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Over the years people around my southern home have asked me - What is Leigh Creek like? What is the country at the back of beyond like? Whatever do you do with your time, etc. etc.

The hills around are certainly brown and barren-looking under a blazing mid-day sun, but can change to such unbelievable colours in the evening and early morning. This has been proven by the well-known painter, Mr. Namatjira, who has made a fortune from the sale of his paintings of similar country.

Of course, some of us complain about this lovely brown earth which is just outside our houses. After a windy day (of which there are plenty) Leigh Creek housewives have no time to spare - it's a continual sweep, dust, dust, sweep.

To have oodles of time is a lovely thing. Time is something of which most people never have enough to browse through those good books which we have been carting around for years, to be able to stop and have another look through the papers and periodicals, and, of course, there are always crossword puzzles, which are always a source of enjoyment if only one had the time. One very trying waste of time to a housewife was standing in queues. I use the past tense intentionally, as I have never had to stand in a queue in all the years I have lived in Leigh Creek.

To live for years in a big city and then come to an isolated township, certainly takes some adjustment, but if one is desirous of making a home it should not take long to become a member of the community. There are so many friendly women's associations and committees in the town, all doing very good work, which I am sure would welcome new members.

A home is a lovely thing. It is a small world of its own. It is the centre of the universe to the family who occupy it, and where it is situated does not matter - whether it is in Central Australia or a city, if there is happiness there. Home life, like life in general, is most times as we make it.

There is plenty of entertainment outside the home if people wish. It would be very interesting for our southern friends to see the very fine results of the efforts of the local committees in providing entertainment, and they would probably be astonished at the capacity people in the North have for enjoying themselves.

The people of an isolated township are friendly and sympathetic in times of trouble, as most residents have found out at some time or other.

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Profitable Industry...

Australia expects the recovery of minerals from its beach sands will eventually become one of its most profitable industries. Titanium and zircon, both much wanted right now, are plentiful here....Approximately 60,000

tons of various beach-derived minerals is now being exported annually, and it is believed that in a few years their value will be second only to that of wool.

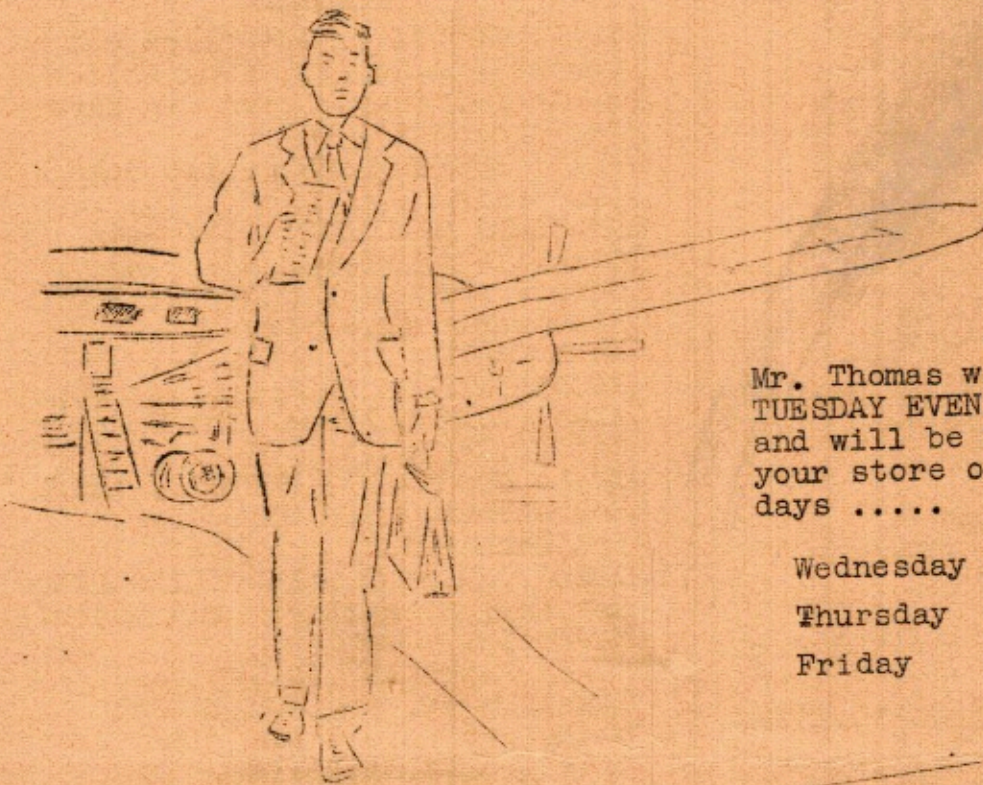
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== CHURCH NEWS AND VIEWS ==

Sunday, March 24th..  
3rd Sunday in Lent.  
Service at 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, March 31st..  
4th Sunday in Lent.  
Service at 7.30 p.m.  
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

News...

The Service on March 31st will be the final 'Act of Worship' to be led by the present Minister. The Church has posted him to Laura. In his place we are pleased to receive Pastor G. Diprose. Mr. Diprose is a Victorian, but has served the Methodist Home Mission Department for many years. The course of his work has led him to the West Coast, where he ministered for many years at Penong. He is well suited then for the mileages he must travel here.

I need hardly stress how fortunate we are in this appointment. The Church is very short of men to staff her districts. Indeed there will be many vacant circuits this year, as last.

Pastor Diprose is planning to arrive about the 29th of this month and will therefore be introduced to his Congregation on Sunday, 31st March.

Views...

As this is my last letter to you, I would like to thank the staff of this paper for their interest in this work, and for making this space available to the Church every issue.

Let me have this opportunity to thank all those outside the regular Church folk who by their kindness to my wife and myself have made this our first Church a very happy one. We issue an invitation to you to call in on us in our new appointment.

Thought for this Issue...

Matt 7:13. "Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is easy, that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many."

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND ...

April 7th ... Date of next service. Times will be advised in next Issue of "TOPICS".  
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ST. BARBARA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH ...

Easter Sunday --- 21st April.  
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...KINDERGARTEN NEWS...

We are in full swing for 1957 with 23 children on the roll ranging in age from 3 to 4½ years. Situated at the back of the Community Hall, the Kindergarten has come a long way since its opening in September 1954. We started with a modest pile of books and toys donated kindly by the townspeople and some brightly coloured tins, pegs and cotton reels. Now, thanks to the untiring efforts of the Committee and Mothers' Club we have lots of new toys and equipment - dolls, a pram, teaset and all the other things a little girl loves - wheelbarrow, overloader, bulldozer and trucks, so dear to a little boy's heart - keep them playing happily. The fathers made a playground with a sandpit, swing and see-saw which are appreciated on bright sunny days.

For really serious work we have points, scissors, blackboards and threading boards with brightly coloured plastic threads as well as plasticine and other things for handwork at special seasons.

What the future holds for us we do not know but the Committee are working hard each year towards the goal of having a separate building of our own.

Perhaps there are some newcomers who do not know there is a Kindergarten. We would welcome any new children from the age of 3 years to 5, or until ready for school, at any time.

One of our efforts in the near future will be to conduct a Baby show in conjunction with the RSL

Kindergarten News (contd...)  
on their Gymkhana Day. There will be various groups and good prizes. Entry forms for this show will be available soon, so all mothers please bring out your babies and let us all see our future kindergarten pupils.

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CHURCH GUILD

It was pleasing to see such a good muster at the first meeting of the year recently. This was a "Bring a curio or souvenir" afternoon, and some quite interesting exhibits were displayed.

It was decided to revert to evening meetings in the future, and the Guild meeting will now be held on the evening of the second Thursday in each month.

A presentation was made to Mrs. Measday by Guild members, this being the last meeting she will attend before taking up residence at Laura, to where Mr. Measday has been transferred.

The International Women's Day of Prayer service, held on Friday evening, 8th March, was also very well attended....

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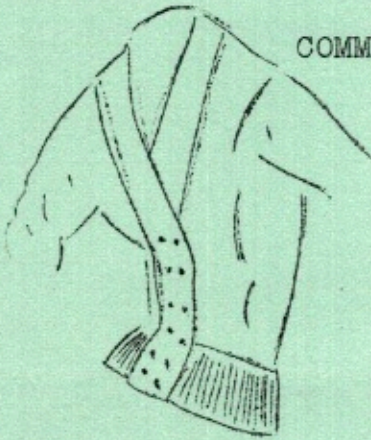
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COMMENCING...FRIDAY...13th APRIL...7 P.M.



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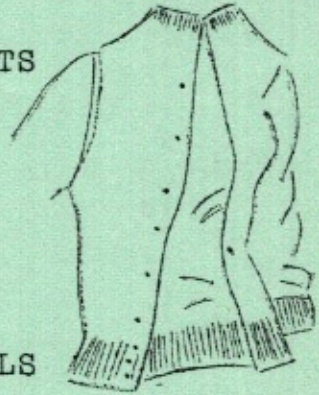
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