

LEIGH CREEK. 22nd AUGUST, 1956.

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At dawn on a fine April morning, five years ago, a survey party left Adelaide. Passing through Clare and Jamestown, the party took lunch at Hawker and proceeded on the unfamiliar and far from smooth road until at about half past four it reached the summit of a hill from where the multicoloured lights of Leigh Creek became visible giving the impression of a big town.

Then and there did I see Leigh Creek for the first time. The landscape might be familiar to many and just as many might think it monotonous; but for me it had the thrill of adventure and, as it turned out, it meant a milestone on the road of my life. Yes, five years in Leigh Creek! I don't claim that it is an extraordinary feat. Those blue and yellow lights of the runway at the aerodrome, the red glow to the left on the 'old' crusher and to the right on top of the 9-W, somehow made me like the place.

Five years in Leigh Creek. I saw the town grow street by street, saw the open cuts deepen and broaden: I took part in the preparations of North Field and rejoiced in the arrival of new machinery and the installation of additional plant. I witnessed great progress indeed!

In the early days everybody knew everyone and you were a member of a big family. Gradually there appeared new faces and you soon learned to know them too. Later on you missed someone - but there were so many - and to-day you just lose count.

Five years ago you came to an industrial settlement in the desert; as you walked in new surroundings, so did others; as you watched the birth of a new venture, so did others; as you toiled in your garden so did others too. Now notice how tall the trees have grown, how dense the shrubs are; that there are more birds about the place and even bees have found a home. What a pity that an American visitor had no more time but to see only "a coaldusty horror".

No one should complain: Aroona, an addition to the landscape and an abundant water supply, is completed; the roads are going to be sealed; a swimming-pool is ready for use; social life is amply provided for. And our product - THE COAL - is running on a new railway line. Yes, five years have marked mighty progress: my five years in Leigh Creek.

I never regret having liked the place at first sight.

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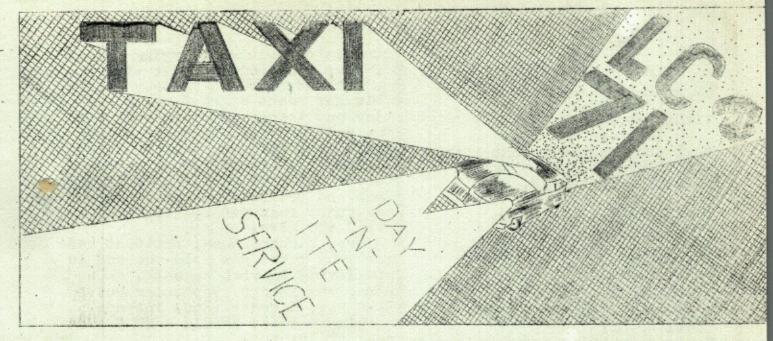
The "Morro Velho" goldmine in Brazil is the world's deepest mine. Depth is 6,426 feet, and when men are working at the bottom they do shifts of only 20 minutes each, and are continuously drenched with fine jets of water to counteract the tremendous heat. The mine has been

worked continuously since 1725.

The deepest known ocean depth is 35,400 feet in the Pacific off Mandanao, Philippines. It was discovered by the German cruiser 'Emden' during the first World War.

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Matrimony is a process by which a grocer gets an account the florist had....



## R.S.L. NEWS.

It was on the evening of Anzac £75 a year - surely a sign of the Day, 1933, that the line of de- times.

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Sub-Branch was determined to make in 1935, it was moved for the Subit distinct from Hawker Sub-Branch Branch Conference that "Reveille" Dr. Makin (President) and Mr. Ful- be adopted as the official organ ton (Hon. Sec.) of Hawker Sub-Branch conferred with Mr. G.G. Bonython and Mr. A.T .Halls, F.N. Sub Branch, and it was mutually arranged that we would take in of "Back" Publishers Ltd., are of Parachilna as our southern bound-the opinion that the name "Back"-

In those days our northern

Far Northern Sub-Branch.

held in the Far North by service-retary, M. S. Keane, Room 20, for men was on September 1, 1933, by further particulars. the Legion of Frontiersmen, and

It is very interesting to note plaques will be placed, on those that as early as 1934 Mr. W. B. graves before the end of the ye Ferguson was elected chairman of the Sub-Branch, It was also in 1934 that Mr. Ron Whyte was elec-GENERAL MEETING: for 14 years - surely a great

effort.

It is also pleasing to note Copley on Sunday 12th and enjoyed that a letter from the Sub-Branch another pleasant day. Due to prewas written to the Commissioner vailing 'flu both sides were not of Commonwealth Railways commendat full strength. It is also pleasing to note ing the splendid way in which the War Memorials at stations on the Port Augusta - North Line are maintained and cared for.

In November, 1934, a letter was received from Legacy, and from that date the Far Northern Sub-Branch has been subscribing to this grand cause. In those years the Sub-Branch used to donate £1/1/- to Legacy: now the

Sub-Branch, through various functions donates anything from £50 to

of the League, and if possible issued free to members.

To-day our official organ is "Back". The Board of Directors originally signifying "Back from the War" or "Back to Civilian Life" boundary included Oodnadatta and is now, 11 years after the cessation Charlotte Wa ters, and records of hostilities, no longer so apt as show that a sports meeting was it night be. So there is £10 for once held in that district by the some Member of the League who can Northern Sub-Branch. think of a name for our paper. Any The first Sports meeting to be Member interested can see the Sec-

The Sub-Branch are negotiating those sports were the forerunner with Headquarters for Plaques for of our Anzac Day Sports, which the Graves of Members who are burare now held annually at Leigh ied in Hawker and Copley cemeteries, and it is hoped that the graves before the end of the year.

COMMITTEE MEETING: 27th AUGUST. 3rd SEPTEMBER .

CRICKET.

Leigh Creek again journeyed to

L.C. batted first & due to the efforts of Webber, Bradbury & Kemp -ster made 99 for 9.

Copley struggled for runs until a partnership by Brown & Nader clinched the game for Copley, who made 170 runs.

With more railway men in the district we hope to arrange more games

in the future.  THE BIG STORE OF THE NORTH.

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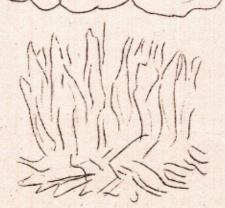
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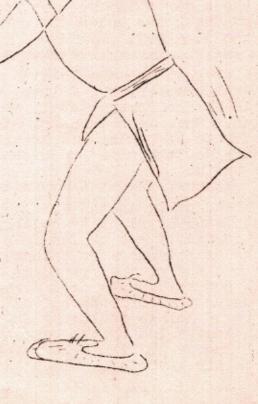
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VEGETABLES AND
DINNERS INCLUDING THE
FAMOUS CHINESE
DINNERS

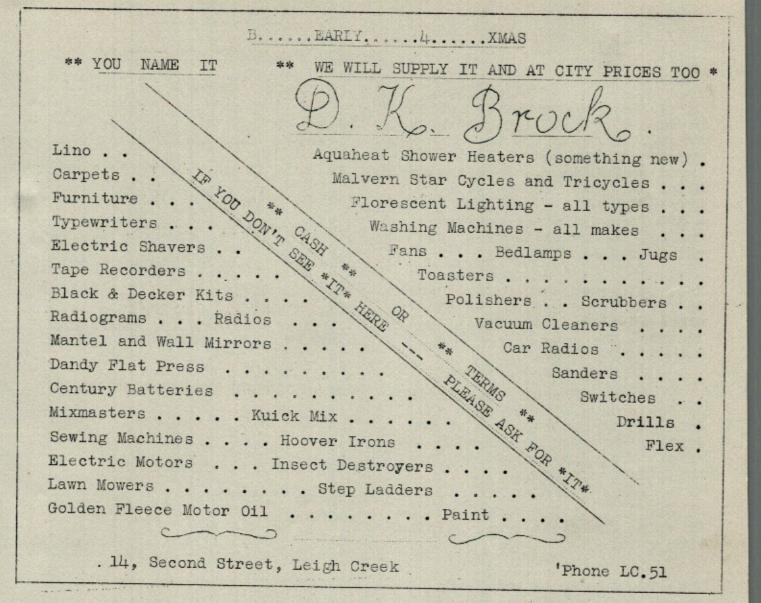
OUR SALES
PROVE OUR
POPULARITY

DON'T LET THAT WOG
LAY YOU LOW. SEE THE
CO-OP FOR YOUR "NYAL"
MEDICINES...



PHONES: L.C. 9, 10 and 11 AFTER HOURS: 17





Can't let this issue pass without Fred and John Bock arrived home on commending all who had a hand in Monday night's train, and Fred 'tissy-ing' up the interior of says that there definitely is NOT 'tissy-ing' up the interior of the Canteen. The new colourscheme and the pictures certainly stated in our last issue...

make the place a pleasure to

visit (as if it wasn't before

Several folk in the distriction the new paint job!) ..

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Shirley and Bill Knott are enter -taining Shirley's mother, Mrs. Gerrard, who is a long way from her home in Tasmania.

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Foreman had four men absent in the one day last week. One sick, one ill, one indisposed and one just plain 'crook' ...

Church Guild Ladies are working

towards their Fete on September 22.

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Commonwealth Railways! new timetable undeservedly got the blame when no newsletters arrived last Friday. Frantic telephone calls to our reporters elicited the fact that none of them had written, but due to the pleas of the white-headed Editress they all came good ..

a black-and-white tie for sale as

Several folk in the district with relatives down in and around the Murray River floods. Pictures in a week-end paper showed devastation, and the flood is not at its peak ...

Saw Colin and Marie Galvin and their small daughter Helen visiting with Marie's parents, the Frank Liebeknechts. The Galvins were on leave from Penola.

Whilst in the south recuperating, Mrs. Robbins saw Adam and Ruth Jamrozik, and they and their small son Conrad are in the pink. Mrs. Robbins also saw Bill and Lorette McEwan, who are shortly transferring to Port Augusta.

IT HAS BEEN SAID ...

Too many people stop seeking employment after they've found a job ...

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MAKE LIKE A BEE AND BUZZ OFF ... TA TA ... SKEDADDLE ... 'OP IT ... SCRAM . GET PASS. WE DO NOT OFFER SERVICE ... WE LIKE TO SIT AROUND .. LOST...DO NG. WE ONLY OPEN WHEN WE FEEL LIKE IT .. PASSI YOU GET LESS FOR MORE AT THE WHEN A BOOKSHOP!!! BUNK NEVER HAVE SO MANY GOT SO LITTLE FOR SO MUCH!! ...GO OFF. IF YOU CAN'T GET IT ANYWHERE ELSE, YOU CAN BET YOUR LIFE .... ... SHOVE CHASE UNDER £100. ORDER DO NOT DELIVER ANY WE YOURSELF . . SCOOT WAY. PLEASE DON'T DISTURB OUR SPIDERS OR WERRY THEIR WEBS . YOUR DON'T RING CREEK BOOKSHOP - PHONE 79 -LEIGH BOB DUNN 'S ON (EXCEPT IN EXTREME DESPERATION) LIKE A BREEZE AND BLOW THROUGH ... DON'T BOTHER US ... VAMOOSE

# - BLINMAN LETTER -

Well, Leigh Creek,

Owing to district shearing arrangements, our Sports Day has been rearranged. The Sports will be held on August 30, and on 31st there is to be stalls, and the cups will be week-end at Port Augusta.

presented from the school sports. There are still beehives in the From the two socials held by the bathroom wall of the Police Station school committee a sewing-mach school committee a sewing-mach -ine has been purchased.

We all have been enjoying Mr McIntosh's film evenings, and the children especially look forward to the cartoons.

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Fargher and their daughter, Beryl are spen-ding some time in the city. Beryl is collecting her trouss-eau in preparation for her marriage in October to Ian Kemp of Orraparina. Mr. Fargher is going on to the South East for the ram sales.

We were pleased to see the wedding photograph of Margaret Ragless in one of the Adelaide week-end papers.

shed has been completed, and we are wondering if it's right to have a 'shed-warming'.

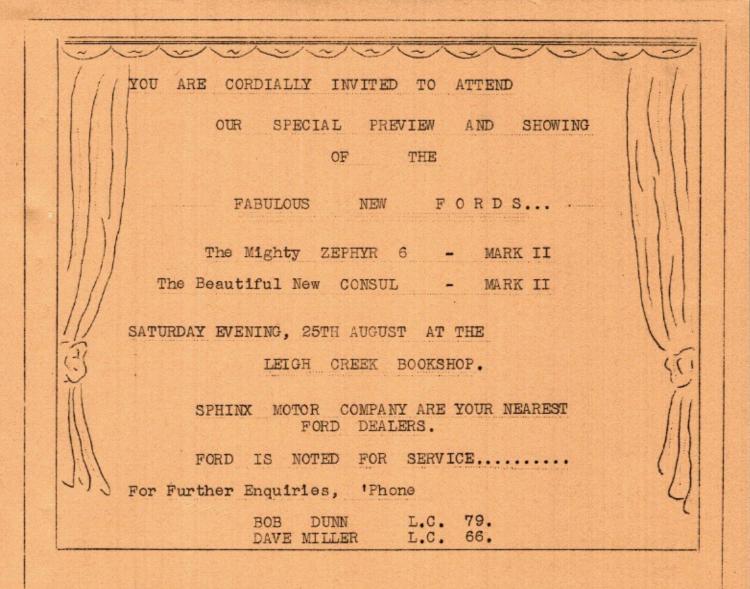
Mr. Ken Butcher has his car back in excellent condition and complete Some time ago with a new wireless. the car stopped in a deep creek and was firmly wedged in stones for 30 hours. After the creek subsided the car was able to be moved and sent to Adelaide to be thoroughly

and now that the trees are beginning to blossom we believe the wall will be full of honey. These bees have been there for 8 months now, and it is understood that arrangements are being made to have a bee-keeper up from Port Augusta to remove them.

Many tourists come here - mostly from Victoria - and they infect us with their jolly happy-holiday mood. We have some very entertaining evenings.

All the best till next time, "BLINMAN."

"A home does not mean what it Mr. Henery's huge new wool- ... used to, because people are born in hospitals, entertain in clubs, eat in restaurants and buried from funeral parlours" S.C.Justice Ford. U.S.A.



CHURCH NEWS & VIEWS ++

SUNDAY SERVICES: AUGUST 26th.

13th after Trinity -- 11,15am.

SEPTEMBER 2nd.

14th after Trinity -- 7 p.m. NEWS: The visit of the Secretary of the Inter Church Association proved to be a time of fellowship and encouragement to the local Church. Situated as we are, with our nearest neighbour 106 miles away, it was uplifting to have the reassurance that the rest of the Church was interested in us.

The report that Rev. Mr. Davis to the difficulties associated with the Church here. The result is not for general publication, except to say this: we are promised the continuation of the Min KITE: -istry, when the present Minister

leaves next year.

We are now in possession of the slides of "The Good Samaritan". We propose to show these slides, together with others, in the Church on Tuesday, 28th August. In order to defray the expenses

incurred in the filming, we will charge admittance. The evening charge admittance. The evening will last about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours, and

will commence at 7.30.

THOUGHT FOR THIS ISSUE: MARK 9:41.

"For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ, will by no means lose his reward. +++++++ +++++++ ++++++

LUTHERAN SERVICES:

SUNDAY, 2nd SEPTEMBER.

English Service - 11 a.m. Sunday School in the School Hall - - 2.30 pm. German Service - 8 p.m. Pastor T. Prenzler will be here

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On August 16 at Leigh Creek Hospital to Rhonda and Jack - a DAUGHTER. (Maxine Pamela).

To be healthy, happy and successful it is necessary to learn the art of forgetting as well as to cultivate that of remembering...

The only thing not taxed is the wages of sin ....