelaide Apexians, who enjoyed the hospitality which was lavished on us. Adelaide has the 1948 Zone Convention and we have already established a Committee in order to make the next Zone Convention the best ever.

## SERVICE

The Club assisted the Lord Mayor's Food for Britain Appeal by addressing 2400 labels. In addition it continues to send food parcels direct to Hastings Round Table.

The Kilburn Kindergarten Committee appealed for help in lining an old army hut 60 ft. by 30 ft. The boys rolled up in great force and managed to keep to the schedule. Eight Apexians each night for four nights.

In conjunction with the Sporting Car Club a Veteran Car Rally was staged on the Kensington Oval. 30 Cars of 1913 make and earlier makes got there and a good oval programme was staged. Approximately £300 was raised to be divided between S.A. T.B. Association, Crippled Children's, and Burnside War Memorial Hospital.

Cinematograph work continues two nights each week. A new institution has been added to the list making a total of 12. The latest is Waverly House conducted by Legacy for Legacy children, whose parents are in need of hospital attention. Big plans are in hand to entertain the children (approx. 500) of the above homes at a Monster Christmas Party on December 13th.

The Cinematograph has been used at a public entertainment to raise funds for the Barker Free Kindergarten which was very successful.

The Boys' Clubs, Junior and Senior are running smoothly. The Senior Club started on the 1st September and has 25 members. Volley Ball and Basket Ball and Gymnasium are the order of the night. The Boys' Club committee are arranging a Christmas Night for Apexians, their wives and the members of these Clubs for December 17th.

Apex assisted by manning the side-shows for a Girl Guide Rally at the



Adelaide Apexians and Sporting Car Club meet to discuss final details of Veteran Car rally at Kensington Oval. L. to R.: J. Calder (Apex), D. Park (S.C.C.), L. Vinall (S.C.C.), D. Vereo (S.C.C.) and Apexians M. Lemon, B. Rutt, G. Allen, V. Branson, I. Harwood, G. Duffield.

welcome to Lady Baden Powell. She rather distracted our customers but £20 profit was handed over. The boys have offered to man the telephones for the 5KA Christmas Day Appeal for the Children's Hospital, also the Sideshows for the Children's Hospital Fete on November 29. Members sold limerick cards for Harry William's daughter Gillian who was assisting a candidate in the Miss Australia Quest. 600 cards were sold at 6d each.

Anti-T.B. The Club arranged an exhibit at the Royal Show. A visit has also been made to Bedford Park Sanatorium and this has urged all to keep up the good work. The Club is to be addressed by the Minister for the Army, Mr. C. Chambers, in the near future.

The State Committee is chasing the State M.P.s, also the State Minister for Health. The Government is calling for applicants for a State Director of T.B., also tenders for 3 mobile units. The T.B. film has been shown to a large audience at Broken Hill.

Adelaide nominated 3 Club Life Members all of whom were approved Langdon Parsons, Harold Summers (our founder), and Jim Thorp, now residing in Broken Hill.

## NEW CLUBS

Endeavours have been made to start new Clubs at Broken Hill and Mt. Gambier and it is hoped to report good progress in the next notes.

## SOCIAL

Two picture nights have been held when Apexians, wives and friends rolled up. The Social side was a great success so another is planned. The Club Cinematograph was used and a theatre hired. Supper is usually rustled up somehow or other.

A most successful Golf and Tennis Picnic was organised. There were more children than Apexians and wives which makes us think we must have read the Article in a recent Apexian. Nobody played golf. Some played tennis. Everybody ate chops until they couldn't play tennis. Races for the children—all getting prizes made it a very happy day.

The Ladies' night this year planned for December 20th, at the home of Dist. Gov. Harry Williams should be a winner. Past members, who retired because of age, are invited to all social functions and they will be invited to any special Club nights.

## PROGRAMME

Adelaide Apexians visited Glenelg and debated "The Nationalisation of Banking." Another educational night was a visit to the Railways train control room after a regular Dinner Meeting. At meetings a Question Time is held for 5 minutes. Members can ask a question of any Board member. It is limited to question and reply. No excuse if members do not avail themselves of this.

In addition, the President has adopted Perth's idea of a President's Letter. This goes with Dinner Notices and is a report of what the Club is doing or proposes to do. Previously he gave a report at meetings but this of course did not cover members not present at meetings.

The Friday Luncheons organised by the Fellowship Director at the Prince Alfred Hotel are helping the new members to settle into the Club by fraternising with older members.

## INTERNATIONAL LIAISON.

This Committee, of which 2 Adelaide Apexians are members, is planning a big scheme to co-ordinate the efforts of all Apex Clubs and should soon produce their master plan.



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**39.—BAIRNSDALE  
SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION  
OF ZONE 1.**

Club membership up to the 30th October is 27 active members. Two new members inducted at the last dinner were: Sinclair Bremner (Dentist) and Kevin Mitchell (Sports Depot).

**SERVICE SCHEMES.**

**Free Kindergarten:** The local Kindergarten is now on a sound footing due to the efforts of this Club. The last effort was a combined Apex-Rotary Youth Concert with Apexians as president and Secretary, at which the sum of £53 was raised for the Kindergarten.

**Benevolent Home:** An Appeal for £1000 for the inmates at the Gippsland Benevolent Home is being made and Civic Service Director Tom Hackett has been appointed to the Appeal Committee, and the Club is sponsoring a sideshow at the Bairnsdale Agricultural Show to be held on the 15th November, featuring the world's biggest bullock, even bigger than "Ferdinand."

As reported in this issue of "The Apexian," Zone 1 Annual Convention was held at Bairnsdale on October 14th and 15th. The Club has just about recovered from its pleasing duty of playing host to the 14 Clubs represented.

Bairnsdale has received its Membership Certificate from the World Council of Young Men's Service Clubs. A special programme was arranged in which a message from the President of World Council was read.


**6.—BENDIGO  
ANNUAL BALL RAISES  
£170**

Since the last appearance in Club Notes the Club's Annual Ball has been held and a profit of £170 realised, of which £120 was donated to the Free Kindergarten Committee of Bendigo, who are endeavoring to establish a Kindergarten in this City. Two new representatives are on this Committee.

The other service project is the Christmas Toy Appeal and at the moment it has raised over £80 for the purchase of toys to be distributed at Christmas, used toys are also being collected and repaired in time for the big hand out. Organiser Jack Hocking is doing a grand job, and a successful effort is assured.

President for the ensuing year is Win Patten whilst Vic. James carries on as secretary.

At the November Dinner the guest Speaker was Bill Beischer, foundation president, and a former National President, Bill has just returned from Japan, where he was in charge of the B.C.O.F. dental services.

**LIFE MEMBERS**

The Zone Board has seen fit to approve the granting of Life Membership to Frank O'Brien and Ted Townsend, both of whom have on several occasions held office as Zone Officials. Ted is now the only original member still active, he having joined the club when it was formed in May 1932.

**12.—SHEPPARTON  
SUCCESS OF ANTI-T.B.  
DRIVE.**

Outstanding event since last Apexian has been what is proudly claimed as the achievement of the Shepparton Club in the installation of miniature radiography plant at the Mooroopna Base Hospital solely for the detection of T.B. Club members initiated the free X-ray scheme by rolling up in force.

**RADIO APPEAL HELPS FUND**

The purchase of the equipment has been financed by several functions, including a "Fun of the Fair," the Annual Ball, and finally by a very successful Radio Appeal over 3SR, which was very ably compered by the Hon. J. G. B. McDonald, Leader of the Opposition. Full support was given by Mr. Les. Wilkinson, manager of 3SR. Most Apexians contributed to the appeal in a most voluble manner, some willingly, many unwillingly, probably microphone fright. This appeal netted a total of over £400. Not bad for 2½ hours ear bash. Next move is to create T.B. interest among the residents of the Goulburn Valley. All clubs and organisations in the district are being circularised and requested to attend the hospital as a body to facilitate the work of the X-ray technician. Prior to the anticipated response from these organisations, individual members are organising parties.

**VISITORS TO ZONE  
CONVENTION**

Four members visited the Zone Convention and brought back glowing tributes of Bairnsdale Club's hospitality. In the triangular sporting activities of Shepparton, Benalla and Wangaratta Clubs. Shepparton won the last golf match of the season and now hold the coveted silver tray. Retention of the tray depends on the form of our tennis players.

Two new members have been inducted—Joy Goyen, accountant, and Steve Sawyer Carpenter, which brings our membership to 50. Attendances at meetings now average 79 per cent. It is very gratifying to note that appeals to increase the birth rate have not fallen on deaf ears, as 2 per cent. of the club have headed the appeal.

**Birth Notice**

EVERY—To Joan and Jack Every  
—TWIN BOYS.

Shepparton Apexians give a lead in "Purge-Scourging" and line up for an X-ray.

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**31—GOULBURN**

**UNIQUE DINNER**

On October 23 Goulburn members had the unique experience of being the guests of Bowral Club in Goulburn at a special dinner.

It was the occasion of the visit by Gordon Murray, chairman of the Apex Action Committee, following his return from the Montreal conference. As the date coincided with Bowral's usual fortnightly dinner, Goulburn handed over to the Bowral members and thoroughly enjoyed the night as "guests" in their own club. It was a great night, and all members were enthralled with Gordon's description of his visit.

**MEMORIAL DINNER GONG**

At the 250th dinner, a Memorial Dinner Gong was presented to the club by Gordon Denney. It took the form of a mounted and inscribed chrome plated shell case to act as a memorial to all members of the club who served in the forces, and particularly to four members who paid the supreme sacrifice.

**SNAP SERVICE SCHEMES**

At the last Board meeting a suggestion was made that the club should introduce snap service schemes. These are an innovation and are intended to spread organising and executive work of the club to as many members as possible. The only stipulation is that the organisers shall not be members of the Board. The schemes involve little financial outlay, and they are getting back to the original Apex idea of "Coats off service schemes."

Plans are in hand for a ladies' night and club Christmas party on December 11, and a combined Apex, Legacy and Rotary dinner the following week. Club membership is now 40 with two country members.

There was a good roll up to the golf competition as part of the Gulsion Cup series, and Kevin Newton spread-eagled the field with 85 off the stick. Other colts were well in arrears. In fact the centuries that were compiled would certainly have made Bradman green with envy.

Two years continuous plugging by Frank Prichard has at last been successful, and the anti-T.B. mobile clinic was due to visit Goulburn in the six weeks period prior to Christmas.

The clinic and trained staff were to arrive on November 10, and it was expected that at a rate of 100 persons an hour, the unit would examine the majority of Goulburn's adult population. It was hoped that at



**Geelong Apexians line up for a trip to the Lakes during the Bairnsdale Zone 1 Convention.**

least 10,000 residents would present themselves for examination, provided free of cost.

Anti-T.B. work was first entertained by Goulburn some years ago when a committee headed by our first life member, Frank Weedon, was responsible for raising £750 towards the Anti-T.B. Association's funds.

On Sunday, November 2, club members turned out in force and canvassed the Southern portion of the city. They distributed pamphlets and circulars with all the dope on T.B., and generally acquainted local residents with the full facts of the clinic's visit, and urged them "To be in it." The Northern section was covered a fortnight later, November 14.

A feature of preliminary arrangements made by the committee was the booking facility provided for residents. On their Sunday drives club members carried cards and reserved specific periods for persons to be examined. Anti-T.B. work entails many factors of national importance, and realising this, members strove to make this visit—the first to a N.S.W. country centre by the clinic—an outstanding success so that other clubs will have some foundation on which to work when their centres are reached.

**27.—SWAN HILL**

**GOOD IDEA FOR  
APEX PUBLICITY**

This Club has produced a first rate idea in the production of monthly News Bulletin, which is distributed to the public. Issue is made over the signature of the Club President, the first edition being the introduction to the readers, outlining Apex, its aims and objects, and seeking public interest and support. Attached to the news letter were two news items for use by local papers. These items covered Anti-T.B. details, and news of the Club's scheme for a Children's Playground.

Second issue gave the ramifications of Apex in Australia, and our overseas affiliations. Issue No. 3 gave a sketch of the Swan Hill Apex playground.

This is a real live wire publicity scheme by the local club, and worthy of adoption by other clubs.



## CLUB NOTES

**46.—BEGA**

**THERE'LL BE A HOT TIME IN THIS TOWN SOME NIGHT**

As a club we have not been particularly lively during the past month or so. The future, however, is full of promise, Wollongong, Sydney, Goulburn, Bowral and Bairnsdale clubs are being asked to pay us a visit over Anniversary week-end, and we are all busy lining up some beer, dinners, grog, picnics, ale, dances and some slops.

Our social man, Bruce Norman, is searching high and low for a barn of sufficient magnitude to accommodate us, our wives or whatever we have with us on New Year's Eve.

By popular request and because we are broke, we are going to brighten the town with a revue—a scintillating, fast moving affair, the like of which this district has never seen.

Bob Tilley, Kevin Cunningham and Paul Brown are planning fererishly and we expect to be dressed up in something or other and on stage within two months.

Stock Inspector Doug Mumford has left us for fresh fields and pastures new, and our favorite chemist, Jack Niven, has wandered to the big smoke.

Life, however, has been full of frivolity. We have constructed a tennis court for the schoolgirls' hostel and are planning a trotting meeting in aid of the Crippled Children and the Boy Scouts.

Our Glee Club has been performing in the most ridiculous places—even sang a song at a flower show the other night.

Buck Howard has been in hospital with what looks like gout, but the rest of us are dangerously well.

**51.—BURNIE**

**CLUB ADVANCES STEADILY**

Since the granting of the Charter to Burnie Club on August 16, members have formed a solid team with much benefit to the community and the furthering of the ideals of Apex should result.

**ZONE 3 CONVENTION**

Several members attended the Convention at Launceston, September 14. Launceston Club, as hosts, entertained in usual manner, which needs no enlarging on. Royce Neville was elected to Zone Board, and incidentally chosen as one of Zone's delegates to National Convention next Easter.

**SERVICE**

**Anti-T.B.:** Little has been achieved in a practical manner as yet, but the ground work organising, etc., is well under way. Contact has been made with Adelaide, Launceston, State Committee and Dr. Goddard (State Director of Anti-T.B.) and a local medico is to address members at next dinner meeting.

Affiliation has been made with the Burnie Community Youth Centre, and two members are on their committee. Apexians are rostered to give service in a practical way by helping to supervise activities twice weekly.

**FOOD FOR BRITAIN**

While fully realising the urgency and need of this worthy cause, at the present time the Club is not in a position to conduct a large-scale

drive. This State has only recently finalised a very successful appeal. For the present, therefore, every member brings along foodstuffs to dinner meetings, and eventually parcels will be forwarded to Britain. It is expected that in the New Year another drive will be made and this Club will assist in every way.

Regarding the "Apple Case Cup" members are either on the Committee of this show, or helping in other ways. Although not an Apex do, we will benefit by the net receipts of this function, which will be devoted towards our kiddies' pool.

The Swimming Pool project was mentioned in last issue, the object being to provide a safe place on an open beach for the kids to paddle, or learn to swim—depth in deepest part approximately four feet. Cost of project has risen considerably from a first estimate of £600-£800, and then a little over £1000 and finally £2500. Plans and specifications have been finalised and artist's sketch awaited. Service Director and sub-committee have been active in formulating ways and means of raising "necessary."

**GENERAL**

Three new members have been admitted namely, Bill Edwards, Frank Brady and John Gandy. Lloyd Harris, former secretary of Hobart Club, now domiciled in Burnie, transferred to local club.

Our first member to leave was Don Jacobs, who having itchy feet, decided to try his luck in New Guinea—good luck, Don.

Fellowship Director put on a social evening, which achieved its object of wives, etc., getting together and palling up.

**Charter Members of the Burnie Club.**



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Perth Club members sending invitations to the Convention. L. to R.: Doug Elliot, Frank Cross, John Darling, Arthur Rogers, Ralph Hoare, Tony Slee.

#### 47.—NARROGIN

##### NOVEL FEATURE OF APEX BALL.

The annual Apex Ball was held on September 1, in aid of hospital equipment. Arrangements were rather elaborate as far as a Ball goes in Narrogin, and included the flying of an orchestra from Perth to play for the event, which was something novel in W.A. and also helped to publicise the Ball. The evening was a success and the Hospital will benefit by a substantial sum as a result.

The Club is taking an active interest in the local committee to establish a kindergarten, and Ted Curtis has been appointed to that Committee as Liaison Officer.

Eight members visited Bunbury for the Zone 4 Convention, with Roy Hancock and Charles Cooper as Delegates.

The Children's Christmas Treat Committee has commenced organising for this year's event, and it is expected that it will be even more successful than last year. Dinner meetings continue to be well attended and the recent suggestion that a mixed dinner evening be held was enthusiastically received.

It was with regret that the Club accepted the resignation of Horrie Trenaman (a foundation member) at the September meeting, that member having reached the age of retirement.

#### 23.—PERTH

##### JACK SQUIRES RETURNS AFTER ZONE 2 CONVENTION

Many of the Perth members have spent a busy month tripping to and from the East. Jack Squires is back after attending the Zone 2 Convention at Newcastle. We are told that he has also contacted Roy Fidge and Langdon Parsons. Amongst other trippers to the East who claim business as their motive are Ron Palmer and Jack Venn.

"Swanee" Swanson is back after having been "snowed up" in Carnarvon where the West sub-tropical port has been heavily inundated with rain.

Among new members we welcome this month Ian Millbank "Advertising," Arthur Rogers "Insurance," "Mac" MacKenzie "Photographer," and David Reid "Economics," whom we overlooked the previous month.

Director John Darling is being kept busy these days urging members' wives to bake cakes for the Sister Kate Home cake stall, which will be opened at an event to be held in November. He is being assisted by Keith Winterbottom.

**Get the grim grins. L. to R.: Ralph Hoare (Zone 4 Sec.-Treas.), Herb Elliot (Pres. Perth), Lance Chessell (Joint Sec. 1948 Nat. Convention).**

With approximately 12 members just about due to retire, with or without old age pension (and some of the best Apexians they are too), we have embarked on a fairly active membership drive, and educational plan so that the gap will not be too badly felt. So that all members may become familiar with Club work as quickly as possible, each member has been allotted to a Director's committee. The intention is for the Directors concerned to hold monthly luncheons or similar meetings and organise and conduct the work associated with his portfolio through these committee members. Each Director has a copy of Board minutes and these are read at the meeting.

In addition, a personal invitation is extended by the president to four different, and usually newer members, to attend each month's Board Meeting. The response has been excellent.

A regular letter to members on the various phases of Apex work is also planned. So far—the letters have dealt with the Committee plan referred to above and with the subject "What happens to my 35 Bob" (our annual Sub.). In this letter the set up of the Association is dealt with fully and concisely, in explaining where the 35/- goes. Thought is invited as to whether we are too expensive an organisation, and if so what positive suggestions are available to remedy this. The plan so far seems to be meeting with success, and with new Members "forum" meetings, planned to take place three and four times during the year, and an Attendance officer, contacting any 'haps who miss a meeting with a special invitation to be sure to attend the next, we're hopeful of having a really royal Apexian welcome available to our Convention visitors and a successful Club year.





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**49.—GLEN INNES**  
**CLUB GROWS STEADILY IN**  
**FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE.**

The first annual meeting of the Apex Club of Glen Innes was held on Thursday evening, 20th August, 1947, at Hunt's Cafe, when officers were elected for the forthcoming year.

Portfolios were assumed at the dinner held on 3rd September, at which were present as guests the Mayor (Rotarian Gerald Digby) and President Ern. Johnston, of Glen Innes Rotary Club, both of whom expressed pleasure at being present, and gave fine addresses, incorporating their appreciation of the work done by so young a Club, and giving some very sound advice drawn from the wealth of their many years' experience in Rotary.

The end of the first year found the Club suffering slightly from growing pains, but nevertheless firmly established under the guiding hands of foundation president Bill Hanley, and secretary George Priest.

In Fellowship the Club has been active, and during the year visited Inverell, Armidale and Grafton Clubs, and had an influx from Armidale, Inverell (Sponsor Club),

Grafton, Toowoomba, Brisbane and Moree for presentation of the Charter.

As a young Club, Glen Innes has been feeling its way in the field of Service, and in its first year confined its efforts to muscular assistance at the newly opened Glen Eden Boys' Home in the form of working bees, and to a Food for Britain Drive which netted some 2000 tins of food for despatch to the headquarters of the Committee in Sydney.

Recently Apexians assisted at a garden party conducted by the local branch of C.W.A., the proceeds of which went to Food for Britain. All the side attractions were conducted by Apexians and made a very valuable contribution to the profits of the day, as well as assisting to make the party a success socially.

**BLOOD DONORS' GROUP.**

Current interest in the establishment of a Blood Donors' Group for which practically every Apexian volunteered, and the mobile unit is now in town for the purpose of typing the volunteers.

**APEX PARK CLUB SERVICE SCHEME**

Glen Innes is perhaps provided better with parks than most other towns, but all are situated in the centre of the town. Apexians feel

that better facilities for recreation should be available to kiddies on the outskirts, and the club has therefore adopted as its service scheme for 1947-48 the establishment of Apex Park in the town.

**SCOURGE PURGING**

Along with all other Apexians, this Club has also gained the "Urge to purge the scourge," and are keeping the matter fully before Federal members.

Glen Innes was well represented at the Zone 5 Convention recently held at Grafton and members have very pleasant memories of the week-end spent there. Past President Bill Hanley was elected First reserve Zone Delegate to the National Convention in Perth.

A number of members were able to hear Gordon Murray speak on his visit to Canada and were left in no doubt of the wisdom of those who selected such an able ambassador for Apex and Australia.

The first birthday social is set down for early December and the first Annual Cabaret Ball for 23rd April, 1948, but more of those anon. Social Director Aub is about to wed a very fine Henpexian and we know she will be well behind his efforts to make these functions a success.

**40.—BRISBANE**  
**GOOD SUPPORT FOR**  
**"MISS APEX"**

The "Miss Australia" candidate for the Creche and Kindergarten Committee, Miss Shirley Dick, was sponsored by Apex, and the sum of Four hundred and fifty pounds has been raised. This money was raised through the following efforts:

(1) A direct appeal to the business houses of this city.

(2) A refrigerator was raffled—tickets at one shilling each being sold, which meant a big effort by all the Club Members. The refrigerator was on show in the foyer of the theatres. During the evening Apexians sold tickets as the patrons entered the theatre.

(3) A Musical Luncheon was held, and here again, the proceeds were devoted to the raffle.

(4) Each year in Brisbane a Floral Carpet is set out in the City Hall—flowers being donated by school children and the work of making the Carpet being conducted by the Committee of the Creche and Kindergarten. This Carpet is always

a big attraction, and around the edge of the Carpet many stalls were erected one of these being conducted by the Apexians for the purpose of competitions, and once again the refrigerator was on show, and raffle tickets sold.

(5) At the Government House Fete, the Ice-Cream Stall was conducted by Apexians and the hot Brisbane climate brought many patrons which resulted in quite a nice donation to "Miss Apex."

Direct Service activities were carried out by assisting the Playground Association with their circus at Paddington, this job being restricted to Apex supplying manpower.

The Spring Hill Creche and Kindergarten has been adopted by the Brisbane Apex Club, and our responsibility is to carry out certain maintenance work, and at times we do painting. Should any Apexians require information regarding the art of painting in technicolor, they will be well advised to contact Greg "Spray-gun" Thistleton.

Fellowship of the Club has been maintained by several dances, Inter-Club visits, and a special Christmas party is being arranged at Mount Cootha, where a short play will be staged by Apexians.

Our new President, Jim "Chain Drive" Nabbs is endeavoring to force along the Aims and Objects by creating a more aggressive application of each Board Member to his particular portfolio. News of further progress is not yet available, but this matter which should interest every Club will be reported in future Club Notes.

**Miss Apex—Miss Shirley Dick— 3rd in the Queensland section of the "Miss Australia" Quest.**





## CLUB NOTES

### 43.—TOOWOOMBA YOUTH SERVICE SCHEMES

Last issue Toowoomba reported membership had declined but that they were hopeful of an early increase. Since then Alan Couper (Law) and Bob Russell (Caltex Queensland Pty.) have been welcomed, and at least four more hopefuls are moved. It is also something to record that in the opinion of foundation members, never in the club's history has fellowship been better.

Jack Robinson and his wife have presented to the club its first Apexininnie for some time—a son. Those who met Jack and Lorna at the Launceston Convention will no doubt join with us in congratulations.

While rejoicing at the excellent club spirit, main problem is as usual to divert some of it into worthwhile service channels. At the moment main worry is the obtaining of sufficient funds to provide the annual picnic for the children of the Salvation Army Memorial Home. Besides this, the club will be helping the Home at their fete on November 29th. Incidentally, the fete organisers have honored the club by asking President Col. Billard to officially open the function. Two members represented the club at the recent official handing over by the Toowoomba City Council to the people of Newtown suburb of a handsome building (formerly an American recreation centre) as a Youth Welfare Centre. Service director Jack Robinson has been appointed the Club's representative on the Toowoomba Youth Welfare Committee which will not only supervise the Newtown centre, but other Toowoomba welfare centres as, and when, opened. Great possibilities for Apex service may eventuate here.

The names of a number of local needy families are lined up and in a week-end or two the boys will visit an outlying paddock to chop firewood for them. This will be distributed on the following week-end.

All eligible (i.e., not infested by malaria or other wogs) members were recently blood-grouped at the Commonwealth Laboratory and registered for the Toowoomba General Hospital blood bank. Four members have already been called for a transfusion and the hospital patients so honored appear so far to have suffered no ill effects from this Apex corpuscle infusion. There has been considerable local newspaper publicity as to official anti-T.B. plans for Toowoomba and the central support to the authorities in this drive.

### 35.—INVERELL FOOD PARCELS FOR BRISTOL ROUND TABLE

The service work of this Club still goes on. Worthy of note is that a food parcel has been sent to every member of the Round Table Club of Bristol. The money for these parcels was raised by conducting a Milo Drive amongst the Farmers in this District.

In the near future a Tinned Food drive is planned. Pamphlets are to be dropped by plane on Saturday and the Boy Scouts are also assisting in the distribution. On the Sunday morning the Apexians are to drive around and collect the various parcels which will be sent to Bristol Round Table Club for distribution to those in need in that area.

The Club has recently commenced impromptu debates at its fortnightly dinners. The first Debate was "Is Euthanasia Permissible" (have your dictionaries handy).

Gordon Murray was a visitor to Inverell and gave a very interesting account of his trip to America and the World Council of Young Men's Organisations Conference at Montreal. The chaps at this club are wondering how Geelong is facing up to some of Gordon's ties.

Some members journeyed to Grafton on 5th October for Zone 5 Convention and from reports to hand Grafton put on a good show. Night tennis now provides a chance of some good fellowship each week now that the weather is warming up. George Hawkes has been transferred to Inverell from Sydney Club, and a cordial welcome is extended to him.

Support will also be given to the local Rotary Club in its plan to purchase a film projector for various needs of the community.

Toowoomba passes on to other clubs its method of raising the levy for the Perth National Convention. Briefly, the club was divided into sub-committees of four, each sub-committee to raise £5 (or more if they liked) towards the fund, by fair or foul means. Thinking caps worked overtime and resulted in raffles, golf tournaments among members, and bridge and card parties.

A plan to assist travellers (including Apexians) entering this city is the erection of a large "Apex" road sign or signs giving statistics and other useful information.

Seven members attended the Grafton Convention in October, proceeding thence by Edsel Falconer's station wagon (it has various other names), which, with its musical horn, galvanised Grafton. A right

### 22.—TAMWORTH. SPONSORS ANNUAL EISTEDDFOD

The Club's Service Work since the last batch of notes has been the sponsoring of an annual eisteddfod. After the inaugural meeting, several members of the Club were nominated to the Committee and when the actual Festival takes place the Club as a whole will be on the job. A dance is also being conducted at the City Hall for general Service Funds. As usual a Christmas Tree will be organised for the kiddies at Tamworth Base Hospital.

Representatives at the Zone Convention at Grafton had an extra good time despite the fact that on the way home whilst stretching their legs at Bendemeer a stray dog got away with the carefully preserved sea food.

Gordon Murray was passed down the line in fine style by Armidale and Tamworth Clubs. It was a great pity he could not stay longer, but the boys hope he enjoyed the brief visit to Tamworth.

The Club has started a point score for 3 Minutes and Chairman at each dinner. A small trophy to be presented at the annual dinner to the member who has gained the highest points for his talk or conduct of the dinner meeting from the chair.

New members include Len Simpson (Building Contractor), Baden Nord (Banking), Keith Smith (Army). We welcome them into the fold.

As a preliminary canter to the Test Match against Armidale, Apex played the Tamworth Chemists Cricket Club. The Apexians were "done over," but Armidale will have to watch out.

royal time was had in the Jacaranda City. The Club was honored by Col Billard being elected Governor of District 3. Toowoomba narrowly lost the Whopper Gavel to Moree. Recently Club 43 made a dinner trip to Ipswich and hope for a return visit.

Social director Gordon Honey organised us a most enjoyable ladies' night on October 31st, and promises us another before Christmas. Debating activities continue, and a close win over Rover Scouts is reported. Toowoomba Rotary are the next opponents, followed by Ipswich Apex.

Latest census figures show Toowoomba's population as 34,000. It's a growing child, and Apex should be growing with it. One good step towards attracting members is that a new dinner and meeting venue has been arranged, which will provide improved amenities and more congenial atmosphere.



### 36.—LISMORE CHILDREN'S XMAS TREAT

Lismore Apex Club is still able to bask under the success of the recent play "Black Limelight." At a recent dinner the club handed to Mr. C. McDonald as President of the Lismore Nursery Kindergarten the sum of £178. Mr. McDonald stated in thanks that his Committee was most pleasantly surprised at the total received. He congratulated Apex on its effort and the sum raised.

The club was represented at the recent Zone Convention at Grafton. Jack Peters was delegate.

Present club service scheme is the collection of toys and money for the children of the district for Christmas. With a Radio appeal and letters to all who may be interested a reasonable job of service should be done.

Relative to the Anti-T.B. service scheme, the club has contacted the local Federal member, who has been in communication with the Federal Minister of Health, and forwarded to the club certain information of the job being done by the Government.

#### PRESENTATION TO RETIRING APEXIANS

It is the intention of the club to present to all members retiring over 40 years, a pair of Apex cuff links in appreciation of their services.

The Apex Club dinners are still as bright as ever. A recent meeting saw an impromptu debate, the subject being "Should women's skirts be worn longer?" This led to a very interesting night, but of course the thoughts of many members were further than hemlines.

Very shortly there is to be a debate against the Lions' Club, led by ex-National President Bill Tresise. The subject has been changed and haggled about, but as this goes to press, we believe that it is to be "Newspapers have a greater influence than radio on public opinion." This is expected to be a high-light of many evenings.

#### WORLD COUNCIL MEETING

1948

This will be held at Hastings, England, May, 1948. The National Council no doubt will very soon call for applications from Apexians willing and able to represent Apex at the meeting.

Give our National Council a large field from which to choose our representative.

### 30.—ARMIDALE NOW BRING ON THE INDIANS.

Stop press for the results of the cricket match between Armidale and Tamworth clubs at Bendemeer—interclub fellowship activity at its best. Batting on a very sticky wicket, Armidale knocked up a good score. Tamworth following, was in a rather precarious position when rain stopped play (that is, cricket), and the match was drawn. A return match has already been mooted. The club has continued steadily in service work, including the erection of a trellis at the Baby Health Centre—a masterpiece of engineering. Our main activities, however, have been concentrated on our scheme to send 12 kids to the coast at Christmas. The scheme is well into the "committee stages." Much of the necessary cash has been raised by means of an art union and also by a box on the bar of every pub in town to which elbow benders are generally contributing their change to ensure that the kids have a good holiday.

The club was also responsible for the raising of about £50 which will go towards an appeal current in Armidale to provide playing fields at the University here. These fields will be named after a lecturer and member of the club, Consett Davis, who gave his life during the war. Since last notes the club has been honored with a visit from Apex Action Committee chairman Gordon Murray, who interested us greatly with his details of the world council conference. A couple of new members have been admitted, and we are now very close to the 50 mark, which we have set as our limit. High attendance averages have been achieved at each meeting.

### 11.—ECHUCA CHILDREN'S PLAGROUND COMPLETED

During the last few months EchUCA has increased its membership and have done quite a few service jobs which augurs well for the future. For instance, the first playground has been finished and installed (much to the sorrow of the local constabulary whose shop is opposite, as they are called on daily to settle numerous wars amongst the younger generation). Thirty three rounds and a crate of food have been despatched to the Food for Britain Appeal, with more to follow. A much-needed servery was built in the Apex pavilion at the Show-ground. Soft drink booths were conducted at the Show and "Back 'o EchUCA' celebrations, proceeds being divided between the Club and Hospital. En masse all members donated their gore to the local blood bank. Let's hope they are not called on to disgorge after the Christmas social. Secretary George was able to give the Club a "full" report on the Bairnsdale Convention. From his discourse all wished they could have made the trip.

#### AN APPRECIATION FROM THE EDITORS.

We cannot close this issue without expressing our sincere appreciation of the help given by the Perth Convention Committee and the Perth Club in the preparation of this issue. To John Morrison in particular we say, "Thanks a million." To all our contributors, club correspondents, to the firms who help provide the Apexian (Harry and Brock of Henwood and Dancey, printers, Dick Holden, Roy Ayton, Geoff Frances) thanks are expressed for their kindly co-operation.

Incidentally, we have some spare copies of the last issue. If you missed out you can obtain one by writing Business Manager Col Bowen.

#### APEXIAN BOOK REVIEW

Robertson and Mullens Ltd. have sent us some books for review. Snatching a moment from producing this issue, we picked up one, "A Nation Grew Wings." We're glad we read it. Book is written by two R.A.A.F. Public Relations Officers, Burton Graham and Frank Smythe. Story is of the R.A.A.F. Beaufort torpedo bombers in New Guinea, and packs a real punch. Well worth adding to your bookshelf.

"Strike me Lucky."—the next one was "Mo's Memoirs"—Roy Rene, without his make-up. Worshippers at the vaudeville shrine of

the old master will relish this one. "The King Liveth" is the usual Jeffery Farnol, set on the days of King Alfred.

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## ZONE 2 — DISTRICT 2

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## ZONE 2 — DISTRICT 3

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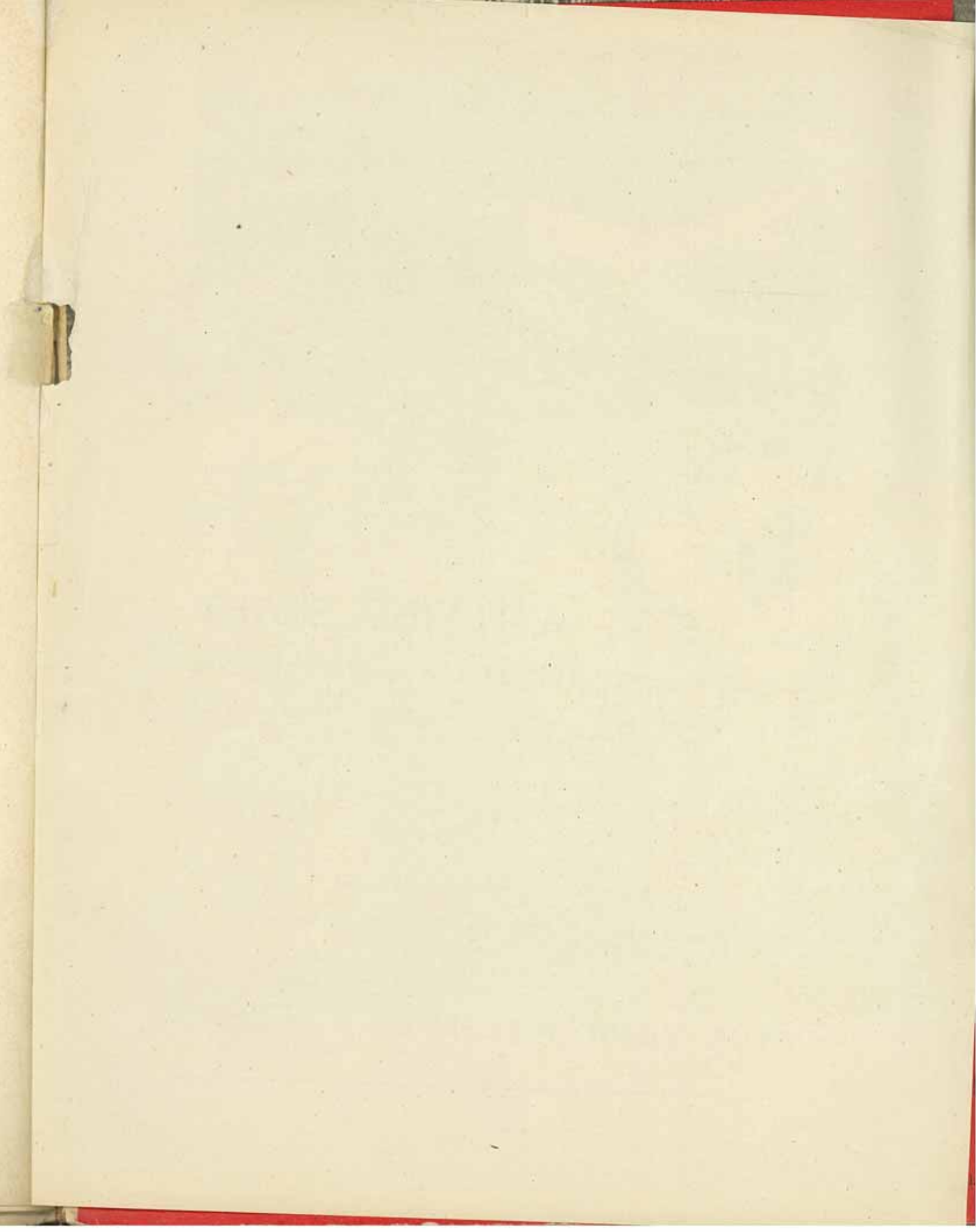
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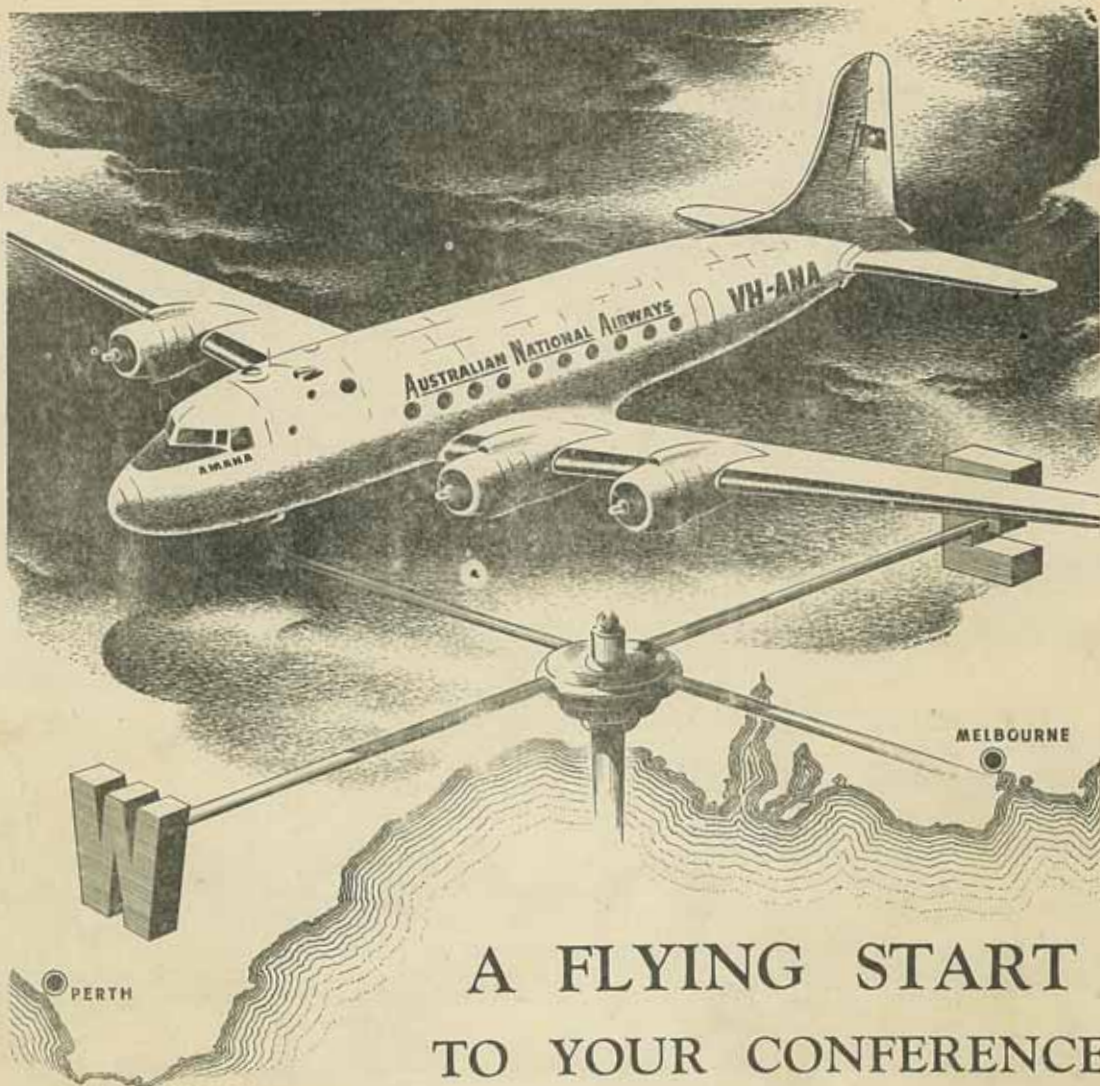
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