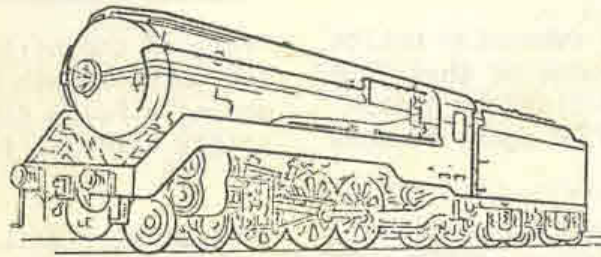


EVELEIGH WORKSHOPS CENTRAL SHOP COMMITTEE

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NEWS

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MASS MEETING EXPRESSED HORROR AT ATTACK ON CALWELL

The attempted murder of Labor Party leader, Arthur Calwell, should evoke a mass revulsion amongst the Australian people against the doctrines of violence so widely advocated today.

Mr. Calwell, as Leader of the Opposition, was going peacefully about his job of criticising the Government's Vietnam War policy, and putting forward the Labor Party's alternative policy, when he was attacked by a would be assassin. In short he was to be killed for expressing opinions which are shared by a large section of our people.

Were there no Public outcry against such outrage, then there would be no Public Conscience at all; we would be a people too brutalised to be accepted as a civilised nation, and the incidence of violence in our midst would extend until no one was safe. And on the basis of the fear created there would be established a dictatorship in Government that would treat criticism as a crime.

The Prime Minister has expressed his indignation at the attempt on Calwell's life but he has given indications he considers public demonstrations invite such violence. This is a complete falsification of the position and demonstrates a cunning attempt to use our moral indignation to suppress our political liberties.

Our Mass Meeting last week considered all these aspects and expressed unanimously its horror at the occurrence whilst warning it must not be used to suppress our rights to freedom of speech, assembly and demonstration; on the pretext of protecting political leaders. The security measures should not go beyond physical protection, and Public morality should be encouraged to eliminate violence.

RESULT OF PICNIC VOTE

In the recently conducted ballot to decide the venue of this years' picnic, it was decided by a narrow majority to go again to Luna Park.

Date of the Picnic is December 12, and the price of tickets will remain at 75c (7/6). The Picnic Committee has not sneaked behind the Decimal Currency curtain to secure an increase.

Retired employees desirous of attending the Picnic should drop a line to Con Spence, Machine Shop, or make sure someone hands their name to him at an early date.

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HONOR TO RETIRED EMPLOYEE

One of our retired men was recently honoured by having conferred on him the Imperial Service Medal, for his service with the Railways coupled with community service and other activities.

The recipient of the medal was Cyril Walsh, well known throughout these workshops for many years. He was presented with the medal at his home. He is still suffering the effects of the illness which forced his retirement.

For many years he was active in the Druids Medical Fund.

YOUNG WORKERS FORUM

"Target" the official magazine of the Eureka Youth League is sponsoring a Forum for young wage and salary earners, for Sunday, July 24.

In a leaflet dealing with it, the organising body invites young workers to attend and speak their minds on matters affecting them, ranging from wages, conscription, sport or other questions.

An interesting program has been arranged, commencing at 12.30 pm. and continuing into a Cabaret at night.

A "Forum" organiser will be present at a meeting to be held at these Workshops, Boundary Street Gate, on Friday July 1, when it is proposed to elect 5 delegates to attend the Forum.

Any young workers interested in attending should hand their names to Shop Committee officers, who will convey them to the organising committee.

Don't forget the Boundary St., Gate meeting on Friday, July 1.

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ADVICE ON HIRE PURCHASE PROBLEMS is provided by a special section of the Public Solicitor's Office, 4th floor above Lottery Office in Market St. According to information given by Radio 2GB there is no means test applied.

OLD EVELEIGH

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In 1908 the Government decided to build new locomotives at Eveleigh and to do this "New Loco" a two bay brick **Shop** was built. It was about 300 feet long and 107 feet wide.

New locomotives of "C32", "C30", "D50", "C34", "C35" and "C36" classes were built there until new locomotive construction ceased and in 1926 it was turned over to repair work, to return to new construction again when the "C38" class was produced.

In 1944 "New Loco" repair work was transferred to Chullora and half of the Shop was taken over by the Machine Shop. This is so to the present but the other half is now devoted to Diesel repairs.

Prior to 1913 the workshops were zoned for the signing on and off of employees. A timekeeper was located in No. 8 bay and another in the Old Foundry.

Men working in each area filed past their respective timekeepers who handed each man a metal token as he filed past. In 1913 a change was made to the present Docket board system, which was then supervised by Foreman's Clerks in each section.

Until about 1920 "Leading Hands" occupied positions as "Sub-Foremen"

EVELEIGH'S OPERA HOUSE

Its still a neck and neck race between Benelong Point and Eveleigh as to which structure will be first opened.

Latest information is that the new Diesel Train Servicing Shed has postponed its opening, scheduled for this August, until late next year.

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We are all pleased to hear that Picnic Secretary, Chas. Dunnett, is on the improved list.

He is still suffering some pain and discomfort though, and still has a course of physiotherapy to complete. Last time we saw him he was fanatically squeezing a rubber ball, in order to get movement back into his fingers.

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It was really good to see old friends, now retired, come to Rail Motor send-offs. Among them were, Larry Lloyd, Jock Miller, Alf Barnes, Carl Smee, Clarrie Hinwood, Harry Cheney and Jack Basharimoff.

They all looked really well too, a splendid advertisement for retirement.

MASS MEETING RESOLUTION
ON ARTHUR CALWELL

"This meeting of Eveleigh employees expresses horror at the attempted assassination of Arthur Calwell, and calls for a thorough investigation into the possibility of a political conspiracy aimed at suppressing all semblance of freedom of speech.

"We note the statement by the Prime Minister, regarding tightening of security measures as a result of this crime, and hope this will not mean further restriction of our already limited freedom but that it will be confined to protection of speakers only.

"We declare our sympathy for Arthur Calwell in his suffering and express our sincere hope that he will quickly be restored to health, without any future ill effects."

Copies were to be sent to Mr. Calwell, the Federal and the State Governments, the A.L.P., A.C.T.U. and Press.

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WHO TAKES THE CANDY

Interviewed on TV a Queensland cane farmer said growers would be content if they could get £35 a ton for **sugar**. This is 3rd a lb; we pay 10c. so someone must be sucking it.

A SPLENDID JOB BY ALL

It is a sad duty to close the oxygen appeal that for nearly twelve months kept our mate Bert Mullin alive, so far as oxygen supplies could keep him so.

During the period men in these Workshops contributed, and had paid to Bert, an amount of £700-63 for oxygen supplies, and a balance of £110-65 in the bank and £2 cash in hand,

A canvass of group collectors showed a unanimous opinion that this amount of £112-65 be made a gift to Bert's wife, who was devotedly with him through a terrible period.

Collectors and subscribers came from all sections of the Shops, from the Large Erecting through to New Loco, wages and salaried men.

Those who organised the appeal would like to thank those who undertook the collections, for the fine job they did, and the contributors for the steady sympathy that resulted in money being always available for increasing supplies of oxygen.

Thank you all for the generosity that helped ease the last sufferings of a fellow human being.

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Inserted by the organising committee which was responsible for carrying on the function of a body took charge of the money, banked it and paid for oxygen supplies.

"LAW AND ORDER" IN AMERICA

"Sydney Morning Herald" last Saturday, carried the following report of Law Enforcement against White and Negro marchers in Mississippi, U.S.A:

"Steel-helmeted police drove nearly 2,500 frenzied freedom marchers from a Negro schoolyard in a cloud of teargas and flailing boots."

"A barrage of teargas shells sent the marchers fleeing into the streets, choking and blinded by the gas."

"As they lay writhing on the ground the troopers kicked them and hauled them to their feet."

"Some of the Negroes fell and buried their faces in the ground. As they lay there troopers kicked smoking canisters of teargas into their faces."

Negro leader Dr Martin Luther King, is reported as commenting, "It was one of the best expressions of a Police State I have ever seen."

We are left in terror stricken wonderment that if this is the way citizens are treated in U.S.A., what kind of treatment would be shown to the people of other countries should the American way of life be exported.

EDITOR.....S. Jones.

CARRIAGE SHOPS SECTION TO
TRANSFER HERE

It seems a definite decision has now been made to transfer to 13 Bay, the air-brake section of the Carriage Shops.

The proposal to transfer them has been in the air for some time and it has been mainly opposition from men concerned that has delayed it.

One strong point of objection is that amenities here are below the standard they now have.

Unions are still pressing for a deputation to the Minister for Transport to press the men's point of view.

S W A P S H O P

WANTED: Fishing basket or creel.

F.E., F.C. Holden Manual.

Wanted to hire: Dance Floor.

Wanted: F.B. or E.C. Holden.

FOR SALE: 4 hubcaps, FJ Holden. \$4.

2 wheels FJ Holden, excel cond. \$1ea.

6 golf clubs, bag and golf balls.

6' x 6' Garden or tool shed. Offer.

For further information contact
Shop Committee Secretary, S. Jones,
12 Bay, Machine Shop.

IN MEMORY OF BERT MULLIN

Bert Mullin as a person has ceased to exist, his death attributable to a disease that is still unconquered by medical science.

In his life he fought hard for the rights of his fellow-workers, for the progress of humanity to a point where such killer diseases would be unable to cut off a man in his middle age; for a rational existence where man could fulfil himself.

To Bert it was always much more important that Governments spend the money they take from people by taxation, to benefit the people.

It was more important to him for a million pounds to be spent on schools or hospitals, rather than on purchasing a bomber.

In the manner of his dying he evoked the respect and sympathy of men in these Workshops; he became a symbol of endurance around which men could be united in a bond of mateship.

In the image he created, diverse people, from management to laborers, saw the need to give help. And they helped generously, keeping him alive for his family a little longer. In doing this they established a bond that must be preserved. A bond that is a memorial to Bert.

IMPROVED SICK PAY SOUGHT

Sick Pay improvements sought by Unions, resulting from the delegates Conference on April 27, cover the following items:-

(a) 15 full pay days a year to be fully accumulative. No loss of present half pay.

(b) No loss of sick pay through overtime being worked.

(c) Discontinuance of present investigation visits.

(d) Notification by 10 am. not to be a condition of payment.

(e) In addition to 3 casual absences a year, all sick leave be paid for when doctor's certificate is furnished.

(f) Half pay to be made convertible to full pay if employee chooses.

(g) applicable to Road Trans.

(h) Employee retired on medical grounds to have right to clear all sick pay before retirement.

(i) Abolition of restrictive clauses.

(j) Qualifying period to be reduced to one month.

(k) Public Holidays to be paid as sick leave. To be cleared later in conjunction with annual leave.

ERRSSA & EX-SERVICEMENS CLUB

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 19.

Nominations for the various positions should be in the hands of the Returning Officer, Mr. Jock Woods, by 12 noon on July 18, 1966. Jock is located in the Oliver Shop.

Positions to be filled are: President, Vice-Presidents (2), Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Trustees (2) and Social Secretary.

Notices of motion for discussion by the meeting should be handed to the Secretary by July 12, a week before the meeting.

Club members and workshop friends heard with regret of the death of Cec Walker, a former President of this Club. For many years he devoted time and effort to the interests of the Club and the affairs of ex-servicemen. Although he retired from the Railways six years ago he is still well remembered and will be greatly missed.

Harold Irwin is in Yaralla Hospital and Tom Privett is off work through illness. Both are from the foundry.

Our popular Secretary, Ted Kemp, was a year older last Thursday. Two "friends" dobbed him in.

F I L M S

Three coloured films on loan from the Canadian Government will be screened on Thursday July 14:

:: "The World In A Marsh" gives an intimate view of the world of nature rarely brought to the screen - the insects, small amphibious creatures, the birds living behind tall reeds and in the quiet waters of the marsh.

:: "Wildlife In The Rocky Mountains", with views of creatures of the wild, big and small, that inhabit the forested mountain slopes of Banff and Jasper National Parks. These Parks, after years of conservation, have become vast zoological gardens.

:: "My Island Home" a tour of Prince Edward Island, with an Islander as a guide, and a sketch of the province's history.

COLLECTION MERV. ATTWOOD

A collection list will be circulated this pay for Merv. Attwood who has been ill in hospital from a recurring condition and has exhausted all sick pay due to him.

GARDEN CLUB

Cheerio to one of our very active Committee members Merv. Attwood, who has lost the last two months from work and is in hospital recovering from an operation. This is twice in two years. Hope you're soon back with us Merv.

The end of June and during July is the period for winter fertilising of citrus trees. They are gross feeders and amounts recommended are: 11lb of fertiliser per year age of the tree. A third of this amount should be applied in February and two thirds now. "Gro-Plus" Regular or an equal mixture of Blood and Bone and Sulphate of Ammonia are suitable. Poultry manure is also beneficial.

Scatter fertiliser around the tree to the spread of the branches, then lightly rake in and water.

Camellias are blooming now, so check for varieties you may wish to purchase. Now is time to plant or transplant them. Camellia buddrop may be caused by too early feeding or irregular watering.

Some camellia flowers fail to open because they get early sun when wet by dew or rain.

RAIL MOTOR SEND OFFS

The Rail Motor Section looks like becoming a shadow of its former self if the rate of retirements continues. One a week for three weeks and two more coming up.

Farewell functions were held during the past fortnight to wish good luck to Wally Ford and George Watson.

At both there was a very large attendance of well-wishers, including a number of previously retired mates.

Laudatory speeches outlined the workshop life of both, and some amusing incidents were highlighted.

In both cases a presentation was made by Foreman Bill Parkinson, who, himself, is to be the next to go.

Wally received a transistor radio, travelling rug and cash in a wallet, whilst George received a leather utility case, a bowls cham-
ois, bowls sox and a wallet of cash.

Good luck, long life to both.

Wally Ford's retirement also leaves a vacancy for "Swap Shop" organiser. Any offers?