

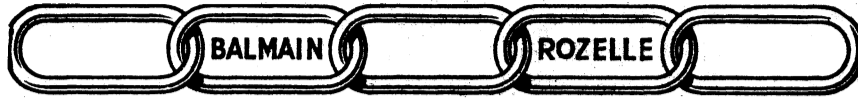
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## ELECTORAL WHO'S WHO

Five candidates have nominated for the seat of Sydney in the forthcoming Federal Elections — two less than the number who contested the 1969 election when Balmain first became part of the Sydney electorate.

The two major parties — the Australian Labor Party and the Liberal Party — are represented, as are the Australia Party, the Communist and the Socialist Party.

The sitting member, Mr. Jim Cope, ALP, is a candidate, as is Mr. Graham Robertson, who is standing again for the Liberal Party.

The Australian Party is represented by Mr. Allan Sorrensen, the Communist Party of Australia by Mr. Laurence Aarons, and the Socialist Party by Mr. Patrick Clancy.

### Official

The official candidates show Mr. James Francis Cope, of William Street, Redfern, as a glass bender; Mr. Graham Phillip Robertson, of City Road, Chippen-dale, as a publican, Mr. Allan Neils Sorrensen, of Gottenham Street, Glebe, as a male nurse, Mr. Laurence Aarons, of Barton Road, Artarmon, as a secretary, and Mr. Patrick Martin Clancy, of Hydræ Street, Revesby, as a union secretary.

The candidates this week gave The Link a summary of their policies, particularly as these policies could apply to the Balmain Peninsula.

### Schools

Labor would also set up a Pre-School Commission to inquire into the needs of pre-schooling.

"Pre-school education requires \$40 million to give all children in Australia, regardless of nationality or colour, equal opportunities with education," he said.

"At present less than 20 per cent of the children in Australia have these completely equipped schools."

### Children

One problem which affected Balmain in particular, as it did other inner-city areas, was the strong need for adequate child-minding facilities.

Balmain would be among the first areas to be considered for such assistance by the Pre-School Commission because of its outstanding needs here, he said.

Mr. Cope said the assistance was envisaged for working mothers and that those who needed such facilities and paid for them could get rebates of up to \$260 a year.

Another strong point in the policy was for the payment of pensions in any part of the world, he said.

At present these pensions operated on a reciprocal arrangement only between Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom.

### Pensions

Also if migrants qualified for any form of pension in Australia, they could continue to receive it if they decided to return to their homelands.

All pensions would be increased by \$1.50 each

Spring and Autumn until they equalled 25 per cent of the average wage — now about \$101 a week.

Mr. Robertson said he would press hard for a Ministry of Tourism on the Federal level, and endeavour to make Sydney the "tourist capital of Australia."

This would entail many other services, such as housing in such areas as Pymont, where uneconomical wool stores now took up valuable housing space, he said.

Such use of this land would cut down any extra pressure on other nearby suburbs, such as Balmain and environments, for density dwelling.

On unemployment, Mr. Robertson said he could see no "glaring issue" in the Sydney area, although he agreed there could be a definite problem in country areas.

"I would press for the upgrading of hospital and education facilities, including those in Balmain," he said.

Mr. Robertson would also urge greater co-operation between the three tiers of government within Australia, with probably the appointment of Commissioners or Administrators to cope with local government.

These should be answerable to the state government, he said. Otherwise, they would be doing the kind of job the local body wanted.

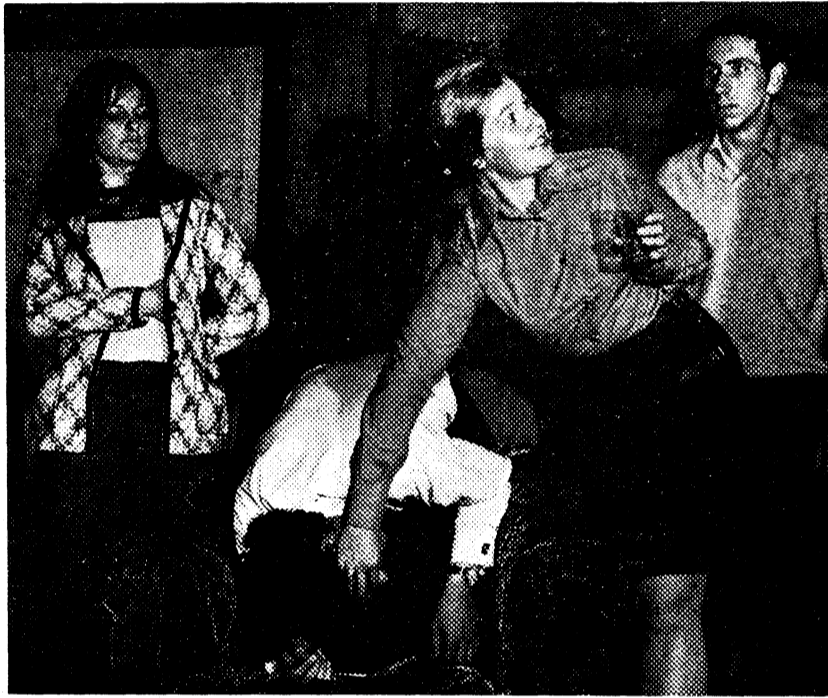
"If elected, I will realise there is a problem to be dealt with in this area, and will try to do something about it," he added.

### Mobile

Mr. Sorrensen said that if elected he would undertake to use a mobile office to get about the electorate and deal with problems presented to him on the spot, and join as many parliamentary committees as he could to have his policy put forward.

In Parliament, he would do his best to gain better educational facilities, ensure rights of the people to civil liberties,

## SUDDEN DEATH... but it's on stage



Murderous doings on Nigger Island, as depicted by Sue Tillman, Richard Norman, Ann Roy and Lloyd Nichols in Agatha Christie's mystery-thriller play "Ten Little Niggers".

The play is being presented by the Balmain Theatre Group at the Presbyterian Hall on December 1, 2, 6, 8 and 9.

Others playing in a grim game of death on a small island off Devon will be Joan Ross, Barbara Rush, Tom Flower, John LeVack, David Austin and Joan Rodd.

Producer will be Barry Eton, who produced "Harlequinade" for the group in September.

such as the freedom of speech and of assembly.

He would also take a stand against monopoly in mass media as this did not permit a balanced viewpoint among the electorate.

He said there should be a change in emphasis, so that present educational facilities were used to train or retrain people for their changing jobs, job changes, or for retirement.

### Social

This could well be in to social welfare because of the need for staffing of creches and like facilities for those who had to or wanted to work, and assist with the definitely growing problem of redundancy.

Mr. Aarons said he would offer the people a policy involving a socialist alternative, which he believed in the future would be pressed for by workers and progressive bodies.

Workers

He said he was aware he could not win the seat, but believed his policy should be presented, and aimed at a reconstruction of the economy, the prevention of developers, despoilers and "expresswaymen" and "temples to Mammon."

"It seems utterly crazy to develop the city to the detriment of housing and the environment," he said, adding he hoped Balmain was preserved

to stay as beautiful as it was.

Mr. Clancy's policy is for a transition to socialism with public-owned industry, commerce and financial institutions to solve the many problems of the people and provide a bright future for them.

Immediate aims were for price and other controls to halt and reduce inflation, to end conscription and withdraw all court charges laid under the National Service Act.

Mr. Clancy will also urge full protection of democratic rights of assembly and of speech on television and radio for the press and trade unions.

## Column NINE

### The Link's Two New Features

As a service to both readers and advertisers, The Link this week commences two new features which it trusts will prove of interest and value.

The editorial feature is headed "Dates For Your Diary", and the advertising feature "What's In Store?"

"Dates For Your Diary" will allow mention without charge to be given in a convenient grouping of paragraphs approaching social and other events which, without such a column, tend to be crowded out at times when space is short.

These items may be submitted by telephone or (preferably) in writing. Early submission is desirable as late receipt could prejudice the opportunity of use that week.

The advertising feature, "What's In Store", is an interesting approach to commercial appeal, bringing the "reader" touch to the advertising atmosphere.

While this cannot give the prominence required of items usually subject to average-sized announcements, it provides an intriguing medium for further mention of services by larger advertisers.

It also provides a well-read medium for small advertisers, especially in the sphere of "local goods and services".

The idea has been used successfully elsewhere in Sydney.

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## Arrears Total \$400,169

Leichhardt Council continues to be faced with a big amount of unpaid rates, and is considering what action can be taken to recover them.

The amount shown in the audited accounts for 1971 for arrears of rates plus extra charges totalled \$400,169, of which \$168,703 was due from Balmain ward, and \$39,614 from Rozelle

ward. The figure for Balmain was more than double that of the next highest—Glebe.

At a recent meeting the Deputy Town Clerk was authorised to use his best endeavours and any means available to him, short of legal proceedings, to recover the rates and extra charges.

He was authorised to

enter into arrangements with ratepayers to pay outstanding rates and extra charges by instalments.

Where he considers that legal proceedings for recovery should be instituted in any particular case, details will be submitted to Council for consideration and decision.

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## New Park On Historic Balmain Land

Another snippet of Balmain history is about to be told, if the hopes of The Balmain Association and The National Trust are fulfilled. This is associated with the small plot of land in Darling Street next to the Watch House, which has been acquired by the Trust and leased to the Association.

Thanks to the interest of the Minister for Lands, Mr T. L. Lewis, the National Trust has been able to secure control of the land, and has leased it to the Association at a peppercorn rental.

The Association intends to landscape the plot and make it available for public use as a park.

The land is roughly equilaterally triangular, with 70 ft. sides.

President, Mr Bob Beverley, told The Link that the plot, which had been somewhat of an eyesore because it had so often been the repository for offensive litter, would provide a small piece of open space in an area in which open space was sadly lacking.

The Association's plans would result in clearing up an ugly section of Balmain's main street, and also lend grace to the surrounds of the Watch House, the Association's headquarters.

The plot would not be fenced, but would be provided with grassy lawn and planted with native trees and a couple of jacarandas.

Mr Beverley said he had written to Leichhardt Council seeking help in grading the land, and asking for regular Council maintenance (usual lawnmowing of a public park and removal of rubbish in bins provided by the Association).

Mr Beverley said the Association had investigated the history of the particular plot and found that two churches had been located there over the years.

The Association's architectural historian, Mr Peter Reynolds, said he had good reason to believe that the stone foundations of the second church—the second Presbyterian Church, built in the last century—would still be existent, not very far below ground.

An archaeological investigation would be made on December 2 to see if those foundations could be found.

If they were, it was intended to expose them and retain them as a feature of the park.

## Strong Interest In Art Showing

Nearly 300 Sydney artists have entered the Leichhardt Centenary Celebrations Art Exhibition—to be held at the Annandale Town Hall November 19-26.

Organising secretary for the exhibition, Mrs. Betty Mason, told The Link this week already 290 entries have been received and more are expected.

The exhibition will be officially opened at 5 pm on November 19 by Sydney artist Douglas Dundas, who will also present the prizes in the four sections on the same day.

Judges of the exhibition will be Professor Bernard Smith, Professor of Fine Arts at the Sydney University, and Mrs. Janet Mansfield, member of the Potter's Association and past president of the Ceramics Study Group of Sydney.

## Govt. Does Right Thing On Plans For School

The Department of Education has finally acted on Leichhardt Council's complaint that it had not submitted the required development application for use of the Terry Street land for the new Balmain High School.

The Department's remissness in this respect was the subject of a Mayoral Minute last July, which resulted in a letter to the Minister for Education insisting that the Department comply with the law requiring it to submit such an application.

The Minister for Local Government has now advised that a development application regarding the project has been lodged with Council.

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**SPECIAL NOTICES:** By special request the Club has booked the Julian Jorg show for Wednesday the 29th of November, backed up by the Proto Jays show Band. Tickets will be available next week.

**Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.,** Film Night, a musical starring Harry Secombe. Dress, strictly casual will apply.

**Thursday, 8 p.m.,** Knockout Euchre tournament, \$80.

**Friday, 8 p.m.,** Knockout Euchre tournament, \$80.

**Saturday, 8 p.m.,** The Sharadons, N.Z. vocal trio.

**Sunday, Sick Parade, Formula Two, 2.45 p.m.** Film Afternoon, Western, starring Burt Lancaster, 7 p.m., El Rounds Trio — trampoline act.

**Friday, 24th November, 7.30 p.m.,** Film Night, Western, starring James Stewart.

**Saturday, 25th November, 8 p.m.,** Tracy Lee.

**Sunday, 26th November, 3 p.m.,** The Delltones.

**Wednesday, 29th November, 8 p.m.,** The Julian Jorg show.

**Saturday, 2nd December, 8 p.m.,** Ron Burns.  
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9.30 a.m., Sunday School.  
7.15 p.m., Holy Communion.

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# How Council Protects Your Health

Leichhardt Council's service to the people of the municipality in regard to community health is outlined in the annual report of the Municipal Health Surveyor and Building Inspector, Mr. Ron S. Williams, recently presented to Council. The report contains many interesting facts and figures, including some specially relating to the Balmain-Rozelle district.

Mr Williams said that 82 cases of infectious diseases were reported to Council during the year under review — ended December 21, 1971.

This equaled those in 1970, the second highest number during the ten-year period, the highest being 100 in 1967.

While the number of cases of infectious hepatitis decreased by 20 to 46 (of which 11 were in Balmain and 8 in Rozelle wards), the number of infantile diarrhoea cases increased from 15 in 1970 to 32 (3 in Balmain, 5 in Rozelle).

Three cases of diphtheria in Glebe ward and cases in the City of Sydney resulted in mass immunisations being carried out by the Department of Health at schools. No further cases were reported.

Council (with the help of voluntary work by St. John's Ambulance Brigade members) conducted 48 Triple Antigen and combined Diphtheria and Tetanus clinics during the year — 12 of which were held at Balmain Town Hall—attendances totalling 6,804.

## On Wheels

The Meals on Wheels service operated satisfactorily during the year, extending help urgently needed.

In addition to delivery of a nutritious and well cooked meal — charge 20 cents — the friendly approach by the voluntary helper on each visit helped considerably in brightening an otherwise monotonous existence for aged and incapacitated persons.

Average number of meals served in "A" Run was 48, "B" Run 54 and Glebe Run 47.

Many of those receiving meals were appreciative of the magazines and periodicals organised for them from local charitable bodies.

## Nursing

The Home Nursing service conducted by the Citizens T.B. League, Rozelle, made 5,371 visits to 217 patients. Of these 11 were new. Twelve had been discharged satisfactorily, and there were 45 on the books at the end of the year.

In conjunction with this service, a social worker employed by the League called on patients and advised them on a variety of personal problems.

Many inquiries received by Council are re-directed to the League for attention.

## Pure Food

Inspections of food and other premises licensed by Council numbered 1,487.

Thirty two notices were issued on proprietors of food premises pursuant to Pure Food Act provisions to cleanse and maintain premises in a cleanly condition and to remedy defective and insanitary fittings.

Seven prosecutions resulted in fines totalling \$158, plus costs.

Non-licensed food premises subject to periodical inspections numbered 530.

Six registered noxious trade premises — fat smelters and rag dealers — were inspected regularly and their operations were found to be satisfactory.

## Pest Control

During the year 1,046 commercial / industrial premises and 809 private premises were treated for rat eradication.

In addition 218 commercial/industrial premises and 4,056 private premises were inspected in respect of rat infestation.

Council treated 240 commercial / industrial premises and 350 private

premises for cockroach infestation.

Commercial and industrial premises are treated on a charged basis, at cost.

From a public health aspect, says Mr Williams, this benefits both the local authority and business management, as it enables Council to know points and degree of infestation.

Block by block inspection of private premises is a routine practice by the staff and is a necessary adjunct to treatment of commercial premises.

Free issue of rat poison and treatment of premises were given to many householders — 197 to treat minor cases of rat infestation, 353 for cockroach eradication, total expenditure being \$17,389 (including wages of six officers).

Income from business premises treated was \$3,699.

## Garbage

In 1971 Council's garbage transfer depot received 10,041 loads of garbage and trade refuse and 2,138 loads of street cleaning refuse, costing \$362,480 to collect and dispose of.

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20:

INDOOR SPORTS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21:

AFTERNOON:

LADIES' DAY

EVENING:

LADIES' SPORTS

# R.S.L. CORNER

Sporting results.  
Last Thursday week at the Sports Club Gala night men's bowls — T. Carroll and J. Seymour from A. R. Brown and C. Smith. Men's darts—T. Carroll and J. Seymour from F. Rennieberg and M. Smith. Ladies' bowls N. Collins and B. Mohan and H. Collins. Ladies' Darts, B. Jones and D. Dunkan from B. Mohan and H. Collins.

Thursday night euchre R. Kneale and R. Dudley from H. Allan and P. Henry. \$5 winners Mrs. Abbott, B. Warren, T. Quinn and Brian Clarke.

Friday night euchre W. Duckworth and C. Williamson from C. Ellay and A. Emerson. \$5 winners N. Brown, D. Dodd, R. Lynch, Jr., and Mrs. Woodall.

Youth Club cricket results: G. Grade won outright, batting S. McCarthy 33, bowling M. Fahlburh 6-13, 4-25. E.

Grade won outright, bowling W. Hutchinson. F. Grade lost first innings.

Sports club events: Sunday, November 26, golf match at Wallacia; Friday, December 1, Western Suburbs Fishing Association Cabaret and presentation night; Sunday, December 3, return trip to Davistown R.S.L. annual cabaret presentation night.

There may be a euchre tournament before Christmas, using a king table.

Visited Balmain Hospital and saw member George Bird, trustee and member J. Lowes's wife. Also saw Maggie Quinlan (nee Murphy).

Saw too Jackie Matthews, who has had his broken leg pinned up. Mrs. B. Jones, a good friend of the McGinns, and member Cecil Mullins who has a chest complaint.

In Yaralla also are two very good friends of

the club, Mrs. Alice Hancock and Mrs. Flo Cook. Out of hospital and home again is Jerry Cracknell.

This Sunday morning there will be a meeting with the idea of forming a domino club run on the same lines as the Seven Hills Domino Club, with a probable limit of 50 members.

The clubs would also be on the lines of the Parramatta Leagues Club domino self-supporting club.

The next two domino dates are Sunday, November 26, against Parramatta Leagues Club, and Sunday, December 10, against Seven Hills Domino Club.

In the entertainment line the next super attractions are: Sunday, November 26, the Delltones; Wednesday, November 29, The Julian Jorg Show, Saturday, December 2, Ronnie Burns.

# WHAT'S IN STORE

M'mm, can't seem to keep away from DIANA'S CAKES, 273 Darling St., Balmain, where they're giving away samples of absolutely delicious fruit cakes in order that you order early now for Christmas. Plum Puddings too from 25c each, filled with nuts and fruit, dark, rich and give-me-more-ish!

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Busy Balmain Builder, Paul Johnson walked me down the Avenue to look at the work he is doing in the area. Paul is the Manager of CELSIUS CONSTRUCTION CO., 62 Darling St. — a complete service in all trades to Commercial, Industrial, buildings and homes. Paul has an Architect on hand to handle sketch plans, etc., and a host of happy tradesmen to carry on from there. From a kitchen cupboard to a new home. Get in touch with Paul, he's up the East End — phone 827-2395.

Dropped in to peruse the toy collection at SUSAN'S HOUSEWARES, 266 Darling St.—and what did I find? Hundreds of exciting, enticing one-of-a-kind toys—in store for lucky kids this year, and all reduced 20% for Balmain mum's to buy up! Also spied some beautiful gift trays—unbreakable and gaily decorated for 75c. Go and explore Susan's, stacked with gift-giving things, packed with great goodies for your home.

# C'wealth Conversion Loan Again

The Commonwealth has opened a week-long cash and conversion loan, which will end on Tuesday, November 21.

But conversions can be arranged any time until the end of the month.

The N.S.W. Premier, Sir Robert Askin, said this week the loan offered sound investment.

Interest rates ranged from 4.8 per cent for short term securities to 6 per cent on long term.

A new series of special bonds was being introduced, with interest rising from 5.4 per cent to 6 per cent per annum.

If held to maturity the overall yield would be about 6 per cent.

Investment in the loan would mean money for urgently needed schools, hospitals and other community facilities in N.S.W., Sir Robert said.

# P.M.G. BOWS TO COUNCIL OBJECTION

The P.M.G. Department has bowed to Leichhardt Council's objection to its proposal to relocate the public telephone on the south-east corner of Darling and Beattie Streets, Balmain.

The Department wished to move the phone to the northern side of Beattie Street because there was no lighting there, and vandalism was feared.

Council objected to the move because it would leave the corner without a phone.

The Department has now advised Council that it has decided to provide lighting to the phone at its present location.

# Birchgrove Cricketing Facilities

Birchgrove Oval is to be provided with two sightboards and a scoreboard for cricketers, following a request by Balmain District Cricket Club.

They will be constructed by Leichhardt Council staff out of parks maintenance funds.

The previous scoreboard, which had completely deteriorated, was removed about a year ago.

There have been no sightboards at the oval for many years.

Cost of the work is estimated at \$930.

# Fete Results

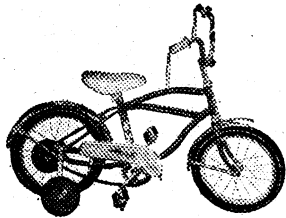
Results of guessing competitions held at fetes in Balmain recently:

Rozelle Infants' School Fete on November 4—Christmas cake—green ticket E 15; beer—green ticket D 31; electric blanket—white ticket B 19. Christmas stocking and hamper will be drawn on Monday, December 11.

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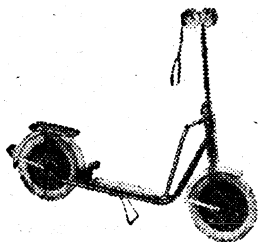
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The army vehicle was painted white, with blue and white number plates — and on its side a red kangaroo. The occupants — Australian policemen — were the most popular people on Cyprus . . .

The little girl was six years old. For three days she had sat alongside a New South Wales policewoman, scanning literally thousands of photographs. She pointed to one. Later the man was convicted of a bestial crime and received a life sentence . . .

A second little girl, aged eight, was giving a description of a man suspected of a dastardly crime. The two experienced detectives exchanged a smile at what they thought "romancing", then they heard the vital clue — and began scribbling quickly. That man was caught, and confessed . . .

The war was over, but for a young ex-Catalina pilot who had been a New South Wales police constable before taking on active service, flying a police plane was just a combination of his two lives . . .

These are only some

of the recollections of Inspector Len Dingwell, well-known in recent years as a senior officer at the Five Dock and then the Balmain Police Stations in the administrative section.

**"ROUTINE"**

Retiring after 36 years of investigations which have included some of the most brutal and puzzling murders and rapes in the past quarter century in this State, Inspector Dingwell looks back on his work as "routine, run of the mill police work".

Pleasant voiced, methodical, able to remember vividly details of some of the major crimes he personally took part in investigation, he estimates he probably took part in at least 30 murder inquiries.

Now engaged in administrative work at Central Police Station, Inspector Dingwell will officially retire on November 23.

He will keep his home in William Street, Balmain, but for personal reasons he and his wife may move to Surfers' Paradise. If the weather doesn't suit, then it will be back to Balmain and friends.

**CYPRUS**

Before taking second in command to a 50-man Australian police contingent in Cyprus in May, 1971, he had had three years experience as an Inspector, second in charge of the station, on the administrative side.

Prior to that he had three years as a Sergeant, First Class, also on administrative duties at Five Dock.

His promotion to there was from Newtown, where he was Divisional Detective Sergeant at Newtown.

Inspector Dingwell left Balmain last year to control under Superintendent Fry of Victoria, the police peace-keeping contribution from Australia, still necessary because of hostilities between Greek-Cypriots and Turkish Cypriots.

One of the most popular things they did — without at the time realising possible consequences — was the appropriation of some red kangaroo stickers.

Very soon it was obvious that the most popular Australian television programme was "Skippy" — and 50 Australians became "Skippies".

There was a secondary bonus. Many Cypriots have relations in Australia and many more want to migrate here. Inspector Dingwell and his men were even more popular.

Work there was not quite as satisfying as in New South Wales, though. Trained to expect that an investigation terminated with an arrest or a "blow-up",

the Australians found they could only operate so far, and then "hand over".

Should Cypriot inquiries reach the stage where an arrest seemed necessary, the Australians had to give the evidence over to the Greek-Cypriot Police, who were "very jealous" of their status.

**"SKIPPIES"**

And this jealousy occasionally resulted in official protests. One such protest was made against one of Inspector Dingwell's men — simply because he was zealous in his work.

But the Cypriot police found Australian assistance invaluable just the same. The Blue Berets of the United Nations, worn by the "Skippies", gave them entry to the Turkist enclaves. Greek-Cypriots would have been met by gun blasts.

Inspector Dingwell remembers a piece of "routine" detection by one of his men — "in the field" a brevet inspector but on returning to Australia once again a constable in the Commonwealth service.

The brevet inspector, Mike Coyle, had an advantage the original Greek-Cypriot complainant had not bargained for — a boyhood on a New South Wales dairy farm.

The claim — a three year old cow had been stolen three years before. Recently the same cow, said the claimant, had been seen in the possession of a Turkish-Cypriot farmer.

Officer Coyle accompanied Inspector Dingwell to the Turkish enclave, examined the cow, and gave the Inspector information which solved the "case" immediately.

They returned to the Greek-Cypriot, and Inspector asked him how he could be so certain about the cow.

"He faced me, eyeball to eyeball, and replied 'How does a father know his own son?', remembers Inspector Dingwell.

"I would hope he does know his son better than his cow. That heifer, Mike Coyle told me, was only 18 months old when we saw it".

The "case" was soon solved — documents of ownership and other proof settled ownership. And the "case" was handed over to the Greek-Cypriot Police.

**"POINT OF TONGUE"**

The Blue Berets were open sesame to other hospitality as well. Troops from both Northern and Southern Ireland worked in co-operation with the Australians — and incidentally held the best peace-keeping record of all United Nations Troops.

Says Inspector Dingwell: "They excelled in the Congo, and the Yeman. They were most experienced".

But the Australians had an experience the troops did not — they solved their problems with the "point of the tongue, not the point of a gun", as troops had been trained to.

Back in Sydney, Inspector Dingwell can look to a varied life of investigation into some puzzling and notorious crimes.

One occurred in Newtown, when a little girl was savagely attacked.

"Two notorious characters came to us on that occasion", he said. "They told us if we needed any help they would be ready with it".

That was the occasion a little girl, who had seen the man who led off her little sister, sat for days at the Modus Operandi at Russell Street Headquarters.

She had seen the man. She shook her head and rejected thousands of photographs. Then she pointed to one. Investigations proved this was the man.

**"ROMANCE"**

The second case involving a child witness was when an eight-year-old girl witnessed she had warned the little victim of a similar attack not to go a certain way because there was a "naughty man" there.

Police interviewed her routinely. Inspector Dingwell and a detective sergeant listened intently, then relaxed, and were about to put away their notebooks.

"You know how it is; how children will romance when they get a dult's attention", he says.

"The description was all there. He had a face like yours", she told the sergeant, "but not so hard". He wore glasses".

Then came the "romance" — the red tie with the yellow spots "you could pick off", the suit with stripes "like a railway line", the bag of tooled leather, the blue shirt.

The detectives were about to exchange a smile and put away their notebooks when the child described the man's shoes: "They were like your's, Mummy". They looked again.

She had described a pair of golf shoes. Earlier detectives had taken plaster casts of footprints of golf shoes near the scene of the crime.

The man who eventually confessed to the crime fitted the description perfectly.

**BALMAIN**

"The one thing I will always look out for, and the one thing I instruct

**Never Neglect  
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Lunch is an important but often neglected meal, warns the N.S.W. Health Department Nutrition Section, which offers the following advice.

Even if you eat a good breakfast and evening meal, it is difficult to get all your day's nutritional needs without lunch.

Try to make enough time to eat your lunch. It need not be high in calories and it need not be elaborate. A simple, tasty and nutritious lunch with plenty of variety should be within the reach of everyone.

If you wish to buy your lunch, choose nutritious foods that will keep you feeling alert during the afternoon and contribute to your daily food requirements.

Sandwiches and rolls are a popular lunchtime food and have a wide variety of wholesome fillings.

During the colder winter months, hot dogs and hamburgers may be more appealing, and these still provide the same good food value.

If you sometimes eat in a restaurant, choose a salad or other light meal based on nutritious foods such as meat, fish, eggs, cheese, milk, fruit, vegetables, bread and butter.

Here is a suggested lunch pattern:

- meat, fish, eggs or cheese.
- bread and butter.
- fruit or vegetables or both.
- beverage.

If you carry a packed lunch to work or to school, it can still include these foods. Again, sandwiches are popular and easy to carry—but make sure the filling is plentiful and provides some value.

The kind of bread used for sandwiches can be varied to give interest and variety to the meal. A raw fruit or vegetable is a good finish to the meal and gives a contrast in texture and flavour.

As a change from sandwiches, take a crisp salad in a lunch-box, including meat, fish, egg or cheese as part of the salad.

Other suggestions are cold sausages or rissoles, or hard-boiled eggs with some bread and butter wrapped separately.

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pies found new homes numbered 52.

Inquiries covering a variety of subjects — including nuisances, garbage removal and general sanitation of premises—numbered 2,972.

Notices numbering 2,156 were served on owners and occupiers of premises following inspection.

The Noise Abatement Committee dealt with 22 problems, eight of which were brought under control.

Many minor noise problems were dealt with by Council administration.

These included blaring radios and TV sets, late party evenings, crowding roosters, pop groups, bagpipes, noisy tenants, bad language, amplified musical instruments, howling babies, flushing cisterns and bath water discharges, public hall bookings, building operations, and delivery of milk and newspapers.

Eleven new air pollution problems were submitted to the relevant Council Committee for investigation. Twelve problems were brought under control in 1971, and 10 remained on the agenda for attention.

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my men to look out for, on this experience, is to take full notice of a child's description in a police investigation", he says.

"Adults, for instance, often just don't notice a person's shoes, they are usually looking at his face".

But even though the later years at Five Dock and then Balmain were in uniform administration work, Inspector Dingwell enjoyed them as much.

He likes Balmain, believes that Balmain people like their police.

His retirement next month will end his "routine" life — which included Catalina pilot service with the 11th, 43rd, 20th and 112th Squadron in the Southeast Pacific, the Philippines, and Borneo.

He remembers on his demobbing his friend, Sergeant, and now Acting Police Commissioner E. J. Hanson urged him to resume police work and flying as well.

They interspersed their normal police work with use of a police plane.

Soon there was another — with six police pilots.

But the idea—though backed by the then Police Commissioner, Mr. W. M. Mackay — only lasted a couple of years. In 1948 there was a change of premier, and a change of emphasis.

The planes were disposed of. "They were a bit before their time", muses Inspector Dingwell. "But I can see the time when planes—particularly helicopters — can be useful, and particularly for such problems as traffic . . ."

But while Inspector Dingwell suggests his life has been routine, he is keen to point out that his wife, Joyce, is a "romancer".

She has just had her 52nd book; a romance published in London — "a record for an Australian", he comments, with-  
out elaboration but obviously with pride.

Mrs. Dingwell has written most of her life — as Joyce Owen Starr she wrote poetry, and has some of her verse included in the anthology "Wide Brown Land".

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## SWIMMING

Balmain Amateur Swimming Club results from the Dawn Fraser Swimming Pool last Saturday morning:

U/8 33 yds freestyle—Heat 1—G. McFadden 37.0, 1; R. Lawrence 47.2, 2; K. Schulze 1.03.8, 3. Heat 2—I. Saunders 37.2, 1; C. Pearce 31.3, 2; A. McNally 43.0, 3.

U/8 33 yds B/B/B — Heat 1—K. Schulze bck 1.05.4, 1; I. Craig bck 1.21.5, 2. Heat 2—A. McNally bck 52.8, 1; I. Saunders br 59.3, 2; C. Pearce 39.0, 3.

Brace Relay 2 x 55 yds—Heat 1—R. Arthur, C. Pearce 1.54.1, 2; K. Vale, D. Walton, 1.55, 1.55.0, 2; T. Moran, S. McIntosh 1.36.5, 3. Heat 2—D. Stewart, A. Stewart 1.11.2, 1; W. Vale, R. Walton 1.14.0, 2; M. Robinson, D. Quartly 1.25.8, 3.

U/10 55 yds freestyle—Heat 1—Janet Laby 1.32.0, 1; D. Walton 1.16.2, 2; Mark Leslie 1.16.9, 3. Heat 2—S. Brightwell 51.3, 1; P. Vitnell 53.0, 2; D. Robinson 1.07.2, 3. Heat 3—S. Kuppe 50.6, 1; J. Franic 54.2, 2; R. Arthur 49.1, 3.

U/10 55 yds B/B/B — Heat 1—L. Saunders br 1.31.5, 1; S. Brightwell bck 1.07.5, 2; B. Macquire bck 1.12.0, 3. Heat 2—J. Franic br 58.0, 1; P. Vitnell 1.03.9, 2; S. Shulze 52.3, 3.

220 yds mix strokes — Heat 1—L. Pearce f/s 4.33.8, 1; S. Brightwell f/s 4.54.6, 2; S. Schulze f/s 4.30.0, 3. Heat 2—S. McIntosh br 4.02.9, 1; R. Bell f/s 4.02.2, 2; B. Pearce f/s 4.11.8, 3. Heat 3—S. Walton f/s 3.37.2, 1; K. Vale f/s 3.47.6, 2; K. Miranda 3.50.9, 3.

110 yds freestyle—Heat 1—T. Moran 1.47.9, 1; A. Quartly 1.51.9, 2; A. Walton 1.55.7, 3. Heat 2—G. Vitnell 1.46.7, 1; S. Cochran 1.49.4, 2; B. Pearce 1.47.5, 3. Heat 3—R. McJanet 1.24.4, 1; J. Arthur 1.31.1, 2; L. Makich 1.35.9, 3. Heat 4—S. Waddington 1.29.2, 1; K. Miranda 1.35.5, 2; V. Findlay 1.27.7, 3. Heat 5—A. Stewart 1.07.5, 1; W. Vale 1.12.5, 2; S. Walton 1.23.3, 3.

110 yds B/B/B—Heat 1—T. Moran br 2.18.0, 1; S. Woods br 2.30.5, 2; G. Arndt br 2.30.3, 3. Heat 2—br 2.03.9, 1; C. Humphries br 2.07.5, 2; M. Robinson br 2.03.0, 3. Heat 3—R. McJannet br 1.51.5, 1; R. Bell bck 1.58.2, 2; L. Makich br 1.52.3, 3. Heat 4—S. Waddington bck 1.37.2, 1; D. Locke br bck 1.39.0, 2; D. McDougall bck 1.40.6, 3. Heat 5—D. Quartly bck 1.28.6, 1; S. Walton bck 1.39.4, 2; R. Laws and A. Stewart 1.39.8, dead heat 3.

Timebreakers in all three events: Lilian Makich; in two events: S. Brightwell, J. Franic, C. Humphries, T. Moran, R. McJannet, A. Stewart, S. Waddington and S. Walton.

# FERRY CUTS TO STAY SAYS GOVT.

The State Government had rejected a move by the Member for Balmain, Mr. Roger Degen, for the re-introduction of cancelled ferry services and the extension of an existing service.

His moves followed local complaints from commuters of overcrowding and unsuitable timetables for the ferries.

"The average daily number of passengers using the service has increased by about 30 per cent in the past six months," Mr. Degen told The Link this week.

"This alone is sufficient to justify an improved service."

Mr. Degen had approached the Minister for Transport, Mr. Morris, for the resumption of a second service to Yeend and Thames Streets because of the commuter demand.

He asked for:

- the re-introduction of the cancelled services, or
- the extension of the 5.10 p.m. service to Darling Street to include both Thames and Yeend Streets.

"The Government claims that a ferry will have to be hired to provide two peak-hour services — one at 5.20 p.m. and the other at 5.50 p.m. — as suggested by passengers," Mr. Degen said.

"The Government has also rejected my proposal that the 5.10 p.m. service to Darling Street be extended to include both Thames and Yeend Streets.

"I cannot accept that one of these alternatives is not possible of implementation.

"The Government claims to be attempting to make greater use of Sydney's waterways for public transport, yet it will not provide a service where an obvious need exists," he added.

Mr. Morris told Mr. Degen the services formerly provided had been operated with small "hired-in" vessels.

"Following the reconstruction of the Thames Street, it became possible to use the Sydney Harbour Transport Board's own vessels, which have a greater passenger capacity than the hired vessels."

Mr. Morris said the board's larger ferries was particularly relevant to the operation of the peak-hour morning service from Darling Street.

This was because of complaints of overcrowding when the small "hired-in" vessels were used.

Mr. Morris said the Sydney Harbour Transport Board closely examined the problem.

But, because vessels owned by the Board were fully committed during peak hours, an additional service could not be provided without a "hired-in" vessel.

"Because of the limited patronage available from the Yeend-Thames Streets wharves, this proposition would be uneconomic," he said.

Mr. Morris said that in March last, the average daily number of pas-

sengers carried to Yeend and Thames Streets came to 68, while in August the figure was 88.

Mr. Morris said if the 5.10 p.m. service was extended from Darling St. to include both Yeend and Thames Streets, the 5.35 p.m. service would have to be put back at least 10 minutes.

"This would mean, in turn, that the crew would be called upon to work beyond the rostered span of hours stipulated in the broken shift arrangements under which the crew members are engaged," he said.

"While the current facilities are the best that can be provided at the present time, the situation will be kept under close scrutiny and given further consideration when next the timetables are under review," Mr. Morris added.

## BOYS' CLUB

The Balmain Police Citizens' Boys' Club will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 16-17, because of the extensive preparations needed for the annual fete on Saturday, November 18.

The fete will be held on the club premises, next door to the Balmain Town Hall, from 10 am to 10 pm.

There will be all types of stalls, games and refreshments.

The N.S.W. Police Military Band will play during the afternoon, while the Balmain Club's Brass Band will play in the morning.

Displays will be given of trampolining and gymnastics, and of the latest electronic equipment from the P.M.G.'s Department.

A feature of the fete will be the discotheque, plus the merry-go-round, the fairy floss and pony

rides. The cake competition will have prizes for the best packet cake, the best chocolate cake, the best sponge cake, the best cake made by a child, and the best scones.

All these entries must be in the Club by 10 am on Saturday, November 18.

Stalls will include groceries, fancy goods, plants and shrubs, cakes, sweets, white elephant, books, paper flowers, novelties, hamburgers and hot dogs, drinks and ice creams, pick-a-box, hoop-la, lucky dips and raffle, and afternoon teas.

Games will include Pass the Ball, Toss the Coin, Knock-em-down, Horse race games, Lucky envelopes, Punchboards, Coin-in-the-Drum and Chocolate wheels.

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