

## Doings In Different Districts

### Pars From All Parts

Cr. Theo. Macaw has been re-elected president of the Windouran Shire Council for the second term. The presidential allowance was fixed at £10. Cr. Les. Moore was elected president of the Conargo Shire Council, and Cr. Falkiner was elected deputy-president.

In compliance with a request by the Deniliquin P.P. Board, the Chief Secretary has approved of an open season for three months from December 22nd for the destruction of kangaroos in Deniliquin district. State forests, timber reserves and proclaimed sanctuaries are excluded from the area covered by the open season proclamation.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Edmunds, of Mooroolbark, via Wanganella, have received a post card dated 24.12.43, from their son, Cpl. L. M. (Mick) Edmunds, who has been a prisoner of war since the Japanese invasion of Malaya nearly three years ago. Mick writes: "I am in good health. Received July letter. Xmas greetings to all. Conditions good. Always thinking of you. Hope see you soon." "Mick" was a student of the Hay War Memorial High School, and was a very popular boy.

One of the largest gatherings of representatives of the various sub-branches of the R.S.S. and A.I. League ever seen in Narandera, assembled on Tuesday evening last for the purpose of forming a district council within the Riverina district. Prior to the conference sitting the Mayor (Ald. Hepburn) extended a civic welcome to the visitors. At the conference the District Council was formed, and a long discussion ensued

formed, and a long discussion ensued as to how often it should meet. A motion was put forward that one meeting per year be held. Eventually an amendment was carried that three meetings be held yearly. Two delegates from each sub-branch are eligible to attend the council meetings. Mr. Bayliss (Hay) moved and Mr. Beelby (Carrathool) seconded, that an executive be appointed consisting of a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and seven committeemen. The motion was carried. The officers elected were: President, Mr. T. Gordon (Narandera), vice-president, Mr. H. J. Wiltshire (Rankin Springs), hon. secretary (Mr. J. Crowcock (Narandera), hon. treasurer, Mr. J. A. Lorimer (Narandera), committee, Messrs. H. E. Bayliss (Hay), W. J. Bishop (Griffith), C. E. Beelby (Carrathool), N. Whitehead (Urana), P. Allen (Corowa), J. Sharpe (Leeton), and P. Patey (Oaklands). Amongst matters discussed at the conference was soldier settlement, and a resolution was carried calling upon the Government to make land available for settlement by returned soldiers. It was also decided to urge the Federal Government to expedite the introduction of the Soldier Settlement Bill. The date of the next meeting was fixed for 2nd May. Messrs. A. P. Matthews and H. E. Bayliss represented Hay Sub-branch at the meeting.

It is announced that Cr. W. J. Gleeson, the deputy-president of Willimong Shire Council, and public-spirited citizen, is about to leave the M.I.A., circumstances having arisen necessitating his taking up his abode in the metropolis at an early date.

A record number of lottery tickets (62,000) were sold at the lottery office on Tuesday week. The previous record was 60,000.

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