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URGENT NEED FOR HOMES R.S.L. Congress

Unsettled conditions must be expected in civil life unless homes were found quickly for demobilised Servicemen, Mr. K. McL. Bolton, president of the New South Wales Returned Soldiers League, said at the annual congress of the league yesterday.

The congress was opened by the Governor, Lord General Northcott who urged the co-ordination of the activities of all organisations and associations interested in the welfare of ex-Servicemen and women.

Mr. Bolton said recent amendments of the National Security Regulations had helped a number of ex-Servicemen to cope with the disastrous housing situation.

"The ex-Servicemen who returns to find his wife and children homeless, or who cannot marry and settle down, is one of our greatest problems," he said.

"The tragedy of it all is that the strikes and lock-outs, which have been direct factors in holding up the housing programme, have hit particularly at the returned Servicemen, who, during the war years, was unable to go house-hunting and establish himself in a home."

Training Lag

Mr. Bolton said he was alarmed at the serious lag in the training of Servicemen. To date, 15,350 had been accepted for full-time training in New South Wales. Only 2,560 were in trade-training courses, 669 in technical colleges, professional, and pupilage courses, and 3,380 in university professional training courses.

Mr. Bolton appealed for the appointment of one Minister for Rehabilitation, with a competent Rehabilitation Board working under him.

After considerable litigation, the proceeds of the Anzac House Appeal, totalling £234,000, had been handed over to the League, he said. There was a suggestion that, because it might be six or seven years before a permanent Anzac House could be built, a building should be erected in the city as a temporary centre. Negotiations were also in progress to set aside either £100,000 or £200,000 for a home building scheme to establish a club which would for all time perpetuate all that the Anzac House Appeal stood for.

R.S.L. Magazine

The congress resolved that consideration be given to the application of the Demobilised Sailors, Soldiers, and Airmen's Association of Australia for affiliation with the R.S.L. The debate on the proposed levy of 3/6 a year for financing a reorganised "Reveille" was still in progress when the congress adjourned.

The State president, Mr. K. McL. Bolton, said the magazine would be a six-page broadsheet. An official organ was necessary because the R.S.L. was quite often misrepresented in the Press. The proposed publication would probably bring about £10,000 in annual profit to the R.S.L.

Mr. R. Watson, of Blacktown, said that congress should not decide whether the proposed levy should be made without first giving individual members a chance to decide whether they wanted the levy.

Mr. K. McL. Bolton was elected State president by 257 votes out of 308.

Mr. S. K. Black was elected metropolitan vice-president.

REVIEW OF HOUSING COSTS

CANBERRA, Wednesday.—The Premiers' Conference decided on a review of costs and standards of houses under the Commonwealth-State Housing Scheme, with the object of further economies.

It was agreed that despite high costs, mainly through supply difficulties, the need for additional housing was so great that all States must press on with the programme.

It was stated that shortages of materials and labour were adversely affecting the costs originally estimated. While every effort was being made by all States to accelerate production of materials in short supply, it was expected that the difficulty would remain for some time.

Ald. Harding Likely To Be Expelled

Alderman W. Neville Harding, who was Lord Mayor of Sydney last year, has been debarred from attending meetings of the Civic Reform Party at the Town Hall. His expulsion from the party seems certain.

Alderman Harding was notified of the party's decision by letter yesterday.

Although no reason was given, it is known that Civic Reform aldermen have taken strong exception to a number of his recent statements, which, they claim, are in conflict with party decisions.

The Civic Reform Party, which consists of aldermen sponsored by the Citizens' Reform Association, has no power to expel an alderman from the party, but Alderman Harding will be asked by the executive of the association to show cause why he should not be expelled.

The Lord Mayor, Alderman Bartley, declined to say yesterday why the party had decided to exclude Alderman Harding from its meetings.

He said Alderman Harding had not attended the party meeting, and that the decision was unanimous.

"I have not broken any of the principles of the party, but I refuse to be a 'yes' man for any group," he added. "It is sometimes very difficult to remain a party man and do the right thing."

Sale Of Hotels

Alderman Harding said he believed his views on the sale of council hotels had influenced the party to take action against him. He had not voted against the sale of council properties generally, but had stated in the party room and outside that it was not the time to sell hotels.

He had also urged the appointment of a committee representing the Civic Reform Party and the Labour Party to decide which properties should be sold first.

Alderman Harding said he had also opposed the building of a municipal library at the corner of Park and Castlereagh Streets, but had not voted against the site.

"I am sorry this action was taken during my absence from the party meeting," he added. "It was not on the agenda, but the Lord Mayor should have notified me that he was bringing it forward."

Alderman Harding said he would continue to adhere to the principles of the Citizens' Reform Association with which he had been associated for 11 years.

Alderman Harding said that, although the Lord Mayor conferred regularly with chairmen of other standing committees, he had consistently ignored him as chairman of the traffic committee.

With Alderman Harding's expulsion, Civic Reform aldermen in the City Council will be reduced to 11. There are eight Labour aldermen.

SYDNEY TO HEAR "RITE OF SPRING"

Stravinsky's controversial ballet, "The Rite of Spring," will be performed for the first time in Australia by the Sydney Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Eugene Goossens, in the Sydney Town Hall to-morrow.

Mr. Goossens said yesterday that the concert will require to be augmented by 20 players to a total of about 100.

Mr. Goossens said the work was the most daring and gigantic achievement in the whole range of contemporary music, and the most controversial and provocative piece of music by a modern composer.

Conductors and orchestras looked upon it as the most transcendently difficult to perform in the whole repertoire of symphonic music.

He gave the first concert performance of the work in London and New York.

JOAN HAMMOND'S RECITAL Flawless Singing

BY NEVILLE CARDUS. Last night, Joan Hammond captured her true quality, and sang with a spontaneous and warm variety of expression which came into her recital last week only now and again.

This time she was obviously not only in better voice but happier in her approach and quick imaginative comprehension of poetry and music; and her face as well as her singing revealed that she was loving it all.

She sang from the inside of a conception of the music, letting her musical feeling naturally colour her tones; last week it seemed as though she was reversing the process, beginning with a consciously studied vocal air, which too frequently failed to penetrate the poetic core, so to say. Last night, then, were few "short-circuiting" of imagination.

She began with a Faure group which included the beautiful "La lune blanche," from "La bonne chanson," with its gorgeous piano-part sensitively played by Raymond Lambert.

Here the atmosphere evoked in each inflection and shade; and the rise of the voice at the "exquisite hour" was exactly right. Her control of varied tones, told of mind and feelings entirely subdued to the composer's lovely eyes and texture. In "La Lettre" of Mors, the mingling of lyricism and impulsive quasi-recitative was most artistically attuned to the music's style. A fine modulation of manner and method gave us a fully-realised presentation of two songs by Pizzetti.

From this composer to Wolf is a long way to go, technically and in interpretation, but Miss Hammond discovered at once the essential note and psychology. The devout yet strong restraint of "Der Gensene an die Hoffnung" was crystallised in absorbed song; and here again, Mr. Lambert was a collaborator, not merely an accompanist. So with the wonderful "Ganymed," for so the mood just lacked the incomparable haze of distance and mystical rapture of Wolf, none the less the singing was so eloquent and pure in itself that we could not complain if all of Wolf's subtle chemistry of sense and spirit was not there.

WARMTH OF EXPRESSION. The perfect prose translation of the "Ganymed" poem, framed the programme, was Samuel Langford's, and it surely contributed to the audience's enjoyment of the interpretation.

The difficult "Song of the Wind," in which Wolf asks for speed and flexibility and yet at the same time a tremulous warmth of expression—this was perhaps the evening's most admirable singing from the point of view of art, though it would be difficult to think of many singers to-day, born to the English language and way of life, who could get closer than Miss Hammond to the poignant "Wohin" and "Whither, but whither," in "Ganymed."

Four "Songs of Death" of Moussorgsky were intelligently given, but the composer did not intend them to sound as cultivated in vocal diction or as normal of feeling, as they were in Miss Hammond's presentation. Her voice does not readily suggest anything macabre or grotesque.

Two Bachmannoff songs were sung without a flaw; and in an English group there was an intimacy of tone and approach that avoided the familiar copy-mongers so easily bred by such settings.

Bantock's "Yung Yung" delighted the enormous audience vastly. The music made in Brumby's hands. Miss Hammond complimented the listeners sitting on the platform by turning round and facing them while she sang Ruben's original and uncompromising "In Dark Weather" at them.

Miss Hammond's recitals are always in the taste of a serious artist, and that is why she must never, when she is interpreting English songs, for a moment come near a suspicion of treating words with a conversational sort of pointlessness. Contents can so quickly hint of that kind of expression which is not musical.

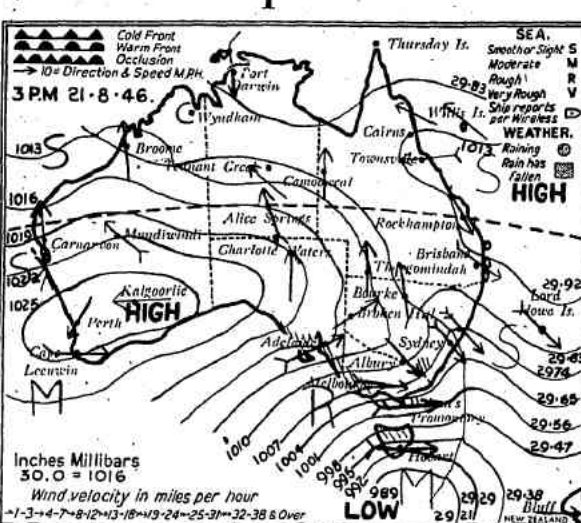
Mr. Lambert, in addition to his good services as a pianist in the songs, also played one or two solos, of which the Scriabine Nocturne for left-hand only was a very agreeable example of art concealing ingenuity.

R.A.A.F. CASUALTY LIST

The latest R.A.A.F. casualty list, issued by the Department of Air, contains the names of the following men from N.S.W.:

Previously Reported Missing Now Presumed Dead: 240655, Roxburgh, G. B. D.; 5742, Atterbury, G. B. D.; 5743, Atterbury, G. B. D.; 5744, Atterbury, G. B. D.; 5745, Atterbury, G. B. D.; 5746, Atterbury, G. B. D.; 5747, Atterbury, G. B. D.; 5748, Atterbury, G. B. D.; 5749, Atterbury, G. B. D.; 5750, Atterbury, G. B. D.

Weather Map And Forecast



Very light to light rain fell in New South Wales over the Riverina, south-west slopes and central and western slopes during the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. yesterday.

Maximum falls were Gundagai and Batlow 22 points. During the day further very light scattered rain fell over the south and central uplands, while a total of three inches of snow now 15 points was reported at Kiandra in the 36 hours ended 3 p.m.

Mainly sunnier, yesterday were below freezing point generally on the slopes and highlands. Scattered showers and drizzle were reported generally on slopes and tablelands. Day temperatures were cool to the south, mild to the north, and on coast. Highest maxima were Clarence Heads 75, Lismore 74.

Sydney's temperature ranged from 49 at 5.15 a.m. to 72 at 12.15 p.m. A vigorous depression south-east of Tasmania is moving south-east. An intense anticyclone moving north-east from the southern States are still under the influence of a vigorous westerly stream between these two pressure systems. The main cold front has moved over most of the State.

Queensland. Archer Point 12 points. Scattered to cloudy on north coast, Peninsula, and Gulf; elsewhere clear. Victoria. Very light to light rain with few moderate falls generally except Gippsland. Cloudless to scattered. South Australia. Scattered very light rain inland and north-east. Very light rain generally.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS (Forecasts for 24 hours beginning 6 a.m. to-day.) Average annual rainfall at Sydney over 87 years, 4,646 points. Average for period commencing 1st 1st to the end of August, 1946, 2,994 points. Total from January 1, 1946, to date, 2,818 points. Total for corresponding period of 1945, 2,944 points.

Barometer: At 9 a.m. 30.822, at 3 p.m. 30.746, at 8 p.m. 30.812 inches. Maximum 60.5 at 12.35 p.m., minimum 49 at 3.25 a.m. Humidity: At 9 a.m. 55, at 3 p.m. 38, at 8 p.m. 51 per cent. Wind: Direction: Lightly 35 miles per hour from NW at 12.55 p.m.

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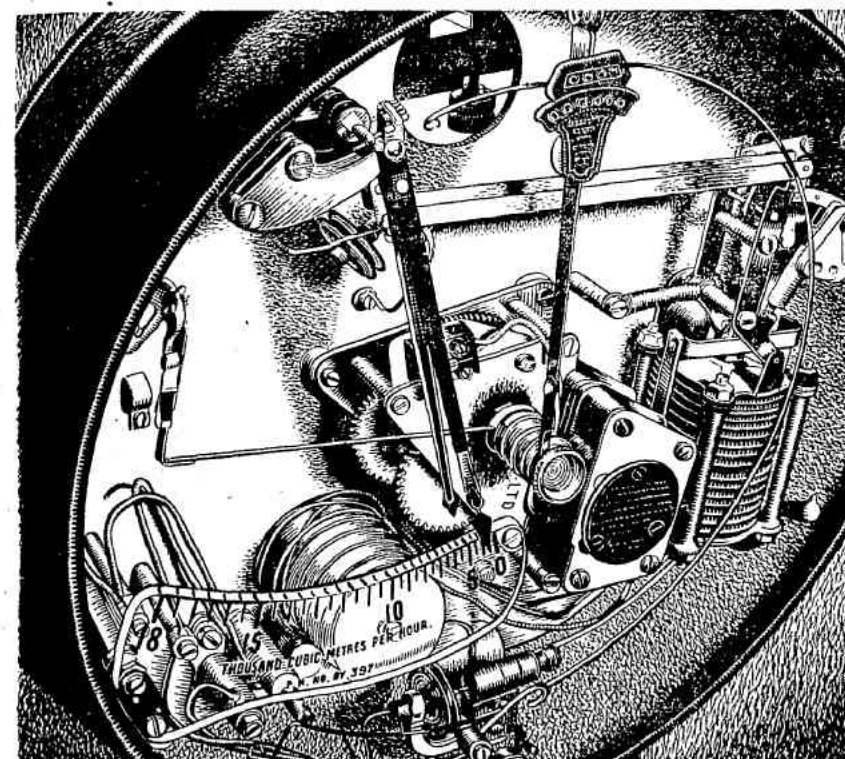
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