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The following is purely top-iggle, or is it? I did write a serious art-iggle feeling honoured to be a guest editor; unfortunately when the real Editor read that issue and sub-edited it, nothing was left but a blank page, which would have appeared silly, particularly so, as I know Topics usually disclose the identity of the Guest Editor - I'd prefer it to be guessed.

While writing this chron-iggle, I had an iggle on one shoulder and a grynych on the other. The former is a genuine bald-iggle imported from Slobbovia the Land of the Freeze. He was looking at me with his compelling eyes forcing me to write the truth; the grynych was restless and impatient and kept disappearing and reappearing till I could not see over my desk for chips. As you know, the grynych has a special duty, and that is to remove the chips from people's shoulders and is an old identity of Leigh Creek - I presume most of you have met him.

So now it should be easily understood why my serious art-iggle went haywire.

I brought my two pet bald-iggles from Sydney to assist me in my endeavours to adapt myself to new surroundings, keeping their presence a secret, thinking they might be prohibited in this State.

Now I have read with alarm that iggles abound in South Australia, but their pedigree is doubtful.

My two pets are Electr-iggle and Nonsens-iggle, the former being uncontrollable and has certainly been on the loose around the 'Trust' in Leigh Creek.

This may appear to some as com-iggle, but alas, 'tis diabol-iggle that I have my iggles here, feeling smug at having smug-iggled them into Leigh Creek; however I shall remain philosoph-iggle on the subject.

I think few of the iggles here are genuine Slobbovian iggles; they have probably lurked around K-Cut for years having descended from the Land of the Sulphur Fumes beyond the Black Stump.

The iggle pets are more or less under control, especially Nonsens-iggle who will stay with me but Electr-iggle vows he will never leave the 'Trust' because he feels so much at home here.

For your protection from the sometimes shocking behaviour of Electr-iggle I've sent for a schmoos, who will keep him in check. Although he may wr-iggle under your door periodically don't be alarmed as schmoos only live in an atmosphere of love and understanding.

I feel sure all will agree with the pets' presence in Leigh Creek, knowing after all they are only here to help.

Fantast-iggle, isn't it, - but then what about our Com-iggle Railways?

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#### RICH NICKEL FIND

Drilling for nickel has commenced in a 400 square mile area near Mount Davies. Mount Davies is in the extreme north-west corner of South Australia, about 500 miles as the crow flies from Leigh Creek. Recently the S. A. Executive Council consented to the issue of a special 2 year mining lease to South-West Mining Ltd., a new private company to search for nickel and other minerals in the area.

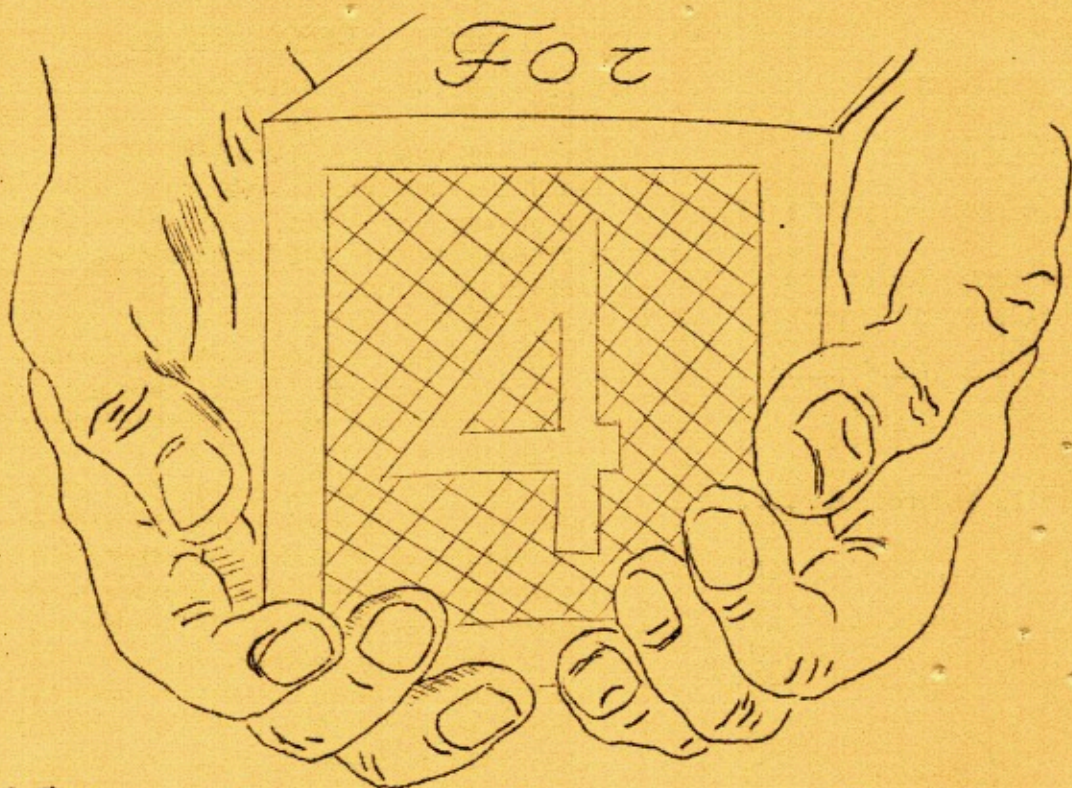
The company was formed recently by Nickel Mines of Australia Ltd., and an un-

named company believed to be the International Nickel Company of Canada.

The site of the lease is described as a large area of basic & ultra-basic igneous rocks, which, elsewhere in the world, are the all important source rock of chromium, nickel and platinum minerals.

S.A. Mines Dept., crews are now in the area testing the site.

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BELTANA LETTER

Hello Leigh Creek!

Of Interest to your tennis players. We now have a coach ... Mr. Sexton, of Beltana Station, has consented to coach our Ladies teams and watches their play every Thursday afternoon. Look to your laurels now, Leigh Creek.

The Lloyd Julians visited several friend their friends, when passing through the town, enroute to Adelaide, where they will visit Mrs. Julian's mother, Mrs. Monsoor.

Tonie Anne Sexton, enjoying a rest from her nursing duties, is holidaying with her parents at Beltana Station.

Owing to the bad roads, Mrs. Collins was unable to get to the Blinman Frolic, where she was to judge the childrens' fancy dress costumes. The Allen's car was bogged on the way up and did not arrive until the Frolic was almost over. Some of their party were picked up by Mr. Gunter who squired our June Bradbury, who was playing for the dance. Maxie Allen won a prize for her dress, 'Little Miss Moffett' .... the engaged couple, Teacher Brown and Joe Holmes, the latter on her second visit to Beltana, were also picked up from the bogged party. Joe has been staying with the Allens and Murrells. She is most interested in gardening and the culinary arts these days. (Cont., next column)

A near tragedy occurred recently, Mr. Gunter, Snr., slipped while passing his open well. When found by Mrs. Gunter he was hanging head down and clinging to a wooden support. With difficulty, Mrs. Gunter and Mr. Brands, who fortunately was passing at the time, managed to get Mr. Gunter out and on his feet. He seems now to have recovered from the shock.

Noticed M.P.C. Allen hefting a construction worker, who had imbibed well but not wisely, on to the hotel 'ute.' He had ended his celebration with an attempt to demolish the hotel.

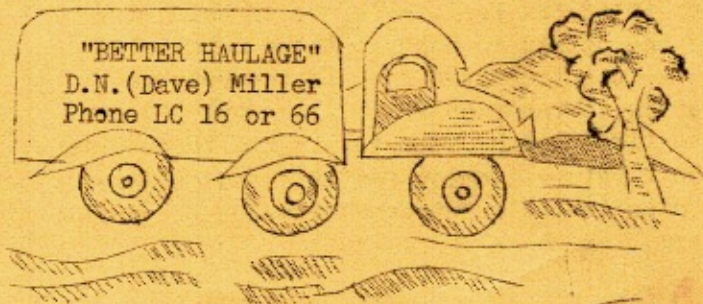
The X-Ray Unit visited our town and caused some excitement.

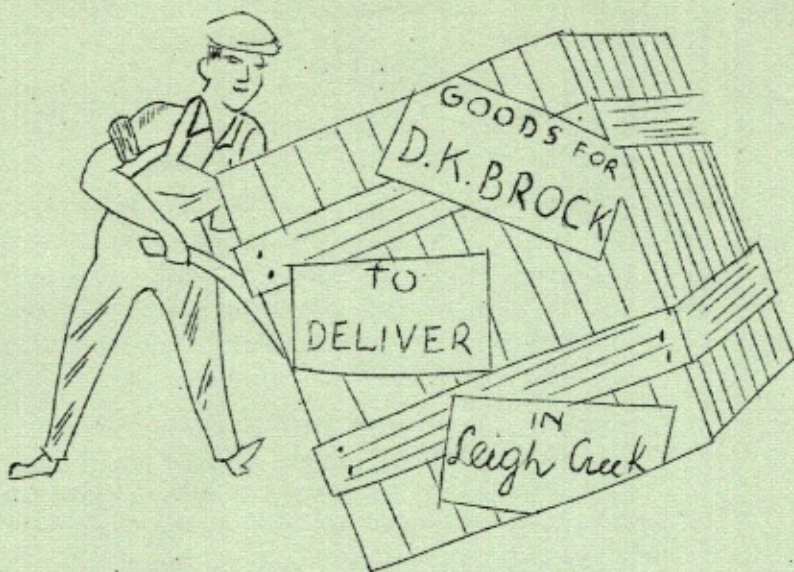
One citizen was heard to strongly assert, that after an X-ray "no one could possibly be the same."

Hope that we will see you all at our dance on Friday.

Cheerio for now,

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LEIGH CREEK HIGHER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Visit of Mr. M.J.Gerlach and Mr. A.E. Butcher.

A week before the holidays commenced Mr. Gerlach, Assistant Superintendent of Primary Education and Mr. Butcher, District Inspector, accompanied by Mrs. Gerlach and Mrs. Butcher, visited the school.

The purpose of Mr. Gerlach's visit was to see for himself the schools in the Far Northern District and in particular to see the set up at Leigh Creek, in order to plan future developments of the school.

During his visit Mr. Gerlach conferred with Mr. Robbins, who showed the visitors around Leigh Creek. Mr. Gerlach expressed satisfaction with his visit and optimism is felt that there will be considerable development of the school and facilities for secondary education here.

During the holidays the painters have been working at the school. One of the portable rooms has been painted inside and it is planned to have the other done before the children return.

The carpenters' have also been carrying out modifications to the office.

Information was received recently from the Architect-in-Chief, that the Science Room will be erected in November. This room will relieve the present over crowded conditions and serve as class-room

and laboratory for children in the secondary grades. Much of the science equipment has already been received.

Sister Caudell, of the Public Health Department visited the school twice during the last week of term and most children were given the Mantoux test and older children, who required it, the B.C.G. vaccination.

The School Committee has made arrangements for a Ball to be held in September. Children will be selling tickets after the holidays and Mr. R. Hasse has generously donated three prizes for the children selling the most tickets.

At the forthcoming Race Meeting the Committee will be conducting the Afternoon Tea Stall in an effort to raise funds for further school amenities. A new typewriter and two speakers for the amplifying system have been bought by the committee.

The Welfare Club, at its last meeting, continued with the plans for the Fete to be held in November. There was a generous response by members to the appeal for articles for the work stall.

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Woman: "What's your cat's name, little boy?"  
 Boy: "Ben Hur."  
 Woman: "That's a funny name for a cat. How did you happen to pick up such a name for it?"  
 Boy: "Well, we just called him Ben until he had kittens."

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Noticed two visitors from Adelaide arriving at the Airport last week. (Safety First Man) Dave Garvie paid us a brief visit, as did Neptune Oil Man, Brian Meegin.

Mr. & Mrs. Warnan and friends spent a few days in the area. Mr. Warnan spends his working time with Mains Branch at Clare.

Altho' George and Mrs. Walker deserted us for the hustle and bustle of the City, we are glad to note that their daughters, Kay and Bobbie, are of sterner stuff and have returned to spend their school holidays with friends in the town.

Noticed our Art-man, Stan (Rembrandt) Gotowicz, sporting a nifty cut on one eye last week. He walked into a fancy wireless aerial that some diligent "Ham," had strung between verandah posts at the single mens' quarters.

A bit of timely warning to 'localites,' might be in order here. We notice a great deal of activity at the local Police Station these days. The boys over there are going in for gardening in a big way and could possibly do with some extra labor, so prospective law-breakers should take heed.

Saw Ron Clement rescuing a 'damsel-in-distress,' the other day. This young lady had tried to take a short cut through those concrete drain pipes that are stacked across the road from the office. Unfortunately the fit was too neat and the young lady found herself stuck in the pipe, quick action on Ron's part however, had her free before the panic set in and serious injury was averted.

Hear that musical talent in the Single Quarters is definitely on the up-grade ... latest recruit in 'musical circles,' is "Larry Heriott," and his harmonica.

Through the kindness of Mr. P. Hennery of Blinman, the staff of "Topics," enjoyed a drive in the New Ford Customline for '55 last week. We thought that Mr. Hennery who has been a Ford owner since 1917 and has watched Ford progress through the Model "T," "A" Model, Beauty Model and the V-8's right up to his present '55 Customline Model, might be a little prejudiced, but we had to agree with him ...it is a lot of car. To use his own words, "Take a bit of tin, a coil and a bit of board, Put them all together and you have a Ford, has certainly become obsolete with the production of these really 'class' models.

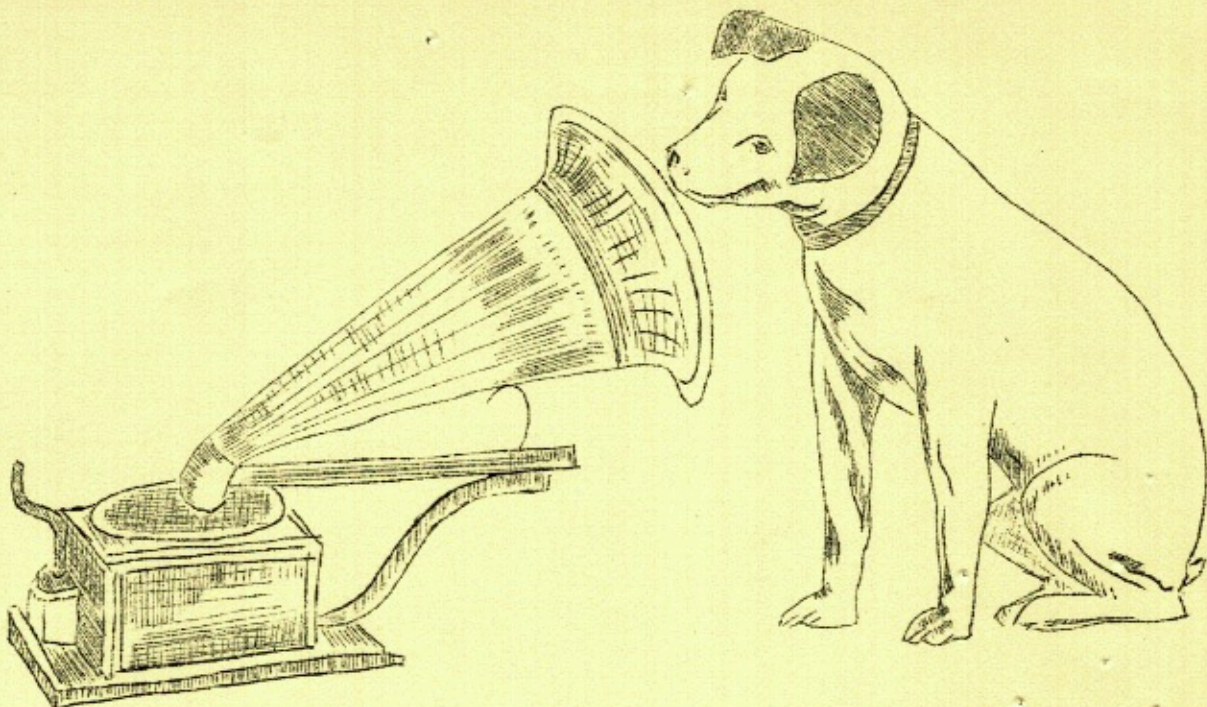
We much enjoyed being in fashion and riding in the '55 Customline .....The new wrap-around windscreen gave us really unobstructed vision .. the roomy handsome interior is comfortable and attractive. The horses under the bonnet, all 180 of them were performing to perfection and responded instantly to the drivers every whim. Riding on the new Ball-point" suspension gives an easy steering, comfortable ride, and the short turning radius of a car of its size really caused amazement.

Heard that there is no truth in the rumour that Nurse Ann Walker is prepared to accept all 'baby-sitting' jobs that are offering.

Another unfounded rumour, is the one that "Snowy" Baker plans to apply for a "Dependants Concessional" taxation rebate in respect of the family he has adopted. Snowy has become bread-----er cat's meat winner for Elizabeth and her family of kittens. Elizabeth and family have taken up residence at the repair shop.

Mrs. Knott tells us that a recent letter received from Mrs. Napier, reveals the fact that "Sarge" and Mrs. Napier have quickly settled into the life and fun of Barmera and are happy to be joining all the sporting activities in that town.

Messers. Bill Marshall and Ross Thistleton C.M.L. Representative are in town for a short visit. Mr. Marshall has visited us several times before, but this is Mr. Thistleton's first visit: these visitors tell us that the C.M.L. will shortly open a branch office in Port Augusta, where Mr. Thistleton will be stationed. When this office is established, Mr. Thistleton will be able to visit Leigh Creek at three monthly intervals, instead of the annual visits C.M.L. representatives now make to the Field.



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### CHURCH NEWS AND VIEWS

#### SUNDAY SERVICES:

Sunday 11th. September, Fourteenth After Trinity, Evening Service at 7 P.M.

Sunday 18th. September, Fifteenth After Trinity, Morning Service 11.15 A.M. Family Worship.

#### NEWS

Once again this year our Church worship will be enriched by the leadership of a lay preacher. As Minister of the Church I encourage you all to be present on this Sunday.

Further Reminder; Sunday School is conducted every Sunday morning at 10 A.M. in the Sunday School Hall.

Commencing Sunday 18th. all morning Services will be at 11.15 A.M.

#### VIEWS

No doubt many are puzzled by the letters which appear in brackets before the Biblical quotation under the heading "Thought for this Issue." (AV) (RV) & (RSV).

A.V. the first English version of the Scriptures made by direct translation from the original Hebrew and Greek, and the first to be printed, was the work of William Tyndale. He met bitter opposition. He was accused of wilfully perverting the meaning of the Scriptures, and his New Testaments were ordered to be burned as,

"untrue translations." He was finally betrayed into the hands of his enemies, and in October 1536, was publicly executed and burned at the stake.

His translation though, became the foundation of subsequent English versions, notably those of Coverdale 1535; Thomas Matthew, 1537; the Great Bible, 1539; the Geneva Bible, 1560; and the Bishops Bible, 1568. In 1582 a translation of the New Testament, made from the Latin Vulgate by Roman Catholic scholars, was published at Rheims.

In 1611 King James authorized his translators to take into account the preceding translations and produce as accurate a version as was possible in the light of contemporary scholarship.

This is the A.V. "the authorised version."

It is this Bible which most of us possess. "Its simplicity, its dignity, its power, its happy terms of expression," has through the years made it beloved by those who read it. "It entered, as has no other book, into the making of the personal character and public institutions of the English-speaking peoples. We owe it an incalculable debt."

THOUGHT FOR THIS ISSUE: Deuteronomy 4:35 (A.V.)  
 "Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the Lord he is God; there is none else beside him."

(Rev. F. Measday)