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CHALLENGING WINTER FOR VALLEY

How W tower will look

Seeing the Manager is away on a round the world trip during well-earned long service leave, this of necessity becomes a message from the Acting Manager.

Bill Schulz asked me to pass on to all of you his thanks for your co-operation in the drive for safer working and to congratulate you on the outstanding results achieved, particularly in the last four months.

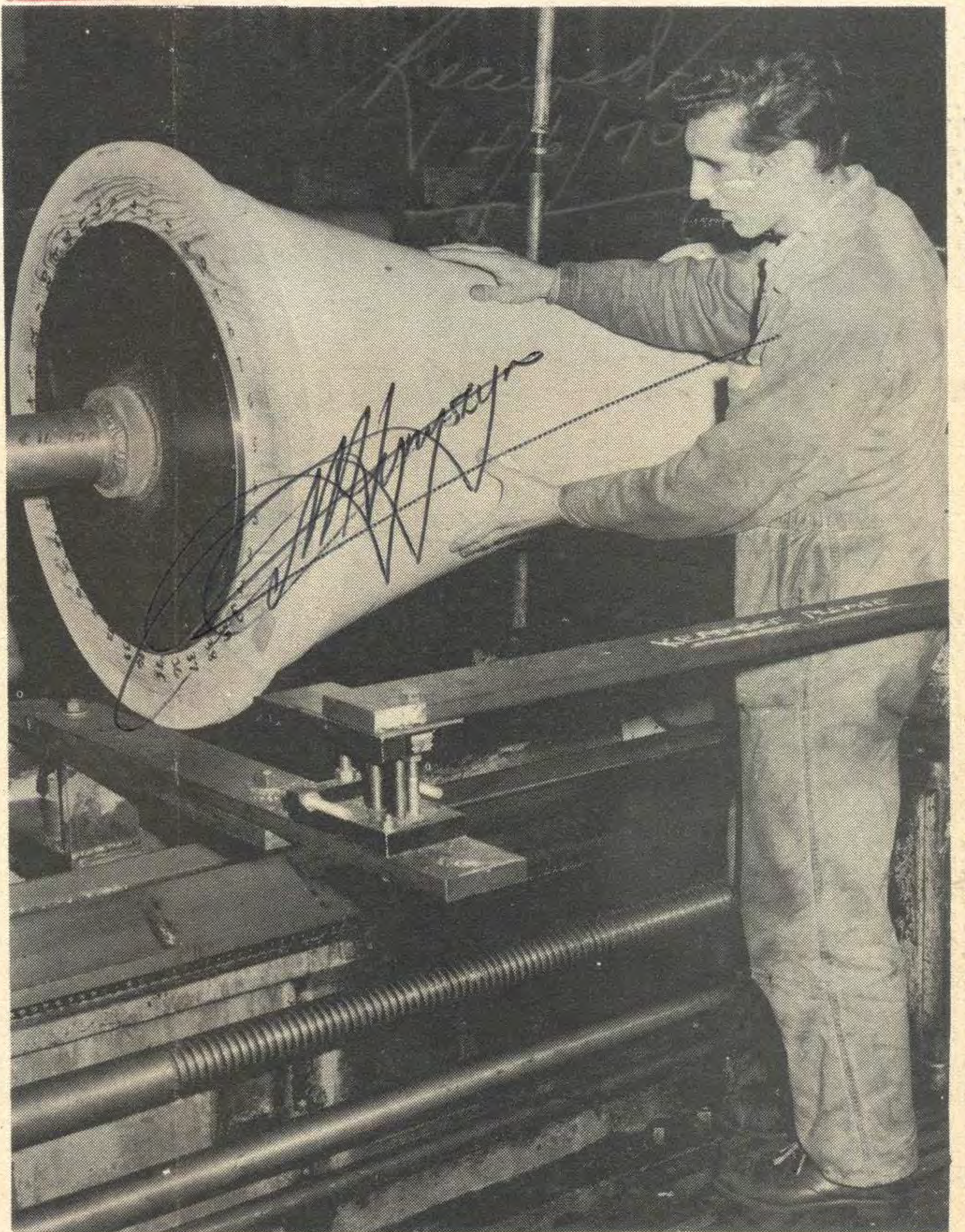


This month's Message is by Acting Manager, Mr. Graham Black

Our disabling injuries are about half of what they were in the same period last year and I am sure we have learned the way to tackle our accident rate. With your continuing effort I am confident that this will continue to drop.

Norm Trathen, our Safety Engineer, leaves for pastures new in Melbourne shortly and we hope he is as successful

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A model of one of the giant cooling towers, now being built at the Yallourn used for experimental purposes. 'W' Power Station, is being made, in the Yallourn Workshops, at the request of * PICTURED with the model is Mr. H. Hrynyszyn. Head Office.

Manager's Message

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there as he has been in his safety role in the Valley.

A very enthusiastic and able part time Safety Officer, Mr. Col Harvey, will succeed him for 12 months and we wish him luck in his new venture.

Things are starting to move this winter and the Latrobe Valley is taking its proper place as the major supplier of power for Victoria.

We have had seven units working at Hazelwood with a record output of 1462 MW on May 25.

There was an all-time peak of 2545 MW on that day of which the Valley provided 2090 MW or 82% of this peak and also 90% OF THE TOTAL power used in this 24 hours in Victoria.

Hazelwood's share of the total power load was 57%.

Morwell Open Cut produced 63,941 tons on May 22 which beats the old Yallourn Open Cut record of 56,432 tons won in 1964.

The 500,000 volt transmission line has been put into service and the new char plant is in operation next door.

It is going to be a challenging winter with ever-increasing demands which I am confident will be met by Latrobe Valley personnel as has been done in the past.

Miss Australia Visits the Valley



Miss Australia — Miss Rhonda Iffland recently paid a brief visit to the Latrobe Valley. Time did not permit a tour of the works area but she received a civic welcome in the Council Chambers in Yallourn.

Members of the Council, their wives and some of the young ladies who participated in the recent Latrobe Valley Festival Queen contest were present at the function.

COMMISSION FILM HERE !

Advice has been received from the distributor that the Commission's new film "Project 500V" — will be screened at the Morwell Drive-In Theatre each night, including Sunday, from Thursday, June 11 to Wednesday, June 17, 1970.

The film is an excellent production depicting the planning and construction of the first 500kV transmission line from the Latrobe Valley to Melbourne.

It is in color and runs for 20 minutes, and is thoroughly recommended.

Meeting our general needs with service

Most of us are familiar with the Commission's slogan — 'The service behind your switch' and we in Stores feel that our contribution of service to other sections in our organisation plays no small part in achieving the result which our slogan implies.

Our duties and responsibilities are many. As with other sections in our Division, we provide a 'service' to you.

How many times have the words — 'make out a requisition and see Stores' — been used when you are short of something for your job?

Such a small slip of paper seems insignificant to many of you, but in reality, commences quite a considerable chain of events.

Perhaps at this juncture, we can give you some idea of its importance.

The Stores Requisition is a document designed for the withdrawal of materials from the Commission's Stores, the subsequent recording of such material movement on the Stores Quantity Record Cards and the correct distribution of costs to the appropriate chargeable allocation by the Commission's Accounting sections.

Every day, hundreds of Stores requisitions are prepared and presented to Commission Stores for the withdrawal of material.

How important is this document and what is the responsibility of those persons involved in its use?

The importance of this document can be likened to a cheque drawn upon a bank. An appropriate reference to this is displayed on the cover of each Stores Requisition Book and is worthy of quoting at this point —

"This Requisition book is like a cheque book. It enables materials to be drawn from Store like a customer drawing money from a bank. Treat your Store as you would your Bank and these Requisitions as you would your cheques."

Personnel involved in the withdrawal and issue of material have a very definite responsibility to ensure that only such quantities as required for the job in hand are requisitioned. Over-requisitioning can lead to misappropriation of materials from jobs and the inflation of Commission's stock holdings.

Withdrawal of material from Stores is achieved by the presentation of a correctly detailed and authorised Stores requisition. Personnel authorised to sign requisitions are nominated by Section Heads; and a register of all such authorised signatories,

along with specimen signatures, is retained by Storekeepers in the respective areas.

It is essential that each requisition presented to the Store contains the following details.

- (a) Date
- (b) Correct Allocation
- (c) Standard Description of Material Required (obtained from the Commission's Standard Catalogues)
- (d) Exact Quantity Required.

As a security measure, ALL unused lines in the description panel of the requisition must be cancelled out and any alterations must be initialled by the Authorising Officer — this is an audit requirement.

The issuing storeman must obtain a signature for the receipt of the material on each requisition after completion of issue. He is also responsible for recording all relevant Stores details on requisitions, i.e.

- (a) Class Code
- (b) Section and Item Number (also recorded in the Commission's Stand-



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Yallourn

ard Catalogues)

(d) Unit of Issue. (c) Quantity Issued
This information is required to ensure accurate recording of stock movement on stock record cards.

All general purpose material requisitions are processed through the Electronic Data Processing system, from which costs relating to the issue are charged to the job allocation shown on the requisition.

As an indication of the volume of turnover of materials in the Latrobe Valley Region and the necessity for prudent requisitioning and care in recording this movement, the following details are of considerable interest.

The average annual number of requisitions processed for Latrobe Valley Stores is 160,000 — comprising 140,000 for General Purpose Material and 20,000 for Spare Equipment.

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Old but no bomb



Transport Workshops Personnel at Morwell received rather a surprise recently when a 1925 model "Flint" motor car came through the door and stopped proudly in the middle of the shop; to be flanked on one side by massive earth moving equipment and on the other by modern sleek motor vehicles of today.

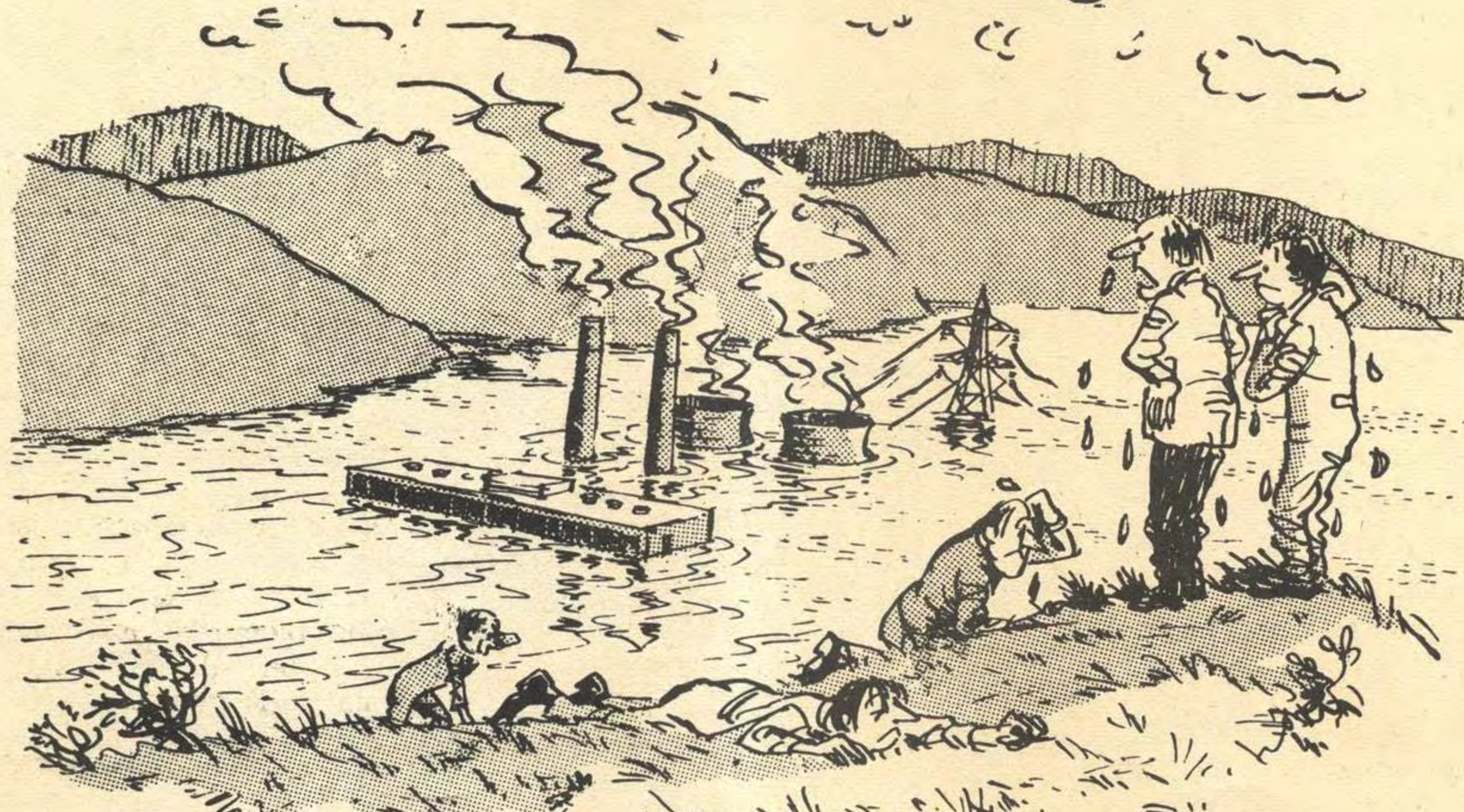
It all came about when Mr. Tom Duffy, Transport Engineer, Latrobe Valley had friends from Sydney, Mr. Tom Moffitt,

owner of the "Flint" and his daughter, call at his home after the recent Sydney - Melbourne car rally; and kindly agreed to bring his car in for "inspection".

Mr. Moffitt, who has owned the car since new, tells us they were very popular in the late 1920's and in fact an early Prime Minister of Australia, the late Mr. "Billy" Hughes, owned three of them.

PICTURED are Workshop personnel inspecting the "Flint".

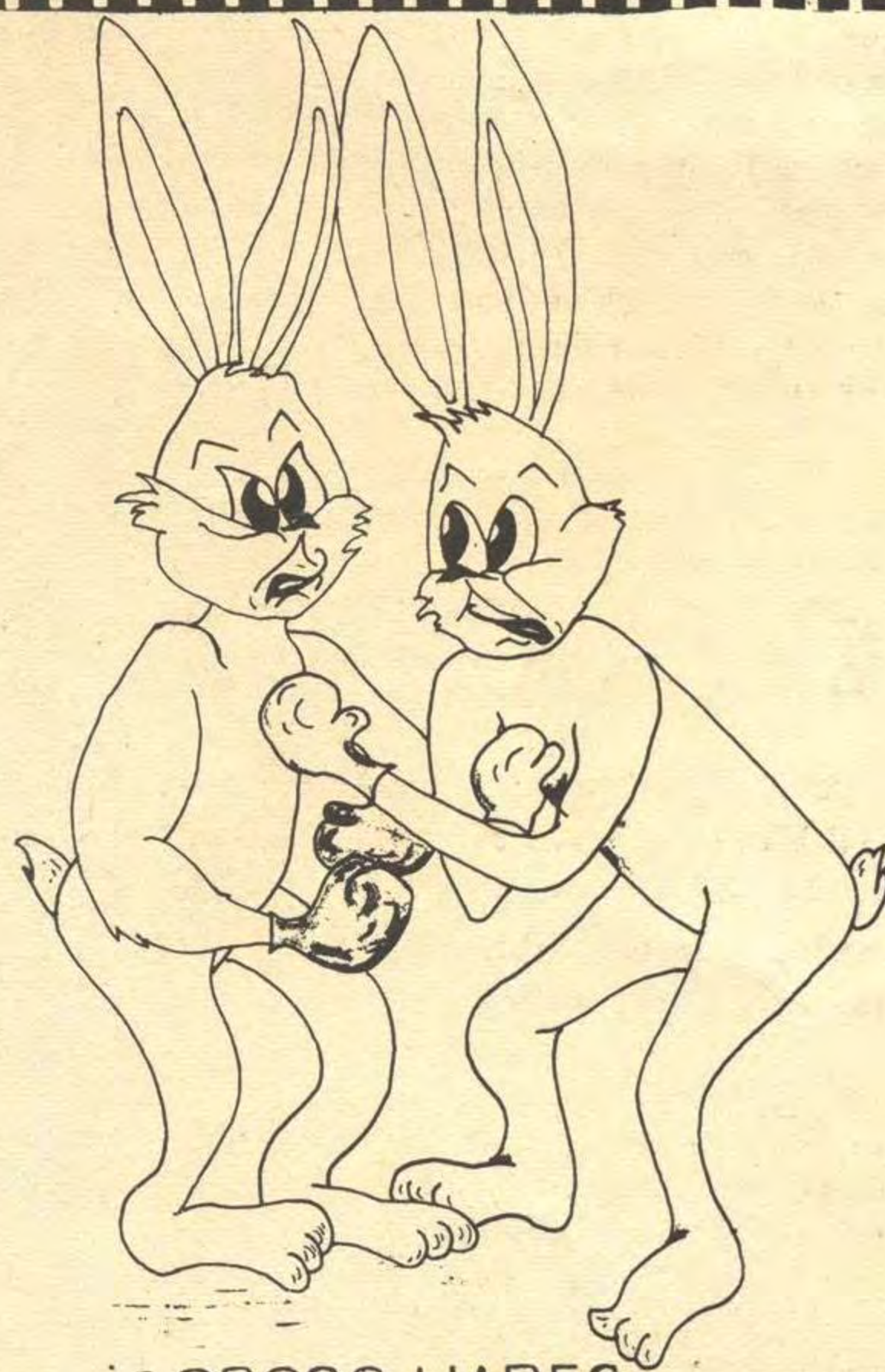
Contact Laugh-in



"Well! That's the first we knew about a bloomin' hydro-electric project!"



"Are you sure you've purged a boiler before, Fred?"



CROSS HARES

In the April issue we published an article headed "OPERATION TRANSITORY LECTURES" in which reference was made to 'cross hairs'. We thought you might be interested in one interpretation of this.

SALT: why we have it..

At Hazelwood Power Station the various ash hoppers on each boiler are normally cleared twice a day by means of water jets. This mixture of ash and water collects in a pit from which it is pumped to the ash ponds on the overburden dump.

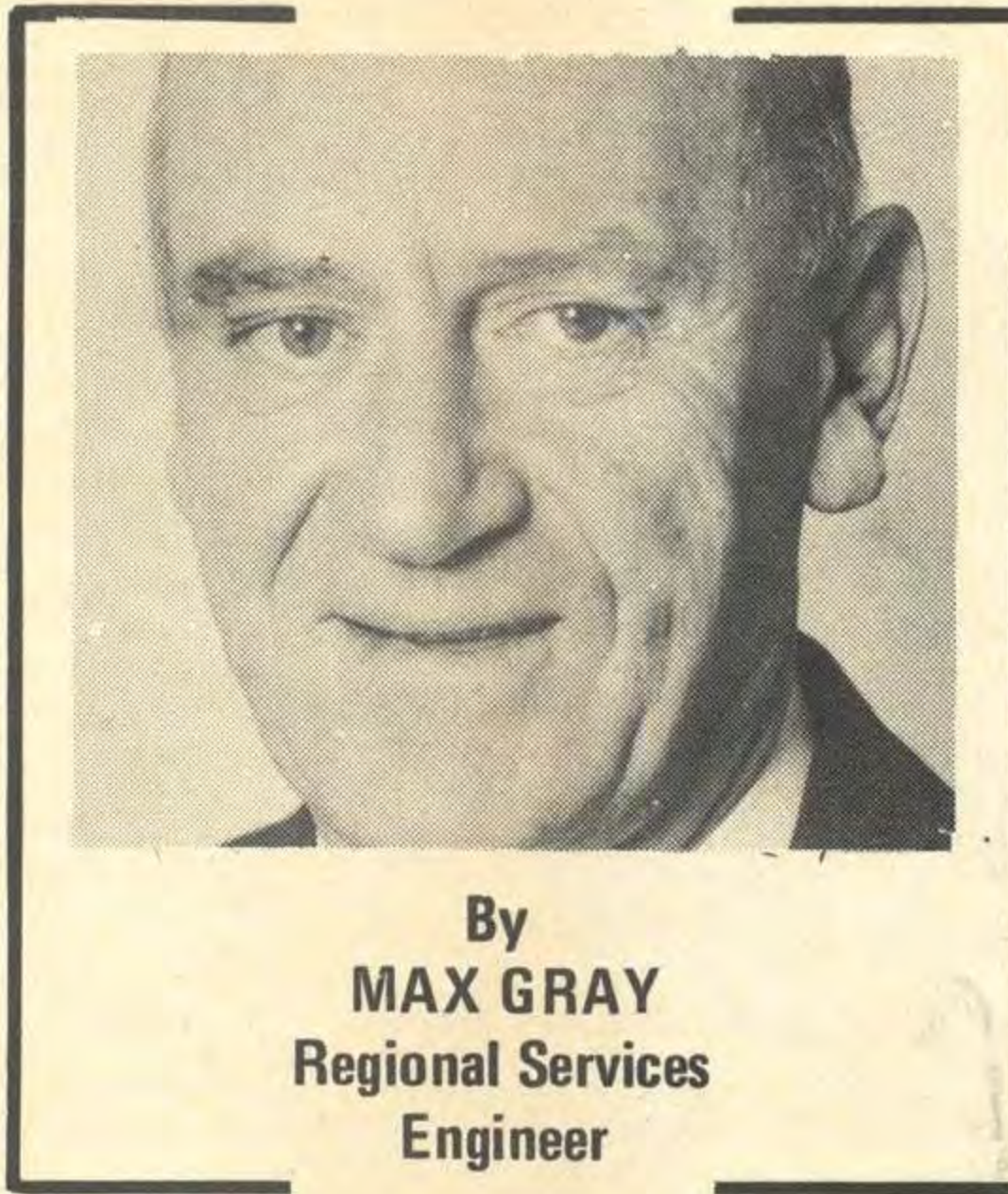
There, the ash settles out and the water gravitates to the Recirculating Pond. Pumps at the Recirculating Pond return this water to the Power Station, so that it can be used again and again for the same purpose. The water was considered to be in a "closed system."

Such was the theory behind the installation, but in practice two problems have arisen.

First of all, additional water is being added to the "system" through the fairly frequent outages of the boilers for cleaning. So far the most effective cleaning method devised is by hosing the furnace and gas passages with copious amounts of water. The slurry that results is also pumped to the ash ponds and it is this additional water which is an embarrassment.

Up till now this excess water has been allowed to run off into the Hazelwood Cooling Pond which seems the obvious thing to do, but unfortunately this water becomes quite salty as it mixes with the ash.

Here we have our second problem. Running this salty water, or technically



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This might not matter very much except that the pond overflows into Eel Hole Creek and salt water in a fresh water creek, in the proportions we are likely to reach, could become unacceptable and could contravene water pollution By-Laws laid down by the Latrobe Valley Water and Sewerage Board.

So if you have been out along Brodrigg Road near the Hazelwood Power Station and wondered about the earth moving and trench digging plant in action out there the surplus salty water is the reason for it.

An 18" pipe is being laid down from the Recirculating Pond to a 13 million gallon "holding" pond. This work is being done by contract for the Commission.

The L.V.W. & S.B. is providing an 18" pipe from the holding pond to the inlet of the outfall sewer, a distance of approximately five miles.

The question might be asked - "Why not connect the 18" S.E.C. pipe to the 18" L.V.W. & S.B. pipe and forget the holding pond?"

Actually, the pond is needed because though there is still room in the outfall sewer to take, on an average, an extra 2 million gallons a day, the discharge of salt water from the Power Station could be in bursts rather than a constant flow.

So the holding pond will temporarily absorb the difference between the Power Station discharge and the availability of the outfall sewer.

Work should be sufficiently advanced to send the first saline effluent down the sewer by the end of April, 1970, though all the construction work, particularly that

...what we are doing about it

speaking, "saline effluent" into the Cooling Pond has raised the salinity of the pond.

being done by the L.V.W. & S.B., is not scheduled for completion until September.

100,000 safe manhours

A presentation was made in the Morwell Workshops on Wednesday, April 22 to Machine Shop Shift Gang V 862 for having reached 100,000 man-hours without a disabling injury.

Mr. W. Graham, Production Liaison Engineer, in making the presentation, complimented the group on their splendid record and stated that the emphasis on safety in the Latrobe Valley Region was resulting in a very favourable decline in the overall accident rate.

A fine collection of useful articles such as fishing rods, tool boxes, bathroom scales, cutlery sets and door chimes were presented to the award winners.

* PICTURED are: (Rear) A. Tyler, G. Blair, R. Enech, J. Chinnock, C. Glegg, S. Dunn, T. Bingham. (Front) J. Davey, C. Jeffrey, P. Gordyn, J. Betteley, F. Man, K. Baldwin.



SUGGESTION AWARD



On April 24, 1970 Mr. ARTHUR BERTOLI, overseer, Coal Handling, Yallourn Power Station was presented with the Commissions' Cheque for \$250.

His suggestion for a modified arrangement of screen rolls in the crushers which has, among other things, reduced

the number of electric motors required, was highly praised by Mr. Jack Drummond, Secretary of the Suggestions Board.

Arthur has four sons, all of whom are employed by the Commission and they were all present to see their father receive his award.

SERENADE TO SAFETY

We can build a safety program, and show that safety pays,
 We can organise for safety in a hundred different ways,
 We can hang our safety posters far and wide through every place,
 We can quote our regulations 'til we're purple in the face.
 We can hold our safety meetings every morning in the week,
 And nod in bland agreement while the supervisors speak,
 While these things contribute greatly to the goal we must achieve,
 We'll never be completely safe until all hands believe:
 That accident prevention holds a challenge for mankind,
 That safety is an attitude, a healthy state of mind.
 It's something you can't legislate, no matter how you try it,
 And though you're wealthy as a king, you'll find you cannot buy it.
 It's something you can't force upon a mind antagonistic,
 Nor can you win a doubting soul by quoting a statistic.
 But every man can use it in the hectic daily grind
 To guarantee security and give him peace of mind.
 For safety isn't just a word — it's more a way of life;
 It helps avoid the grief and woe, the care and doubt and strife
 That is the lot of some who scoff at accident prevention
 And sometimes have to settle for a disability pension.
 A whole new way of life is yours in safety consciousness,
 And in its sphere there is no room for chance or thoughtlessness.
 So join the safety movement, lift yourself above the throng,
 As you set a good example, others will then go along.

CONTACT MART

FOR SALE

Excelsior 72 bass elec. chord organ. As new condition \$150 - Contact J. McCrea, Construction Branch, Hazelwood 5169 or Morwell PMG 4-1468.

FOR PRIVATE SALE, MORWELL:

6 Roomed cream BV, only five minutes walk to main shopping centre. 17x14 lounge, 10x8 dining room, 3 bedrooms, W to W carpets in bedrooms and hall. Refrigerator, elec. HWS, venetian blinds, fibreglass drapes. Drive through garage with carport at rear suitable for caravan or double garage. Inspection invited. \$16,500. For further particulars, Ring 4-2552.



Certificates of Competency were recently awarded to a number of Technical Trainees in the Latrobe Valley Region.

Unfortunately the presentations were not all made at the same time. PICTURED above are some of the award winners.

I have been called by many nicknames during my career with the Commission — "Spider" at Richmond because of the pet spider in my car, "M.D." and "Mr. Power Station" at Kiewa for reasons undisclosed. But I won the title "Nose" in Personnel because I was able to smell out the coffee break with uncanny accuracy.

Actually my hearing was better than my sense of smell, because as well as listening to the tinkling of cups, I found out where the Personnel Division did its work, a rare treat for a "ginger beer".

When first searching for some material to work with, I quickly realised that the only resources I had were people. It was then a matter of setting them to work for the right objectives. A few blunders put me on the right track.

During my four years in office I saw Management at all levels in the Valley take up the responsibility of preventing injury to their personnel, also employees in the Region responding to the challenge. After all, we are all working towards the same goal of preventing injury even if

Extract from "Australian Safety News".

STAY ON THE SAFE SIDE

It's not just the hard hat, the specs and the gloves
 That bring you home safe to the family you love.
 The guard on the grinder, the chain on the hose,
 The safety load binder, the foul weather clothes,
 The latch on the load hook, the outrigger block,
 The emergency brakes, and the standard wheel chock;
 The Safety valve feature on the high pressure tanks,
 The cave-in protection on the vertical banks,
 The well-installed belt guard, the safety-toe shoes,
 And the fire extinguisher, ready to use;
 The seat belt that holds you inside your car,
 The road signs of safety wherever you are —
 These things are mere tools, like a carpenter's plane;
 They won't produce safety or minimise pain.
 Your health and your safety depends upon you —
 On whether you think about things that you do.
 So think before acting; make thinking a rule.
 Make use of your brain — your best tool.

THE "NOSE" MOVES ON

for a variety of reasons. Perhaps in some small way I have contributed to this.

I dislike statistics but a small dose at this point is necessary. We are now enjoying the best performance figures ever known in the Valley. Enough paper work on the subject has been sent out for your information so you should know what they are. I believe these figures indicate a level of accident prevention activity unequalled in the Commission.

On the other hand, however, when clearing out the office of unwanted paper, the file on persons receiving electrical shocks appeared very prominent. About three-quarters of an inch thick of paper represented a lot of reports and only a few of these appear as accountable statistics. These reportable incidents represent only a small portion of the total number of the accidents which are happening.

But because the figures have improved so much, means that accidents can be prevented if you work at it and the pressure must not be released if further achievements are to be obtained. I am confident that the Latrobe Valley Region will continue to improve its performance, and will lead the way in accident prevention by applying a properly directed safety effort.

Who will follow the "Nose"? Management has decided that the position will operate in future on a fixed term basis — Mr. Col Harvey will be the first in. I am sure that Col will find working with



By
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 Safety Officer, L.V. Region
 Pictured above with Mr. Col. Harvey

Personnel in this capacity a very rewarding and enjoyable experience as I did and will receive the same co-operation from everybody. What will be his new name?

P.S. — As I complete this article, word was received of a fatal accident in the Yallourn Open Cut. So, much remains to be done in the field of accident prevention.

This article was contributed by Mr. Norm Trathen, Safety Engineer for the past 4 years, who leaves the 'Valley' for Melbourne on May 29, to take up his new appointment as Branch Engineer, Electrical Inspection Branch.

"And in Yallourn too!"

CONTRIBUTED BY SALES SECTION ESB GIPPSLAND

Contrary to a widely-held view, **ELECTRICITY DOES NOT sell itself. We have to get up off our tails and do something about it.**

We have some fairly active competitors and they don't always observe the rules as we see them.

On the other hand, we have a lot going for us! Electricity is clean — your electrical appliance will not cause any pollution indoors or out. It's efficient — 100% efficient, and it is the only energy source that can give you completely automatic living and all those labor saving appliances which make life so much easier. Notwithstanding the claims made by our competitors, we can compete, price wise too, and in many cases we are much more economical.

You can imagine how we felt, therefore, when we heard that the Yallourn Bowling Club had given the job of heating the club rooms to a competitor. We understand, too, that the club expects to get cooling

from the same unit.

It's a free country, of course, and the club has freedom of choice. We wouldn't want it any other way!!

But in Yallourn of all places!!!

With so many of the club members getting a living from coal-winning, building and operating power stations, making briquettes and being engaged in the Commission's many other activities, we expected that it would be well-known that only electricity can successfully and economically supply the air-conditioned comfort that modern life demands.

It appears that we were wrong!!!

So, dear reader, if your club is thinking of modernising and possibly of air-conditioning, please contact us. We'll tell you what we can do and we'll also give you the "good oil" on the various claims made by our competitors.

You owe it to your club to get the best possible deal, and in this case you owe it to yourself and your family. After all, it's your living as well as ours.

DEVELOPMENT OF IN THE 70's

The 1970's have been hailed as a period when progress and change will occur in Victoria, so now is a good time to have a look at some of the progress and changes that will take place during the 1970's in our own "back yard" - the Morwell Open Cut.

For a little over ten years the open cut has been developing southwards - slowly at first, but with ever-increasing momentum as the Hazelwood Power Station units have become completed and the output of coal has increased.

This stage is the East Field development and it has allowed the cut to expand in line with increasing demand. Now that the Hazelwood Power Station is nearing completion, it has been planned to move into the next stage, the West Field development, when the operating faces will move outwards from the existing opening in a westerly direction.

Herein lies the change. The progress will be in the form of new equipment, which will be installed into the cut as the change takes place. In the West Field the tendency will be for everything to be bigger and better.

In the main, dredgers will be larger and have greater capacities; operating faces will be longer and deeper for each dredger, so as to provide adequate reserves of coal; and conveyors will be longer and, to have the greater carrying capacities, will therefore be bigger and more powerful.

All this is necessary in order to keep the price of coal to the power stations competitive with other forms of energy.

On the excavation side of things, 1970 will see the introduction of 2 more dredgers into the open cut. No. 10 dredger already started operations early this year and No. 11 Dredger will follow about the middle of the year.

Both these dredgers are somewhat similar to look at and have outputs of over 1,500 tons/hour of coal and so will be comparable with No. 9 Dredger, but in addition, they will be capable of digging overburden, for both will have to do this as part of their normal operations.

No. 10 Dredger has already started excavating in the West Field on a two level system and loading direct to conveyor M 216 on No. 1 level. These two levels are Nos. 1 and 2 levels, West Field.

Later in the year, when the overburden face left by No. 20 Dredger last year is

reached, the two level system will become a three level system, for it will be necessary for a small intermediate step to be introduced in the face on top side for a few years to allow the dredger to reach to the top of the overburden.

When No. 11 Dredger is ready to start work, it will move to the levels below No. 10 Dredger and similarly operate on a two level system. These will be known as Nos. 3 and 4 Levels, West Field and the Conveyor, M 225, to which the dredge will load will be on No. 3 Level.

At the end of 1971, No. 9 Dredger will have completed its work in the East Field and will commence operations in the West Field on Nos. 5 and 6 Levels, loading to M 245 face conveyor on No. 5 Level.

Finally, by 1973, Nos. 21 and 19 Dredgers will have moved to the West Field to excavate the bottom cuts, Nos. 7 and 8, with both of them loading to the same face conveyor, M 265.

No. 21 Dredger will dig a top cut of 35 feet and No. 19 Dredger will dig to the bottom of the coal seam on a face varying in depth from 20 to 60 feet.

No. 3 Dredger, by this time, will no longer be required as a regular operating dredger and will be held in reserve, should any of the other machines have an extended breakdown.

By the time, Nos. 21 and 19 Dredgers have taken up their new positions in the cut, the top cuts will be well advanced from their present positions and indeed the Midland Highway will be close to being cut. This is scheduled to go in 1974 along with the Mirboo North - Morwell Railway line.

Associated with the change in the direction of development of the cut to the west, is a change in the arrangement of conveyors out of the cut. Work in the new conveyor outlets began back in 1966/67, when excavation work was carried out and a portion of the complex system is now in operation.

There are 4 stages to the completion of the Southern Outlet conveyor complex of which Stage 1 - the overburden and coal conveyors already in existence - is completed, and work on Stage 2 - coal conveyors from No. 3 Level 9 is well advanced.

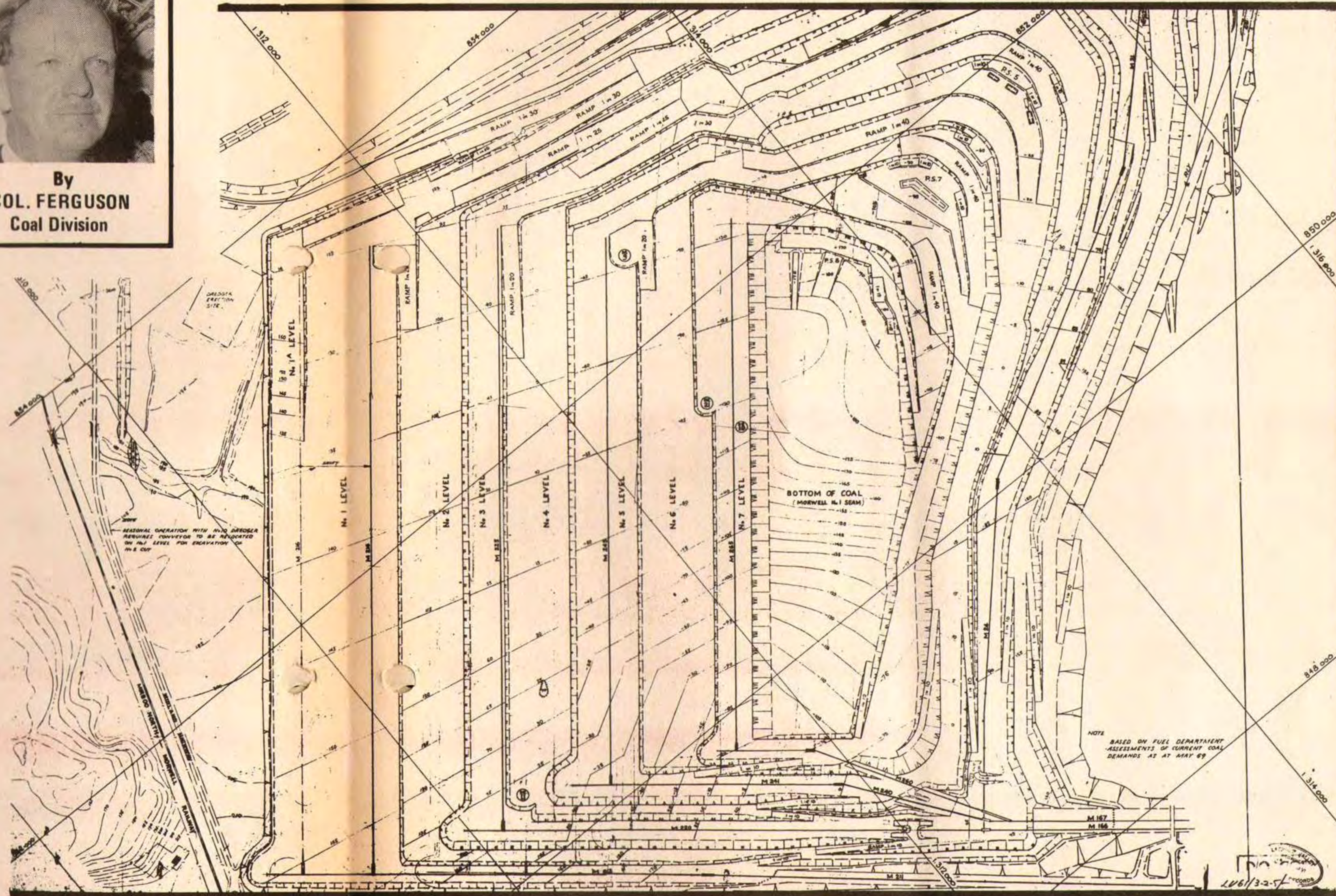
Stages 3 and 4 will be introduced progressively as the East Field draws to completion and the West Field develops and sites for more conveyors become available.

Simply expressed, the new Southern Outlet conveyor complex will provide the means for any dredger to be able to deliver coal to Hazelwood Power Station and for any dredger, except No. 10 Dredger, to be able to supply Morwell Power Station. It will also be possible for any

dredger to dispose of overburden to the dump.



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Coal Division



dredger to dispose of overburden to the dump.

This latter facility is necessary since there are deep clay pockets caused by fires in the geological past in the West Field extending down into the lower levels, which will need to be removed as part of normal operations.

The dumping of overburden by stacker and conveyor started in September, 1968.

when No. 20 Dredger was brought back into service after the collapse of No. 10 Dredger and began from the east side of the ridge, working along the north side of the old 3 Spreader dump.

The dump is being formed by a pivot movement of the dump conveyor, M 209, about the head end of M 210 conveyor and will continue until the pivot completes its swing to meet the old dump in 1972.

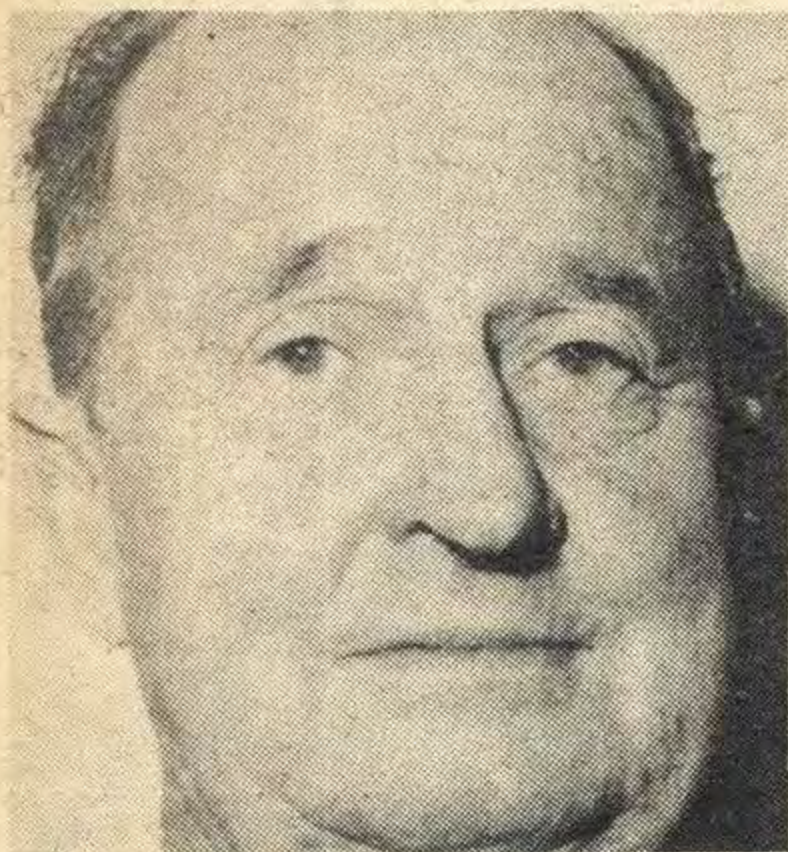
At this stage M 210 conveyor will be extended by 2,300 feet and a further pivot move towards the east will be made, which will cut the Jeeralang West Road in 1974. Further pivots will take place until the whole of the first level dump has been completed.

After this, it is likely that a second level dump will be formed on top of the first one, again starting from the ridge

and working towards the east as before.

The first level should be completed by the end of the 1970's and a second level would last well into the 1980's. Thereafter, it should be possible to commence dumping back into the worked-out portion of the cut in a similar manner to Yallourn Open Cut.

RETIREMENTS



Mr. Maurie Mitchelmore, Foreman Grade 3, Civil; retired from the Commission after 35 years' service on Friday, May 15, 1970.

He commenced as a Carpenter at Yallourn Municipal Depot on February 11, 1935 and transferred to Staff as Foreman Grade 3 at Civil Construction, Morwell on May 15, 1950 until his retirement.

The Manager Mr. J. W. Schulz, spoke highly of Maurie's loyalty and service over the years, as did Mr. M. Williamson, General Services Superintendent.

Maurie, always a community minded man, was active over the years in the local Fire Brigade, and Boy Scout Movement.

Since his retirement Maurie suffered a sudden illness which caused his death on Sunday, May 24. Deepest sympathy is extended to his widow and family.



On Monday, April 27, 1970, Mr. J.R. (Jack) Bennett retired after a total of 34 years' service of which 31.1/2 had been continuous.

Jack, a Leading Hand Motor Driver with Coal Division, Yallourn, is a keen fisherman and his workmates presented him with a set of fishing gear for use in his retirement.

Jack has been an industrious worker and a good colleague and he and his wife are good citizens of Yallourn.

We wish them both well for the future.



Mr. Danny Keeling, Overseer Boilermaker, Workshops, Yallourn, retired on Friday, May 22, 1970, after 19 1/2 years' service.

He was presented with a "Sher" Power Tool Set and a wrist watch for Mrs. Keeling.

There was a large gathering at a function held in Yallourn Workshops to mark the occasion of his retirement and several previously retired personnel as well as many from other Divisions were present.

Speakers mentioned Danny's co-operation and good humour over the years and noted that, for Danny, nothing was ever too much trouble.

When the "New Australia" berthed in Melbourne in December, 1950, two bus loads of her passengers travelled to Newborough. Of these 20 joined the Commission. Today only four of them are left - Danny is among them.

He is going to Gladstone in Queensland, where he and Mrs. Keeling will join their laughter. *****



On May 4, 1970 Mr. T. (Tommy) Bek, Carpenter, Municipal, Yallourn retired after 16 years' service.

At a function in the Municipal

Canteen he was presented with an electric razor and he accepted a brooch for Mrs. Bek.

Tommy has six sons and two daughters all of whom, except one daughter who is a nurse at the Latrobe Valley Community Hospital, are married.

Tommy and his wife will shortly be taking a trip to Holland and will return to reside in Moe.

The speakers at the function all agreed that Tommy is a hard worker, he is always on the job, his work is of a very high standard and that the Commission is losing one of its best tradesmen.



On Friday, May 1, 1970, a highly respected member of the Commission's staff in the Latrobe Valley retired after 33 years' service. He was Mr. J. (Jimmy) Goldsmith, Apprentice Training Supervisor.

Over the years Jimmy has seen and been instrumental in the training of many hundreds of apprentices.

A function, held in the workshops, was attended by over 500 people - possibly the largest gathering ever at a function of this nature - and this bears testimony both to his popularity and his ability.

Many of Jimmy's friends who had retired before him, as well as many members of other Divisions, were among those assembled.

This was the first farewell to an Apprentice Training Supervisor and Jimmy was the first tradesman in the Commission to be appointed to full-time duties on apprentice training.

Jim Goldsmith is known

far and wide and visitors from all parts of Australia and overseas came to discuss training matters with him and to ask him for copies of programmes and samples of work carried out by apprentices. Other industrial organisations sought his advice.

He was presented with a travelling clock and a brooch for Mrs. Goldsmith and with a lawn mower and can of fuel for himself. These were the gifts of his colleagues and friends.

The apprentices presented him with a tool box, a battery charger and a model lathe all of which had been made by 2nd year apprentices from all trades.

Jimmy is an active and versatile man whose sometimes fierce countenance hid an easy going manner. He has been a good unionist, has been active in a variety of sport, and he and his wife are prominent in Community activities.

In reply to the speakers Jimmy expressed his satisfaction at the results which had been achieved by apprentices and thanked everyone for their help, co-operation and their gifts. He stressed the importance of safety and remarked that since the introduction of safety glasses there had never been an eye accident in the apprentice annexe.



On Monday, May 11, 1970, Mr. C. (Charlie) Marshall, Mechanical Plant Operator, Coal Division, Yallourn, retired after over 20 years continuous service.

Charlie, a Scotsman, is retiring to Western Australia.

He is a quiet man, a conscientious worker and it was apparent, at the function to bid him farewell, that everyone had enjoyed working with him.

He was presented with a wrist watch and a travelling rug.

RECORD 302,000 HOURS



On Thursday, May 21, 1970, members of the Yallourn Stores group were presented with their Safety Awards for having achieved 302,000 man-hours without a disabling injury.

This group numbers 96 and has an impressive safety record.

- (a) They have recorded 537 days without a disabling injury
- (b) In conjunction with Stores, Morwell, there is now a total of 720,000 man-hours without a disabling injury.

The group is now aiming for its half

million man-hours and, with Stores, Morwell, for the second one million man-hours without a disabling injury.

Awards presented to the individual members of the group included: First Aid kits, Hand Torches, Tankards, Biro's, Bookends, Welding sets, Travelling clocks, Wallets.

179,000 safe manhours



On Friday, May 22, 1970, Morwell Power Station Personnel received an award for having achieved three months - 179,000 man-hours without a disabling injury. They received the National Safety Council's Pennant and certificate of Merit for their efforts. The awards, congratulated them on their efforts, and for each member of the group there was a biro pen.

There are some 350 men in this group

LV STORES SOCIAL CLUB

On Friday, May 22, 1970, this Club held a Smoko in the Yallourn Football Club Pavilion. There was a large gathering which included all former Presidents and Secretaries except Harry Devers who was away on leave.

It has become traditional that functions arranged by this Club are always well attended and this one was no exception.

Among those seen enjoying the evening were Vic. Colvin who played a prominent part in the formation of the Club in 1937, Viv Gore from Head Office, who expressed his delight at being back in the Valley, and Mr. M. F. A. Gray, Regional Services Engineer.



GIRLS IN TRAINING

These attractive young lasses are members of the staff at the Regional Training Centre. From left they are: Claire Chapman, Anne Padfield, Anna Ilijash.

Spark-a- arkaling!



Miss Beverly Hernan (Punch cards, Yallourn), to Mr. Max Paulet of Glen-garry.

GENERAL NEEDS

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The total value of all General Purpose Material and Spare Equipment held in the Latrobe Valley Regional Stores at this time is \$M 10.4, comprising General Purpose Material \$ M 1.9 and Spare Equipment \$M 8.5, with an annual turnover of \$M 7.6, comprising General Purpose Material \$M 4.5 and Spare Equipment \$M 3.1.

As can be seen the Stores requisition is a very important document. It plays a big part in the control over the Commission's large investment in materials and spare equipment, and it is a vital document in the allocation of material costs to jobs.

So next time you handle one of these very familiar documents, give a thought to some of the points mentioned in this article.



VISITOR FROM PAPUA NEW GUINEA

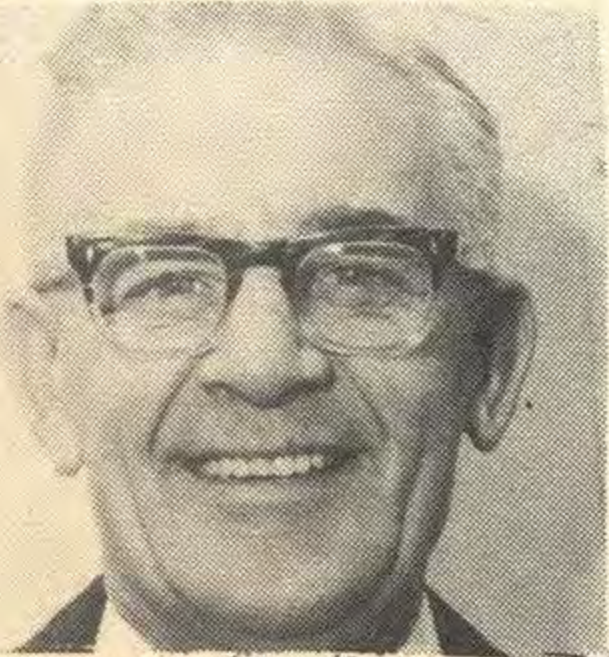


A recent visitor to the Valley was Mr. Traimya Kambipi, Deputy Speaker in the House of Representatives of the Papua New Guinean Parliament. He was accompanied by Mr. E. Grose an officer in the Regional Training Centre asking questions and seeing, for himself, the methods we employ. Mr. Kambipi showed particular interest in our training facilities and spent some time

RETIREMENTS

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When Mr. F. J. (Fred) Temple, Foreman, Electrical Services Section, Transmission Division retired on



Friday, May 15, there was a large gathering of personnel at the Training Centre, Morwell to wish him a long and happy retirement.

Fred joined the Commission at Morwell as an Electrical Mechanic in 1951. During his long service, he became a well known and respected person.

Speakers who paid tribute to Fred included Mr. Bill Smith, Electrical Services Engineer, Mr. Ted. Thompson, Asst. Electrical Services Engineer, Mr. Jack Beatson, Overseer and Mr. Len Toomey, LH Electrician.

Mr. J.W. Schulz, Manager, in making the presentation of a travelling rug, pen and pencil set and a wall barometer, thanked Fred for his excellent service and wished him well in his retirement.

Fred Temple's immediate plans include a trip home to Britain, after which he will return to, and settle in Morwell.

After 20 years' service Mr. Arthur Kingston, Leading Hand Rigger, Coal Division, Yallourn retired on Friday, May 22, 1970.



Arthur commenced with the Commission on May 1, 1950, as a tractor driver at Morwell. He also drove graders. Subsequently he worked as Trades Assistant and in September of the same year

transferred to Coal Production Maintenance as a Rigger. In June, 1961, he was promoted to Leading Hand.

At a function to bid him farewell—he is retiring early because of ill health—he was presented with a gold watch and fishing gear.



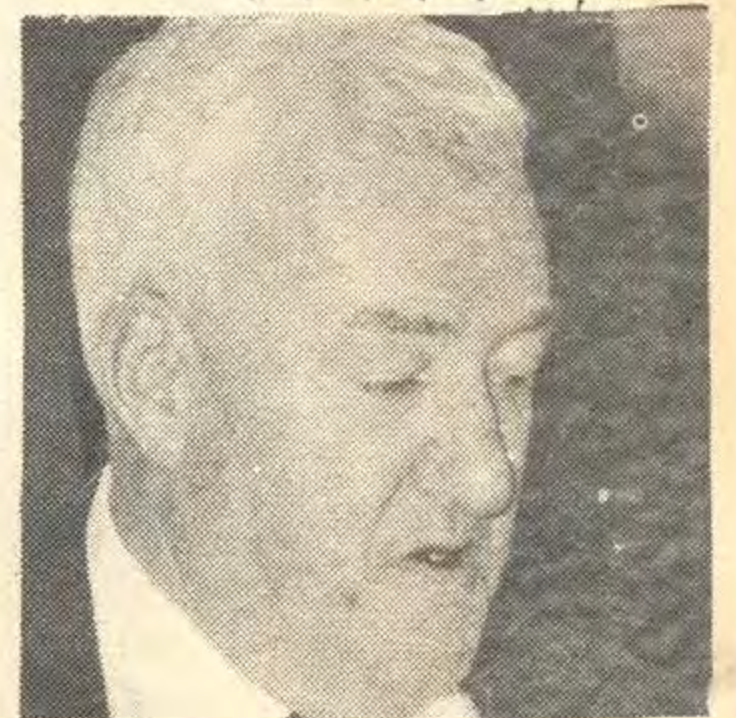
On April 23, Mr. E. (Digger) Evans, Leading Hand Plant attendant at Yallourn Power Station retired after 25 years service.

"Digger" was very popular with his workmates and has been a most conscientious worker.

At Digger's request there was no formal function to bid him farewell.

His friends had clubbed together to give him a present of some cash. In accepting it

"Digger" said that he would donate it to the Yooralla Childrens Appeal.

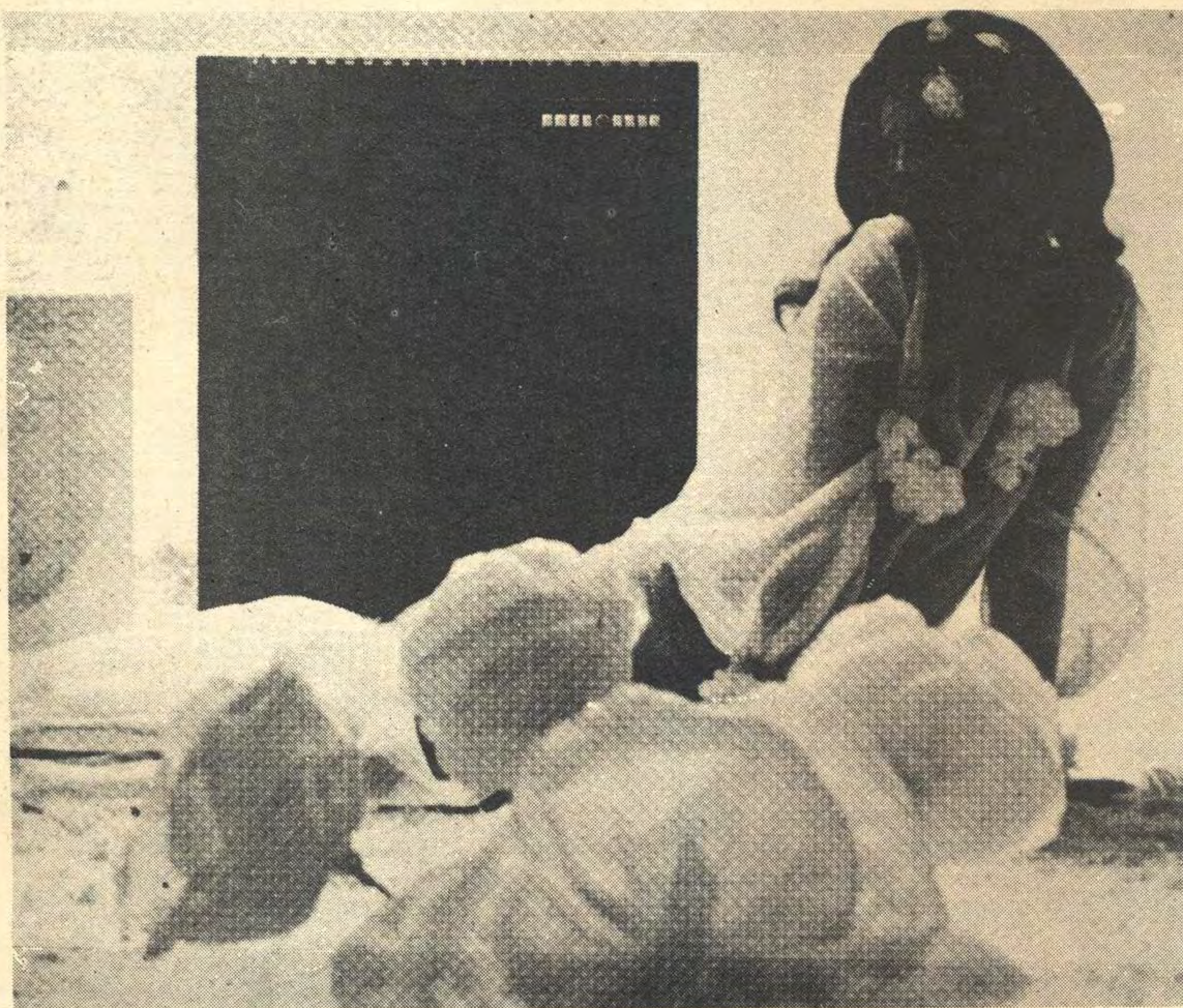


On Friday, April 24, 1970, Mr. T.H. (Tom) Miller retired after 24 years' continuous service with the Commission.

Tom, a quiet and reserved man, requested that no formal function be held to mark the occasion. However some of his colleagues slipped into the office at brew time to present him with an overnight bag and some cash.

Tom joined the Commission in 1946 as a Temporary Clerk, Administration in Kiewa. He left the Commission as Assistant Budgets Officer, Accounting Division, Latrobe Valley Region.

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Training certificates



On completion of their training, six Store Trainees at Yallourn Stores were awarded their certificates. The presentations were made by Mr. M. F. A. Gray, Regional Services Engineer. PICTURED from left to right: Pasquale Demagistros, Lindsay Smith, David Walters, Ron Goss, Michael Lang.

TWO YEARS OF SAFE WORKING

On May 9, 1970, Group 20 - part of Electrical Maintenance Section, Yallourn Power Station, received a Safety Award for the equivalent of two years without a disabling injury. There are 41 in the group but, due to shift work, not all were able to attend the presentation of the Award.

Their personal awards included sets of steak knives, socket sets, spanner sets, hunter lanterns, screwdriver sets and travelling clocks.

APOLOGY

It is regretted that the function held to bid Mr. Jack Richardson farewell was mis-reported in our last issue.

Mr. Richardson has never been known as 'Mick' and his health is excellent.

We apologise for this error and for any inconvenience it may have caused.

Cookery corner:



With
Trina
Williams



DOUGH

Filling

Cheese & Bacon Rolls

8 oz. S.R. flour	1 oz. butter
1 teaspoon salt	1/2 cup grated
Pinch Cayenne	mature cheese
Pepper	3/4-1 cup milk

2 rashers bacon	2 spring onions
1 tablesp. butter	Chopped parsley

Sift dry ingredients, rub in butter, add grated cheese and mix with sufficient milk to make a fairly soft dough. Turn onto a floured board and roll out into an oblong shape about 14 inches thick. Spread with softened butter and sprinkle with chopped cooked bacon, spring onions and finely chopped parsley. Moisten the edges, roll up and cut into slices 1/2 inch thick.

Place on a greased tray or into greased patty tins and bake in oven 550 degrees, reset to 450 for 8-10 minutes. Serve hot or cold, split the centre and butter.

Honey Nut Buns

8 oz. S.R. flour	1-2 teasp. sugar	1 oz. butter	1/2 teasp. grated nutmeg
1 level teasp. salt	3/4 - 1 cup milk	1 tablesp. honey	Chopped walnuts

Sift sugar, flour and salt into a bowl, rub in butter and mix with sufficient milk to make a fairly soft dough. Turn onto a floured board and roll out to a 1/2 inch thickness. Cut into rounds, place on a greased tray and brush tops with slightly warmed honey. Sprinkle with chopped walnuts and nutmeg.

Bake in oven 550 degrees, reset to 450 degrees for 10 minutes.

carter's column



May 1, on this page of sport, pay tribute to the late Ray Whitford, whose untimely death shocked us recently.

It was only 12 months ago in this column I spoke of Ray, who with his father, Bob, had done so much to commence the cycle racetrack at Newborough.

The true son, of a cycle racing father, Ray had, at the age of 23 years won top class races. To our workmate, Bob, and Mrs. Whitford senior, and Mrs. Ray Whitford, our deepest sympathy.

Sport plays a big part in the spare time, and the lunch time, of many Commission personnel and our picture shows some Stores personnel taking their table tennis practice very seriously.

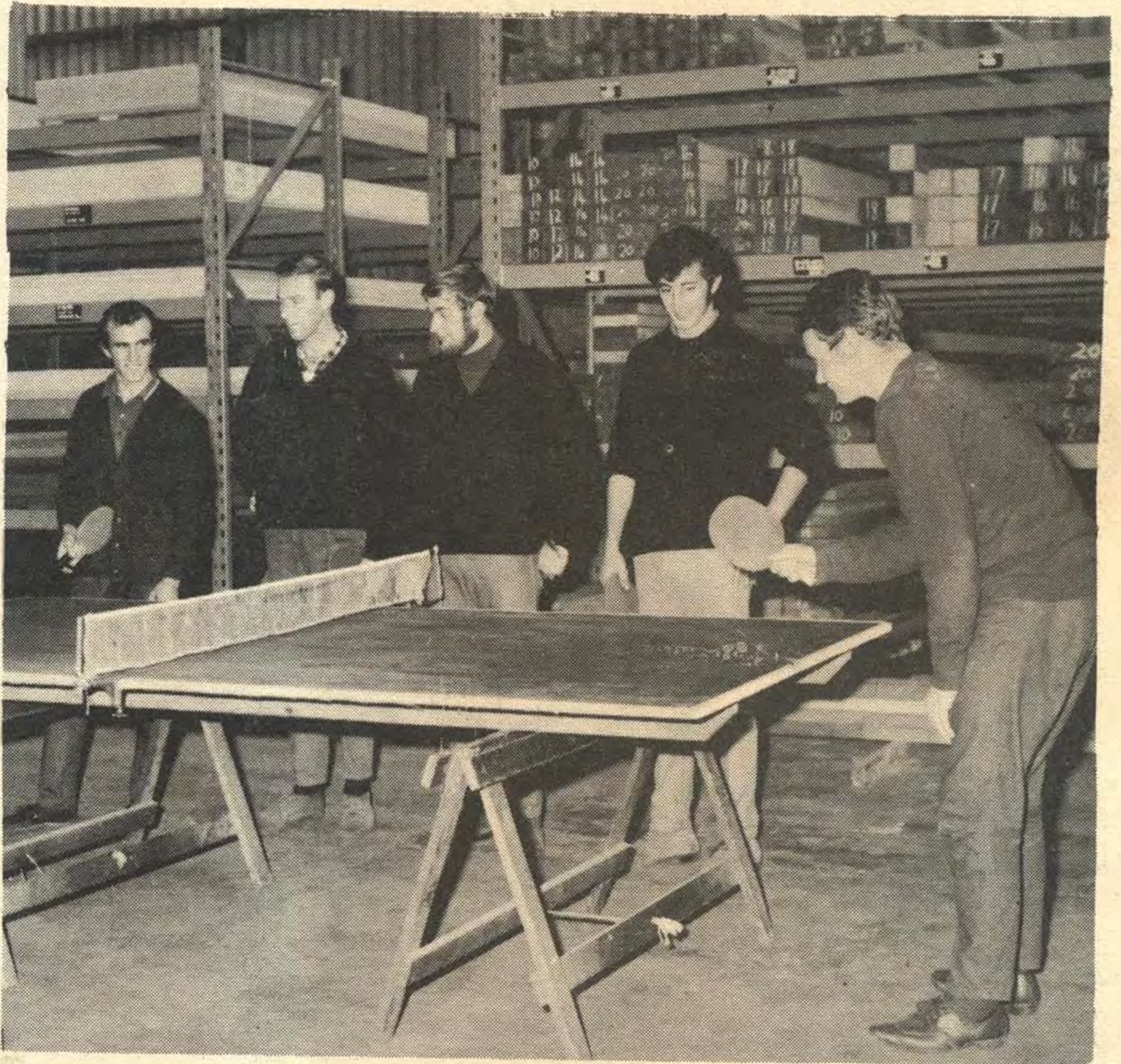
And speaking of table tennis at the Yallourn Stores, they have two teams in open competition in Moe - A-grade: John Magnusson; John Richards and Derek Brown, and although finding A-grade a little rich at the moment are gradually getting back the form that gave them the second berth in B-grade last season.

The Stores B-grade team - Ron Goss, Spencer Goss, Robert Grima and Peter Fitzgerald are tipped, with a little more experience - to emulate, if not do better than their A-Graders did last year. Each believes practice makes perfect.

Still on the subject of Table Tennis, hear tell that the Survey boys, who have been practising quietly for some months in the Construction area may soon be issuing challenges. I know the Stores boys would like to test their "mettle".

In the Bowls field, our old friends, Transport Workshops, are still 'trundling merrily along' each lunch time. Incidentally they have two teams in open competition in the Latrobe Valley Association competition. With the VIBBA singles coming up on June 3 and LVCBA Pairs on June 24; and the VIBBA Fours on July 15 there are many opportunities for SEC types to rally around and cheer on 'our boys'.

Electrical Tester, John Parsons, although he only made second place in the Gippsland Rifle Association championship shoot - beaten in the shoot-off at Lang Lang, he was the major prize winner at the meet.



He took the major prize of the Visitors' which was the aggregate. Also the Lang Lang, the Yarram and the Leongatha trophies. John was 'stacked up' against the cream of Victorian riflemen.

When men are past the competitive age in their sport, or, retire for any reason, it is usual for them to maintain an interest in the sport in which they participated.

But not so for Dan Derrico, professional foot runner of the Yallourn Workshops and Peter Gracey, badminton, soccer and rugby league player, who does duty for the Commission in the apprentice field. Dan, as President, and Peter, as Treasurer are associated with another non cyclist, Rick Crookes (Secretary) in guiding the fortunes of the Monash Amateur Cycling Club.

Dan's son, Stephen, with Peter's lad, David are both showing form in schoolboy ranks of cyclists.

A word to the Transport boys - I believe the Stores lads are training hard in bowling field. Could be some challenges looming? Also noticed a couple of cups at the Stores which spoke of past glories in the field of sport. (But that's another story).

What is a 'Knocker'? Hear tell, if a certain workshops type doesn't quieten a bit, he could go off with a "BANG". Strange, he does a lot of good work for sport too.

Four SEC men, as a Moe City Rifle team - Alf Obersby (Morwell Power Station) with 104 from a possible 105; Alan Schroeder (Stores) 103; Bill Brealey (Yallourn Workshops) 102 and Bob Mauritz (Morwell Power Station) 102. With a team total of 411 from a possible 420, shattered their 1968 record of 399 on Saturday, May 23, when they won the "Butler Shield" shoot of Gippsland Rifle Association Competition.

As "accurate Alan" would put it - That's some shooting.
