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HISTORIC BALMAIN BUILDINGS

The image of Balmain as an area worth preserving from the "national heritage" point of view has been improved considerably by action taken recently by The National Trust of Australia (N.S.W.).

The Trust has placed a number of buildings in a special classification which describes them as buildings "of considerable interest, the preservation of which should be encouraged".

It has written (or is writing) to the owners of the classified buildings advising them of the classification, and requesting that it be advised of any development affecting preservation.

While this action by the Trust will have no actual legal effect, it will be of value in "preserving the national heritage".

The classification is considered to be an auth-

oritative statement of the architectural and historical importance of the buildings in question, and as such is held in esteem by government, local government, semi-government and private organisations.

Among the possible effects of listing by the Trust is its ability to be of practical assistance to the owners on occasion.

For instance, when any move is made to restore a building, the Trust can give architectural advice. Also, it may offer assistance in the form of publicity should their owners contemplate sale.

The following buildings have recently been included in this classification:

St. Andrew's Congregational Church, Darling Street. This is particularly well sited, at the corner of Darling Street

and Curtis Road, and has a very fine tower.

Presbyterian Church, Campbell Street.

St. Mary's Church of England, Darling Street.

"The Grange", No. 7 Vincent Street—owned by Mr. Len Barton, antique dealer, who has effected restoration and filled it with antiques.

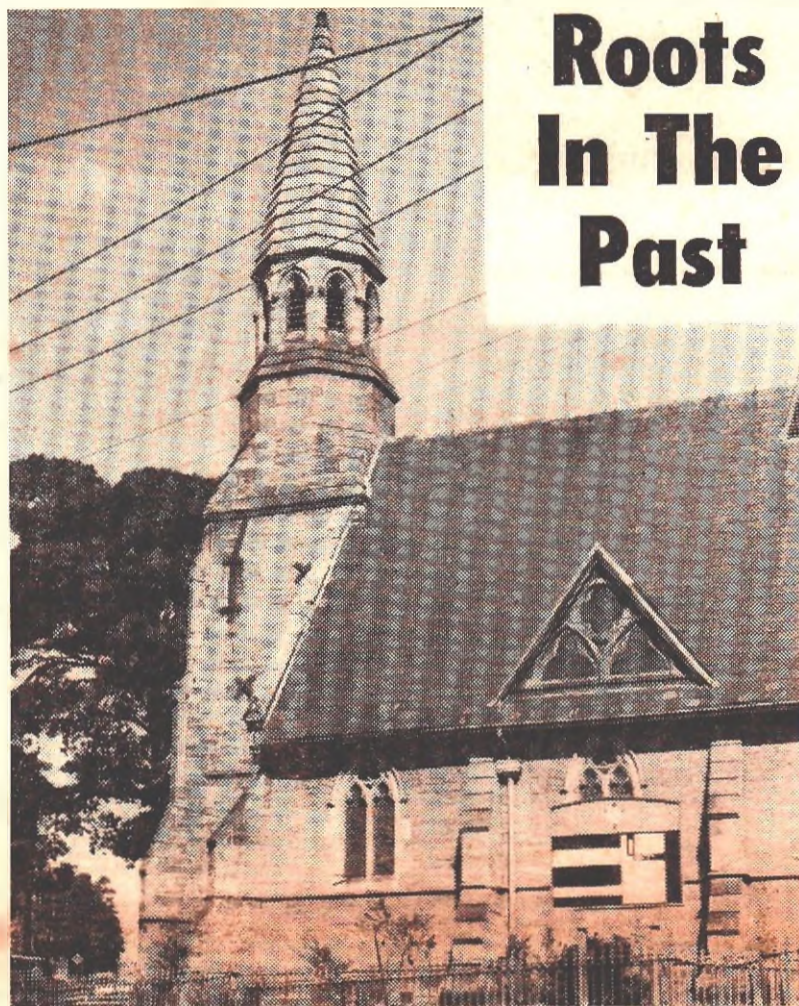
"Boatman's Cottage", No. 12 Darling Street, owned by Mr. John Rogers.

"Shannon Grove"—Mr. Tom Flower's home in Ewinton Street. Built about 1848, it has been added to, but still contains some fine original details, including beautiful cedar joinery.

E.S. & A. Bank, Darling Street.

The Trust has also listed the **Anglican Church of St. John the Evangelist**, in Birchgrove Road, as "a building of interest to be recorded".

It considers that other buildings in this area are worthy of classification, including the West Side Centre and Post Office and Court House. However, before taking action it is awaiting the results of a survey by The Balmain Association.



Roots In The Past

A view from Curtis Road of the side of lovely old St. Andrew's Congregational Church, one of seven Balmain buildings recently classified by The National Trust of Australia (N.S.W.).

The present minister, the Rev. F. Lambert Carter, told "The Link" that the church was completed and opened for worship on August 16, 1855, although a delay in the arrival of a number of slates caused many people to attend church with umbrellas. The church hall was added in 1870, and the soldiers' memorial hall in 1919.

In the 80's a fierce gale twisted the tower, which had to be strengthened with iron bracings.

Prior to the construction of this building, the church fellowship combined both Congregationalists and Presbyterians, with the Rev. T. A. Gordon its first minister (1853). Place of meeting was a weatherboard building of Gothic design in Darling Street, near Waterview Street.

Sponsors of the construction of the building were deacons of Pitt Street Congregational Church—

Messrs. James Fairfax and David Jones (founders of those two famous firms).

In 1857 disruption occurred in the fellowship. The Rev. T. A. Gordon withdrew with a section of the congregation to form a Presbyterian Church in Campbell Street, which subsequently joined the Presbyterian Church of N.S.W. in the union of 1865.

The Congregational fellowship was formally reconstituted on November 26, 1858. A month later the Rev. T. A. Arnold accepted a unanimous invitation to the pastorate.

NINE Column

EXAMPLE TO FOLLOW

Balmain people will be grateful to The National Trust of Australia for its effort to preserve what remains of the graceful old lines of this district's architecture.

While on the face of it the move may not appear impressive to the man in the street, there is far more value lying in the background, as heritage-conscious workers will tell you.

The classification of quite a number of well-known Balmain buildings as structures whose preservation should be encouraged puts this area into the national (rather than the local) picture, telling all Australians that here is a unique corner of their land whose roots are very much in the past and that these are worthy of an effort to keep them.

Balmain needs this type of support, in the face of mounting pressure from industry, aided and abetted by materially-minded Federal and State politicians and public servants, who seem to regard the area as a prime target for heavy industrialisation.

It would appear that the major problem in preserving some reasonable living amenities in Balmain and Rozelle is to convince the State Government "planners"—as well as Leichhardt Council itself—that this district should not be thrown to the industrial wolves: that zoning should preserve its essential "living area" characteristics.

Since the State Planning Authority must be influenced to some degree by architectural considerations, is it too much to hope that The National Trust gesture will cause these planners to pause a while and reflect on the iniquity of a policy which can result only in the destruction of living amenity?

COUNCIL MEETING DATES

The first ordinary meeting of the newly-elected Leichhardt Council will be held on the night of Wednesday, February 5.

At the special meeting of Council following the declaration of the poll—held on December 16—it was decided to change the times of the ordinary meetings to every second Wednesday (instead of Tuesday, as in the past).

The full Council meeting, to be held in public, will commence at 8 p.m. Committee meetings will continue to be held in camera, at 7.30 p.m. on the nights of ordinary meetings.

At the special meeting on December 16 Council fixed the mayoral allowance at \$3,000 per annum, an increase of \$500 over the \$2,500 rate which has operated for the past 12 years.

WATER POLO

Four Balmain water polo players were selected last Sunday night for the N.S.W. State water polo team.

They are Dave Woods, Ken Laws, Max May and Ian McLauchlan. These four are members of a team of seven to represent the State. Another four will be added in a few weeks time.

Dave Woods was selected as captain-coach of the team.

Balmain has shown its strength in depth by having Philip Kidd selected for the N.S.W. State colts' team, and Gail Miranda and Sue Waddington for the N.S.W. State ladies' team.



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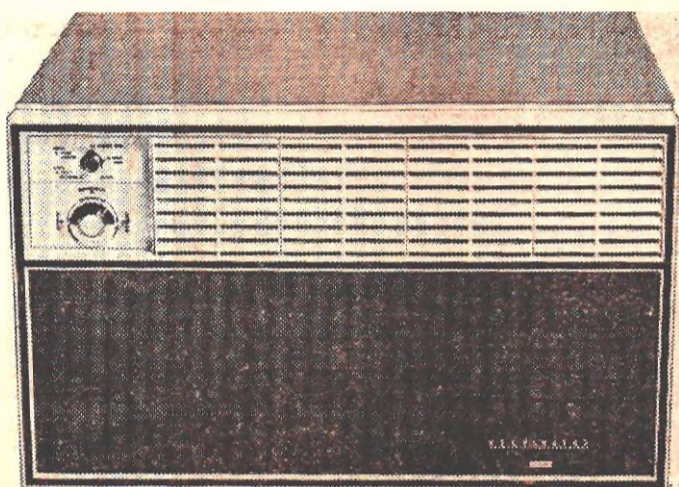
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East End Bus Service

Why does the bus service to East Balmain become almost non-existent after 5.15 p.m. on weekdays?

Almost all buses from both Canterbury and City terminate at Gladstone Park after that hour.

Sometimes I have to wait 20 minutes to get to the east end, which is only a 3-minute ride from Gladstone Park. The alternative is about a 15-minute walk, most of it uphill.

Since the buses terminating at Gladstone Park stand for five to ten minutes before moving off, why can't some of them be sent to the east end to provide adequate service for the people.

It adds fuel to the fire of one's discontent to see some of the buses waiting at Gladstone Park unable to fit into the waiting zone.

—“A Battler”

Face Of Balmain

How many industries in Balmain have done anything to improve the district?

Monsanto have landscaped a garden. Fenwick's have planted trees. Newbound & Co. have done what they can with their small frontage. There may be some others, but not many.

Howard Smith's, with a large water frontage, have an expanse of weeds. That could be improved by a plantation of trees, with some also around their car park.

Miller's have bought an adjoining house that once was painted and had a nice garden. Now the garden is neglected and dying.

The idea seems to be that it doesn't matter what you do in Balmain—just build up an industry, and go home afterwards to a garden suburb. Balmain could be one of the most interesting suburbs if only industry would co-operate.

Many residents are doing what they can to paint and improve their places. Usually the shabby ones are owned by absentee landlords, who also often don't care.

Does the Mayor ever drive around her municipality and see what improvements can be done to tidy up the suburb? Does she ever go round the waterfront and look at some of the rubbish seen from ferries and harbour cruises?

Let's hope the new Council will do something about it, and make Balmain one of the best waterfront suburbs.

—S. Masterman (Birchgrove)

Voting System

We would like our voters to know that the Balmain - Leichhardt Labor Party in Rozelle polled a total of 986 primary votes (people who put one of us as first choice) as against the A.L.P.'s 1,198.

According to the "proportional" system of counting votes, which has been followed in previous Council elections, one of us would certainly be representing you now in Leichhardt Council.

However, the "preferential" system, which was brought in just before the most recent elections, tends to favour large party groupings at the expense of minorities (even large ones, like ours).

Thus, our No. 1 candidate, Mrs. Tow, polled second to the A.L.P.'s Mrs. Cashman, gaining 683 primary votes, and our Mr. Taylor came third with 248. They were beaten to the post by Ald. Casey and Mr. Heffernan, who came fourth and fifth with, respectively, 111 votes and 61 votes.

It seems unfair that 55% of voters should get three aldermen all to themselves, and the remaining 45% should have no voice at all in how their ward is run.

Many people have protested against the undemocratic way this system works, and we intend to add our voice to theirs. If any of you would like to back up our protest, we suggest that you write to the Minister for Local Government, Mr. Morton.

In the meanwhile, the fact that we have not succeeded in winning a seat in Council will not stop us from taking an active interest in the continuing problems of this whole area. You will be hearing more from us.

—Elizabeth Tow, Reg. Taylor, Alicia Lee

Election Issues

I must congratulate your paper on providing such an efficient coverage of the important issues of the municipal elections. If the electors are again to be the victims of inefficient Local Government administration they must themselves take the blame.

Although the Labor-controlled Leichhardt Council has on a number of occasions rejected motions by independent aldermen to adopt the Library Act, they all were keen to jump onto the band wagon and at the election advocated its adoption.

In this regard may I eulogise the efforts of a local citizen, Mr. Fred Willson, who in 1963 took up a petition of over 1,000 signatures, which was presented to the Council, without avail. Mr. Willson addressed many local organisations and is now President of the Leichhardt Municipality Library Association, and his efforts over many years should be recognised.

The rebate of rates for pensioners has also arisen, but it should be remembered that the pioneer of this move was Ald. Elton Lewis, who in March 1960 moved a motion in the Council that this should be granted.

Apparently his eloquent appeal impressed Labor aldermen, for some 12 months later, although voting against the original motion, they adopted it. In my book, thanks should always go to the persons originating these beneficial matters.

—R. Morling (Balmain).

They "Got Soapsuds"

We people who live near Unilever's works in Reynolds Street, Rozelle, wonder when remedial action for fall-out from the works will take effect.

New plant installed about 12 months ago was supposed to have been attended to by the middle of November to prevent fall-out. However, it would appear that nothing has been done.

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—(Mrs.) Aileen Krey (Rosser Street)

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BALMAIN HOME RESTORATION

Balmain renovated and restored? Yes — but not "re-developed" as a multi-storied metropolis of brick houses! That is the view of Mr. F. A. Baker, prominent district real estate man.

Mr. Baker told "The Link" that this community needed renovation and restoration, but not mammoth re-development.

"The extension of its character," he said, "is in the hands of the residents, and legislation for authentic restoration, to avoid incompatibility, would have Balmain emerge as a suburb of unbelievable difference, superior to Paddington, and not a multi-storied metropolis of brick houses."

He thought that the suggestions for improvements, particularly residentially, regularly published in "The Link" had been commendable.

"Reliance"

At times, however, it had been apparent that this paper had placed great reliance on what should be done by Council and its representatives, and that it inferred that residents were the vic-

Teenage girls need extra iron in their diet. Those eager to lose weight sometimes neglect to include foods rich in iron, such as liver and kidney

tims of influences beyond their own control.

As one who believed firmly in the ability of the individual to control his own environment, he would extend due gratitude both to local authority and to the residents.

Within the boundaries of the municipality, he said, were examples of endeavour to be appreciated and achieved by those who were prepared to evaluate human enterprise and natural beauty. "Perhaps unique in Australia are interesting features of architecture and Australian traditions fast fading from the general scene," Mr. Baker added.

"Some examples are houses still roofed in timber shingles, hotels of original design, the Watch House, Beckett-designed buildings—all a quaint association with the past.

"If one is a walker, great pleasure is gained by closer scrutiny of the municipality. The waterfront in particular stirs memories of bygone days of ships and sail."

"Nasty" Word

Mr. Baker said that the contentious and ill-phrased word so frequently used regarding Balmain was "re-development".

He could not but shudder at the nasty word. "Restoration" was a better word. Its practical appreciation would result in beautification.

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He was speaking during the debate on amendments to the Landlord and Tenant Act.

Twenty-five per cent of all representations made to him were from elderly people seeking Housing Commission accommodation, he said. They were being forced to seek Government assistance because they feared eviction or could not pay rents demanded by landlords.

Mr. Degen also raised the plight of tenants of commercial premises which would be de-controlled from January 1 next. He said they would lose everything they had built up over many years, because they would not be able to pay increased rents demanded by landlords.

One shopkeeper had already received a demand for a 600% rent increase. The shop was in a depressed area, making it financially impossible for him to pay

it. He had been forced to relinquish his business, losing \$3,000 in goodwill.

Mr. Degen said shopkeepers were providing an essential public service and were entitled to protection from the Government. The Government, however, was taking away all protection from these people and this would result in financial ruin for many.

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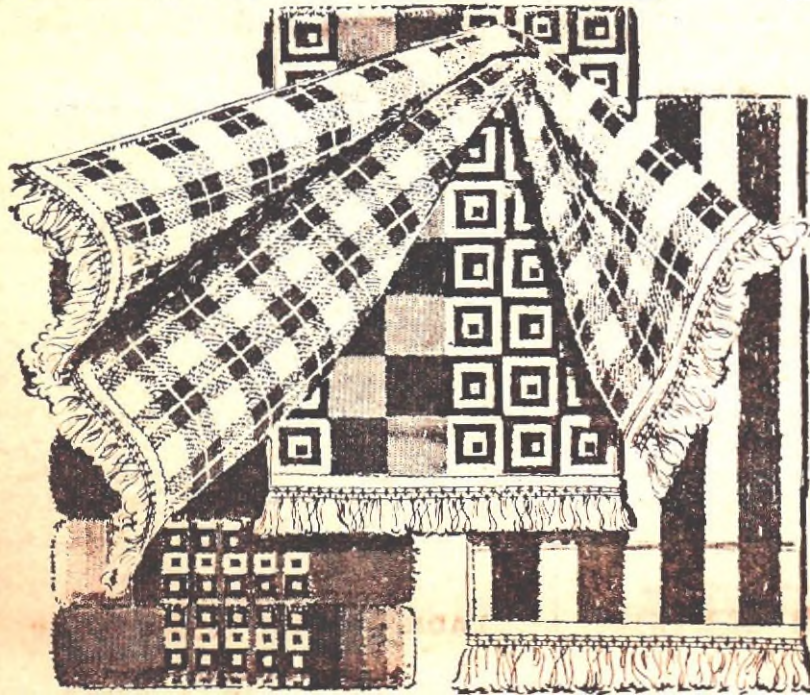
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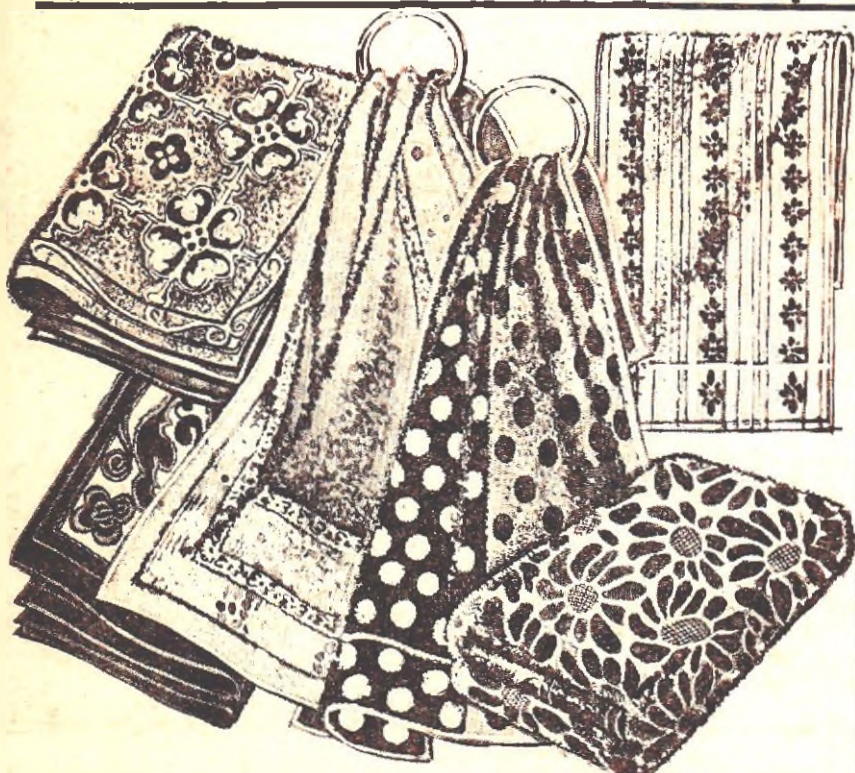


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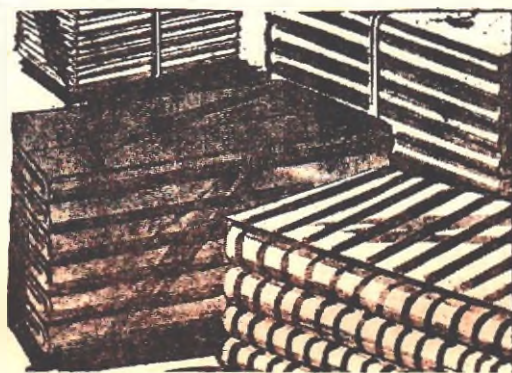
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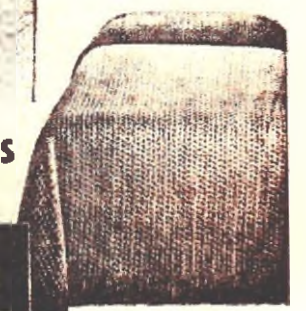


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Sports Club members are offered a couple of very nice trips in the near future.

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On Sunday, January 26, there will be the big trip to Austinmer R.S.L. Buses will leave the club at 8.30 a.m. All names and money must be in before January 19. The fare will be \$1 per person, and the outing will be for Sports Club members only.

The knock-out euchre tournament on December 27 resulted in a win for Harry Allen and Mrs. Downie, from Percy Cowan and Toby Murphy. The knock-out on January 3 was won by Phil Curle and Jack Barnard, from Frank Barnbour and Jimmie Quinlan.

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Every nomination for a position on the Committee of Management must be nominated and seconded by 2 Ordinary Members who are financial for 1969, otherwise their nomination becomes null and void. Nominations close on Sunday, 9th February, at 6 o'clock.

Voting dates on Club premises in the Mixed Lounge, 5 till 9 o'clock, Thursday and Friday, 13th and 14th February, and 10 o'clock till 6 o'clock, Saturday, 15th February.

The Club's Annual Meeting will be held on Club premises on Wednesday, 19th February, commencing 8 p.m. sharp.

ROBERT MORRISON,
 Returning Officer for 1969.

MUNICIPALITY OF LEICHHARDT

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have to advise that at a duly convened Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Leichhardt, held on the 16th December, 1968, ALDERMAN LESLIE JOHN RODWELL was elected to the position of Mayor of the Municipality for the ensuing year.

ALDERMAN JAMES LESLIE McMAHON was elected to the position of Deputy Mayor of this municipality.

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Hitchhiking Problems

Although hitchhiking often can be harmless, drivers should weigh all the circumstances before giving a hitchhiker a lift, in the opinion of the N.R.M.A.

N.R.M.A. General Secretary, Mr. W. Mason, said that while the taking up of hitchhikers was entirely a matter for a driver's own discretion, he should be careful, particularly at night on lonely roads, and especially when alone in the car.

Cases had occurred of drivers being subjected to violence or being forced to drive out of their way under threat of violence.

"The problem is not a simple one," Mr. Mason said. "It is apparent that in most cases no real harm arises from the practice, and it is obviously acceptable to many drivers, who may resent being told they must not give anyone a lift.

"There are occasions, too, when it may be a friendly gesture, such as when a fellow motorist has broken down on the road and seeks assistance.

"However, we view one aspect of hitchhiking unfavourably—and that is the practice of people standing on the road to solicit a ride. These en-

danger themselves and can cause accidents.

"This practice should be discouraged. The law in fact already gives police authority to deal with people causing this hazard."

TEENAGE GIRLS

Mr. Mason said a special problem was posed by teenage girls hitchhiking. This was largely a moral and social question, and was related to other common situations in which girls were exposed to danger. There was perhaps a need for more emphasis on these dangers through general educational means and parental control."

A recent check by police along one stretch of highway in Arizona, U.S.A., showed that out of 100 hitchhikers, 84 had criminal records. Twelve others were either juvenile runaways or servicemen absent without leave. Only four out of the 100 were without police records.

While the N.R.M.A. does not suggest that a similar situation exists here, it advises motorists to weigh the risks first.

Cut Down On Sugar!

Cut down on sugar, says the Health Publicity Council of Australia, stationed in Melbourne.

"It is not necessary and is nothing more than a modern habit-forming fad," says the Council.

The following hints are given on ways of restricting the use of sugar and flour:

Substitute dried fruits, figs, dates, prunes, sultanas and raisins for sugar as sweetening agents.

Substitute wholemeal for white flour always.

Eliminate sugar in jellies. Use pure fruit juice, water and gelatine instead.

Eliminate sugar and white flour in pastry. Wholemeal flour makes excellent pastry.

LANE COVE PICNICS

The N.R.M.A. Touring Department says that Lane Cove National Park, 8 miles from the city, is ideal for a family barbecue or picnic.

This 800-acre park is on the banks of Lane Cove River in a picturesque green valley setting.

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