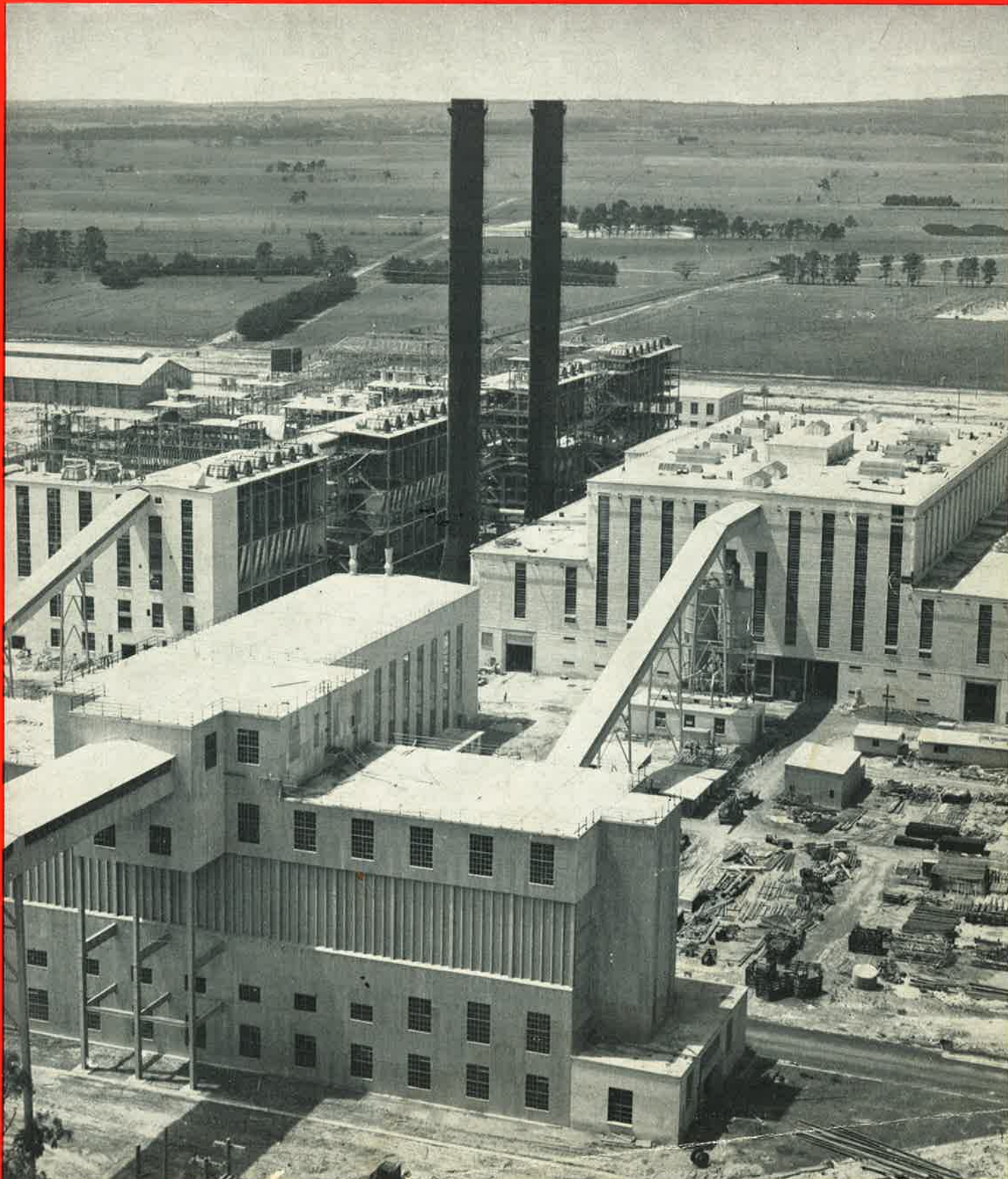


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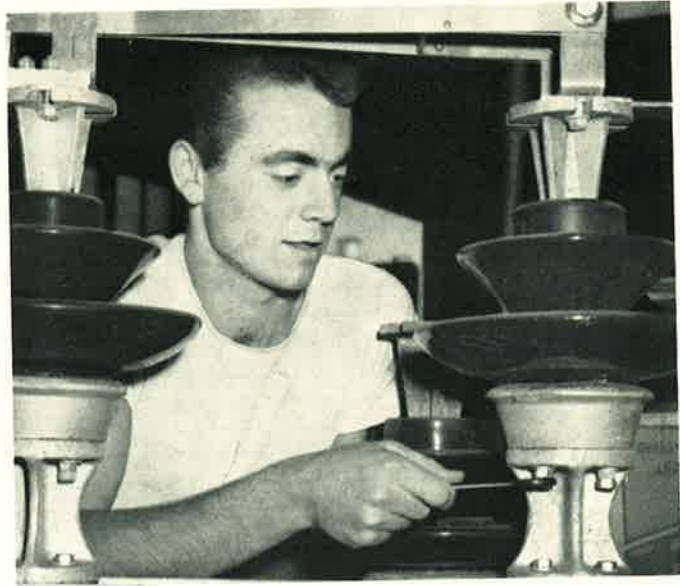
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SPOTLIGHT



Once again two S.E.C. apprentices were selected to attend the annual Lord Somers Camp for boys from public schools and industry in January. They were Peter

Ross, Morwell, and Noel Brown (R.), Yarraville, who have displayed consistent qualities of leadership and proved themselves also good swimmers and good mixers.



Wendy Page, Industrial Branch stenographer, was chaired by her friends when she won the fourth heat of the Sun Beach girl contest at Portsea. It was a consolation prize for giving up her annual leave to work as a voluntary helper at the Lord Mayor's camp for children at Portsea.

Mr. John Trood, Purchasing Branch, Past President of the Victorian Division and a member of the National Council of the Australian Purchasing Officers' Association, has been elected National President. The Association has organised the first course in Purchasing Management in Australia.



What's a customer?

THE CUSTOMER is not dependent upon you — you are dependent upon him.

The customer is not an interruption of your work — he is the purpose of it. You are not doing him a favour by serving him — he is doing you a favour by giving you the opportunity to do so.

The customer is not a rank outsider to your business — he is part of it.

The customer is not a cold statistic — he is a flesh-and-blood human being with feelings and emotions like your own, with prejudices and biases — even though he may have a deficiency of certain "vitamins" which you think important.

The customer is not someone to argue with or match wits against — nobody ever won an argument with a customer though he may have thought so.

The customer is a person who brings us his wants. If we have sufficient imagination, we will endeavour to handle them profitably to him and to ourselves.

(With acknowledgment to Florida Power & Light Co.)

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Pictured from the air on the eve of the power station going into commission, Morwell Project is an impressive sight in its rural setting.

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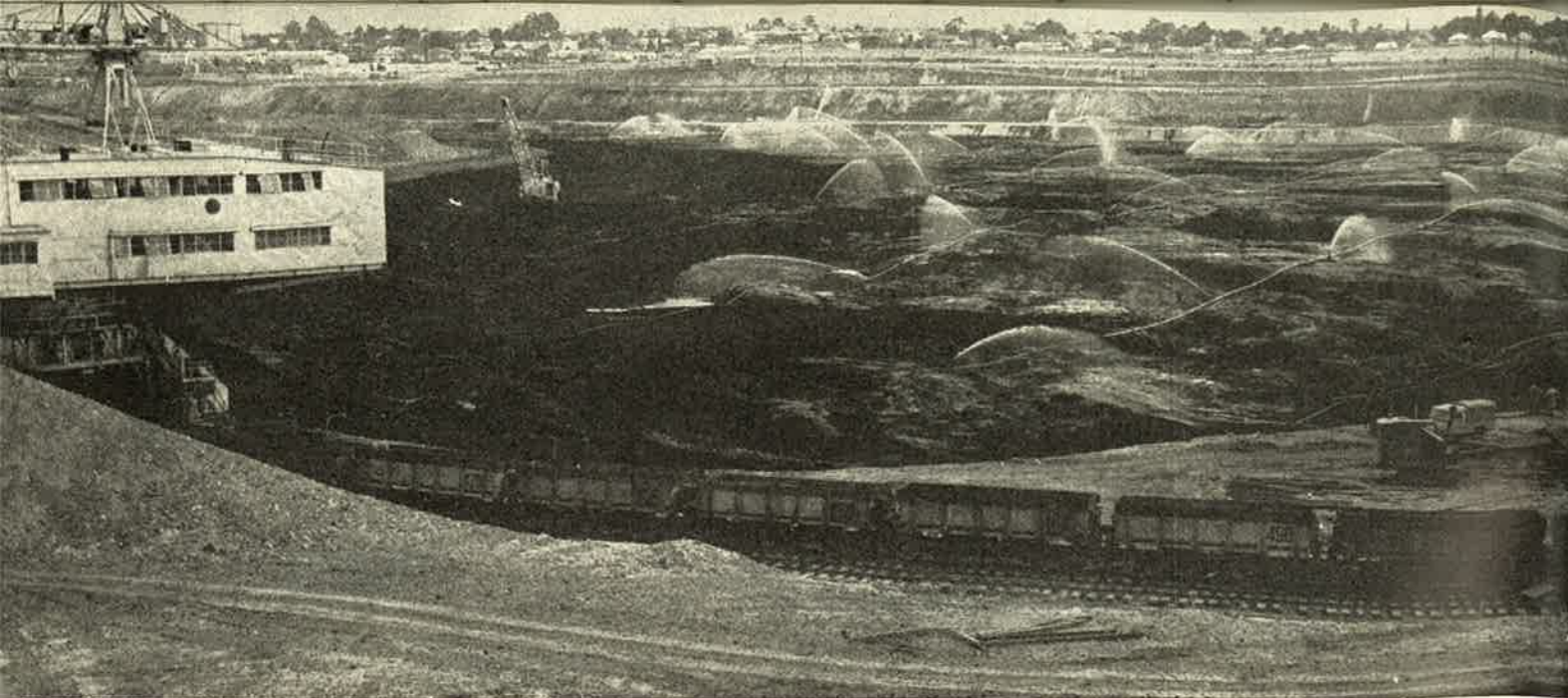
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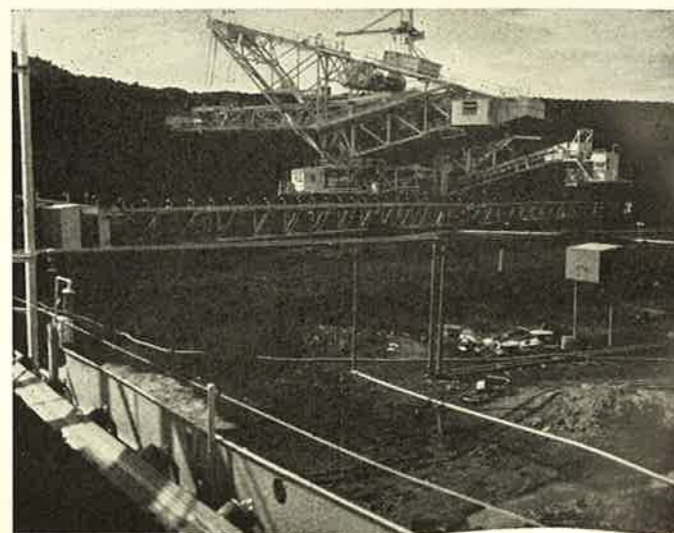


Heart of Morwell
Project is this
growing open cut
protected by the
sweeping sprays

MORWELL IS NOW A GOING CONCERN



MORWELL construction pictures are familiar to people all over Victoria and abroad. The growing structure has been seen from various angles; but now the project is a going concern, full of life and character and great promise for the future.



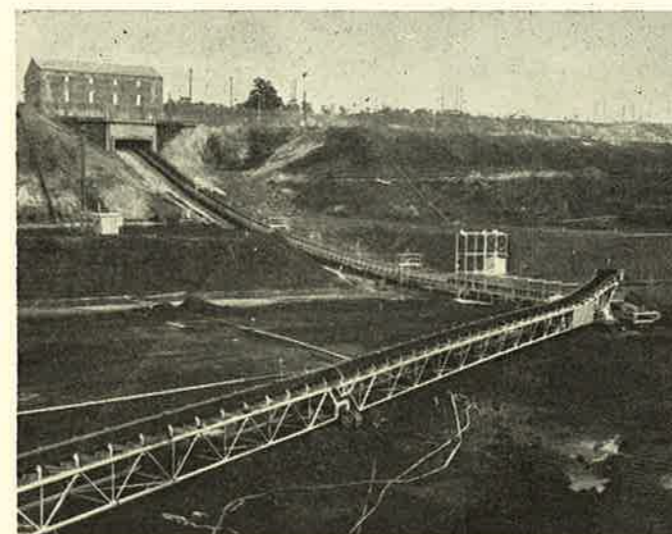
◀ They've watched it grow, a mighty dream come true; now they take pride in achievement: Mr. A. C. Hughston, Assistant Project Manager, and Mr. J. W. Schulz, Project Manager, with the first Power Station Superintendent at Morwell, Mr. V. W. Ripper.

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These six pages of pictures do not cover every aspect of operations or every man on the job. They are representative of an achievement which brought praise from the Commissioners who were delighted to learn that contractors and S.E.C. men had made it possible

to generate electricity a month ahead of schedule.

The power station went into partial production in December after the generators and boilers had been on test for weeks. The two generators already installed

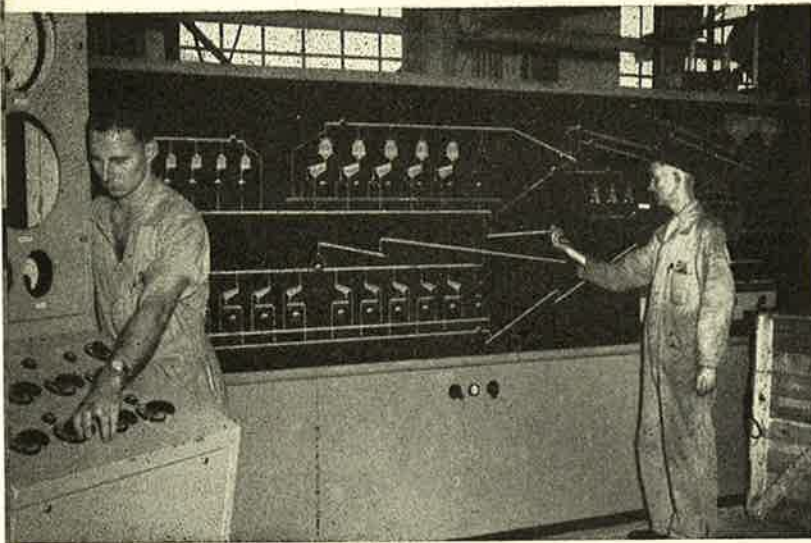


Above, left: Brown coal drops on the conveyor belt system controlled by push buttons on the dredger and is carried up to the first transfer house. Above: Looking down on the conveyors sweeping away from the open cut up the hill to transfer house.

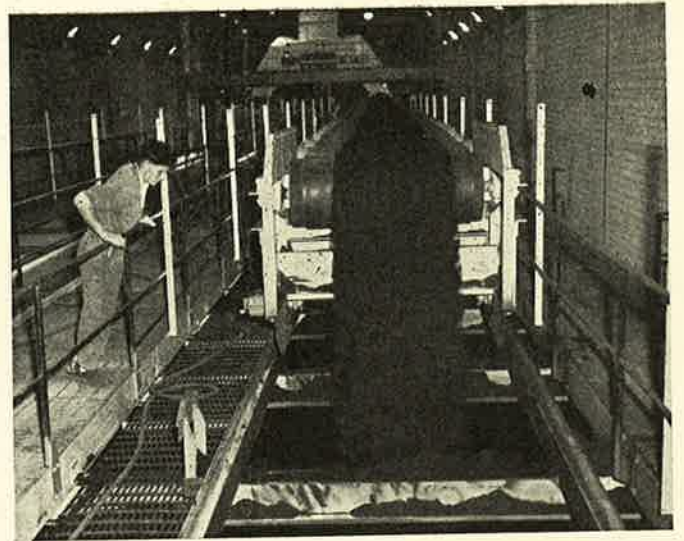
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Discussing operations are (l. to r.) Foreman L. Ross, Coal Production Supt. W. T. Graham and Open Cut Supt. K. Lamin.



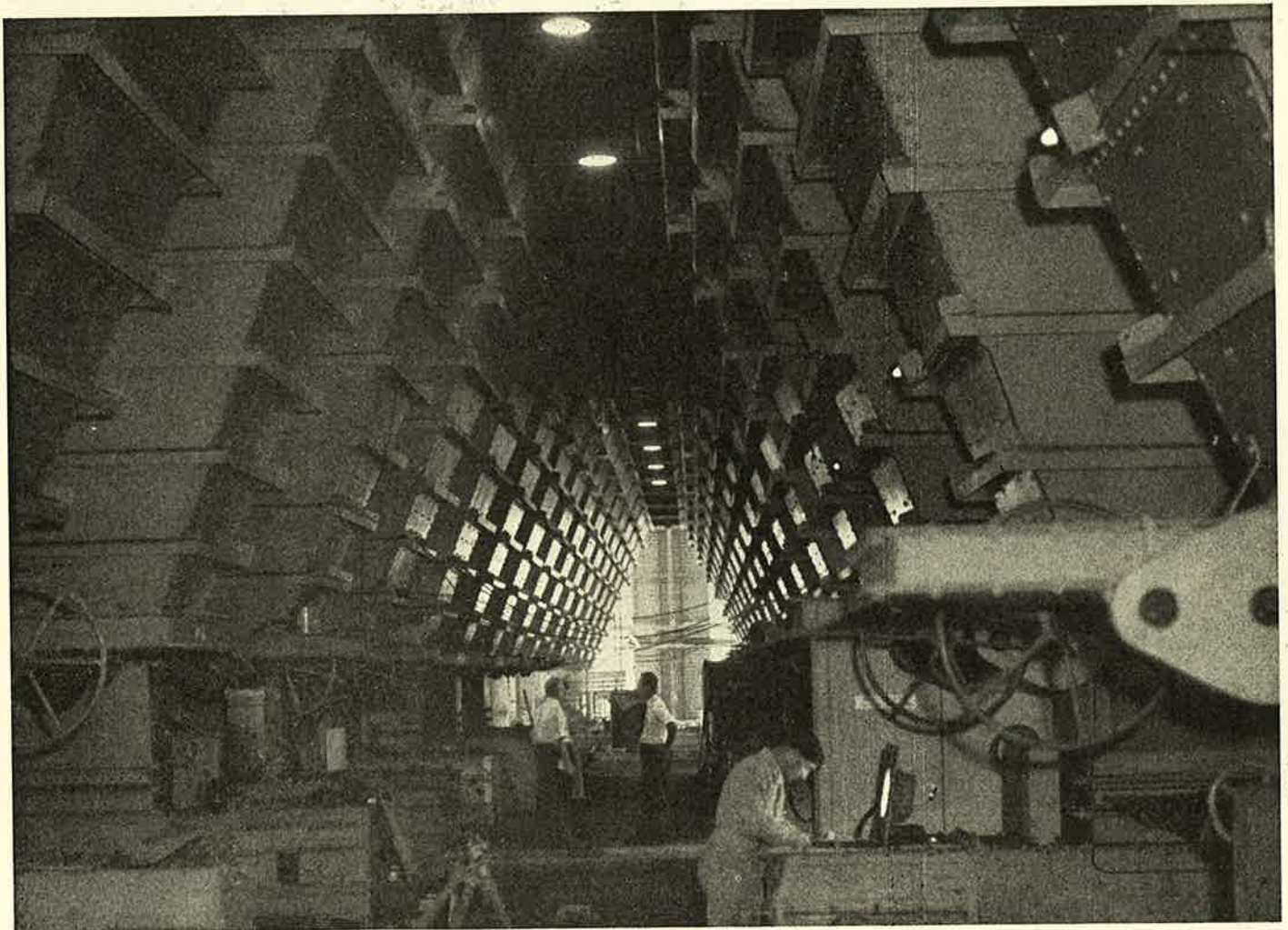
"Mimic board" in wet section is route map of conveyor lines. Lights show flow to Ron Wardell (l.) and William Macdonald.

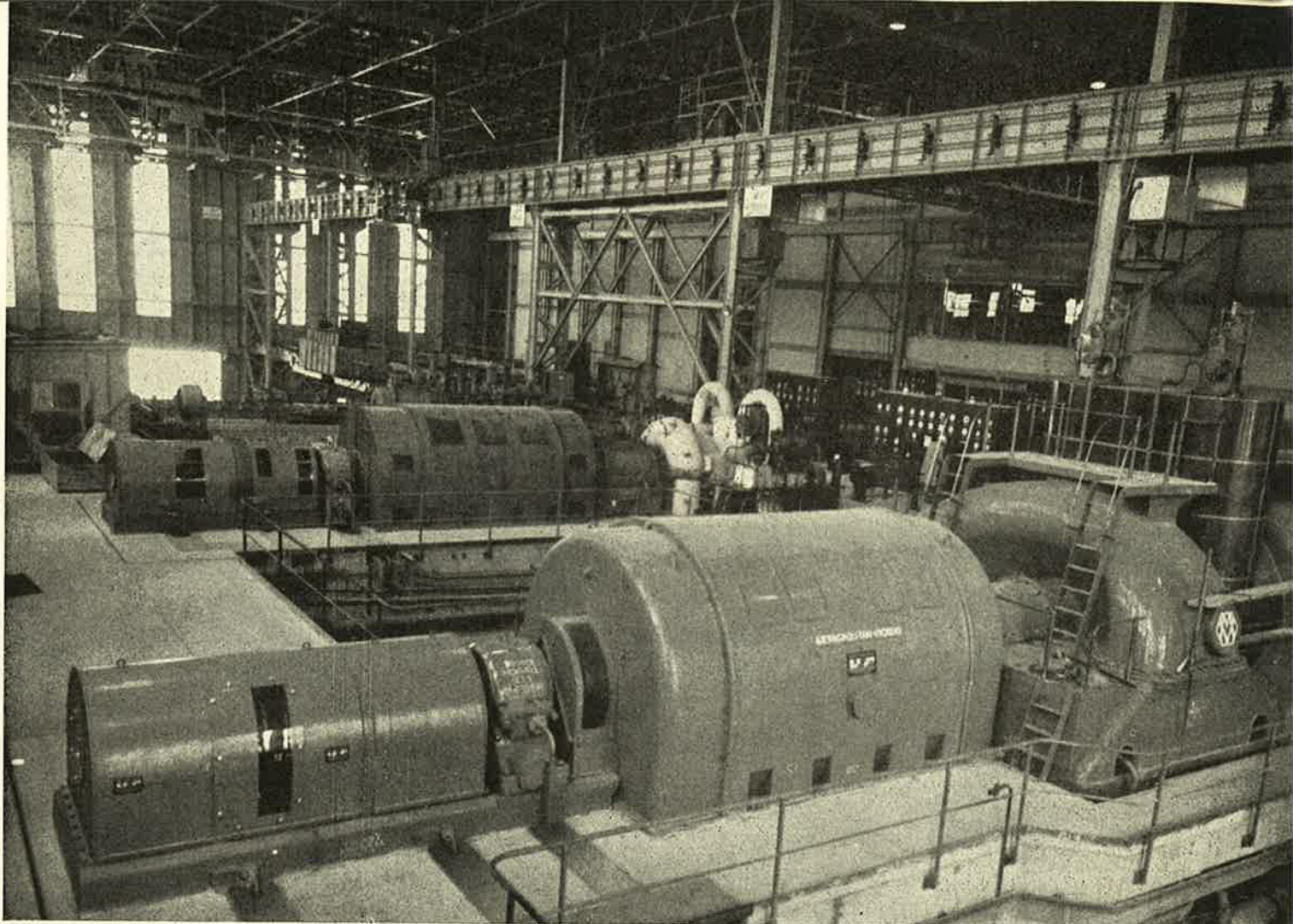


Dick Hopley watches brown coal running into the boiler bunker from the conveyor. Air "lances" keep bunker coal on the move.

This impressive scene is the feeder floor of the power station with a close view of those "Chinese lanterns" so often seen high in the

air during construction. James Turpin, a trimmer, (foreground) is clearing coal from a feeder.





Shipshape and gleaming, the turbine room, with its mighty overhead travelling crane, is the symbol of electrical power in this partly completed station. Two generators produce 50,000 kilowatts.

Fireman Harold Atkinson keeps a close watch on the indicators of No. 8 boiler control. Feeding the boilers is carefully controlled. ▶

have a combined output of 50,000 kilowatts, and power is being transmitted to Yallourn, where it is being fed into the Commission network.

Two additional 30,000 kilowatt generators will come into service in the middle of this year and next. When both have been commissioned the output of Morwell Power Station for general supply will be 91,000 kilowatts — after allowing for the large amount of power needed for plant in the new briquette works and open cut. Further generating capacity will follow.

The boilers take 45 tons of brown coal an hour each and two thousand tons a day at present. Eventually, eight thousand tons a day will be required.

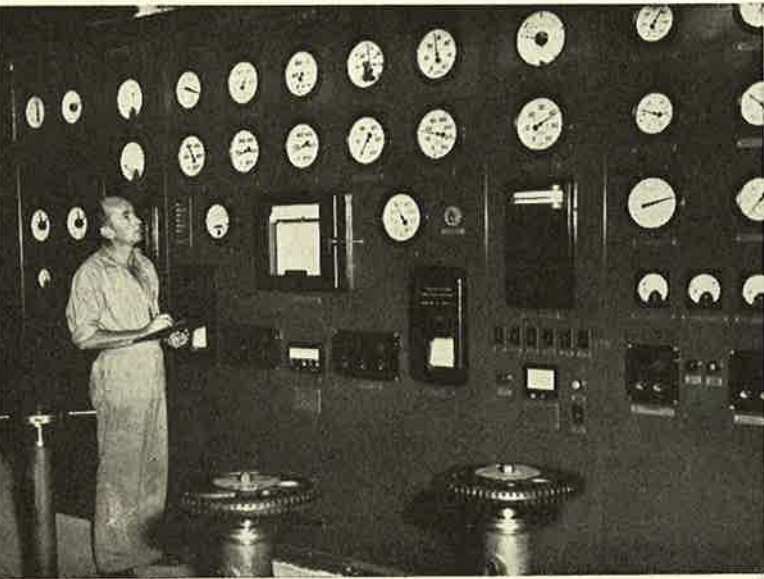
The start of production at Morwell opens a new chapter in the development of Victoria's brown coal



MORWELL GETS UNDER WAY

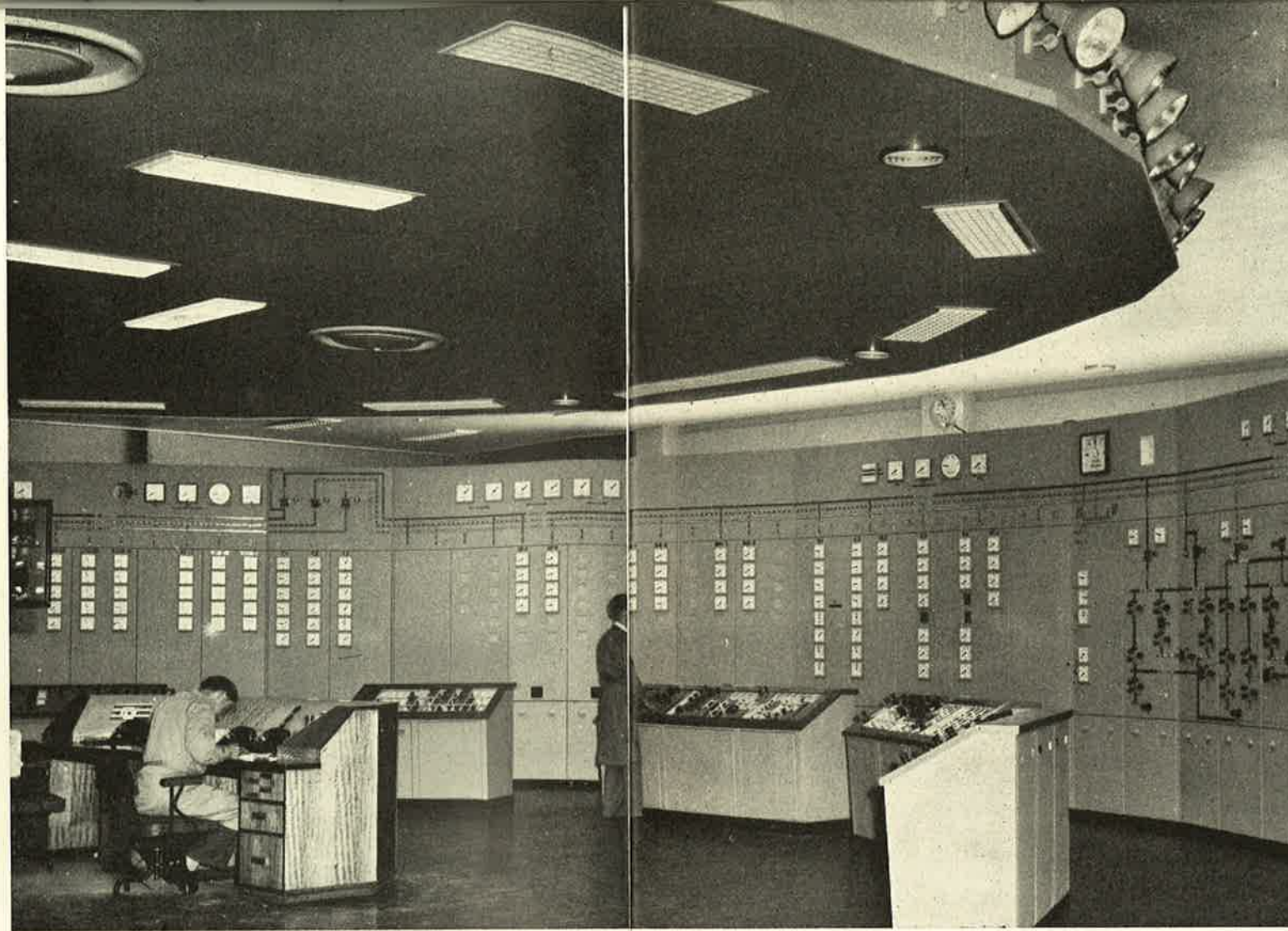
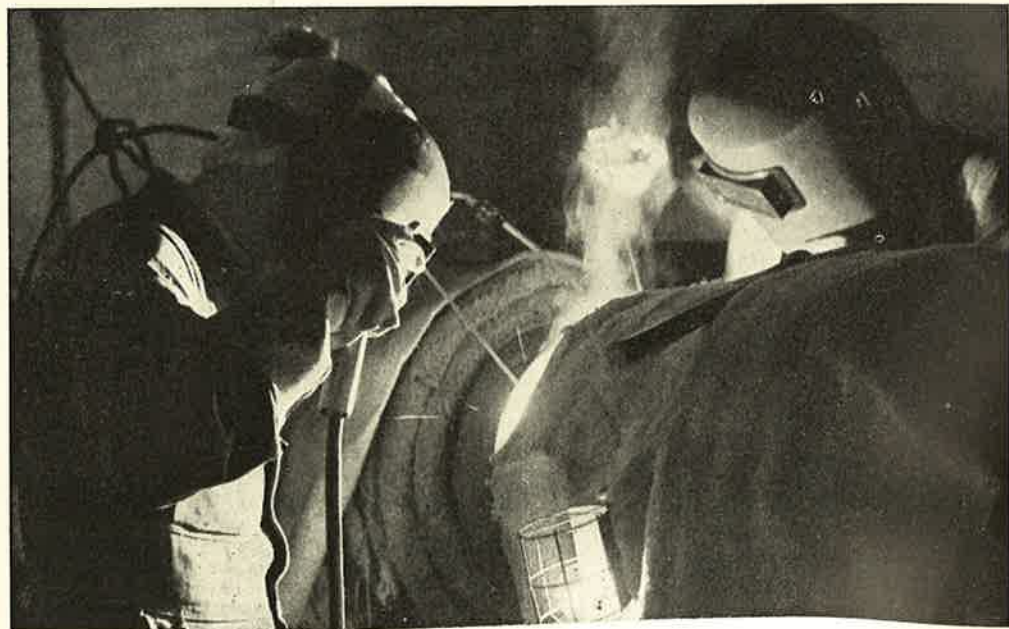
resources and power supplies. The whole State will benefit from this power and fuel project. The next stage in the programme to bring it into full production will be the start of briquette manufacture about July this year.

By the beginning of 1961 the capacity of the briquette works will be about 1,500,000 tons of briquettes a year — or nearly two and a half times the annual output of Yallourn briquette works.



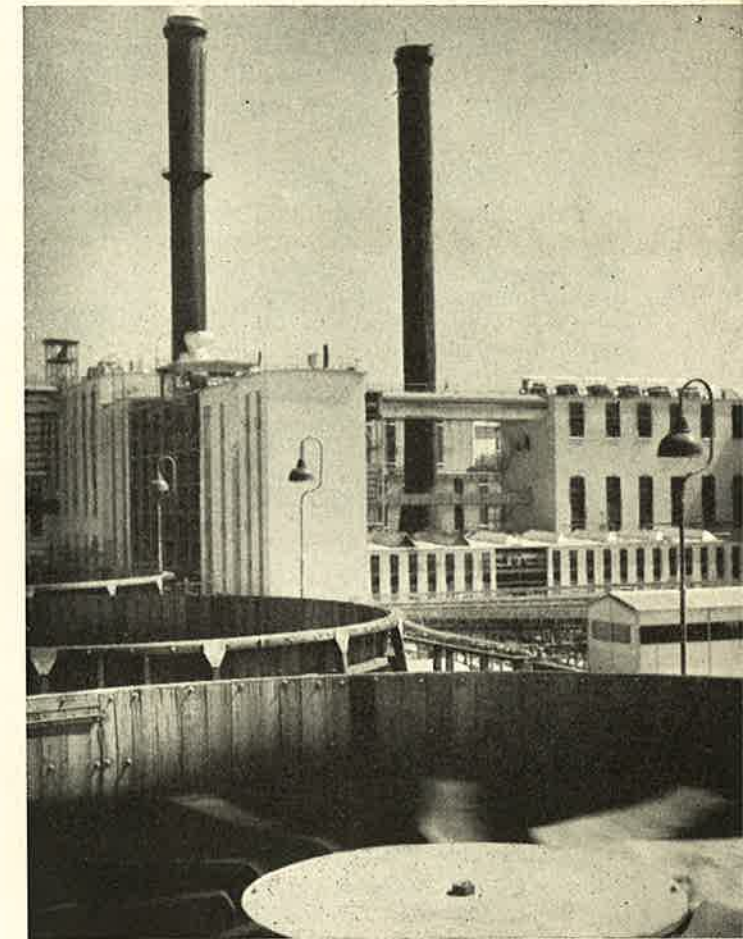
Rows and rows of dials, and every one of them tells a vital story to the alert turbine drivers — men like Keith Bolton pictured at No. 2 turbo-generator control panel.

While Morwell generates power, contractors' men like welders Allan Rosin and Roy Coulson carry the project a stage further.



They watch the dials in the control room and keep in touch with everyone by phone — assistant operator John Cafe (L.) and Norm Abbott, operator-in-charge. Left: The control room.

An unusual view of Morwell Project from the roof of the cooling towers which are seen in the foreground.



Engineer John Minton discusses water controls with fireman Bill Harkins on the condenser floor.



Noel Edmunds, acting turbine driver, at the governors end of the No. 1 low pressure turbine.

Seven hundred go back to school

Seven hundred Commission students, mostly over 45, began an intensive course in the first week of March. By November, they will have studied elementary accounting, written expression, office routine and methods, and will have earned £25 bonuses for passing their examinations.

Technical officers have joined their commercial colleagues, and a correspondence course has been started for those whose duties and location make it difficult for them to attend classes.

Although it may be twenty or thirty years since many of them sat at a school desk, they are tackling their problems with the comforting thought that 455 of our first General Education scheme students, including the twenty-two women officers who entered, completed the course successfully last year. Only 14 failed.

Twenty classes were held in sixteen centres throughout the State. High school teachers conducted the written expression course, and Commission officers handled the other subjects. Many seniors who did the whole course were able to help their less qualified colleagues.

BROADER OUTLOOKS

This scheme is the fruit of many years' study of our quickly expanding organisation. It is intended mainly to give officers a better appreciation of the overall working of the Commission and stimulate interest in the wider aspects of daily operations. The management recognised long ago that, in common with other large undertakings, much of our work has to be divided minutely with the result that individual officers may see only a small part of the work.

Preference in classes has been given so far to the older officers, and the backlog may not be cleared in the metropolitan area and Latrobe Valley till the end of the third year, in 1960.

The unqualified success of this education scheme has been due to detailed investigation, planning and continual exchange of ideas. Before the first enrolments were called for, Mr. R. M. Bainbridge, former Assistant Chief Accountant, who has been active in education and training for many years, toured all the

main centres. He explained that the plan was not to make a man a better timekeeper, storeman or clerk, but rather to give him an idea of what the other man does day by day.

He emphasised that we were never too old to learn, that the older men should not worry about competing with striplings of thirty whose academic knowledge was fresher. Success at the examinations would be measured largely by the amount of effort put into the course.

The older men quickly discovered that written expression had nothing to do with writing official memoranda, but was intended to show that, by developing the art of writing and speaking, the student could make more of himself.

Elementary accounting was not confined to S.E.C. methods but provided a sound grounding in general principles. Technical officers in Castlemaine were able to take the course last year, and they have been loud in their praise. They particularly welcomed the chance to learn accounting principles.

Office routine and methods, which included such everyday matters as

family cheques and insurance, was a synthesis of all Branch work and stimulated the interest of the classes by demonstrating little known aspects of our operations.

When the last examination paper had been marked, seventeen of the twenty S.E.C. lecturers gathered at Kiewa with Messrs. R. M. Bainbridge, J. D. Arnold, E. J. Kean and A. B. Waugh, of the Education Branch. Frank discussions on all phases of the scheme resulted in agreement on a number of changes.

What did the students themselves think of it all? A rough poll of opinions revealed that some of the older hands are still worried by this array of learning, but are gaining courage from the ready help and understanding they find on all sides.

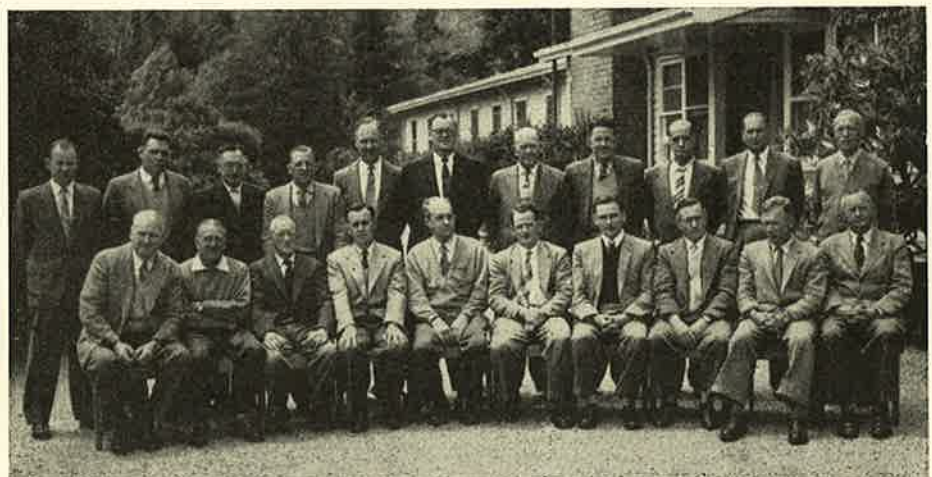
"WE EXCHANGED IDEAS"

An officer with thirty years' service commented: "One of the most interesting aspects of the course was that I met twenty-nine others in my class for the first time. We exchanged ideas about our different offices and jobs, and learned as much this way as we did from instructors.

Already other public bodies regard it as worthy of close study. There have been many inquiries from all over Australia, and some have stated that the best feature of our course is that it is not tied to daily work.

There is a long waiting list for classes all over the State, not merely because examination successes will be taken into consideration for promotion, but chiefly because satisfied customers have demonstrated the value of this mental tonic.

Lecturers and Education Branch officers pictured at Kiewa.



Good oil on glass-cutting

There is always money in ideas, and some of the best are so simple everyone else wonders why he did not get the brainwave.

Take glass-cutting, for example. All kinds of shapes and sizes are needed in the Commission, but when it comes to cutting narrow strips every handyman knows he may have trouble. Mr. W. R. McConnell, engineering assistant in General Technical Services (Municipal), Yallourn, knew this and collected £7 from the Suggestions Board for showing what can be done when the glass cutter is immersed in mineral oil before use.

By doing this, long strips of glass $\frac{3}{16}$ in. wide can be cut safely. Without the mineral oil, it is not possible to cut strips under $\frac{3}{8}$ in. Oil assures cleaner cuts on wire cast glass.

A more complicated idea worth £20 was sent in by Mr. F. A. White, senior foreman in charge of Kiewa Workshops. This was a modified design for the simplified manufacture of a new type of grout header for use in cement pressure grouting.

Mr. F. J. Body, Yallourn Base Workshops fitter, was awarded £10 for an attachment which has proved efficient in de-burring non-ferrous materials. It saves considerable time.

Another £10 went to Mr. W. A. Henry, O.M.E. heavy driver, for a side cutting tool for trimming waste from press joints in cable work.

Commission awards seventeen scholarships

The Commission has awarded seventeen engineering scholarships for this year — eight for Melbourne University and nine for senior technical schools.

DEGREE COURSES

- Donald George Begbie*, Caulfield Technical College electrical engineering.
Edwin Thomas Brown, Melbourne University, formerly Castlemaine High School — combined civil and mining engineering.
Ian James Freshwater, Gordon Institute of Technology — mechanical engineering.
Malcolm Campbell Good, University High School — mechanical engineering.
Dennis Clifford Green, Christian Brothers' College, East Melbourne — civil engineering.
John Malcolm Green, probationary cadet engineer in the Commission, Dip.M.E., Footscray, 1957 — mechanical engineering.
John Peter James, Melbourne University, formerly Melbourne High School — civil engineering.



Safety was their topic. Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Fergus, Mr. Miller at conference.

S-E-C backs industrial safety campaign

The Chairman, Mr. W. H. Connolly, and the Assistant General Manager, Mr. W. J. Price, were among the 160 officers who attended the two-day Industrial Safety Convention at Melbourne University last December. This was sponsored by the State Government and organised under the auspices of the Department of Labour and Industry.

The Minister of Electrical Undertakings, Mr. G. O. Reid, in his capacity of Ministry of Labour and Industry, presided, and welcomed the Governor, Sir Dallas Brooks, who opened the Convention.

Eight hundred delegates from various levels of industry and government organisations heard Sir

Dallas say that industrial safety was a problem which needed the closest co-operation of government, management and employees alike if it was to be solved. It offered a challenge to everyone in the community.

Mr. Reid summed up at the end of the Convention and was guest speaker at a dinner. He announced that the government would set up an industrial safety bureau, and was working on legislation and regulations to provide greater safety.

The Commission's Safety Officer, Mr. J. H. Armstrong, was a member of the committee which organised the Convention programme, and also chairman of the Production Engineering Panel.

The Chief Electrical Inspector, Mr. G. T. Cuthbert, presided at the Electrical Industry session at which papers were read by the Deputy Chief Electrical Inspector, Mr. P. M. Buchanan; the chairman of the Electrical Approvals Board, Mr. B. H. Miller; and Mr. F. S. Fergus, Head of Electrical Industries Division, Royal Melbourne Technical College.

Mr. Buchanan, dealing with the inspection of electrical installations, pointed out that wiring regulations, framed for the sole purpose of protecting the public, are a minimum standard of safety framed by committees on an Australia-wide basis.

Mr. B. H. Miller emphasised that approval of electrical equipment related only to electrical safety. Attention to good engineering practice would frequently obviate many of the more common faults leading to the production of unsafe articles.

Ian Burton Rhodes, Swan Hill High School — electrical engineering.

DIPLOMA COURSES

- S.E.C. Employees:—**
Douglas Ernest Ashley — electrician engineering, Footscray Technical College.
Robert Roy Booth — electrical engineering, Caulfield Technical College.
Keith Charles Griffiths — mechanical engineering, Caulfield.
David Hankinson — mechanical engineering, Yallourn Technical College.
From outside the S.E.C.:—
Robin John Bell — mechanical engineering, Footscray.
David Grenville Hing (formerly Collingwood Technical School) — electrical engineering, Swinburne Technical College.
Clifford McGuinness — electrical engineering, Caulfield.
Howard Vincent Roberts — electrical engineering, Warrnambool Technical College.
Russell Henry Trew — electrical engineering, Caulfield.



There was never an empty seat in the Rotary Club's special, and a vote of thanks goes to Clarrie Coates.

*ALL ABOARD THE
"PICNIC SPECIAL"*



With a glass of something in one hand and an ice in the other, Neil Burton is ready to go with his sister Gael.



A study in expression as they dash for the tape in the 100 yards amateur handicap. Result: 1, R. Widdis, Metro.; 2, K. Cranston, F.B.; 3, A. Nicholas, Yallourn.

J. R. Richards, of Staff Branch, romped home in the half mile handicap. Second was J. Jupp, Richmond; and A. R. Gale, of Yallourn, was third.



A moment of happy relaxation for three Head Office girls, Coral Paton, Marie Scott and Jill Glanville. Coral and Jill are usually busy organising Head Office social events.

All roads led down to Frankston . . .



Frankston's the place for many a family get-together, and the John Flynns (Brunswick Terminal) didn't seem short of a laugh.

THEY'RE NEVER TOO OLD AND NEVER



Facing up to the price of eggs, these boys were determined. The winner was Aard Schellaars; 2, Robert Long; 3, Chris. Romuld.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Murray and family, Richmond, arrived with ample supplies for a good day, but they knew they could always get milk and hot water free for a "cuppa."



A hop and a skip is fun when you're 9-10. Above: 1, Peter Sinopidis; 2, Roy Costanzo; 3, Les Spreckley. Below: 1, Inis Lyn; 2, Ann Carlson; 3, Bev. Flynn.

You never know what's going to turn up at the S.E.C. picnic at Frankston on Australia Day.

Commission families arrived by car, bus and special train . . . then another special train followed them into the arena. It was the surprise of the day, and brought joy to all the young of heart.

Everyone was indebted to Frankston O-i-C, Mr. R. Brazenor, who obtained the use of the train from the Rotary Club.

Once again success was due in large measure to the willing band of workers from Fuel Supply Department and Civil Construction. There



TOO YOUNG TO ENJOY THE DAY OUT



K. Clark and his family from Newport made it a real picnic. The children could race, ride or romp and cool off with a cheap soft drink. Mum and Dad could relax—maybe!



Happy moment for 8-months-old twins, Gregory and Wayne Russell. Rex works at Bell depot.

was an extra task this year for one band: 180 dozen bottles had to be handled to make sure there would be enough soft drinks.

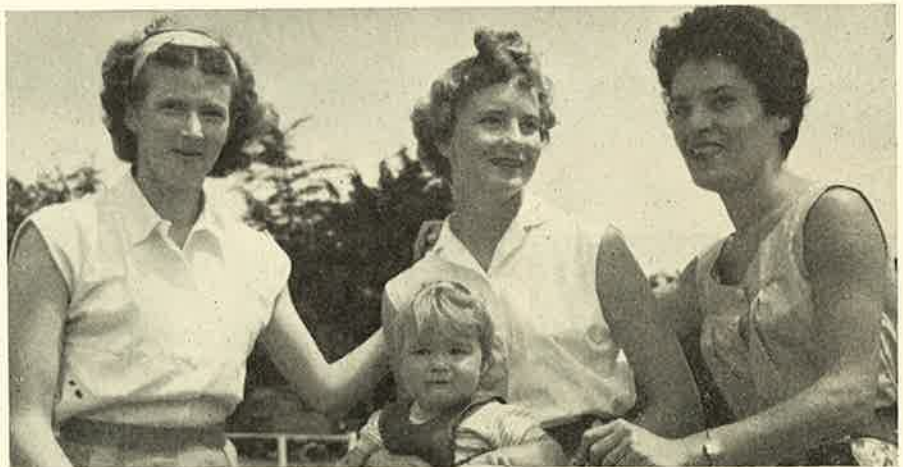
Oakleigh Youth Club again fascinated everyone with their skill on the trampoline. This is becoming a feature of the picnic . . . like the Hoskings, of Richmond, who won the family race for the third time.

A notable change this year was the appearance at the microphone of Mr. A. W. Westley, of Newport, in place of the Amenities and Welfare Officer, Mr. A. D. H. Moses. He has succeeded as President Mr. W. Hall, who now has the title of Immediate Past President.



The Hoskings, of Richmond Terminal Station, once again won the family race.

There's something to smile at when you are collecting the prizes for a race well run.



Baby Deborah Tobias was proud of Mummy, who won the married ladies' race under 30. Mrs. Flakemore (left) was second this year, and Mrs. Desara again third.

Senior Appointments

ASS'T. FUEL SUPPLY MANAGER

MR. K. W. SCOBLE, A.I.S.M., comes to the Commission as Assistant Fuel Supply Manager after working as Equipment Sales Supervisor, Olympic Tyre and Rubber Co., from May, 1956. On leaving the Army in 1949, he was appointed Senior Sales Assistant, C.O.R. Ltd., and became Merchandising Officer.



Mr. Scoble



Mr. Strongman



Mr. Foers



Mr. Johnson

COMMERCIAL SUP'T., FUEL SUPPLY

MR. A. W. STRONGMAN, the newly appointed Commercial Superintendent, Fuel Supply Department, started as a clerk in 1930, went to Fuel Sales the same year and has been there ever since. An Assistant Depot Superintendent before the war, he became Fuel Supply Supervisor in 1951.

1919, as an assistant engineer and became Superintendent, Substation Construction, in 1940. He was Acting Electrical Plant Engineer in 1957.

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTS ENGINEER

MR. J. JOHNSON, B.Sc. (Elect. Engineering), A.M.I.E.E., becomes Contracts Engineer, Electrical Branch, after nine years here. He was Acting Contracts Engineer at various times and has had wide experience as Electrical Design Engineer on thermal, hydro and terminal stations.

twenty years in the Commission. He was a junior draftsman in 1938, went to Gippsland Branch the following year, and became Distribution Engineer in 1955.

MANAGER, MILDURA SUB-BRANCH

MR. R. S. DOWNEY, Dips. E. and M.E., A.M.I.E.E. (Eng.), now Manager at Mildura, came to the S.E.C. in 1936. He was Assistant Distribution Engineer, Ballarat in 1952, and Acting Distribution Engineer, Bendigo two years later. After a period at Horsham he returned to Bendigo as Distribution Engineer.

STATION EFFICIENCY ENGINEER

MR. W. GRAHAM, Dip.M.E., A.M.I.E. (Aust.), the new Station Efficiency Engineer at Yallourn, started there as an apprentice turner and fitter in 1932. He became Mechanical Tests Engineer in 1951, Station Tests Engineer four years later and Deputy Station Efficiency Engineer in 1957.

ELECTRICAL DESIGN ENGINEER (PLANT)

MR. E. D. FOERS, Dip.E.E., M.I.E. (Aust.), who came to the S.E.C. in May, 1929, and became a student engineer at Yallourn the following year, is the new Electrical Design Engineer (Power Plant), Electrical Branch. He has been Assistant Construction Engineer at Yallourn and Electrical Superintendent at Kiewa.

ASS'T. MANAGER, NORTH EASTERN

MR. H. K. RICHARDSON, B.E.E., B.Com., A.M.I.E. (Aust.) goes to Balla as Assistant Manager. His twenty-two years' service includes appointments as Acting Assistant Chief Distribution Engineer, Distribution Design Engineer, Alternate Engineering Member (Staff Boards) and assistant engineer.

STATION OPERATIONS ENGINEER

MR. H. MEE, Station Operations Engineer, Yallourn, was appointed Assistant Station Operations Engineer in 1953 and held the Acting appointment for two periods. He started as Boiler House Engineer, Yallourn, in 1949, and became Shift Engineer two years later.

ELECTRICAL DESIGN ENG'R (THERMAL)

MR. V. S. HEALEY, B.E.E., A.M.I.E. (Aust.), now Electrical Design Engineer (Thermal Stations), Electrical Branch, was acting in this position for most of the last two years. He came to the Commission in 1954.

ASS'T. MANAGER, EASTERN METRO.

MR. S. A. CRAWFORD, B.Com., Dip.E.E., A.M.I.E. (Aust.), Departmental Engineer, Production Department, from 1950, started as Assistant to the Electrolysis Engineer in 1929. He has also worked in Briquetting, as Officer-in-Charge, Rutherglen, and in the Planning Group.

BRANCH ENGINEER, ELECTRICAL BCH.

MR. J. A. MAPLEBACK, who has taken over the post of Branch Engineer, Electrical Branch, after nearly ten years as Contracts Engineer, joined the Commission in September,

MANAGER, WIMMERA SUB-BRANCH

MR. J. MOLE, Dip.E.E., A.M.I.E. (Aust.), takes over Wimmera Sub-Branch, North West Region, after

Mr. Mee

Mr. Healey

Mr. Richardson

Mr. Mole

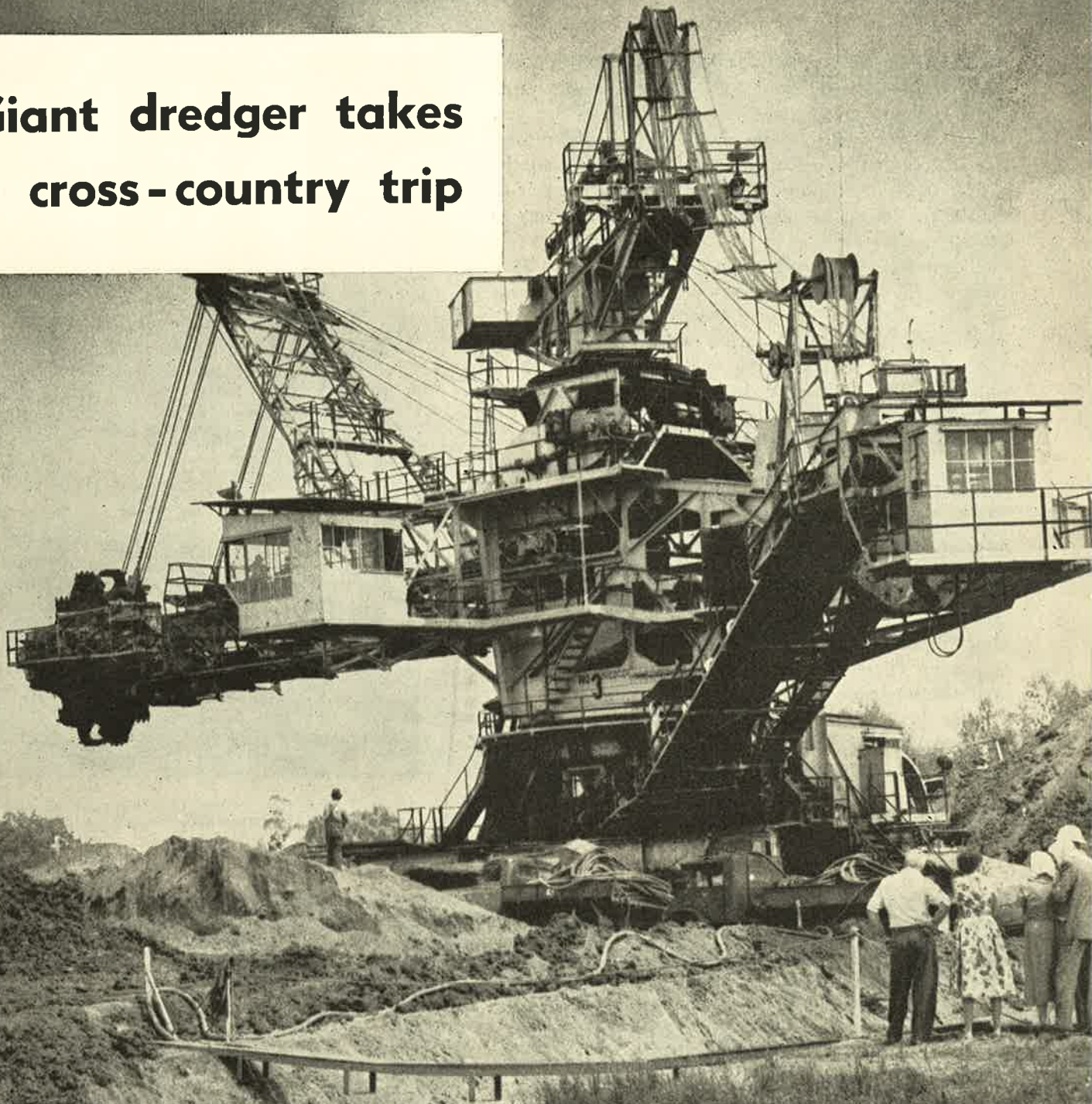
Mr. Crawford

Mr. Downey

Mr. Graham



Giant dredger takes a cross-country trip



MORWELL OPEN CUT has another dredger. No. 3 travelled five miles across country under its own power from Yallourn in one of the most carefully co-ordinated operations ever known in Australia.

Ten government and local authorities co-operated, and the success of the transfer was due, not only to careful planning by Coal Production Branch, but also to the keen teamwork of every section involved. If the many onlookers were asked what impressed them most, they would probably vote for the fascinating display by

the bulldozer drivers who filled in a bend of the Morwell River with about 1,200 of 2,000 cubic yards taken from the diversion channel behind the dredger.

The river crossing, the most testing of all the moves, was achieved a day ahead of schedule. After months of preparation, including the washing of the dredger to remove coal dust, the 628-ton machine edged its way to the Princes Highway at 26 feet a minute. It is 70 feet high and 160 feet long, and provided on January 28 a thrill for the crowds who gathered to see it safely across the road on which Country Roads Board and S.E.C. men laid an 18-inch-thick carpet of sand and gravel.

Another key point was the main railway line which was crossed on February 1, thanks to a closely-knit operation with Victorian Railways officials.

Every yard of the course was carefully surveyed and plotted. Swampy patches had to be negotiated and gullies filled, but the river demanded most attention. The stream was only 25 feet wide at the time, so the dredger was run into a bend and the diversion cut before the bulldozers took over and pounded in a strip capable of taking over a ton per square foot.

The great moment came at 3.10 p.m. on February 4 after Supervisor G. Sutton checked the fill. Then Supervisor D. Downey signalled the dredger and it was across before some onlookers were aware of it.

After this, the rest of the run, including the Morwell airstrip, Midland Highway, and the triumphant entry into the open cut, brought great satisfaction to all.



No. 3 dredger was a star attraction for district families when it rolled across Princes Highway on January 28 and crossed the main Gippsland railway the following Sunday after power lines were removed.

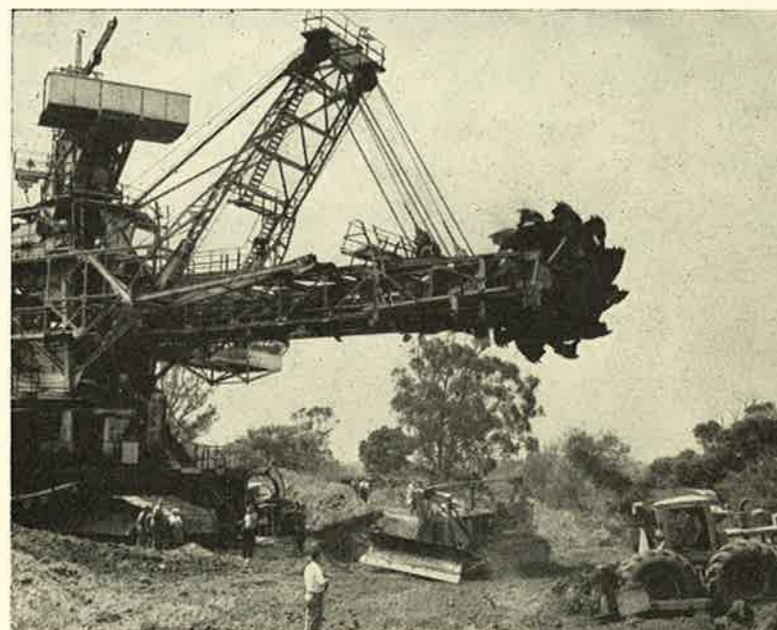


All aboard when the bulldozers retire. Dredger crew, A. Jack, S. Spehar, M. Blaha, are ready.

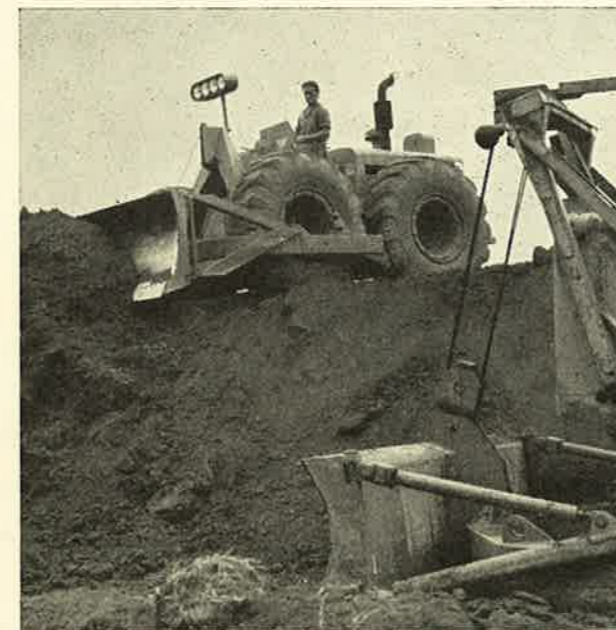
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Looking from the dredger along the temporary river channel.



The dredger boom points the way; the bulldozers prepare the bridge.



Mountains of earth are strewn expertly by the 'dozers.



Any moment now . . . the causeway is ready; cable trucks stand by.



THIS IS THE MOMENT THEY WAITED FOR

Over she goes, and the boom dwarfs watchful engineers standing on the causeway

which holds back the Morwell River.



Discussing next move: Chris Laird, local coordinator; E. J. Hassett, who planned move; G. Sutton, i/c earthworks and the route preparation; Dave Downey, i/c dredger; and W. R. Hall, who looked after the electrical supply.



Waiting to follow the dredger over the river are drivers of the trucks carrying 6,000 yards of high tension cable: John O'Connell, Sam Rothsay, Peter Shann. Mechanic Bert Spokes in cabin.



Dredger driver Maurice English waits to be flagged across.



A job well done . . . The bulldozer men have a chance to relax: F. Presley, R. Skinner, 1/h. A. Hume (all from Morwell), H. Ryley, H. Reid, J. Foster, Jack Jones (Forestry), Ray Pevitt and 1/h. Ray Love (all from Yallourn).



These also have something to talk about: Roy Stayches, Yallourn shovel driver; Arthur Davey, 'dozer driver; J. Breen, F. O'Kane, auxiliary foremen.



Replacing the fences is hot work, so Reg Price has a drink of water while Alec James waits for the bag.



Frank Fogarty and Michael Samson dig in a fence post in Operation Clean-up.

You don't need patience to play chess



**It has been
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ASK the average man what he considers the primary virtue in a chess player and he will reply, most likely: "Patience."

Mr. E. H. Tudor, Commercial Appliance Engineer, Electrical Development Division, an experienced chess player and tournament organiser, is clear on the matter. "One must have courage, initiative, ingenuity and, of course, some skill, but you really don't need patience to play. Watching a game might need patience, I'll admit.

"Chess is comparatively easy to learn, despite notions to the contrary, and also one of the most popular games in the world — as it has been for a thousand years and more.

"Few people realise that even thirty years ago more than five thousand books had been written about chess. To-day there are about seven thousand. No other game can muster more than a quarter of this total — not even cricket.

"Chess is such a wonderful hobby for young and old, it is no surprise that the public and high schools recognise it as a cultural sport. Each year two Victorian schoolboys are sent to play in the Australian Schoolboys' Championship wherever it is held.

"The novice, just as in golf, gets as much enjoyment as the master. Those in the higher tournament grades play the game hard, but at checkmate they relax and part the best of friends. Chess is a universal language which can create goodwill between nations.

"Since the sixth century in north-west India, chess has scarcely changed except that the French replaced the King's attendant, or Counsellor, with a Queen who could move about the board more freely. The Queen has improved chess to such an extent that the number of chess moves, combinations and permutations, is practically incalculable.

"Even the electronic brain can be beaten by a 'stupid' chess move. The brain rejects the move and loses. Chess, therefore, is never the same, and this makes it so interesting."



Mr. Tudor (l.) enjoys a lunchtime game with George Atwill, while Peter Jackson and Harry Hodges watch players critically.

MR. TUDOR was a very keen draughts player when he returned from the war in 1919 aboard the "Ormonde." He won the ship's draughts championship, then watched a chess match and realised how much more there was in chess.

It was 1938 before he met any club chess players. A few Melbourne Club members used to lunch in the old Wayside Inn in Flinders Lane, where the Electrical Inspection Branch is now located. Lightning lunch-hour tournaments in a corner of the Inn were continued later in Collins Street, but the war ended them.

Mr. Tudor organised games in the R.A.A.F. at Victoria Barracks and later in Read's Building, Prahran. A number of these players eventually joined the Victorian Chess Association

clubs and played in inter-club competitions.

After the war he became interested in the re-organisation of chess in Victoria, which lagged sadly behind New South Wales. At the annual meeting in March, 1947, there was a strong move to wind up the V.C.A., but it was decided to carry on for another year if a secretary could be found. One was — Mr. Tudor. He held the post for three years and then became President for the next eight.

The S.E.C. Chess Club was formed in 1947 at Flinders Street, and Mr. Tudor became President. While discussing accommodation with Mr. Burford, then Commercial Manager, he discovered that Mr. Burford was also aboard the "Ormonde" when he returned from Europe. Lunch-time games again became very popular and the Social League provided boards and the latest type of plastic sets.

After two years at the top of the ladder with the S.E.C. Club, Mr. Tudor played in "A" Grade competitions with Brighton, became club champion, then moved to Melbourne Chess Club, which he regards as the premier club in Victoria, to gain further experience. He became Secretary and President of the Victorian Chess Association, and had ample opportunity of indulging his hobby of promoting chess throughout the State, especially in the schools. It was well established when he resigned the Victorian Presidency in 1958.

"During my terms of office," said Mr. Tudor, "we held international radio matches with France, Canada and Britain. We beat the two first and drew with Britain. Australia is really a strong chess country now.

"It was my privilege also to organise and control two Australian Championship Congresses in Melbourne — one in 1948 and the other in Olympic Year. International

players were invited to the 1956 championship. Victoria, through the Victorian Chess Association, also plays a telegraphic match with New South Wales once a year. Though we have won only one in the last ten years, the games have always been close. The last telegraphic match last June was televised.

"Organising these tournaments is quite a business. Chess rules are very strict and all matches are played under time limits. The special chess clocks have two dials with press-down levers which each player operates when he makes a move. Many an important game has been lost because of time shortage. Most big tournaments arrange for forty moves in two hours, or three minutes per move.

"The introduction of the Udeman Code, invented by a Dutch chess player in 1945, has simplified the sending of Morse Code messages in chess and revolutionised radio and

telegraphic matches. A four-letter word is sent together with the letter of the player's board, making a five-letter word, or one word in Morse Code.

"The board is so lettered that no mistakes can occur because of wrong lettering, and confusion with numbers is avoided. English is not necessary so long as your opponents have a similar board.

"Once a move is recorded, only the piece concerned can move. The board is set out as follows, with white at the top:—

LA	KA	HA	GA	FA	DA	CA	BA
LE	KE	HE	GE	FE	DE	CE	BE
LI	KI	HI	GI	FI	DI	CI	BI
LO	KO	HO	GO	FO	DO	CO	BO
ZO	WO	TO	SO	RO	PO	NO	MO
ZI	WI	TI	SI	RI	PI	NI	MI
ZE	WE	TE	SE	RE	PE	NE	ME
ZA	WA	TA	SA	RA	PA	NA	MA

"Other code four-letter words are used for repeat moves, offer of a draw, check and so on. My knowledge of this method always forced me into the position of chief teller. This position is the nerve centre of a telegraphic or radio match, and is the point where mistakes and lost time must be eliminated. It became quite onerous at 3 a.m., due to the difference in time, when we were playing Britain."

CHESS is controlled in this country by the Australian Chess Federation, which is a member of the Federation Internationale des Eschecs. Mr. Tudor was President of the V.C.A. and Secretary of the A.C.F. during the Olympic Year Australian Championship, and had to supervise adjudication between two Victorian players, one of whom eventually became joint Champion of Australia.

If you are interested in knowing more about chess, Mr. Tudor, who is still on the Victorian Association committee and its only life member, will be only too glad to help you. The Association is in contact with several thousand players throughout the State.

Let Mr. Tudor have the last word. "The chess world is an international brotherhood, absolutely non-political and non-sectarian. New forms of chess pieces are being made to-day, but the game is the same."

Home Shifts QUESTION BOX

Q.: *What causes a sponge to shrink in the tin when cooked?*

A.: Usually through baking in too hot an oven, or through using a recipe that has too little flour in proportion to the other ingredients. The standard temperature for a sponge is 400°, reset to 350°, and a good basic recipe is 3 large or 4 small eggs, 4 ozs. castor sugar, 4 ozs. S.R. flour and two tablespoons of boiling water or hot milk.



Q.: *Is meat best kept covered or not when stored in the refrigerator for a few days?*

A.: Cuts of meat such as steak or chops may be kept covered or uncovered in the meat drawer directly under the freezing chamber. I think it preferable to wrap the meat in greaseproof paper before storing in the refrigerator. If left uncovered for any length of time the cut surface of the meat tends to dry out.

Joints are best placed on a plate and covered with greaseproof paper. If cooked, the joint should be wrapped completely in greaseproof paper to prevent it drying.

Q.: *As I have to manage without my cake-mixer for a week or two, can you suggest a reasonably quick method of mixing a sponge by hand?*

A.: You can either beat the eggs and sugar in a basin standing in hot water, or separate the white and yolks of eggs, beat egg whites stiffly, add sugar gradually, then egg yolks one at a time, then beat well until the mixture is thick and creamy, usually no longer than 4-5 minutes.

BETWEEN OURSELVES

Lit up Morwell is all aglow with two miles of fairy lights which will remain up till Easter. Once again the townspeople have been loud in their praise of the S.E.C. volunteers who devoted so much of their own time to installing these lights and two illuminated Christmas trees which delighted the children.

Morwell Chamber of Commerce has sent a letter of appreciation to the men and promised a personal working bee to help them in future.

Hey, Boss! Allen Clarke, Chief Clerk at Kiewa, is used to seeing odd addresses on incoming envelopes, but he really blinked when one was delivered with this brief inscription:—

“BOSS OF THE HOUSES.”

Prospective buyer, or tenant in arrears?

Treasured Sam Eaton, of Clunes, in Ballarat Branch, also well known in Footscray area, has a new “lucky charm.” After working with a tramway repair gang, he noticed a yellow stone in the street bitumen. It was a nugget of gold worth £17.

Hundreds of people must have walked and driven over it since it was dumped there with a load of gravel for road repairs. Sam had it checked at a bank, which advised

him to send it to the Mint, but he decided to keep it and buy a couple of Tatts tickets marked “Gold.”

Service Mr. A. W. E. Fewster, an original Yallourn Town Advisory Council member, who retired from the Commission in 1953, has received many tributes since he also retired from the Council. He is just about getting used to his unofficial status in civic affairs.

His generous service to the community has also included founding the Athletic Club and being first treasurer of the Technical College.

While thanking Mr. Fewster, let us welcome a Commission veteran, Mr. Bert Milne, who was elected to succeed him on the Council. Mr. Milne is General President of the S.E.C. Officers' Association.

Pooled The Eastern Metropolitan Branch's popular Assistant Office Manager, Mr. W. L. Hosking, has been worrying his friends in recent months. He was often heard muttering something like: “Fancy Aston Villa beating Arsenal twice.”

The secret came out a few weeks ago when he and Arthur Jones, Consumers' Accounts Supervisor, collected £28 sterling from an English football pool.

Planner Lord Citrine, former Chairman of the Central Electricity Authority, was greatly impressed during his recent tour by the farsighted town planning in Yallourn.

One of the S.E.C. officers impressed long ago by the Latrobe Valley town planning possibilities is Mr. A. N. Mercer, Office Engineer, Coal Production Branch, who won the Diploma in Town and Regional Planning after four years' part-time study at Melbourne University. This admitted him to membership of the Australian Planning Institute, and now he has been elected an Associate Member of the Town Planning Institute, London. There are only about thirty members of this body in Victoria.

Mr. Mercer lectures at the University on national resources surveys and project development, with special reference to the Commission's work in the Latrobe Valley.

TRIPLETS CHRISTENED



A happy family group after the Morris triplets had been christened. Morry married Mila in Italy during a European tour, and is now working in the radio laboratory, Richmond. The babies born November 1 in Melbourne are Karin, Frank and Peter.



Mr. L. R. Given

Amenities man at U.N. Conference

"Getting to know you" is a popular song with a social significance.

One of many applications of the idea was seen at Menangle, New South Wales, during the first two weeks in January when the Youth Panel of the Australian National Council for Unesco held a residential seminar for youth leaders. The theme, "Young People in Their Daily Work," was discussed from many angles by forty-six men and women from fifteen countries — fourteen of them Asian.

From welfare offices, trade unions, universities and executive groups, from India, Malaya, Japan, China, Thailand, Ceylon, Burma among the rest, they converged on the conference centre — and with them was Mr. L. R. (Mick) Given, of Amenities and Welfare Branch, the nominated S.E.C. representative.

A sea-going Navy man during the war, Mick has had a great deal to do with problems of human relations and employee welfare among returned servicemen, migrants, the Commission staff and the thirty-six Social League Clubs. He chose to deal principally with changing human relationships, and this group came to the final conclusion that human relationships are the product of the system which co-ordinates the workers.

COMMISSIONER RE-APPOINTED

Mr. A. W. Henderson has been re-appointed a part-time Commissioner for a further three years from January 1. He has been a Commissioner since December, 1945, and prominent in trade union affairs for many years.

Lord Citrine sees projects

Lord Citrine, formerly Chairman of the Central Electricity Authority in Britain and previously general secretary of the Trade Union Congress, cast an expert eye over the S.E.C. projects at Kiewa, Yallourn and Morwell at the beginning of the year and was impressed by our "remarkable development."

He flew from Sydney to Corowa, in northern Victoria, and was welcomed by the Chairman, Mr. W. H. Connolly, who accompanied him to Kiewa.

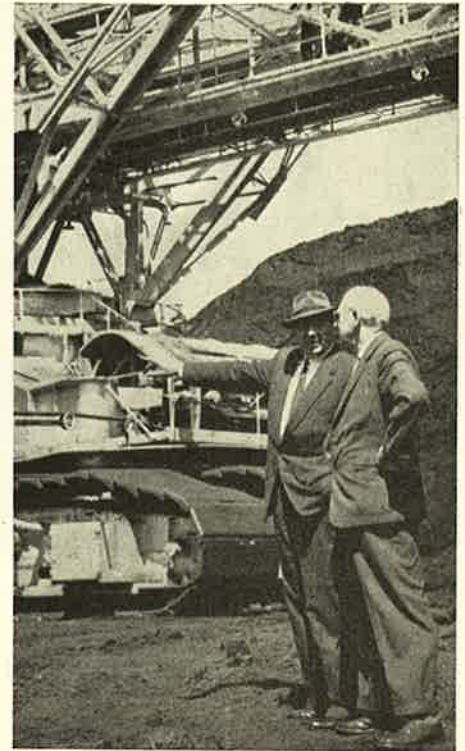
"The Latrobe Valley brown coal seams are easily the thickest I have ever seen," he commented.

He did not think the Latrobe Valley was at all like the Ruhr, which had plenty of industries and power, but lacked well planned towns like Yallourn and Morwell.



Sir William Leggatt, Agent-General for Victoria in London, inspected the Yallourn and Morwell undertakings early in February.

He was shown the works areas by the General Superintendent, Briga-



Project Manager, Mr. J. W. Schulz, explains the Morwell open cut to Lord Citrine.

dier J. Field, and Morwell Project Manager, Mr. J. W. Schulz.

Sir Eric Harrison, High Commissioner for Australia in London, also visited Yallourn and Morwell later in February. He was accompanied by Mr. A. J. Fraser, M.L.A. (in the absence of the Minister of Electrical Undertakings, Mr. G. O. Reid, M.L.A.), and the Assistant General Manager, Mr. W. J. Price.

Power came for old home's centenary

Set in the pretty valley of the Wannon, the homestead of Murndal is a proud link with Victoria's pioneering days. The library is the original bluestone hut erected in 1838 by Samuel Pratt Winter, who decided to try his luck on 20,000 acres in the Western District.

His family celebrated the centenary by switching on S.E.C. power supplied through the £14,500 Wannon River-Murndal "self-help" extension. Mrs. Winter-Cooke was so delighted she ran up the flag and entertained the S.E.C. gang at lunch in the dining room, which is still furnished as it was seventy years ago.

The first switch-on ceremony of the year was performed on January 9 by Mrs. Bolte, wife of the Premier, at a ball in Meredith, 26 miles north of Geelong. The Premier's own property is situated in this rich pastoral district, and the £75,000 extension was financed mainly under the Commission's "self-help" scheme, to which Mr Bolte contributed.

Among other centres connected to the State supply system are Goroke and Gymbowen, in the Wimmera; Caniambo, 20 miles from Violet Town; Lyonville and Littlehampton, in the Ballarat district; Tynong North, east of Pakenham; Mitre, near Natimuk; Balliang East; Waarre.



Mr. Watson cracks a joke with Mr. Connolly, Mr. Price and Mr. Ballard before he leaves.

Warm tributes to Mr. R. M. Watson

Warm tributes were paid at the farewell to Mr. R. M. Watson for the manner in which he had, as Fuel Supply Manager for almost 30 years, maintained the unity and morale of his Department despite the many vicissitudes briquetting had suffered.

Mr. Watson, who retired on December 27, was farewelled on December 17 in the luncheon room. Tributes were paid by the Chairman, Mr. W. H. Connolly; the Assistant General Manager, Mr. W. J. Price; and Mr. W. B. Ballard, Mr. Watson's successor.

READ'S 'HELLO GIRL' WEDS



Civil Branch friends gave their telephone operator, Miss Betty Lilburne, a dinner service when she left for her wedding to Bill Johnstone, clerk to 16 Construction Regt.

Mr. Connolly presented Mr. Watson with a cheque from his friends in the Commission, and said it was Mr. Watson's intention to supplement the gift to buy a television set.

Mr. Ballard expressed the loss the Fuel Supply Department felt on Mr. Watson's retirement. In nine years with the Commission he had learned a tremendous amount on marketing, due mainly to Mr. Watson.

Mr. Price said that, in gathering to honour Mr. Watson's service and his qualities as a colleague, their feelings were very real. The 30 years Mr. Watson had been head of Fuel Supply had not been easy ones.

It took no ordinary man to keep the Fuel Supply staff together, but Mr. Watson did just that. His influence and leadership were a force which bound, and would continue to bind, the Department.

Mr. Price recalled that he and another had been given the task of choosing a man for the Fuel Supply Department, and the late Professor Gordon Wood, whom he knew, had said: "You will find Bob Watson very competent, energetic and high spirited." How right he had been.

One field in which Mr. Watson had been able to keep the S.E.C. to the fore was in the domestic market for briquettes, where it had been no easy task for him to hold together his distributors, comprising some 600 fuel merchants. It had been borne

home to him in the war period how high was the regard held for Bob Watson by all connected with the fuel industry.

Mr. Price paid a tribute to Mrs. Watson for the help she had given her husband, and wished them both good health and happiness.

Mr. Connolly said that, while there was an aspect of sadness in saying good-bye to one who had served so long, it was very pleasing for their guest of honour to see so many of his friends gathered in "Watson Chambers." Such was his personality that earlier in the year, when the Prime Minister visited Yallourn and Morwell, the only officer he asked about was "my friend Bob Watson."

Mr. Watson's services had been greatly appreciated by the Commission and this had been recorded in a Commission minute.

The responsibilities accepted by Mr. Watson were considerable, and as well he had laid the foundations for the selling programme for the output of the new Morwell factories.

Mr. Watson, expressing his thanks to the speakers, said he felt it was very appropriate that Mr. Price should have spoken that afternoon, as he had been one of a panel of two who had selected him.

So far as his position as Fuel Supply Manager was concerned, Mr. Watson said, he had regarded this not so much as a way of earning a living but as "a way of life." He wished Mr. Ballard every success.

MORWELL'S FIRST CLERK



Mr. A. C. Hughston, Assistant Project Manager, Morwell, presented a lamp standard and extended everyone's good wishes to Mr. J. A. Vary, the first clerk appointed to Morwell. He was Records Clerk from 1950; is now in Head Office Records Section.

Manager moves from Bendigo to Colac

Space was at a premium in the office of the Manager, North Western Region, when Bendigo Branch staff farewelled the Branch Manager on January 13.

Mr. J. N. Sutherland congratulated Mr. T. J. Curtin on his promotion to the South Western Branch and said he had found him an able administrator and excellent Manager.

Thanking his friends for a wallet of notes presented by Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Curtin said he had always tried to be impartial.

Opportunity was taken at this function to welcome the incoming Branch Manager, Mr. A. C. Sandow, from Mildura.

Mr. Curtin was also the guest of senior members of the staff at dinner.

BENDIGO DEPARTURES

Mr. John Vitlin, surveyor, Bendigo Branch, received an electric frypan when he left for an interstate job. He worked previously at Yallourn. Tributes were paid to him by the Distribution Engineer, Mr. I. F. Pellas, and other officers.

Mr. W. G. Smith, Installation Inspector, also received an electric frypan when he left for his new post as Reticulation Officer, Morwell.

OFF TO NAVY

Geoff Kerr, trainee meter tester, was presented with a brush and comb set on his departure from Ballarat Branch on January 30, when the laboratory was crowded with friends wishing his good luck in the Royal Australian Navy, which he joined a few days later.

N. Martin, S. Zbikowski, T. James, N. Hill, M. Sweeney and C. Rankin.



Veterans' re-union at Mr. Atchison's farewell: Messrs. H. S. Martin, W. Parrish, W. F. Atchison, J. Nankervis, V. Hasting, G. Foster and J. Hamond. They are all retired now.

Richmond honours an old identity

Mr. W. F. Atchison, Superintendent, Electrical Maintenance, Works Division, retired on New Year's Day after 34 years in the Commission. An informal buffet dinner was given in his honour on December 22 by staff colleagues from many sections.

The Works Manager, Mr. R. H. Dixon, presided, and Mr. W. Thorn, Engineer for Production, and Mr. E. W. Bryceson, Transport Engineer, both of whom were closely associated with Mr. Atchison, supported the toast to their guest. They referred to the outstanding loyalty and co-operation given by Mr. Atchison, and the capable and painstaking way he had carried out his duties.

On Christmas Eve, Mr. Atchison was farewelled at a large gathering of Richmond area personnel and others who had worked with him.

Mr. C. G. Anderson, Building Superintendent; Mr. P. A. Carter and Mr. A. G. Watson expressed their appreciation of the long and pleasurable association they had had with Mr. Atchison.

Mr. R. H. Dixon said he had the highest regard for their guest, both as an engineer, a colleague and a

friend. He presented Mr. Atchison with a portable radio and a marcasite brooch for Mrs. Atchison.

Mr. Atchison, thanking everyone who had given him such a memorable farewell, praised the co-operation he had always received.

Newport Farewells

Newport Power Station Superintendent, Mr. W. McRitchie, introduced seven men at the annual break-up party who were to receive parting gifts from the Helping Hand organisation, and Mr. Charles Rankin made the presentations to:—

Thomas James, who started at Yallourn; turbine plant attendant, Newport, now Head Office liftman following operation.

Stefan Zbikowski, maintenance section, now on Rubicon House clerical staff.

Noel Martin, storeman, who has joined the patrol staff.

Leslie Conn, operational section, who is 65 years young, but had reached retiring age.

Michael Sweeney, maintenance section, who has also reached 65.

Henry (Dick) Hince, who started at Newport with the Victorian Railways, but retired because of ill health.

Norman Hill, maintenance section boilermaker, who has left.

TRIBUTE TO CLEANER

When Mr. J. A. King, a cleaner in Works Division General Services Section, retired on December 12, a presentation was made in the central luncheon room. Mr. R. H. Dixon, Works Manager, presided, and Mr. King received a wallet of notes.

HE PIONEERED THE NORTH EAST

One of the best known men in the Commission, Mr. R. G. Crivelli, retired on January 14. He started as a junior assistant engineer at Head Office in January, 1922, and was for the last 33 years Manager of the North Eastern Branch.

Benalla Memorial Hall — beautifully decorated by the girls on the staff and wives of officers — was crowded with local friends and colleagues from all over the State, many of them formerly stationed in the Branch area.



Mr. Archer (L.) hands the silver water jug with best wishes to Mr. Crivelli.

The Office Manager, Mr. L. A. Sayers, who presided, read many apologies from other friends.

Mr. J. H. Archer, the new Branch Manager, presented a silver water jug and a wallet of notes as a small token of everyone's warm regard.

The Assistant General Manager, Mr. W. J. Price, offered another apology — from the Chairman, Mr. W. H. Connolly, a Benalla man, who was kept away by duties.

Mr. Price said the Chairman, Commissioners and himself regarded this as a momentous occasion. He had known Mr. Crivelli since he joined them in 1922 with a brilliant academic and war record. As an artillery officer in France he won the Legion of Honour and Croix de Guerre. Graduating in electrical engineering at Melbourne, he won the Dixon Scholarship and later

earned the second Master's degree in electrical engineering awarded in Melbourne.

In the north-east he had truly pioneered for the S.E.C. When he went to Benalla things began to move. He took up quarters in the Shire Hall, and the first typist was Miss Peggy Thwaites, who later married Mr. J. N. Sutherland, now Manager, North-West Region.

In February, 1926, the first transmitted supply to Wahgunyah was switched on by the late Sir John Monash. Then came the supply tariffs, and Mr. Crivelli's 1923 Gippsland experience under Con Crowley was brought to bear in Benalla. Much thought and time was devoted to-day to "self-help," but in 1930 their guest had secured a large share of "self-help" for Benalla. Thirty-six local subscribers provided £7,500 for Benalla offices.

Mr. Crivelli had many exciting days before the last war brought new duties. He had always taken a continued interest in affairs outside the Commission. Benalla Sewerage Trust and the R.S.L. had much to thank him for.

Mr. Price quoted a Commission minute recording the high appreciation of Mr. Crivelli's service, and ex-

pressed the hope that Mr. and Mrs. Crivelli would be given the health to make come true the good wishes of the Commissioners.

Mr. K. L. Murray, Acting Engineer and Manager, Electricity Supply, said he expressed the very best wishes of Mr. Keith Sutherland, who was leaving for abroad that day, and thousands of men and women all over Victoria.

Mr. Crivelli had the special ability to understand men. He had given great service to this State and was highly regarded by men of all ranks. Never before had there been such a gathering of S.E.C. people.

Mr. J. H. Archer said his first contact with Mr. Crivelli was about September, 1926, when he took him to Rutherglen as Officer-in-Charge. Mr. Crivelli had always given his officers freedom of thought and freedom to use initiative. They were grateful.

Further tributes and thanks were offered by Mr. Claude Woolley, who is in charge of the Staff and Social Benefits Association founded by Mr. Crivelli in 1935; and by Mr. Roy Irwin, retired Distribution Engineer.

Mr. Crivelli, thanking all for the generous tributes and beautiful gift, said he left with the knowledge that no man had ever let him down. He would not be happy unless all the kind remarks were shared by all.

48 YEARS IN ELECTRICITY SUPPLY INDUSTRY

Few men can claim to have served the electricity supply industry for 48 years. Jim Noble, leading-hand linesman in District No. 5 for forty years, was one of them, and when he retired last December the depot garage was crowded with friends from all over the metropolitan area and elsewhere. Mr. R. Whelan, acting Assistant District

Superintendent at the time, and Mr. Rex Job, for the Social Club, made a joint presentation. Mr. A. Poustie, Assistant Distribution Engineer, conveyed Mr. R. Minchinton's praise of Jim's good work. Tributes were added by Messrs. Bob Coote, Jack Parrish, Charlie Hutchinson, Arthur Pickering and Clarrie Downes.



They will retire soon

The following personnel with ten years' service and over will be retiring on the dates indicated. Their first appointments are also shown.

- ANDERSON, R., Yallourn electrical fitter, April 10; Yallourn labourer, July, 1930.
 BOSWELL, J., Electrical Operations skilled labourer, April 30; E.S.D. office cleaner, December, 1943.
 CHURCHILL, J. A. B., Officer-in-Charge, Beechworth, April 12; joined Beechworth undertaking in 1927.
 COUPER, P. F., mechanical fitter, Newport P.S., April 19; same, June, 1948.
 DAVIS, L., E.S.D. lines assistant, April 27; E.S.D. labourer, March, 1944.
 EBSWORTH, J., l.h. shovel operator, Yallourn, March 21; dragline operator, Yallourn, September, 1923.
 GALES, Mrs. M. H., machine operator, Internal Audit, April 26; Administration, H.O., December, 1948.
 HAMILTON, S. W., Manager, Eastern Metro. Branch, April 10; electrical draftsman, H.O., June, 1921.
 HANKINSON, A. E., telephone operator, Electrical Operations, March 29; labourer, October, 1934.
 HULL, W., l.h. fitter, Kiewa, March 22; Kiewa plant attendant, July, 1940.
 JORDAN, C. J., laboratory assistant, E.S.D., April 5; meter tester, June, 1927.
 LUCAS, F. N., Yallourn greaser, April 8; Yallourn labourer, May, 1922.
 McCORMICK, J. P., Yallourn storeman, April 17; Yallourn labourer, September, 1923.
 MORRIS, T. J., Newport fitter, March 25; operations fitter, October, 1944.
 PUNTON, R. A. H., l.h. motor mechanic, Transport, April 26; Rubicon driver, December, 1929.
 RUSSELL, W., Geelong trades assistant, April 10; Geelong shed assistant, March, 1928.
 STEBBING, E. R., E.S.D. pole inspector, April 12; E.S.D. labourer, June, 1924.
 WILLIAMS, J. H. R. E., l.h. painter, Operations, April 13; Yarraville painter, February, 1923.
 WILLMOTT, H. J., first aid attendant, Electrical Branch, April 27; machinist, Yarraville T.S., April, 1938.

Wishing Mr. Christopher (C.) happy days are Messrs. F. K. White, T. P. Pringle, W. McRitchie, S. W. Davies, J. Whitehouse, T. B. Jensen, P. Ashmead.



Underground Mains friends join Mr. McLellan in wishing W. M. Taggart happy retirement.

U.M.E. VETERAN SERVED 35 YEARS

His Electrical Branch friends certainly gave U.M.E. driver, Mr. W. M. Taggart, something to remember in the way of farewells. He was on the job for over 35 years, and was given a complimentary dinner as well as a Footscray presentation.

The Underground Mains Engineer, Mr. W. G. McLellan, presented him with an electric razor and electric fan in the presence of all the Section personnel, and on their behalf wished him every happiness.

The highlight of the evening social was the presentation by Mr. Bert Wilson of a model truck with a load

PERSONNEL DAY OUT

Personnel Department had a merry time at their Mornington picnic on December 14. About 120 adults and children rallied for the morning races, and there was keen competition among the youngsters for prizes presented by the Manager, Personnel Department, Mr. Noel Cooke.

of posts and rails which used to be the guest's chief worry.

Mr. E. Williams recalled that Mr. Taggart drove the first gas producer truck used by the S.E.C. Other tributes and recollections were added by Messrs. W. Matthews, T. Olgiate and F. Jones.

Old hand leaves Yallourn

Yallourn lost one of its old identities when Mr. C. H. Christopher, engineering assistant, General Electrical Services, retired after 35 years' service which started on the wages staff. He became a first class operator, then Assistant Electrical Maintenance Officer in 1935.

Mr. Christopher had a wide knowledge of the electrical services at Yallourn and was always a great help to various senior officers who had been in control during his service. His colleagues also held him in high esteem and joined in wishing him long life, health and happiness.

Many old friends travelled from Melbourne to join the big gathering which saw Mr. T. B. Jensen, in the unavoidable absence of the General Superintendent, present Charlie with a portable radio and three books on ships, a subject of which he is an authority. He also received an album of pictures showing the development of Yallourn open cut, and this was autographed by all present.

Chairman for the evening was Mr. Keith Lawton, who asked Messrs. R. Stevens, M. McLaren, W. McRitchie, S. W. Davies and F. White to add their tributes to an old friend.





METRO 'GOOD LUCK'

Harry Were closes the book for the last time in Collections, Metro. Branch, after 31 years on that job. He has not had the best of health in recent months, and his friends wish him better luck in retirement. Superintendent of Collections, Mr. D. B. Montgomerie, presented him with a wallet of notes and thanked him for his work, starting in Consumers' Accounts in 1924.

GEELONG VETERANS GO

More than 34 years' service as a fitter at Geelong with Melbourne Electric Supply Co. and the S.E.C. ended on January 23 when Mr. William Hunter retired. Bill has known the district since September 3, 1924, and has seen all the major changes in the electricity supply industry.

Bill made a host of friends in the Geelong Branch and there was a large gathering to hear the Works Superintendent, Mr. F. J. Ponting, convey their good wishes for a happy retirement. To lighten his many leisure hours they gave him a portable radio.



Leading-hand motor mechanic Dawson F. Gillies retired on January 29 after more than 22 years in the S.E.C., mostly in Geelong. He spent one year in South Western Branch as acting Transport Maintenance Foreman. Just before his retirement he relieved as first aid attendant. Mr. Ponting presented him with a wallet of notes and wished him a long and contented retirement.

His job was too hot

Yallourn Civil Construction identity Joe Farrell remembers bush fire and flood, but on one occasion at least the job was too hot for him to hold. He was helping to erect the steel top on the tall briquette chimney on "Black Friday," January 13, 1939, when all Victoria seemed in flames. The wind was too strong for them, but the ladder was also too hot, and the men had to be lowered to the ground in a cage.

He lost his left arm in 1948 and spent the next ten years looking after the depot canteen, a job he enjoyed. Now he has retired after 23 years, and his friends subscribed a wallet of notes which Mr. Jack Fitzgerald presented in the absence of Mr. R. Norden, who also held him in the highest esteem.

HIS 34 YEARS WERE 'LIKE A DAY'

Yallourn Station Efficiency Engineer, Mr. Cecil Smith, was on the job for thirty-five years, but when he retired in January he confessed: "It seems only yesterday that I started. Life goes along very quickly."

Brigadier J. Field, General Superintendent, gave him a gold watch as a memento of many years' happy association with such a large section of the community, and thanked him for his unwavering readiness to get a job done and help others.

The Power Station Superintendent, Mr. C. J. Habich, also paid tribute to Mr. Smith's fine work and recalled that he first appeared in Yallourn

Old friends gather for a parting word with Yallourn veteran engineer, Cecil Smith.



GIFT FOR BRIDEGROOM

Mr. Morris Williams, Coal Production foreman, Morwell, receives a mirror from Mr. J. Tulloch, Plant Maintenance Superintendent, on the eve of his wedding to Miss Denise Vinall, of Morwell.

in 1924, a year after he joined.

Mr. W. Graham, the new Station Efficiency Engineer, and an old colleague, Mr. George Evans, added their good wishes and regretted losing such a stalwart friend.

GIPPSLAND MOVES

Mr. D. H. Lyons, Installation Inspector, Morwell, who has transferred to Bendigo, was given a barometer by staff and wages personnel.

Mr. J. E. Makepeace, Probationary Assistant Officer-in-Charge, Morwell, before leaving to continue his training at San Remo, was presented with a cigarette case and lighter.

A clerk in the District Office, Moe, Mr. Kevin Bolger has been appointed Senior Clerk at Wangaratta. The Officer-in-Charge, Mr. John Carter, congratulated Kevin, who received a travelling clock.



Athletic Club basketballers at practice: Frank Snashall, Yarraville Lab., President; Hugh Gibson, Richmond D.O.; Eric Corkhill, Automotive Purchasing, Transport, Secretary; John Ashby, Construction, Footscray. Other member, Max Williams, Rubicon House.



Head Office basketballers plan their tactics: Peter Blyth, Secretary; Peter Atkinson, Kenton Smith, Staff Branch; Colin Smith, Pay; John Ballard, Claims; Rod Slater, Plumbing; Steve Pagram, Staff, was in camp.

Four teams fight for cricket pennant

The semi-finalists in the Social League cricket competition were Head Office v. Flinders St. and Yarraville v. Greensborough. These matches were played on March 1 and the final two weeks later at Fawkner Park.

Head Office was trying to win its third successive flag.

An added attraction this year is that the League will award one batting and one bowling trophy for home-and-away games.

(STOP PRESS: Head Office, 5-130 d. Flinders St., 126; Yarraville, 5-119 d. Greensborough, 105.)

ONE TEST THEY WIN!

Once again England was too strong for Australia in the Fishermen's Bend series of carpet bowls Tests. The team led by Jack Collett — C. Hall, H. Smith, H. Caughey and H. Jones — led by four games to one drawn.

Geof Corp, captain of the Australian side, thanked their opponents for a sporting series.

OFF TO BALLARAT

Geelong Office Manager, Mr. W. R. Camigli, presented a writing compendium to Miss Doreen Irving, of Correspondence Section, and wished her every success in her new post in Ballarat Branch.

S-E-C BOWLERS VISIT ALMA CLUB

Eight rinks of Commission bowlers accepted an invitation from the Alma Club in Caulfield on January 29 and a most enjoyable night ended with the visitors winning by 147 to 125. The Assistant General Manager, Mr. W. J. Price, responded to the welcome and thanked the club for its excellent hospitality.

Mr. Tom Mitchell, Payrolls Section, a member of the Alma Club, was instrumental in arranging the night, and played for the S.E.C. Winner of the visitors' trophy was Mr. A. Trevallyn, Transport Branch, and in the winning S.E.C. rink were Messrs. A. A. Jones, Electrical Inspection Branch (captain); H. A. McKittrick, Drafting Branch; W. Johnson, Generation Branch; and A. Trevallyn.

GOLF DAY AT WARRAGUL

Organised by Gippsland Branch personnel on behalf of the Social League, the annual S.E.C. Golf Tournament was held on December 6 at Warragul Golf Course.

Men. S.E.C. Championship: E. V. Williams, Yallourn, net 78; 18 Holes Handicap: M. Jobson, Richmond, 81-24, 57; 9 Holes Handicap (In): R. Lock, Yallourn, net 33½, (Out) R. Cope, Warragul, net 32.

Ladies: 18 Holes Scratch: Mrs. N. King, Yallourn, net 95; 18 Holes Handicap: Mrs. Nobellius, Warragul, 105-36, 69; 9 Holes Secret Nine: Mrs. Freeman, Warragul, net 31½.

Other players making up the rinks were Messrs. D. H. Munro, Secretary; W. Wilson, Design and Construction; W. B. Ballard and J. Nicholl, Fuel Supply Department; E. F. Cresswell, S. Evans and W. Underwood, Yarraville; E. Burgess, A. Lynch, G. B. Williams, B. Lauritz, E.S.D.; K. McDonald, Payrolls Section; A. E. Buckland, E. D. Barton, J. Patton, Electrical Inspection Branch; P. Dunstan, S.E.C.O.A.; W. McRitchie, Newport Power Station Superintendent; L. H. Lorimer, Electrical Branch; W. H. Finlayson, Briquette Production; T. W. Martin, Coal Production; H. A. Lorback, Safety Branch; L. C. Kemp, Drafting Branch; J. H. Willcox and I. G. McDonald, Internal Audit Branch; S. A. Clarke, Costs and Book-keeping; R. McLaren, Accounts and Contracts.

YALLOURN BATTINGTON

To help Commission people to get together in the evenings, a Battington competition was organised by Stan Abbott, of Yallourn Central Workshops. Competing were four Workshops teams, one Transport and one Y.M.C.A.

The grand final was won 5-2 by Y.M.C.A., led by B. Bertoli, from "C" Shift team, captained by R. Meredith. All the players were indebted to Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Hanson, who organised refreshments each night.

MOTOR-CYCLE CHAMPION

Wesley Brown, of Transport Branch, Fishermen's Bend, won the Victorian Junior Side-car Championship on Australia Day in the combined car and motor-cycle Grand Prix meeting on Phillip Island.

This followed his novice side-car win at Fishermen's Bend last December at a meeting to help South Melbourne Community Chest.



We don't know how they had the wind to blow these after all the good things provided at the Rooney Street party.



Santa kept a benevolent eye on Fishermen's Bend youngsters.

The children chased all their troubles away

The old year vanished in a swirl of parties and the New Year came in with a light heart.

Fishermen's Bend was busy as usual with the Christmas dinner and children's party. Cliff Page was M.C. at the dinner, which was enjoyed by nearly 300. Entertainment was provided by Wes Brown, Eric Garland, Ray Morgan, Bob Brown, Barry Hislop, George Angelus, Tod Farrell, Jack Perry and Johnny Summers.

Veteran war nurses were happy guests at the R.S.L. party in Batman Avenue, where the children brought them presents.

There were 350 youngsters at the party, and the Social Committee is grateful to the ladies for their great help. Father Christmas arrived on a gaily decorated fork truck to distribute the presents. Club President Arthur Whyte thanked the Transport Engineer, Mr. E. Bryceson, for the facilities in the area.

Civil Branch party at Prahran Town Hall was voted the best yet, and the Social Committee is proud of itself. There were about 250 guests, and the show was compered by Bill Elliott. Entertainment was provided by John Oldham, of Coal Production; Bill Lewis, of Flinders Street; Barry Graham and Jeff Crouch, of Civil Branch.

The Civil Engineer, Mr. G. Paterson, said the close co-operation and efficiency of the staff had resulted in another successful year. He wished all the best of luck for 1959.





Thanks to Sid Bysouth, who made this miniature train available, and the organisers, the children had a wonderful time at Yarraville.

ROUND-UP OF COMMISSION KIDDIES' BREAK-UP PARTIES



Young Diane Rash wasn't worrying about ice-cream at Rooney Street. She much preferred a bottle supplied by her father, H. G. Rash.

Depot No. 5 really laid it on in William St. lunch room. When the big hand-out started, Father Christmas was busy satisfying the children's eager demands.



OBITUARY

MR. C. H. KERNOT

Mr. Charles Home Kernot, aged 73, former Chief Engineer of the Commission, died suddenly at his East St. Kilda home on December 29. He retired on December 31, 1950, after a distinguished career covering thirty years, and to his notable engineering achievements he added in later years a keen practical interest in the work of the Social League as a Commission representative on the Council.

One of a distinguished family, he was a past chairman of the Melbourne Division of the Institute of Engineers, and was awarded the Kernot Memorial Medal in 1951.

He came to the S.E.C. in 1920 from the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, with which he was an executive engineer. He became closely associated with all our major projects. After five years as Construction Engineer at Yallourn in the earliest days, he was appointed Acting General Superintendent while the late Mr. J. M. Bridge was overseas.

The Sugarloaf-Rubicon hydro-electric project was his next responsibility before becoming in July, 1939, Chief Construction Engineer in the then Power Production Department. He played a leading part in the Kiewa scheme and went to the United States to study geological conditions and tunnelling work connected with the supply of water from Boulder Dam. He was appointed Chief Engineer in January, 1950, after being Deputy for more than two years.

Mr. Kernot leaves a widow and two children.

MR. A. C. CHAMPION

Mr. Alan Coultra Champion, who was Office Manager, Geelong, when he retired in March, 1953, died on November 18 last, aged 70. He joined the S.E.C. on September 4, 1922, the day it first retailed electricity when it took over the North Melbourne Company. He started as a bookkeeper at Essendon, served at Traralgon, then at Colac and Geelong as Accountant and Office Manager.

Mr. Champion leaves a widow, a son and daughter who married Mr. R. G. Crivelli, then Manager of the North Eastern Branch.

MR. L. A. CUNNINGTON

Mr. Leonard Alfred Cunnington was 64 when he died on January 4 following a coronary occlusion. He retired through ill health at Christmas, 1957, twelve months after taking over as Purchasing Officer, but was later re-employed on a part-time basis.

It was typical of his quiet, unassuming manner that he asked to be allowed to retire without a public farewell, although in his 35 years with the Commission he had won the esteem of senior officers and staff everywhere, and so many wished to express their thanks for unstinted help and inspiration.

He became Assistant Purchasing Officer in 1928 and was Acting Purchasing Officer

for 2½ years. A Commission Minute said: "At all times he applied himself to the interests of the Commission both zealously and conscientiously."

He is survived by his widow.

MISS E. BEVAN

Miss Ella Bevan, aged 52, an office cleaner for 18 years in the North Eastern Branch at Benalla, died suddenly after a short illness on December 15 last.

She is survived by her father.

MR. W. H. VIVIAN

Mr. Walter Herbert Vivian, J.P., who retired in January, 1956, died on January 18. He was with the Commission for thirteen years and was well known throughout the metropolitan area for his untiring work for the S.E.C. Sub-Branch of the R.S.L.

After working in Personnel Department he moved as a clerical officer to general Accounts in 1946, then to the Chief Paymaster's Branch five years later.

Mr. Vivian is survived by his widow.

MR. S. S. GRAVENER

Mr. Samuel Setford Gravener, formerly Control Engineer, Metropolitan Branch, died on November 8. He was 75, and retired in July, 1948. He spent 37 years with the Melbourne Electric Supply Co. and the Commission, and many tributes were paid to him when he left.

He leaves a widow, son and daughter.

MR. O. R. S. BEWS

Mr. Oswyn Raymond Swan Bews, who started in Geelong Branch as a carpenter in May, 1935, and later became a pattern maker, died at his home in the early hours of December 23, the day after he retired from the Commission.

He was well known to Commission personnel in the Branch area and had the capacity of making many friends who had been wishing him a long and happy retirement only the night before his tragic death.

He leaves a widow and adult son.

MR. G. V. CROOK

Mr. Gordon Victor Crook, Geelong Branch linesman, died on January 30 after a long illness. He was 57 and had been with Melbourne Electric Supply Co. and the Commission for 32 years. He started as a linesman's labourer at Geelong, turned to tramways overhead lines in 1934 and continued on this work until Geelong trams stopped running in 1956.

He leaves a widow, a married daughter and two adult sons.

MR. W. J. A. HIAM

Mr. William James Axton Hiam, Assistant Estate Officer since October, 1948, died on January 4. He was 53. After a serious operation last August, he returned to work in October and was at his desk on Christmas Eve.

A Fellow of the Commonwealth Institute of Valuers and a sworn valuer, Mr. Hiam was Lands Officer with the Victorian Rail-

ways before coming to the S.E.C., and was on loan for nearly three years to the Crown Law Department.

He was known everywhere for his cheerful outlook and his readiness to help anyone at any time.

Mr. Hiam leaves a widow and a son.

MR. E. H. TUCKER

Mr. Edmund Hamilton Tucker, an inspector with the Mechanical Engineering Section, Works Division, died from a lung complaint in the Royal Melbourne Hospital on December 16. He was 58, and had given 22 years' faithful service.

He acted for seven years as assistant secretary to the E.S.(M.) Sick Fund.

Mr. Tucker is survived by a widow and young daughter.

MR. L. E. FERRIS

Mr. Lyle Edgar Ferris, Assistant Power and Heating Engineer, Electrical Development Division, died in hospital of a liver complaint on December 6 last. He was 64 and had been with the Commission since October 3, 1949.

A First World War gunner, he was Electrical Engineer with Albury supply service for more than twenty years and brought to Melbourne a reputation as a modest and very capable engineer who won the admiration and ready support of all who worked with him.

He is survived by his widow.

MR. K. McD. HAIR

Mr. Keith McDonald Hair, formerly Station Operations Engineer, Yallourn, died in Yallourn Hospital of a coronary occlusion on December 10 after being in ill health for a long time. He was 55 and had been with the Commission since June, 1930, when he arrived in the town "for three months only."

In those 28 years he earned the respect and admiration of all sections of the community as well as his colleagues in the S.E.C. A notable tennis player in his younger days, he later turned to golf and made his mark in that game as a player and organiser. Yallourn Bowling Club also regarded him as a useful member.

He leaves a widow and an adult son.

MR. R. T. C. VALE

Mr. Rupert Thomas Cook Vale, who retired from the Internal Audit Branch in November, 1948, died on December 27. He came to the S.E.C. in 1928 and was in the Eastern Metropolitan Branch for about 17 years before transferring from Frankston.

He is survived by a son, stepson and two stepdaughters.

MR. S. R. DENNIS

Mr. Stanley Roy Dennis, formerly Traffic Inspector, Bendigo Tramways, who retired at the end of December, 1957, after forty-one years' service, died on December 13 last. His popularity and knowledge of the work brought many tributes from senior officers as well as fellow tramwaymen. He first joined the Electric Supply Co. of Victoria in 1912.

A widower, Mr. Dennis is survived by one son.



Head Office Librarian, Miss D. Garrett (L) joins the staff in admiring the necklace and ear rings presented by Mr. G. Baragwanath to Miss Beverley Yeomans, who has left the Commission. A popular figure in William St., everyone wishes her a successful future.

ENGAGEMENTS

CAREW, Miss M. (Administration, Metro.), to Mr. C. R. Brennan.
 COFFEY, Miss A. (Eastern Metro.), to Mr. B. Leay, of Glenaroua, via Kilmore.
 HOLDEN, Miss Judy (E.S.D. Library), to Mr. Dale Phillips.
 HOWELL, Mr. M. L. (Methods Branch), to Miss B. Crawford, of Elsternwick.
 HUGHES, Mr. Ian A. (Transport, F.B.), to Miss Beverley Painter, of Bendigo.
 KEE, Mr. Kenneth G. (Operations, Metro.), to Miss Aldyth Townley, of Ashburton.
 MITCHELL, Miss J. (Eastern Metro.), to Mr. M. Pearson, of Mordialloc.
 NORTHFIELD, Miss Margaret A. (Correspondence, Geelong), to Mr. W. J. Woodhead, of Sydney.
 PECK, Miss Hazel (Benalla), to Mr. Barry Mathieson.
 RALPH, Miss Jewell (Typists, Footscray), to Mr. Q. Coia, of Richmond.
 WINES, Mr. Roy M. (Accounting, Geelong), to Miss S. Sutcliffe, of Hobart.

MARRIAGES

CROMPTON, Miss Edith E. (Accounting, Geelong), to Mr. Kevin Leach, of Geelong.
 DAVEY, Mr. John G. (Telephones, E.S.D.), to Miss Pauline Rowe.
 DUNN, Mr. Alan B. (Distribution, Bendigo), to Miss Judith Miriam Llewellyn, of Bendigo.
 FOX, Miss L. (Consumers' Accounts, Metro.), to Mr. P. J. Wiess.
 GRUNDELL, Mr. R. (Ballarat), to Miss Joan Bawden.
 HOLMES, Mr. R. H. (Generation, Ballarat), to Miss Rosemary Farren, of Mt. Clear.
 JONES, Mr. A. (Eastern Metro.) to M. Milte, of Geelong.
 McMAHON, Mr. J. (Internal Audit), to Miss June Sutton, on January 17.
 McWILLIAM, Mr. A. (Ballarat Tramways), to Miss M. Morris, on January 31.
 MOTTRAM, Mr. L. H. (Services, Metro.), to Miss A. Nichols.
 PETERSON, Miss M. (Eastern Metro.), to Mr. G. Floate, of Langwarrin.
 POOLE, Miss Thelma (Filing, Metro.), to Mr. Franz Bakker.
 REID, Miss J. (Eastern Metro.), to Mr. G. N. Makinson, of Guildford, New South Wales.
 SMILGA, Miss S. (Distribution, Metro.), to Mr. M. Adamovskis.
 STILLMAN, Mr. Ron H. (Distribution, Bendigo), to Miss Jennifer Harrington, of Bendigo.

Tram ride to farewell

When Chris Hodgson, Ballarat Tramways Foreman, retired after 41 years, his farewell, most fittingly, took place in the depot coach-builder's shop, where so much of his working life had been spent. To transport the bulk of the seventy who turned up for lunch, a special tram was run from the city office via Wendouree Parade to the depot.

Mr. H. McLaren, Works Superintendent, who presided, referred to Chris's many years of able service. After representatives of every section of Ballarat Branch, including Generation, had added their tributes to an old friend and colleague, the Branch Manager, Mr. H. W. Linaker, presented Chris with a wallet of notes and wished him all happiness.

BALLARAT GIFTS

Mr. John Cheney, engineering assistant, who left Ballarat Branch to take up duty in the metropolitan area as a Probationary Assistant Officer-in-Charge, was farewelled in the mess room on Friday, January 23.



Ballarat Branch friends gave Ray Grundell, relief clerk, crystal ware with their best wishes for a happy marriage to Miss Joan Bawden.

BIRTHS

ANDREWS, Mrs. and Mr. J. E. (Works Division) — daughter (Robyn Elizabeth).
 BRITTON, Mrs. and Mr. J. (Tramways, Bendigo) — son (Ian William).
 COPE, Mrs. and Mr. Arthur (Civil Branch) — daughter (Lisa Michele).
 CROSTHWAITE, Mrs. and Mr. G. (Traffic Office, Ballarat) — daughter (Lynne).
 HARDING, Mrs. and Mr. C. J. (Maffra), January 5 — son (Phillip John).
 LANIGAN, Mrs. and Mr. J. (Costs and Book-keeping, H.O.) — daughter (Lynette Ruth).
 LITTLE, Mrs. and Mr. W. H. (Tramways, Bendigo) — daughter (Anne Elizabeth).
 MILLS, Mrs. and Mr. J. B. (Elmore Office) — daughter (Glenys Joy).
 MORRIS, Mrs. and Mr. N. (Benalla) — son (Rodney Neil).
 SAWYER, Mrs. and Mr. J. R. (Generation, Ballarat) — son (Noel John).
 SZEKELY, Mrs. and Mr. J. R. (Commercial Division), January 6 — son (Mark Tibor).
 TAYLOR, Mrs. and Mr. E. P. (D/O, Rubicon House) — daughter (Jill Margaret).
 TAYLOR, Mrs. and Mr. F. J. (Generation, Ballarat), January 23 — daughter (Sandra Lizbeth).
 TRIPLETT, Mrs. and Mr. E. G. (Generation, Geelong) — daughter (Frances Lorraine).
 URIE, Mrs. and Mr. Ralph (Civil Branch) — son (Alistair).
 VEITCH, Mrs. and Mr. David (Estate Branch) — son (Peter David).
 WEBSTER, Mrs. and Mr. S. B. (Leongatha) — son (Gregory Metford).
 WULF, Mrs. and Mr. K. (Eastern Metro.) — son (Gary Karl).

WEDDING BELLS



Cutting the cake after their wedding are Rod Coker, Gippsland Branch draftsman, and the former Miss Beverley Guntzler, of Traralgon. Rod received a combination barometer-thermometer and a fruit bowl.



Leaving the Church of England Chapel at Flinders Naval Depot are Mr. and Mrs. George Neil Makinson. The bride was the former Dandenong telephonist, Miss Janet Margaret Reid.



Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Lynch after their wedding. The bride was formerly Miss Edith E. Crompton, of Accounting, Geelong Branch, and the Office Manager, Mr. W. R. Campigli, presented her with a pair of bed lamps and a set of ornamental candlesticks.

A century of service to mankind

RED CROSS celebrates its Centenary this year . . . a Century of Service . . . a story of unique achievement.

In this Centenary Year, Red Cross asks for your help so that its work may continue and grow in strength. To maintain the services carried out in Victoria, Red Cross needs £183,850.

It is not necessary to tell you what those services are, but you may be interested to know that . . .

- The Blood Transfusion Service alone last year helped save the lives of 10,000 people . . .

- 3,000 ex-servicemen and their families received material aid . . .

- Survivors of disasters, such as the "Skaubryn" were given clothing . . .

- Hundreds of patients in hospitals and the physically handicapped were helped.

Please help to mark the Centenary of Red Cross in the most practical way. Your donation will mean that you are there when people help people.



Above: A Red Cross representative assists physically disabled children in the library. Below: 72,000 bottles of blood were distributed in Victoria by Red Cross last year. The Blood Transfusion Service costs money; your help is urgently needed for the Red Cross Centenary Year March Appeal.

