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Can you tell the Truth?

Of course, here in Leigh Creek the first reaction would be to say, "You not only can tell the truth, but you must tell the truth!". And I heartily agree with that. So this could be the end of this editorial .. were there not the possibility of different views of truth.

Certainly, if my child were showing jam marks all over his face and he answered to a relating question that he had not sneaked it, that would be a lie, and he should not do that. This is a plain lie, and those are out of the question.

But should a very ugly girl ask me: "Do you think I can enter the contest for 'Miss Australia'?" it would be cruel to say, "No - you are too ugly!" You simply cannot do that.

(This is certainly a very poor example, for such a girl would not ask such a question: but I only want to show the difference in telling the truth.)

Should you say, "You will have a very big chance of becoming 'Miss Australia'," the girl could either feel herself made a fool, or get a terrible shock when she discovered afterwards that she was too ugly for such a contest.

Another possibility is to say, "You have very beautiful eyes, but I am afraid that will not be enough." You see - that is not a lie (premising that she has beautiful eyes). But you avoid the hardness of the cruel truth. In daily life you can find many examples.

Now there arises another question: When can you tell the truth? The answer in itself is simple enough, for it should be: Always. But it should be added - Never make it sound rude or cruel. If it is not possible to avoid this, avoid the whole subject.

Children, in particular when they are very young, do not know about this and say exactly what they think. Education (aware or unaware) nips this quality in the bud and when they grow up and still say what they think they are often qualified as unmannerly. They often hurt somebody's feelings, and that should be avoided. Is there, then, something wrong with education? Are our children taught to lie? No - certainly not. But the whole rule is: Speak the truth, but avoid outrage. And here is a very soft spot. For it is often difficult to find the right words to cover the whole rule and it is easier to forget the first part. In one's desire to avoid insults it is easier to say No when Yes is meant.

Never forget that the truth, however rude or cruel it might sound never can be an insult. It is always better to hear the rude truth than to listen to a smooth lie. It gives the feeling of being treated in an honest way, and of being able to rely on the personal integrity of the speaker.

When people lie (not for lying itself, but to be kind and friendly) it will leave you floating on air, and you never can be sure of the distance to the ground. The shock, on reaching the ground, is seldom insurmountable, but can hurt terribly. The human heart accepts nice, smooth talk more easily than sharp-edged truth.

I once read that the Chinese language has no equivalent for the word No. Should I remark, then, on a day of pouring rain to a gentleman from China, "It is a nice day to-day", he might reply, "Yes, indeed. Such a day makes one aware of the blessing of having a protective roof over the head!" See what I mean? He does not lie, but on the other hand, nor does he say that I have made a stupid remark.

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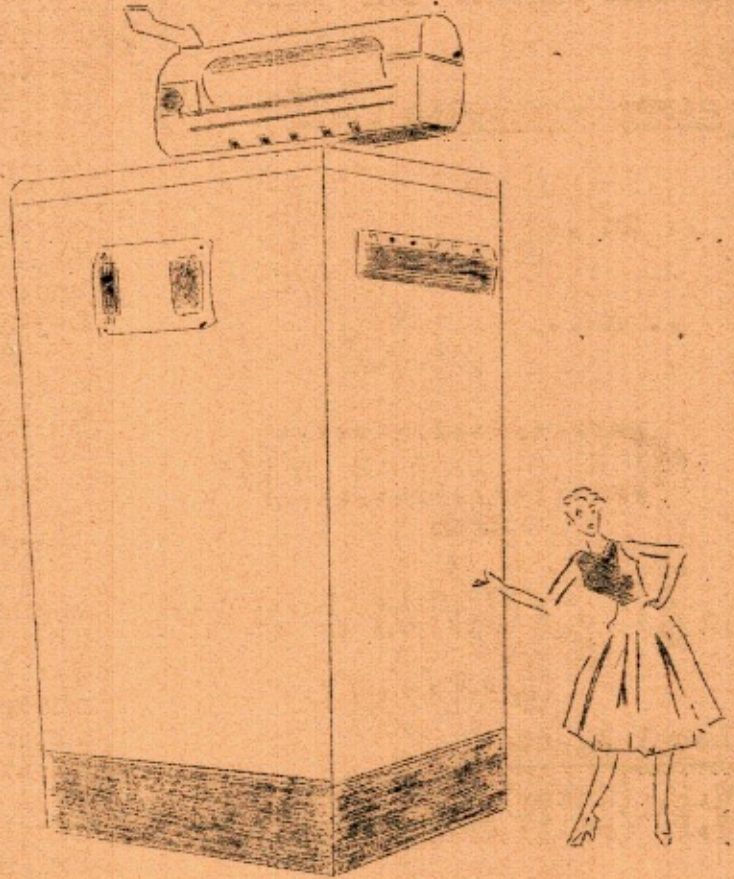
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.. CHURCH NEWS & VIEWS ..

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JULY 8 - Sixth After Trinity.
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NEWS: At Hawker this week is the yearly retreat of all the Methodist Ministers north of Whyalla. At a retreat of this nature, a subject is taken for the general discussion and is then broken up into sections and papers prepared for the various sections. This subject is usually Theological or on some part of the Christian life.

As well as being a time of study and discussion it is also a chance to discuss the various problems which arise in the normal work of the Ministry. It is extremely valuable to the Ministers in remote areas as a time of fellowship.

Last Sunday night the newly elected officers of the Ladies' Guild were dedicated. The Guild also formed the Choir in the Church.

VIEWS: How tempted we are at times to compromise. In many a

situation it would be easier to say nothing than to go against the majority. At such a time it is well for us to remember that as Christians we have no right to compromise with evil. Also to remember that a Christian is never in the minority as he has all the power of God at his disposal.

THOUGHT FOR THIS ISSUE: MATTHEW 5-13: "Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men."

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ST. BARBARA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Mass will be celebrated at 7.30am. and again at 10 am. on JULY 1st.

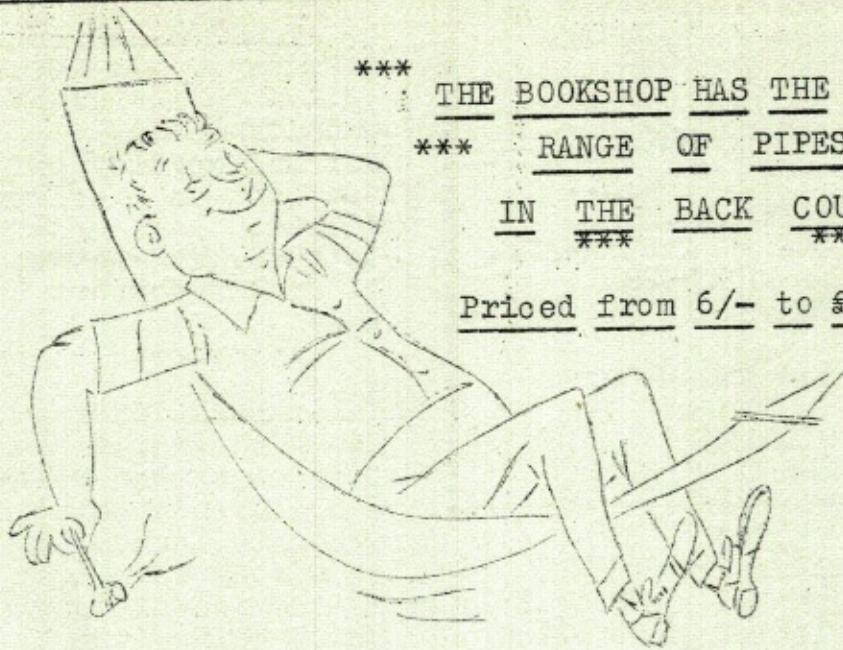
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FROM THE R.S.L. MAGAZINE "BACK"..

"A compliment has been paid to "Back" in the northern part of the State.

The roneed news bulletin of Leigh Creek, "Far Northern Topics" in its issue just before Anzac Day did us the honor of reprinting our editorial from "Back" entitled "Keep on Serving".

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== COPLEY NEWS ==

Glad to see Jack Dunn up again after his recent illness. Although still not 100 per cent we did see him walking about for a while last Wednesday.

The Nowak family has returned home with a brand new son (Robert Lindsay). Hear they are to have a new fence, and power connected to their railway home.

Mumps have overtaken another two of the Woodifield family. Also saw Sam Woodifield who came in from Wertaloonna, only to collect a nice bout of mumps.

Shearing is due to finish at Mool-cowurtana on June 28. Following this, work will begin at Wooltana and Wertaloonna on July 2.

Mr. Treloar Sen. is visiting and inspecting his property at Patsy Springs after the recent rains. Lloyd Mengersen, from the same station, was in on Friday to collect his brand new tractor. Guess he would be feeling the cold by the time he arrived home.

Jock Hirsch is up again for a short while, and is filling in time by helping to shear his rams and strag-glers.

Great excitement one day last week when about 300 head of cattle were driven along Copley's Main Street. The whole move was achieved with the minimum of fuss, and it was suggested that a stampede might enliven proceedings. These cattle were brought in from Myrtle Springs and trucked to market.

TIP, FROM 'THE NEW IDEA'.

An Australian said to a New Australian, "I suppose you find the language very difficult?"

"No," she said, "only the people. Nice, the people, but when I not understand what they say, they say it same way - only louder. Oh, so loud, as though I had the deafness. It does not help me understand, only make people close by turn and see that I do not understand."

A woman may not be able to sharpen a pencil with a knife, but you never catch her trying to unlock a door with a fountain pen at 3 am..

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R.S.L. NEWS.

At the Leigh Creek Far Northern Sub-Branch meeting on Monday night July 2nd, the half-yearly Balance Sheet will be presented, and the Committee are hopeful of having a full muster of members at this meeting so that they can inspect it and discuss it before presentation.

Your Secretary again appeals to Members to obtain and wear the 1956 clip: it would be gratifying to be able to assure the Conference that our Sub-Branch is 100% financial. Whilst on the matter of Membership, the Sub-Branch will welcome any new member of the League from any part of the district. Application Forms can be obtained from M. S. Keane.

During the week, Members visited Mr. Jim Coghlan, who is an inmate at the hospital. It was the occasion of his birthday. Sister Burton and staff made him a Birthday Cake. Mr. Coghlan is a "Digger" of the First World War, and the Sub-Branch are hoping that he will soon be on his feet again.

Members are asked to bring forward any matters they would like discussed at the Conference, at the next General Meeting.

The Sub-Branch offers congratulations to those members of the Community who took the Oath of Allegiance to the Queen and to our Country on Monday evening, and we welcome them as Australians and trust that their new life will be blessed with all good things - Health, Wealth and Happiness.

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TELEPHONING BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

It is not possible for any unauthorised person in London to telephone direct to the Queen. Every member of the Royal Family as well as every member of the British Cabinet, has a code word which is the essential passport to personal speech. It is possible to get through to any of the Royal Residences or to Downing Street, but not to any member of the Royal Family or a Prime Minister.

VISIT TO ANGORICHINA HOSTEL.

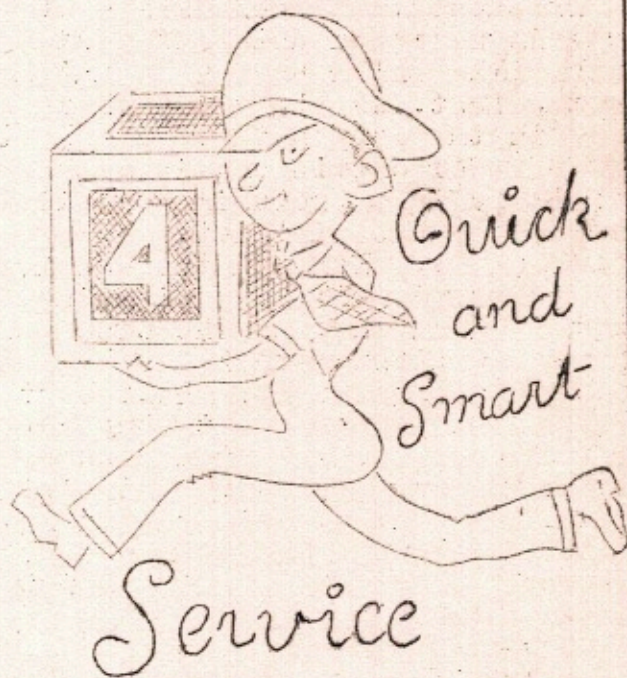
Some six years ago, when the local R.S.L. Sub-Branch was formed, the services of the Sub-Branch were offered to the Tubercular Soldiers' Hostel at Angorichina - a sanatorium situated in picturesque surroundings and a healthful climate in the Flinders Ranges between Parachilna and Blinman.

Only recently did the hostel appeal to R.S.L. members to assist with a supply of wood.

On Sunday, June 24, about fifteen Members of the Club and friends, with wives and families made their way to Angorichina, and were greeted by the housekeeper and inmates of the Hostel. The visitors were shown around the various buildings, the furniture for which has all been donated. Each bed has its own set of earphones, and there are some very lovely paintings of the district hanging on the walls.

Mrs. Fuller, whose husband is doing some work at the hostel, kindly showed the visitors through her chalet - a small, comfortable house which provides accommodation for a wife and family of three.

The sanatorium tries to be self-supporting, with vegetable gardens and fruit trees, and there are also cows and fowls on the property.



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Reads 60 million daily papers,
and
5,500 babies are born,
4,700 people die,
1,000 couples get married,
100 families divorce.

Work is progressing on the new Strand Theatre at Glenelg.. opening is scheduled for mid-October, if everything goes to time.

THE RICH POOR.

The story that people who look poor often have more ready money than people who live well is being constantly proved correct.

The most recent case occurred in New York, when a grey-haired, shabbily-dressed woman limped into a free hospital complaining of a leg injury.

Before being put to bed, so that the injury could be closely studied, she was asked if she wished to deposit any valuables in the hospital safe.

The old woman at first resisted but, when the nurse told her hospital rules had to be obeyed, she counted out £30,500 in notes. "It's all I have in the world," she said.

GUINEAS.

A gold coin current in England from the 17th century to 1817 was the 'guinea', so called because it was originally made of gold from Guinea in West Africa. From 1717 it was legal tender for 21/-, but later it varied. Although there is no guinea coin current, it is still the custom for professional fees, subscriptions and many trade goods to be paid in guineas.

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NORTH FIELD COAL HANDLING PLANT.

Most folk around Leigh Creek who have been near the North Field area recently will have noticed various holes being excavated, foundations being poured & structures being erected, and may or may not have known the purpose behind all this activity.

This new plant has been installed to handle the coal from the North Field coal basin - approximately 30 million tons -; to crush, screen and load it into the new standard gauge railway trains for transport to the Port Augusta Power station and some to the Adelaide market.

The standard gauge railway loop from the Telford station yard was arranged to permit quick turnaround of trains, and also for gravity-working of trucks in the loading area. The position of the screening and loading plant was thus fixed to give about one mile of standing room both above (east) and below (west) the screening and loading plant (above to accommodate the rake of empty trucks, and below for the loaded trucks).

The primary crusher pit has been located as close as practicable consistent with coal

winning operations, to the southern margin of the coal basin, and is designed primarily to receive coal from heavy duty semi-trailer type bottom dump haulage units.

The installation comprises approach bridging; 80 ton capacity surge bin; two Sherwen vibrating feeders in tandem delivering coal via a common feeder pan to a 36" x 36" single roll coal crusher Vee belt driven from a 75 H.P. electric motor. A heavy steel framework over the surge bin carries two sliding doors with electric motor powered driving mechanism. The loaded semi-trailer coal haulage units direct from the cuts will drive on to the bridge over the closed doors. When in position with prime mover and trailer straddling the 80-ton bin, the doors will open to receive the load in the bin and then close again.

(This account of the new North Field plant is to be continued by Mr. Tom Beare in our next issue. - Ed.)

TAXATION: The art of picking the goose so as to secure the greatest amount of feathers with the least amount of squawking.
