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NOT FOR SALE

THE SCORE

During the last few days, the following sinkings of enemy warships have been announced:—

1. One battleship, 3 heavy cruisers, 2 light cruisers and 5 destroyers in the Solomons.
2. One cruiser and one destroyer off Buna.
3. One battleship or heavy cruiser and one destroyer in the Solomons.

MORE HEAVY ENEMY LOSSES IN SOLOMONS

Crippling losses have been suffered by the Japanese in naval engagements off the Solomons during the past two weeks. New details are given in a United States Navy communique issued in Washington.

This special announcement indicates that another battleship or heavy cruiser and a destroyer have been sunk. The communique covers the period November 13 to November 15, and it is made clear that it may possibly cover some damage already announced. Monday's communique announced Japanese losses as 11 warships and 12 transports sunk, and some warships damaged.

A Navy spokesman in Washington said yesterday that, taking into account all possibility of duplication, two battleships had certainly been sunk, and two damaged in the Solomons in the past week. These losses in capital ships represent a severe blow to Japan which has already suffered smashing blows in other sea battles.

MOSCOW REPORTS VICTORY

Germans Held In Caucasus Battle

A decisive victory by the Red Army in the Central Caucasus is announced in a special Moscow communique.

The battle raged for many days near Orjonikidze, where the Germans were trying to reach the Georgian military road over the Caucasus.

More than 500 Germans were killed, and the Russians captured 140 tanks and a large quantity of other war equipment.

Activity at Stalingrad on Thursday was on a small scale. All German attacks were repelled.

Winter is setting in rapidly on a long section of the drawn out front. It will now be difficult for the Germans to win a spectacular victory before the full fury of the freezing winter months descends upon them.

ATTACK ON TURIN

Explosions caused by British bombs in Wednesday night's raid on Turin in Northern Italy could be heard in towns 80 miles away in Switzerland, according to the Berne correspondent of British United Press. Italians admit that the damage was considerable.

It was the R.A.F.'s 20th attack on Turin, which is the site of a large Italian arsenal. All British planes returned.

JAP MOVE IN PORTUGUESE TIMOR

INFORMATION has reached the Commonwealth Government that the Japanese have taken another coastal position in Portuguese Timor. This completes the occupation of the nine anchorages on the island.

It is understood that this latest move by the Japanese increases our difficulties in taking any counter action against them in the future.

Charged With Murder of Mother

Mrs. Alice Louise Johnson, married, 39, was shot dead at her home in Buckingham-street, Footscray, when struck by a bullet from a small bore rifle.

Her son, aged 14, has been charged with murder.

Reports to the police say that when Mrs. Johnson collapsed, her son, who had been cleaning a rifle in the dining-room, ran to a neighbour's house. A doctor and the police were called.

Detectives later took the boy to police headquarters and he will appear before a Children's Court pending an inquest.

ENEMY STAND AT BUNA

In New Guinea, Japanese resistance to advancing Allied forces has stiffened, and yesterday's communique from General McArthur's Headquarters mentions heavy fighting in the Buna-Gona coastal strip. It adds that enemy air forces have entered the engagement.

AMERICAN UNITS ATTACKING FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH ENCOUNTERED ENEMY MACHINEGUN FIRE YESTERDAY. ONE FORMATION IS MEETING STIFF RESISTANCE WITHIN A MILE OF BUNA.

Back towards the Kumusi river, Australian troops took Soputa yesterday, and moved on immediately towards Sanananda Pt. The position at Gona is unchanged.

Twilight In Italy NO TIME FOR COMEDY

Messages filtering through from the Continent state that the defeat of German and Italian troops in North Africa has caused deep depression in Italy where a feeling of hopelessness now exists for any successful outcome of the war.

Secret societies are reported to be expressing mounting discontent and anti-Fascist supporters are becoming more vocal.

Withdraw?

A considerable body of opinion favors Italian withdrawal from the war in the belief that British and American terms would be more acceptable than the rod of the German taskmaster.

WHILE expressing the greatest delight at Allied victories in North Africa, the Prime Minister (Mr. Curtin) has issued a warning against any development of what might be termed a "victory complex in Australia.

Mr. Curtin said that while we must rejoice at the successes gained there must be no sign of complacency or letting up in Australia. If this happened the results would be disastrous.

"The news in North Africa is magnificent," he added, "but it must not be construed as warranting any diminution of our war effort. The enemy is still thundering at our gates. He has to be driven out of New Guinea, the Solomons, Timor, the East Indies, and the Philippines, and this will require all that we have.

NEWS FROM ALL STATES

Short of Shirts and Shorts Too

Tasmania

THE death of Cpl. V. Donovan in Hobart, at the age of 47, removes a hard working figure in the interests of the Diggers. He was the first secretary of the Southern division of the A.C.F. and played a big part in the formation of 70 sub-divisions. He was a 3rd Light horseman of the last war and gained the M.M. A son, Max, is abroad with the A.I.F.

An A.C.F. Leave Club has been opened in Launceston by the Governor (Sir Ernest Clark). A proposal that the club should be open to members of the Mercantile Marine will probably be favoured.

With the exception of black currants, the berry crops will be well up expectations. The trouble will be picking them. Mr. P. A. Fell, New Norfolk, grower and jam fruit representative on the Commonwealth Fruit Industry Sugar committee, thinks that there will be a market for all fruit that can be harvested.

Mr. D'Alton (Minister for Agriculture) has advised potato-growers to take every precaution to preserve their stocks. Shipping and other difficulties compelled farmers to store, he said, and permission would be granted for the erection of buildings not to exceed £25 in value for storage.

Because most bell-ringers were in war service, church bells did not ring throughout the island for the victory in Egrot.

Claremont which had a special parcel fund for its troops abroad has raised £92 this year and has 72 parcels away according to Mrs. L. E. Rodwell (organising secretary).

Westn. Australia

A lifelong figure in the pastoralist industry, Mr. William Burgess, of Mount street, Perth, has died at 76. He was one of the State's pioneer sheep men and was personally interested in and controlled the Woodbrook and Andover stations in the North-West; the Meeburie, Billabong, and Muralgara stations on the Murchison; and the Oakabelle and Glengarry stations, near Geraldton.

The new Rector of Albany is the Rev. W. B. Kirby, Rector of Bassendean and Rural Dean of Canning. His new duties are to start in December.

Members of a Womens' Welfare Auxiliary, which is working on behalf of a W.A. Unit serving in this area, are organising a Christmas party for young relatives of members of the Unit. It will be held in King's Park on December 12.

South Australia

Divining has no support from Dr. Ward (S.A. Director of Mines). This was indicated in a report submitted by him to the State Legislative Assembly regarding black coal deposits. He indicated as divining failures the attempt to obtain copper at the Bingo Mine, Kadina, on a divining site and also at the Kurilla mine on another site similarly selected.

The State will have to be content with soda water as the chief drink for the hot weather. With beer limited, and lines like lemon squash, orange squash, and lemonade not being manufactured, for many it will be a case of soda water or just plain water.

WHY—Oh WHY!
SERGEANT Johns, an Adelaide A.W.A.S. who was a dress designer in civil life, thinks her voice has dropped three notes since she joined up. "On my first leave I rang up home and father thought it was a man speaking," she said.

Brigadier-General R. L. Leane headed an impressive march of 2350 V.D.C. members through the capital streets. The veterans were acclaimed by large crowds.

Although he said that one glass had been lent to him and two "planted" in his pockets, Laurie Clyde Jeisman, of Darwin, was fined £3 by the Adelaide Police Court for having being in unlawful possession of the glasses taken from an Hindley-street hotel.

Sandbags protecting an air raid shelter in South Parklands were slashed, causing four tons of sand to pour out and obstruct the entrance to the shelter. Civil Defence officers have warned vandals of the consequence if they are caught.

After hearing medical evidence, Mr. Justice Mayo decided in the Adelaide Criminal Court that Mervyn Ross Clark, 28, soldier, should not be whipped for having attempted to commit a serious offence against a young girl at Mt. Gambier. Clark was remanded for sentence.

The Metropolitan County Board is seeking amending legislation to tighten up Adelaide's milk supply. It is alleged that consumers are receiving dirty milk, and the Board seeks power to increase control over quality and to deal with offending dairymen.

Absenteeism in the seven S.A. factories for which records are being kept was down 1,232 hours in the last pay week. Total number of hours lost was still 9,659, equivalent to a week's work of 44 hours for 219 employees.

New South Wales

PROMOTERS of charity functions who thought of their own pockets and not of charity get a tough spin as a result of the strict enforcement of the Charitable Collections Act. The Chief Secretary (Mr. Baddeley) stated yesterday that during last financial year, 73 per cent. of takings from raffles and games of chance conducted at bazaars or fancy fairs and 54 per cent. of the takings of art unions went to charity. At £291,458, revenue was £66,351 higher than in the previous year.

Because he was caught speeding at 32 m.p.h. over the Sydney Bridge during a blackout, John McLean, a soldier, was fined £3 and reminded by Mr. Sutherland, S.M., that the traffic laws governing speed in light restrictions applied as much to the Army as to civilians.

The North Sydney Tramway depot has 25 women conductresses operating on trams and buses. They are under male supervision.

Deprived by Sydney Ferries Ltd. of their regular ferry service, Clifton Gardens residents are anxious for its restoration. The Government is being approached.

Queensland

Fine weather has permitted harvesting to start at the right time and hopes are entertained for a 6,000,000 bushel crop, according to the State Wheat Board's Chairman (Mr. W. A. Deane). Main worry is the possibility of rain hindering garnering.

Seed of the Hevia rubber plant, flown from Papua, has been planted at the South Johnstone experimental farm in Queensland. The Director of Tropical Agriculture (Mr. Schofield) is making a special examination of the area planted and will report to the Government.

The Madagascar rubber vine has also been planted. This is expected to produce large quantities of latex.

In Canberra, plans are being devised for Commonwealth co-operation in Queensland rubber production.

Victoria

Rev. Hector Maclean, principal of Theological Hall, Ormond College, has been nominated as Moderator-Designate of the Presbyterian Assembly of Victoria. He will take office next May.

"Maid" Still Young

THE popular revival of the musical comedy, "Maid of the Mountains," had entered its fifth week in Melbourne.

Glady's Moncrieff is as popular as even in the role of Teresa.

To be short of a shirt and minus shorts, is a perturbing matter to members of the V.D.C. in Australia.

Replying to the complaints that the V.D.C. had had no issue of shirts for 18 months and no issue of shorts at all, the Minister for Army (Mr. Forde) stated yesterday that Army authorities were examining the position to see if a further special issue was possible.

Priority had to be given to A.I.F. and A.M.F., but the authorities were not going to be neglectful of the V.D.C. which had performed excellent work.

MELBOURNE'S DUDLEY FLATS ARE DOOMED

For many years, and especially since the depression of 1931, the area known as Dudley Flats, West Melbourne, has developed as a slum.

Even the marked improvement in social conditions generally has not seen the abolition of numerous disreputable shacks there.

Now the shacks are under sentence of demolition.

THE area has been the scene of many brawls following orgies of "pinkie" and "metho" drinking, and has been the home of rats, stray dogs, cats, and human derelicts.

Recently Elsie Williams, a coloured woman, was found dead with portion of an arm and foot gnawed.

The Harbour Trust which holds the land under permissive occupancy for port developments has destroyed nine of 15 shanties, the others will be demolished by the end of the month.

Some strange personalities have lived on Dudley flats, including people who have had better times.

DAY BAKING PLAN

Representatives of Employers' Associations and the unions concerned in the bread industry decided by 9 votes to 6 to favour day baking.

As a result of this day baking may become legal following the submission of a report to the Minister for War Organisation (Mr. Dedman).

The 6 voters in opposition were those of the employers.

The opinion of conference was that the public would not suffer by the introduction of day baking and there would be no deterioration in the nutritive quality of bread which would be 12 hours old.

BRITISH PRISONERS RELEASED

At least 7,000 British prisoners of war have been released from concentration camps in North Africa following the Allied occupation of Algiers and Morocco.

These include sailors, soldiers, airmen, and members of the merchant marine.

NEWS FLASHES FROM U.S.A.

THE War Department has announced the awarding of the Distinguished Service Medal Posthumously to Major-General Clarence L. Tinker, who died in the Battle of Midway. Medal was presented to General Tinker's widow by Lieutenant-General Henry Arnold.

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New gasoline rations will not start on November 22 as originally planned but on December 1.

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The Press reports the launching of four destroyers at an East Coast shipyard. Four destroyers were launched simultaneously at the same shipyard last May.

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The Navy Department announced the award of the Navy Cross to nine naval officers for extraordinary heroism while piloting airplanes of a torpedo squadron in action against Japanese forces in the Battle of Midway.

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During September, more than 552,000,000 pounds of foodstuffs, the largest part consisting of concentrated foods and animal protein, were delivered for shipment to Allied Nations, the Agriculture Department reports.

Congratulations For Roosevelt

Congratulatory telegrams on the United States' action in North Africa have been received by President Roosevelt from the Presidents of Bolivia, Guatemala, Chile, Panama, Ecuador, Cuba and Dominican Republic.

PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL

NEW YORK: Professional football results:—

Chicago Bears d. Greenbay Packers 38-7, Washington Redskins d. New York Giants 14-7, Redskins clinched the Eastern Division championship. Cleveland Rams d. Detroit Lions 27-7, Philadelphia Eagles d. Brooklyn Dodgers, 14-7.

Chicago Blackhawks defeated Toronto Maple Leafs, 5-4; Boston Bruins defeated New York Rangers 3-1.

Amateurs

Mich. State 19 d. Purdue 6; Cornell 21 d. Dartmouth 19; Pittsburgh 6 d. Nebraska 0; Washington State 7 d. Idaho 0; California 13 d. Montana 0; Ohio State 44 d. Illinois 20; Wisconsin 20 d. North-Western 19; Yale 13 d. Princeton 6; Denver 13 d. Utah 5; Oklahoma A and M 56 d. St. Louis 7; Southern Methodists 14 d. Arkansas 6; Colgate 14 d. Syracuse 0.

Harvard 7 d. Brown 0; Holy Cross 13 d. Temple 0; Auburn 25 d. Louisiana State 7; Jacksonville Naval 24 d. Clemson 6; Maryland 27 d. Virginia 12; Mississippi State 28 d. Duquesne 6; West Virginia 7 d. Kentucky 0; William and Mary 27 d. Virginia Military 6.

Great Britain, Skipton, Dark Felt

Boxing Troupe Available

The A.N.G.A.S.A. boxing troupe is prepared to visit units on request. Those interested should contact the secretary (L.A.C. Smith) at Operations Room, R.A.A.F., or the chairman (Capt. W. C. Steele) at Force H.Q.

Unit representatives are invited to attend committee meetings.

PAPUAN BOYS ARE GOOD CRICKETERS

IF YOU EVER FEEL LIKE JOINING IN A GAME OF CRICKET WITH THE NATIVES WHO MAY BE SEEN PLAYING NOW AND AGAIN, DON'T BE TOO RASH.

Many of these Papuan boys are splendid players and would be acquisitions in average teams. Good coaching work by Mr. R. Furler (former Commonwealth Auditor) and by missionaries and other white residents has given the boys a sound knowledge of the game.

There are Papuan bowlers who would skittle the wickets of most ordinary batsmen. Some of the boys work up considerable pace. Their fielding and catching are good, and a useful standard of batting has been developed.

Most of them can throw with remarkable accuracy. Their undoubted ability to dislodge coconuts from the trees, often when the fruit is 30 or 40 feet from the ground, has astonished Diggers used to Bradman-like returns and "Doughboys" who have seen class pitchers in action.

WILL SENIOR FOOTBALL BE PLAYED NEXT YEAR?

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In some circles, however, there has been a feeling that certain young, fit footballers might have fulfilled war engagements voluntarily before the call-up system became operative.

Nevertheless, nearly—if not all—senior teams last season had players from the services or munition factories, and some officials discouraged the

CUP WINNER SHOULD COME FROM THIS SMART TRIO

RUNNING of the Melbourne Cup at Flemington (Vic) this afternoon will settle arguments as to the ability of the 25 horses which have been left in. There is no "red hot" favorite and an interesting race, brimful of possibilities, seems probable.

THOSE who can recall the good old days of peace-time Melbourne Cups will remember the annual invasion of enthusiasts from other States and even from New Zealand.

It will be different this year, but a safer bet than anything in the Cup is that tens of thousands who cannot see the race will hear the call over the radio. This method of giving the news has been in existence since 1925, but it has probably never been so popular as it will be to-day.

The Cup usually attracts thousands of people who do not attend another race meeting during the year.

It takes a good horse to run out two miles and only a stayer can win.

Experience Counts

The most experienced and most widely travelled jockey to have a mount to-day is Neville Percival who will be on Amazed (6.10). Percival has won most of the turf cups on offer in this country and in Africa and India.

If Darby Munro can get across from Sydney to ride Tranquil Star many will plump for the mare, which has been likened to Wakeful. Munro is probably Australia's best horseman and no more punishing rider ever held the reins in recent years. At times his judgment is uncanny, but Munro has had bad as well as good days at Flemington.

Another accomplished horseman is "Scobie" Breasley who, though to serve a suspension of two months, will be able to ride Pandect to-day. The suspension operates from the last race to-day.

Crack Jockey Out

A race in Victoria without Badger is like cricket without Bradman, but Victoria's best rider is under suspension. Ossie Phillips, who rode the 100 to 1 winner, Wotan, will ride Velocity.

The West Australian horse, Maikai, has been second in two Cups. His rider will be Henry Mornement, who has been the chagrined jockey on each occasion that Maikai ran second.

T. McKenzie, an inexperienced but highly promising apprentice, is to ride the highly-fancied Dark Felt. Fame is his if he rides the winner.

Billy Cook is to ride Great Britain and he ranks with the topnotchers. Cook has had some bad falls in his time but has recovered to ride brilliantly again. On occasions he has shown himself to be a great judge of pace and can be depended upon to get the best from Great Britain.

Boiling it down, the chances of SKIPTON, DARK FELT, and GREAT BRITAIN make most appeal, but the chances of SON OF AUROUS, AMAZED and PANDECT cannot be ignored.

Sports Tomorrow

An athletic meeting—entries on the spot—will be held at the Golf Links, Konedobu, to-morrow.

All services' personnel are invited to attend.

Principal events will be:—100 yards (privates and airmen), 100 yards (N.C.O.'s), 100 yards (officers). 100, 220 and 440 yards championships.

High jump, broad jump, hop, step and jump, and tug-o-war.

Novelty events will also be held.

"LILYWHITES" AND PRO'S GET TOGETHER

For the first time in Melbourne's athletic history, professional and amateur runners are competing together.

They are meeting in Service events held in conjunction with inter-club contests each Saturday. Hitherto, any mixture of "lilywhites" with the professional has always been frowned upon by amateur authorities.

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The encouragement of football among the services has been responsible for splendid inter-unit and inter-services contests. The service idea, of course, is to get as many men to play as possible, thereby giving enjoyment and exercise to all.

Notice Board Idea

So that all Diggers can read "Guinea Gold" it is suggested that a special notice board be erected by each unit and a daily copy pasted up—if there is paste.

British Nearing Benghazi

GERMANS FIGHTING DELAYING ACTIONS

AXIS columns are streaming along the coast road from Benghazi in an attempt to avoid encirclement by our advanced forces striking towards the coast from the inland route along which they have been advancing through Libya.

THE Germans are attempting rearguard defence in positions on the escarpment 50 miles south of Benghazi. Advanced patrols of the Eighth Army are now reported to be within sight of the sea.

Other British units are moving on Benghazi itself and, according to one correspondent, the port may already be in our hands.

The correspondent says that the wreckage of more than 500 planes has been found during the pursuit of Rommel's forces.

In Tunisia, armoured British and American forces are steadily pushing forward in the path of Allied parachute troops.

Allied H.Q. have, as yet, announced no major action, but correspondents report that fighting between German and Allied defence patrols, although still scattered, is increasing in intensity.

French troops, who have been fighting the Germans since the enemy landed at Tunis, continue to withdraw to link up with the First British Army. They twice made contact with the enemy as they battled their way through mountain passes.

Air War Increases

The air war over the battle zone is increasing in intensity. British fighters have inflicted heavy losses on the enemy in the region of Bone.

British fighters flew from Malta to attack the aerodrome at Tunis on Thursday. Earlier it was attacked by bombers of the Middle East Command.

British Spitfires on Thursday destroyed five of six Italian torpedo-bombers about to attack a convoy off the Algerian coast.

In a broadcast from Algiers on Thursday, Admiral Darlan asked Frenchmen for support and obedience. He said he was still acting on the orders of Marshall Petain, who was unable to express his wishes freely.

Laval Doesn't Surprise

The United States Secretary of State (Mr. Cordell Hull) said on Thursday that M. Laval's appointment as Supreme Dictator of France only emphasised his complete identification with German aims and policy.

"His latest promotion confirms what I have said many times, that Laval is part and parcel of Hitlerism and Hitler government," Mr. Cordell Hull added.

24 JAPS KILLED

Allied patrols pursuing Japanese who escaped from the Kumusi area when Australian troops took Wairope, caught up with two groups yesterday.

They annihilated one party of 24, and forced another group of 30 to retire to the jungle.

Sydney Youth To Rule On Decency

JACK HOMER, 16-year-old official beach inspector, will see that swimming costumes conform to propriety at Coojee this summer.

Randwick Council insists that propriety must still be observed, and as there are now no older men to enforce the regulations, Homer has been appointed.

He is in a bit of a quandary about costumes but supposes he will know what to do if he sees any excessively abbreviated ones.

CRANES TOO!

There is no end to women's jobs these days. Sydney now has its first crane-driver in action.

She is Miss Mary Carroll and is already proficient in handling an overhead traveller crane.

Men's lives are at stake if the crane-driver does the wrong thing, but Miss Carroll has the instinct of being able to anticipate what the dogman requires and she is always ready for him.

NO "BORDER HOPPING"

Inter-state railway travellers must be prepared to produce their identity cards under National Security Regulations issued by the Transport Minister (Mr. Lawson). The regulation has been introduced to curtail "border hopping." It applies particularly to border stations.

CHINESE READY TO HIT BACK

AIR raids on Japanese aerodromes at Rangoon, Magive and Meiktala in Burma are reported in the latest communique from New Delhi.

THE CHINESE ARE MAKING PREPARATIONS TO COUNTER JAPANESE THREATS TO THEIR POSITIONS IN YUNNAN PROVINCE.

A Chungking military spokesman said on Thursday that a Japanese attack from Burma and Yunnan was imminent. They had 30,000 troops on the border of Burma, and were preparing to cross the Salween River.

Say It With Sapphires

Diamonds have always been in short supply with most people but now even jewellers find it hard to get them.

Because of this shortage, Australian sapphires will be used soon to make engagement rings.

AXIS AIR ACTIVITY

Nazi Air Chief, Kesselring, is believed to have 12 squadrons of German fighter planes in Tunisia.

Germany is withdrawing planes from every war theatre and is sending them southwards according to reports.

Vital air battles—the biggest in history—are anticipated.

STRANDED SHIP SAVED

AFTER a dramatic struggle against high wind and high seas, a ship which was washed on to an Australian beach has been refloated and has made port.

It is the first time in Australian history that a ship left broadside to the sea on dry land has been salvaged. While attempts were being made to prevent her from grounding, a tug bumped the bottom and was damaged and another boat overturned in high water. Tugs, lifeboats and a mine-sweeper struggled through a windy night to keep the ship afloat, but failed.

Earth-moving gear was then obtained and thousands of tons of sand were removed to make a large pool beside the ship. Her bow was dragged round with each high tide and finally she was refloated.

HE WAS A "FLAT"

A man who broke into a flat in Lennox Street, Richmond (Vic.), awakened Miss June Sheppard.

He ordered her to open doors and cupboards while he made a search of the premises. Overcoming her surprise, Miss Sheppard called to her brother and other flat-dwellers.

They came quickly on the scene and overpowered the man, who was held till a police car arrived.

Aching Tooth Helps Loan Appeal

Movietone News in Sydney, about to make a newsreel item to help the Austerity Loan wanted a young woman to appear on the screen reading the Prime Minister's letter about the appeal.

Its contact man was given the job of finding one. He thought he could make a better selection if he had a nagging tooth removed first, so he called at a dental surgery, there to find solutions for both toothache and problem.

The dentist's assistant was Miss Lorna Garrett, who was persuaded to go to the studio. She photographed and recorded well, accepted the assignment, and will help to put the Loan over.

FREE LEGAL ADVICE

Soldiers and their dependants will soon be able to obtain free legal advice from an association to be set up throughout Australia. This organisation has been in operation in New South Wales for some time and will be soon extended to all States.

400 Watch 58 Arrested

When gaming police made a surprise raid on a social club in St. Kilda (Vic.) 58 men were arrested on gaming charges.

They were taken to the city watch-house in three prison vans. News of the raid spread quickly and more than 400 people gathered outside the club. Traffic became dislocated and police reinforcements were rushed from Russell Street. The men will appear next month at the St. Kilda Court.

Protest On "Smokes"

Canteens for factories have been strenuously opposed by Mr. G. R. Bassingthwaite who has resigned from the presidency of the N.S.W. Retail Tobacco Traders' Association as a protest against the policy of the Minister of Trades and Customs (Senator Keane). Mr. Bassingthwaite considers that factory canteens are being allotted large quantities of "smokes" while ordinary traders are finding it difficult to obtain enough supplies to carry on.