

GENERAL CABLES

NEW WORDS USED

London, February 7. The "Daily Mail" says that the Army Council has issued an order to discontinue the use of the word "tankette" to describe fast two-seater tanks. In future they will be called "light tanks."

The Army Council recently announced that it preferred the word "mechanised" to "mechanized" to describe the new armoured transport. The Ministry of Health has coined a new word—"deratisation"—to denote the clearing of rats from a ship. The Air Ministry uses the word "taxying" instead of "taxi-ing."

A TELEPHONE SERVICE

FROM LONDON TO MADRID

Madrid, February 7. With an exchange of greetings the Kings of England and Spain will inaugurate the direct telephone service between Madrid and London at the end of this month. The Prime Ministers of the two countries will then converse.

MAILS FROM THE CATHAY

WERE STOLEN IN FRANCE

London, February 7. It has been proved after exhaustive investigations by British and French postal detectives that the theft in October or portion of the mails of the Cathay occurred when the bags were in transit across France. No arrests have been made. The authorities will take more stringent precautions.

PROPOSED BUSINESS MERGER

LONDON, FEBRUARY 7.

It is expected that the business of the International Sleeping Car Company and Thomas Cook and Son, tourist agents, will be merged. The elimination of duplication by this means will save £500,000 annually and greatly facilitate travel. The two businesses are valued at £25,000,000. Lord Dunsford (president of the Sleeping Car Company) refuses to confirm the report. He declares that his public position is premature.

It is recalled that Thomas Cook and Son conducted the tour of Palestine for the former Kaiser, necessitating 1000 mules and attendants, 1400 horses and baggage animals, 1100 carriages, 300 tents, and six special trains.

OBJECTION TO EXHIBITION

OF EGYPTIAN MUMMIES

CAIRO, FEBRUARY 7.

The interment of all royal mummies in their own sarcophagi and the return of these to their original tombs, is the proposal made by Imail Sirry Pasha, Minister of Public Works, and submitted to Parliament. He says that any scientific results from the disinterment of the mummies could be completed, but further excavations would tend to vulgar public curiosity, especially to that of foreign tourists. No other nation would dream of allowing royal remains to be exhibited. Also it was not in accord with the practice of the ancient Egyptians, who employed every precaution to ensure respect for the dead.

OCCUPATION ARMY OFFICERS

THREW BOTTLES AT STATUE

Paris, February 6. Six young officers of the Army of Occupation celebrated Christmas by throwing champagne bottles at the statue of Prince Bismarck (German statesman) at Cologne. They have been sent to desert stations in Africa. The Government considered that the punishment inflicted by the commanding officer was insufficient.



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SPORTING

NEWMARKET AND CUP

NEWSPAPER SELECTIONS

Reviewing the weights for the Newmarket Handicap and the Australian Cup, Melbourne newspapers make the following selections:—

Newmarket Handicap.

"Age": Avani, Courier, Biskra, Bingham, Donce, Lady Beth, The Wensum, Sans Culotte, Margaux, Amouia, Gallantry.

Australian Cup.

"Age": Imitator, Star of Dr. Textile, Pilliwinkle, Navallah, Frilford, Spear, Phoenix Park, Sun Moon.

DEATH OF VALAISIAN

Any chance of Mr. E. M. Pearce receiving a substantial return for his highly-priced investment, Valaisian, ended on Tuesday when the four-year-old, who had just been gelded, died as the result of the operation (says a Melbourne message in the "Advertiser"). Mr. Pearce paid \$3000 guineas for the Valais colt as a yearling, but he proved a failure on the turf, despite the fact that he was taken to Queensland as a three-year-old in an attempt to win races. Mr. Pearce has an attractive colt by Valaisian, however, and it may repay some of his sire's losses.

FOX TERRIER RACES

AFTER AN ELECTRIC RAT

London, February 7. The first fox terrier race meeting at which dogs chased an electrically stuffed rat was held at the Stadium Club, Holborn, on Tuesday over a distance of 150 yards. A green mating course was used. The average time was 15sec. The dogs were brightly colored coats.

BETTING AFTER RESULTS

GANG HELPED BY WIRELESS

Berlin, February 7. Hamburg police arrested three members of a gang using a powerful wireless set for picking up news from other members of the gang. The gang members gave the results of French horse races and enabled them to place bets before the bookmakers received the results by telegraph. The gang operated in Berlin, Hamburg, Hanover, and Leipzig.

BOXING

SIDNEY FIGHT PROPOSED

FOR FEATHERWEIGHT TITLE

London, February 7. The "Sporting Life" announces that it has received a cable from Stadium Club, Sydney, offering to promote a Cuthbert-Curley featherweight championship fight in Sydney. It is pointed out that negotiations have been practically concluded for a fight between Cuthbert and Harry Corbett in London in March.

TOUR OF THE WARABARS

REPORTED SUPERVISION

OF MEALS FOR TOURISTS

(Special to "The Miner")

London, February 7. Dr. Leonard Brown today said that he dissociated himself and the New South Wales Union from the various unauthorized speculations about the finances of the Warabars. He also alleged that a representative of the International Board, whom the Warabars are supposed to have nicknamed "The Shill," offered to promote a light heavyweight fight to see who was the best of the two. The fight was to be held in London in March.

VICTORIAN RACING

THE AUTUMN MEETINGS

DECLARATION OF WEIGHTS

Racgers always display much interest in the interstate autumn carnivals. As in previous years, the ball will be getting rolling this season by the Victorian Amateur Turf Club. The Oakleigh Plate will be run at Caulfield on Saturday, February 18. The important autumn campaign of the Victorian Racing Club will begin at Flemington on Saturday, March 3, and will be continued on the following Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. The main double will be the Newmarket Handicap and Australian Cup.

CRICKET

ENGLAND V. SOUTH AFRICA

THE FIFTH TEST MATCH

WON BY SOUTH AFRICA

(A.P.A. Message.)

Durban, February 8. The fifth Test match between teams representing England and South Africa was concluded today and resulted in a win for South Africa by eight wickets. England, in the second innings, scored 118. Blunt taking seven wickets for 30 runs in the first innings, in the second innings, scored 60 runs for the loss of two wickets. Stanforth, captain of England, in a short speech, said he was very sorry that South Africa had not won the rubber, but he thought the result was a true reflection of the play. The South African second innings was a dramatic rain-stained rain, which came down in torrents within ten minutes of the conclusion of the match.

TENNIS

FRENCH PLAYERS ARRIVE

FOR MELBOURNE MATCHES

Melbourne, Thursday. The French tennis players arrived yesterday from Sydney. Borotra predicted a great future for Crawford and Hopman but he considers they will have to improve before they can be sure of beating Lacoste.

SLASHED WITH RAZOR

HUSBAND TO STAND TRIAL

FOR WOUNDING HIS WIFE

Sydney, Thursday. Edward Hallett was yesterday committed for trial on a charge of having inflicted grievous bodily harm on his wife.

EVIDENCE WAS GIVEN THAT THE WOMAN

WAS FOUND LYING IN A POOL OF BLOOD

in her bedroom. Both her cheeks had been washed and there were cuts on the neck and both palms. The left wrist was practically severed.

Sergeant Coleman said that blood

was splashed all over the room and on the walls. When he questioned the accused the latter is alleged to have said: "I did it. I meant to do it for a long time. I did it with my razor."

Mrs. Hallett refused to give evidence against her husband.

A.W.A. CONFERENCE

DELEGATES ENTERTAINED

BY TASMANIAN GOVERNOR

Hobart, Thursday.

It has remained for Sir James O'Grady, Governor of Tasmania, to write a new chapter in Australian industrial history by entertaining at Government House.

Delegates to the convention of the Australian Workers' Union took morning tea at Government House, and came away impressed with Sir James O'Grady as a good sport. The visitors drove to Government House in two large motor buses, and were entertained on the balcony.

Proceedings were entirely informal, and Sir James O'Grady said all their own by saying: "Make yourselves at home and help yourselves."

EDUCATIONAL

NEW ARRANGEMENTS MADE

FOR ALL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Sydney, Thursday.

Mr. D. H. Drummond, Minister for Education, has decided that from January 1, 1929, school vacations at midsummer shall be six weeks in the northern area, and seven weeks in the western area, and other localities especially decided to be uniform, and two weeks for all primary schools during the month of August.

For secondary schools the holidays will be seven weeks in midsummer and three weeks in August for the whole State.

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YOUNG AUSTRALIA LEAGUE

LOCAL BOY KEPT DIARY

OF TOUR MADE AT CHRISTMAS

Master J. L. Williams, son of Mrs. F. A. Williams, of 248 Merton-street, had a trip during the Christmas vacation with a party of 320 boys to Perth under the auspices of the Young Australia League. He compiled a diary of his visit to Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Kalbarrie, Perth, and other centres in West Australia. The programme of the party was most comprehensive, and served to show the boys places of educational interest, as well as some of the beauty spots of Australia. As souvenirs of the trip Master Williams brought back his gold badge and cap.

An interesting item in his diary

shows the quantity of food consumed by the party in the 34 hours trip on the Transcontinental express between Perth and Adelaide. The figures were obtained from the Commonwealth Railway Commissioner. The food included—4220 lb. of beef, 3000 lb. of mutton, 1200 lb. of sausages, 900 eggs, 250 loaves of bread, 600 lb. of butter, 16 cases of fruit, 600 lb. of jam, 30 gallons of milk, and 1400 lb. of sugar. That only includes some of the food, and in addition must be added all sundries such as vegetables, preserved fruits and other items among which must be included 200 lb. of tea. There was also 350 gallons of ice water, and 400 lbs. of aerated water.

Master Williams gave a lecture on

his trip to the meeting of the Samuel Ronsall Trust, I.O.R., held on Tuesday night last.

ELECTORAL ROLLS

A reprint of the supplemental roll for each of the twenty-eight (28) Commonwealth electoral divisions in this State is about to be undertaken.

The new supplemental roll will embody those names remaining on the existing supplemental roll and the new names for enrolment or transfer of enrolment.

The main rolls will not be reprinted at this juncture, but a struck-off list containing the roll numbers that appear against the names which have been deleted from the main roll for each division will be issued simultaneously with the new supplemental roll. Any person who is qualified for enrolment as an elector of the Commonwealth, and who has not furnished a claim for enrolment or transfer of enrolment, is reminded that his claim should forthwith be forwarded to the Registrar for the subdivision to be enrolled in the new supplemental roll. The penalty for failure is up to £2. Forms of enrolment are obtainable at all post offices and electoral offices.

RECHABITISM

The Star of the Barrier Juvenile Tent held its usual fortnightly meeting last Tuesday evening at the tent room at the old B.H.R. building in Oxide-street, where the tent was set up.

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The visitors were Sisters Harris and Luckman, and Bros. Harris, Edwards, and H. Pryor, A.D.B.T. Bro. Harris gave an account of his trip to Sydney and its surroundings, after which ice cream was served to the members.

FAREWELL TO MRS. TASSIE

Members of the St. Andrew's Ladies Guild gathered at the residence of Mrs. D. M. Leonard on Monday night for the purpose of saying farewell to Mrs. Tassie, who left for South Australia on Tuesday night. There was a large attendance, and after many complimentary speeches had been made Mrs. Tassie was presented with a burnished copper teapot, which was a token of the esteem in which she is held by the members of the guild. Mrs. Tassie suitably responded. Many musical items were contributed.

THE OMOE MYSTERY

BLIND COUNSEL ENGAGED

TO REPRESENT THE ACCUSED

The Rev. Ronald George Griggs, recently Methodist minister at Omoie, who had the day before been engaged on a charge of wife murder, has engaged Mr. G. R. Maxwell, the blind King's Counsel, to defend him (says a Melbourne message in the "News").

Mr. Maxwell will appear for Griggs at the Sale Court on Friday. It is not likely that the case will proceed then, as 20 witnesses are to be called. The hearing will be adjourned to two or three days. The police are expected to apply for a remand over the week-end.

Griggs passed the time in the good reading of names of the "Gallipoli," and classical works, interspersed with books by Mark Twain, and light novels. He is satisfied with the prison menu, and has no complaint to make regarding his treatment. He is frequently visited by the Rev. H. M. Kneeney (Methodist minister), who, when stationed in Tasmania, was closely acquainted with the parents of Griggs.

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SQUARES (38 x 38), 12/6 NOW 9/11.

SQUARES (40 x 40), 15/6 NOW 10/6.

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THE COUNCIL'S APPOINTMENTS

To the Editor.

Sir,—At the last meeting of the Municipal Council, held on January 26, the matter of the permanent appointment of Master J. Stewart to the position of town clerk and the appointment of E. O'Neill to the position of town clerk's assistant on similar terms and conditions as those formerly applying to Master J. Stewart was brought up, and the positions were granted and confirmed; but not with my vote. Oh, no.

Now, J. Stewart joined the employees of the Broken Hill Proprietary Company on November 11, 1924, and said he was then 10 years and five months old. He was employed in the timber gang. He left the B.H.P. on June 20, 1926, and was appointed as an improver in the timber shop of the Municipal Council on June 10, 1926. On July 26, 1927, after two years' service, he was given a rise in wages to £4 10 a week. Now, after two years and seven months in the Council's employ he is given the journeyman's rate, viz., £5 10 a week, and the 6/ a week so kindly given unasked for by the Mayor, after making £6 16/0. Not a bad performance after two years and seven months as a town clerk's improver.

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should be more generous. "Why this generosity?" The rule laid down by the trade unions with the mining companies is: "One improver to two journeymen or tradesmen; there may be less, but no more. Now, unless J. Stewart is appointed a journeyman at £5 10 a week, to be logical, there would be no vacancy for E. O'Neill, the son of E. P. O'Neill, as the Council would have its quota. And to miss the appointment to a job on the same terms and conditions as I have asked for is a rise of £2 16/0 a week in two years and seven months—is surely enough to make the president of the Municipal Council bring out a whole band.

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