

SOUTH OTAGO NOTES.

BALCLUTHA, April 20.

The Clutha R.S.A. are going to make a big effort to popularise their rooms this winter. On Saturday the committee drew up a draft programme of social evenings. A billiard tournament is included in the list and as it is to be open to all should help in no small way the funds of the Association.

On Friday last the district organiser (Mr D. Colquhoun) in company with a deputation from the R.S.A. paid a visit to the soldier settlers in Clifton. It was found that the men were "up against" it. Their case will be looked into and every effort made to improve conditions for them.

Mr J. C. Browne, the Farmers' Union organiser, paid a visit to Balclutha on Friday last for the purpose of meeting non-members of the Union and endeavouring to get them to join up. There were about a dozen at the meeting, only one of whom, however, was a non-member, and he left shortly after the commencement. Mr Browne gave an outline of what the aims and objects of the Union were and is staying in the district making a personal canvass of farmers. The prospects are for an increased membership.

Considerable interest is being taken in Balclutha in the forthcoming visit on May 3rd of Clark McConachy, the Dominion's champion billiardist. He is to give an exhibition in the Central Rooms.

Preparations for Anzac Day are proceeding satisfactorily. It is proposed to hold a combined service in the Oddfellows' Hall on Sunday afternoon. A parade (headed by the band) of all returned men, Cadets, Territorials, Friendly Societies, and others is to march from the Borough Council Chambers to the Hall, where the ministers will conduct the service. I understand the Balclutha Methodist Church intend to unveil their Roll of Honour on that day. The combined service this year promises to be something out of the ordinary.

Kaka Point is at last awaking to its importance as a holiday resort. At a recent meeting of the Welfare Society it was decided to erect swings, see-saws and other attractions on the beach. Other improvements are also to be carried out in the near future. It was decided to approach the Minister with a view to getting additional bush lands laid aside as scenic reserves. The Point is rich in native bush and it would add greatly to the value of the place as a resort if the areas proposed were laid apart for the purpose stated. As far as natural beauty of the beaches and bush scenery is concerned the Port Molyneux beaches are second to none in the Dominion, and this is amply proved by the increasing number of holiday makers who visit the place every year. Buildings are going up all over the place and there are a large number of dwellings there now. The society are going the right way about making the place attractive and it is to be hoped their efforts will continue. The Owaka Cricket Club held a very successful concert in aid of their funds, on Friday night last. The Club have had a very successful season and put in some solid work. Next season it is hoped the other clubs in the district will follow Owaka's footsteps and "get busy," and resuscitate the game in South Otago.

For some time past the settlers of the Catlin's district have been dissatisfied with the railway service, and on Thursday (15th), Mr Bowles (District Traffic Manager) in company with Mr Malcolm, M.P., paid a visit to Owaka, and met a large number of settlers in the Oddfellows' Hall. The position was fully discussed—Mr Bowles gave a sympathetic hearing and indicated in his reply that there was every probability of an improved service.

Football starts in earnest in South Otago next Saturday, when Toko play Crescent at Kaitangata, and Clutha play Clinton at Balclutha. The various teams throughout the district have been getting in some good practice-work and keen competition should be the result this season. Last season Crescent came out on top after a great tussle with Yoko, these two teams having to play no less than three times to prove who was winner. The S.O.R.F.U. met on Saturday, and drew up the fixtures for the first round as follows:—

April 24.—Crescent v. Toko at Kaitangata; Clutha v. Clinton, at Balclutha. Owaka, a bye.

May 1.—Clutha v. Owaka, at Owaka; Clinton v. Crescent, at Balclutha; Toko, a bye.

May 8.—Clutha v. Toko, at Milton; Owaka v. Clinton, at Balclutha; Crescent, a bye.

May 15.—Crescent v. Clutha, at Kaitangata; Toko v. Owaka, at Balclutha; Clinton, a bye.

SOUTHLAND RACING CLUB.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the position of SECRETARY to above Racing Club, with or without the use of offices or rooms.

Applicants to state salary required, also remuneration for use of rooms if provided in game.

Address to President, Southland Racing Club, Box 305, Invercargill, on or before WEDNESDAY, April 28, 1920.

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A BAZAAR in aid of the Grounds' Improvement Fund, will be held in the School on FRIDAY, 30th inst., opening at 2.30 p.m.

Competitions and Concert Programme in the evening.

The Dominion Band will be in attendance.

Admission in evening—6d.



THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Invercargill Returned Soldiers' Association will be held in the Lecture Room, Soldiers' Club, on FRIDAY, APRIL 23rd, 1920, at 7.30 p.m.

BUSINESS:

1. Annual Report and Balance Sheet.
2. Election of President and
3. Ten Members of Executive.
4. Election of R.S.A. Representative for Repatriation Board.
5. Election of Auditor.
6. Organisation of Club—proposal to elect Independent Club Committee.
7. Report on Digger Newspaper.
8. Election of Digger Board of Management (five members required).
9. General organisation — sub-associations, etc., and
10. General.

NOTE.—Members are requested to make a special endeavour to be present.

L. S. GRAHAM,

Secretary.

THE RETURNED SOLDIERS of DIPTON and District extend a hearty invitation to all to attend a BALL in the Dipton Public Hall on FRIDAY EVENING, April 23.

Grand March at 8.30 p.m.

W. CASSIN,

Hon. Secretary.

May 22.—Owaka v. Crescent, at Owaka; Toko v. Clinton, at Balclutha; Clutha, a bye.

The annual meeting of the Clutha R.S.A. will be held on Monday next, when matters of more than ordinary interest will be discussed. The new secretary (Mr A. C. Laing), has settled down to work in earnest and is now getting matters in connection with the Association in good order.

The Bruce by-election is over and for the first time in over 25 years the constituency is represented by a Liberal—Mr John Edie having secured a majority of 150 odd over the Government candidate, Mr Jas. Begg. Mr Edie is well and favourably known in Bruce and should fill the position of M.P. equally as well as he has filled other positions he has held.

We learn, says the "Free Press" that the Dunedin City Corporation's electrical engineer is preparing an estimate of the cost of linking Balclutha up with the Waipori scheme. Arrangements have already been made to link up Milton, and it is thought that an extension might profitably afterwards be made to Balclutha.

ALBION THEATRE

SATURDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY.

THE CHARLES SMYTHE CONCERT PARTY.

CHARLES SMYTHE will Sing—

Prologue from "I Pagliacci."
"There's Only One England."
"Company Sergeant-Major."
"Captain Mac."

BATHIE STUART—

"Bye-Lo."
"The Cinema Serial."
"Te Opi Tuatahi" (Maori Recruiting Song).

HERBERT WOOD—

"Beneath Thy Window."
"Sparkling Eyes."
"I Love You in Velvet."

ANITA GREENE—

Prelude (Ronald).

"Laugh and Sing."

MIRIAM KUTNER—

"In Your Grey Eyes."
"Up She Goes."

DUETS—Bathie Stuart & Herbert Wood.

"You and I."

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ALEX. SUTHERLAND,

Organising Secretary.

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4th and 5th MAY.

Entries close on SATURDAY, 24th April.

D. CUTHBERTSON,

Secretary.

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LODGE VICTORIA No. 147.
LODGE WAIHOPAI No. 189.

MEMBERS of the above-named lodges are invited to attend a General Meeting in the Refectory, Freemasons' Hall, Forth street, Invercargill, on THURSDAY, 22nd instant, at 8 p.m.

BUSINESS: To receive report of General Committee arranging for G. L. Communication.

Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. By Order Prov. G.M.

SOUTHLAND COUNTY.

Election of two Representatives on the Bluff Harbour Board, to represent the Electors of Southland County, including those of Winton Borough, and Wyndham, and Lumsden Town Districts.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election of TWO REPRESENTATIVES on the Bluff Harbour Board will be held on—

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 1920.

Candidates for the office must be nominated in the manner prescribed in "The Local Elections and Polls Act, 1909," and its amendments.

Nomination Papers in the form prescribed must be delivered to the Returning Officer or addressed to him and delivered at the Southland County Council Office, Clyde street, Invercargill, not later than noon on MONDAY, APRIL 19, 1920.

Nomination papers can be had on application to the undersigned.

A. J. SERVICE,

Returning Officer.

County Office, Invercargill, April 10, 1920.

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Returned Soldier's Association.

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MUNICIPAL THEATRE.

Sunday, April 25th, at 3 p.m.

RETURNED SOLDIERS will PARADE (in uniform if possible) at the Drill Hall, at 2 p.m.

ORDER OF PARADE:—

Firing Party, Trumpeters, Band, Gun Carriages.

Returned Soldiers in Uniform in order of precedence of Units.

Returned Soldiers in Mufti.

All citizens are invited to the memorial Service in the Theatre.

A. Glass, Convenor.

Books to Read.

WITH Winter coming on apace we turn our attention to BOOKS—Books of interest. Here are some of the latest in the popular bound edition:—

"The Woman's Way," "Lorrie," by Chas. Garvice.

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"The Stepmother," by Annie S. Swan.

"Round the Corner in Gay Street," "The Indifference of Juliet," "Mrs Red Pepper," "The Second Violin," by Grace Richmond.

"Black Rock," by Ralph Connor.

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