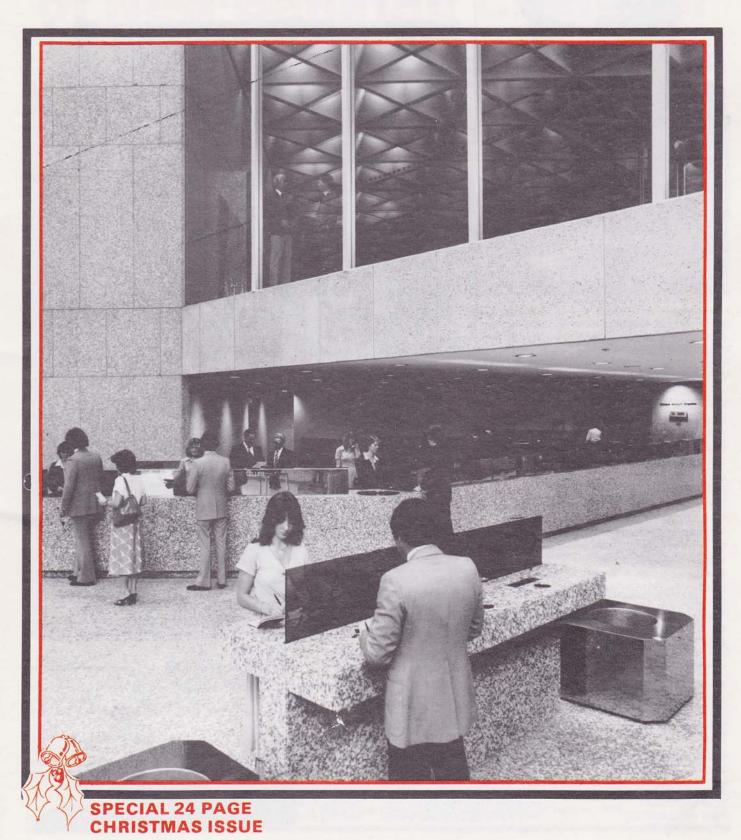
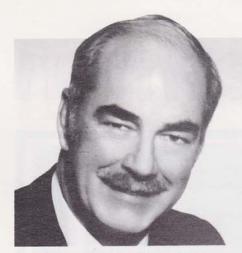
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General Manager, Mr. Harry Torrens

General Manager's Christmas Message

As Christmas again draws near, I am pleased to have the opportunity to extend traditional seasons greetings to all members of the staff. In this I am joined by the Chairman and Commissioners. A number of important milestones have been passed during the year; we are changing our name in recognition of the broader range of services which the Bank is able to provide, we have occupied the lower levels of State Bank Centre, and our deposits have grown to exceed \$4,000 million.

The progress, which has been made and which, I am sure, will be made in the year to come, is due in no small way to the efforts of all staff. We all in our own sphere, contribute to the image of the Bank and can be proud of the Bank's record of service to the Victorian community.

May you and your families enjoy a happy Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year.

'WEST WING' OF NEW BRANCH



ONE BRANCH OF SBC BRANCH: This view of one 'wing' of the spacious and lofty State Bank Centre banking chamber was photographed from just inside the main entrance, looking west. (Next issue of STATESMAN will feature comprehensive pictorial coverage of the two-level branch and occupied tower floors).

Statesman

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FRONT COVER:

This is one small section of our new State Bank Centre branch, on the ground floor of the new Head Office project at the intersection of Elizabeth and Bourke Streets, City. To the left of this area (not shown here) is the central section of the banking chamber featuring on its rear wall a striking Leonard French mural (see next page).

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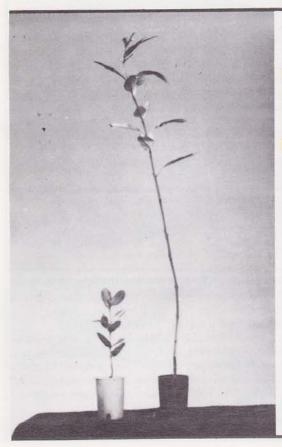
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'French' Mural Highlight of New Banking Chamber

A striking mural on the centre rear wall of the new State Bank Centre banking chamber was specially commissioned by the Bank from leading Australian painter Leonard French —famed for his multi-coloured glass ceiling designed for the Great Hall in Melbourne's Art Centre. Below the photograph of the mural is Leonard French's own interpretation of his JOURNEY OF THE SUN through a landscape of the Seasons (moving from left to right):



In the Spring landscape, fish swim in a blue sea, birds rise from the earth through vines, flowers and trees towards the sun and rainbow. In the Summer landscape, the fire turtle rises from the sea through the dried earth, grass and trees to the high summer sun. In the Autumn landscape, turtles swim in a violet sea, the dark serpent moves through a golden garden of dying leaves and vines thrusting towards the sun. In the Winter landscape, a fish suspends above a winter sea in a garden of ice flowers. Trees without leaves thrust up into a sky of snow and rain while the white bird dies in the pale winter sun.



The Gifts That Grew!

Early this year the Bank planned to give away 10,000 native tree potplants to mark the opening of State Bank Centre branch.

The plants were ordered from an outer suburban nursery and were stored there in readiness for transfer to the new branch on opening day — which was expected to be early in MAY.

Then a series of delays on the State Bank Centre project caused postponements of the branch-opening... until late last month. Meanwhile, many of the little trees — the eucalypts in particular — had grown to three times their original height (see photo).

Luckily, they remained at a manageable size for distribution on opening day. (All trees were tagged with stickers reading GROW WITH THE STATE).

State Bank Centre project was commenced early in 1976.

First-Come-First-Served Banking

Single Queue System Eliminates Guesswork



Customers at Moreland branch use single-queue system to ensure first-come-first-served treatment.

Everybody knows the frustration of waiting in one of a series of bank queues. The other queues often move faster, resulting in people arriving *after* you being served *before* you.

The Bank, long aware of this problem, has been testing a likely solution: the single queue "feeder" system which originated in America about 10 years ago.

Customers arriving at a branch are directed into a single, enclosed queue, set apart from all tellers' windows. The person at the head of this queue goes to the first vacant window. The advantages of the system are:

- customers are served in correct turn, in order of arrival.
- there is no need to guess which queue will move fastest.

- each customer has privacy while conducting business, because nobody is standing directly behind to see or hear what is going on.
- each teller works to a 'queue' of one.

We introduced single queuing in October, 1979 at Eltham branch, where it has been unanimously approved by customers. In recent weeks, we have been running trials at 186 Bourke Street, City, Moreland, Bulleen, Reservoir, Footscray, Barkly Street and Niddrie branches.

The system is likely to be extended to other branches which need it and have sufficient space in the banking chamber and suitable positioning of tellers' windows.



'OZ' NUGGET RECALLED

The recent 'gold rush' by detector prospectors in Wedderburn district has revived memories of the 'Australia' nugget found by a local farmer in 1969.

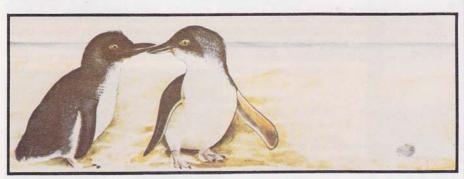
The 'Oz' nugget, shaped uncannily like our Australian continent, was about twice the size of a passbook, and weighed almost 68 ounces. At the time, gold was worth \$37 per ounce in Australia, so the nugget's 'bullion value' was just over \$2,500. Incredibly, the nugget was melted down. In recent months, with gold bringing more than \$560 per ounce, the nugget would have been worth around \$38,000 as gold.

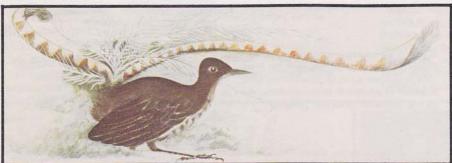
As a collector's piece it would have been worth a great deal

Birds Will Adorn Our New Cheques

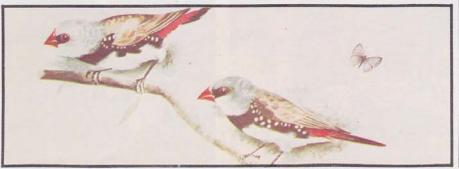
Four of the most beautiful and distinctive birds found in Victoria will be background decoration for our personal cheque forms, from early next The bird designs will replace the three scenic views of countryside, coastline and city skyline which have been featured on our cheques since 1976. The new bird designs were specially drawn by Melbourne artist and conservationist David Lancashire.

Subjects are: Fairy Penguins, Lyrebird, Helmeted Honeyeater and Red-Eared Firetail.











WHICH female teller well-known as 'Crusher' recently decided to entertain her fellow country-branch officers on a Friday after closing — by sitting on top of her teller's bench and smashing it into half a dozen pieces?

GLENROY branch personal loan applicant, when asked 'What are your assets?' replied 'Ah, well, me mate at the footy club owes me fifteen bucks.'

WHICH well-known comic reader (as his mates describe him) was caught with his pants down while collecting a Seymour school bank contribution? On his way to the school, when his path was crossed by a black cat, he tried to leapfrog over it, splitting his pants in a most embarrassing place and requiring emergency service from a local tailor.

DOCTOR supplied report of check-up on Ron McKay, a clerk of works in the Building Department. It said: 'I HAVE EXAMINED HIM AND COULD FIND NO EVIDENCE OF PHYSICAL OR MENTALHEALTH'. (Ron later obtained a proper report, to prove his existence).

LATEST graffitti spotted at head office: 'Stamp out quicksand'. And: 'Pray for the success of Atheism'.

WHICH east suburban branch manager, formerly an agency examiner, has a nameplate sign resembling part of a tombstone?

HEAD OFFICE manager claims to have a strange cat . . . it eats its plate and leaves its meat, then walks backwards wagging its head.

INTERESTING comparison made by a 'garbo' in THE SUN during September's record rubbish strike: 'WE PERFORM A VITAL SERVICE. WE'RE TRADESMEN WHO ACTUALLY TAKE A FAIR BIT OF PRIDE IN WHAT WE DO. THE ONLY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN US AND A BANK MANAGER IS THAT HE GETS APAID MORE'.

Arnold Atkinson Farewelled After 48 Years of Service

Merriment and sentiment were the keynotes of Arnold Atkinson's farewell function at Leonda, Hawthorn, on October 20.

Arnold retired from the position of Deputy Manager (Finance) after 48 years' service which commenced in his home town of Kilmore.

His send-off was attended by more than 150 serving officers and annuitants. Chief Accountant Jack Crofts, proposing a toast to the guest of honor, said: 'Arnold's virtues are legion, but they can be summed up under four main headings: HONESTY, HUMOR, HUMILITY and QUALITY OF WORK.

'He is a first-class accountant and mathematician, and the new accounting system recently introduced at branches will be his monument for many years to come.

'Despite his considerable achievements, Arnold has always displayed complete humility, a quality rarely found in people of great abilities.'

Responding to the toast, Arnold Atkinson reminisced with wit and warmth, paying tribute to past and present colleagues. He concluded by saying:

'It's hard to turn your back on almost half a century of service without some regret. But there's comfort in the knowledge that I am leaving the Bank in the hands of such a wonderful team, from top management to juniors.'

Mr. Harry Torrens, General Manager, making the presentation of Arnold's retirement present from the gathering —a recliner armchair — said:

'A.P. Atkinson should have been named A.A.P. Atkinson, the extra name being Amiable; he has always been a most pleasant associate, and we will miss the wealth of experience he takes away with him.'



- Arnold Atkinson, retiring DGM (Finance) pictured while responding to a toast eloquently proposed by Chief Accountant Jack Crofts. Also shown facing camera (from left) Messrs: Lionel Cooper, Chief Manager, Personnel; Murray Souter, DGM (administration); Harry Torrens, General Manager; Jack Ryan, Chief Manager Lending and DGM (Finance) —elect.
- A section of the gathering of more than 150 past and present colleagues who farewelled Arnold Atkinson at Leonda Restaurant on October 20.
- A mock newspaper based on Arnold's hometown paper (Kilmore Free Press) was prepared by H.O. Marketing Dept. to serve as program, menu and souvenir of the farewell function. (Right)
- General Manager Mr. Harry Torrens presented Arnold with a recliner chair, purchased with donations from all who attended the farewell. (Below right)
- As a farewell bonus, Arnold received a cuddle from 'BIG M' girls who attended the function to serve brandy-milk cocktails. (Below)









BBQ Gift for 'South' Centenary

To mark the 100th birthday of South Melbourne branch on September 8, the Bank donated a coin-in-the-slot public barbecue to the municipality.

The electric barbecue was installed in a new public reserve in Lorimer Street (near the 'Polly Woodside' sailing ship). It was formally presented by our then Deputy General Manager (Finance) Mr. Arnold Atkinson to South Melbourne's Mayor, Councillor Bert Jones on the Centenary Day.

Later, the Mayor and representative local citizens were entertained at the branch in Clarendon Street. Staff, wearing period costume, distributed souvenir showbags, and guests inspected displays of historic photos and banking memorabilia. Among those present at the centenary function were the branch's oldest depositor, 90-year-old retired local jeweller Mr. Lewis Solomon, whose account was opened in 1911. (Footnote: The branch's first customer on its opening day in September, 1880 was the manager of the neighboring Commercial Bank. Twenty accounts were opened on that first day, and the customers included a stone mason, a mariner, a stokerman, a nightman, a servant, a waggonette operator and an errand boy.)



OUR STAKE IN 'SOUTH': A public barbecue, installed in 'Mazda' Park, South Melbourne, was presented by the Bank to mark the Centenary of our South Melbourne branch. Pictured on the evening of the unveiling of the barbecue were branch staffers Christine Lybery and Pam Thomas, in period costumes, and Messrs. Bert Jones, Mayor of South Melbourne; John Dickson, Branch Manager; and Arnold Atkinson, Deputy General Manager (Finance).

"It Wasn't My Fault"

Here is our latest selection of extracts from accident reports sent by motorists to insurance companies:

- The witness gave his occupation as a gentleman, but I have since found out that he was a service station owner.
- I thought the garage had only four posts, but my car backed into a fifth.
- There were plenty of on-lookers but no witnesses.
- My back wheel came off and followed me and when I stopped it collided with my car.
- The accident was due to road bending.
- "I was sure the old fellow would never have made it to the other side of the road when I struck him."
- "I had been shopping for plants all day and was on my way home. As I reached an intersection, a hedge sprung up obscuring my vision. I did not see the other car."



EXHIBITION BANK:

We provided exclusive banking services at the Melbourne International Centenary Exhibition in September. Pictured at our 'temporary' branch premises was manager Bruce Bathols (at left). Similar facilities were subsequently provided at the Exhibition Building for the 8th World Computer Congress in October.



Around the Branches

by Pam Wallbridge

Mount Evelyn:

Hard To Please

A delightful piece of criticism was found in the banking chamber early one Monday morning. Its author, Ryan Smith, is thought to have been the cleaner's son. Here is the message (as spelt).

"Dear Sirs,

I have an objection of which I would like to make. The Standards of this so called bank are far to high. I vote that all of this fancy stuff should be cleared away for buisness

Yours sincearly: The poor people who attend this bank.

Glenroy:

Strange Notes

Three 'love notes' in childish handwriting were slipped under the door of manager Doug Graham's office during recent months. Doug says the first two missives contained only words of affection. The third showed signs of declining devotion. It read:

"To the manager,
I love you very much.
All my love, Dodie.
P.S. Hate you."

Belgrave:

Shipwrecked Stockholder!

It was the sort of message you'd expect to receive in a bottle, and it arrived from a depositor at Weipa, on Australia's northernmost tip, the Cape York Peninsula:

'No money ... hard to live ... no wages coming ...

Boat under repair . . . Am getting very hungry!

While staff were considering whether this case constituted 'pressing necessity of a compassionate nature,' as specified in Staff Instruction No. 4817 covering early Stock redemptions, a second, more detailed letter arrived from Weipa:

I have been working on a boat, 'The Tambourine Man', which has been plagued with mishaps. On October 12, about 100 miles south of Thursday Island, it sank. We all survived (hence my ability to write this letter) but personal effects were lost.'

'I need some of my Stock money for my survival and decency (have no clothes). Please wire cash to Cairns Post Office. P.S. If you need to verify sinking of the boat, contact Townsville Radio or Marine Operations, Canberra.'

The branch decided that this case definitely qualified under Instruction 4817. The cash was wired immediately.



Balwyn East:

Charity Queen

Robyn Dart, 18, reflects on her success at this year's Quest of quests judging held recently at Chaucers. Robyn raised \$27,000 for Victoria's retarded children to take out the Charity Queen title and a \$250 cash prize.

Glenroy, Wheatsheaf Rd.:

'Cent-athon'....Then Big 'Count-athon'

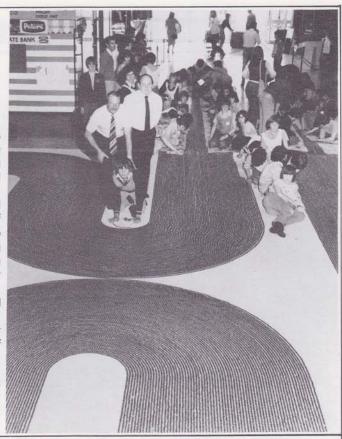
Manager Ron Holloway and head office Business Promotions Officer Wayne Pattison recently had more than spots before their eyes. They had spent five hours counting and bagging 272,637 one cent coins used by local students in a successful attempt to enter the Guiness Book of Records.

Some 40 boys from Broadmeadows West Technical School had earlier taken eight hours to lay the coins in a series of unbroken loops, stretching an estimated 4.8 kilometres, to form a huge State Bank logo at West Meadows Shopping Centre. VFL stars David Cloke and Arnold Briedis, with Greg Ross from TV's 'Cop Shop', encouraged the boys in their efforts.

The coins represented funds raised by the students to aid construction of a recreation complex at their school.

Pictorial coverage of the Cent-athon in 'The Sun' newspaper gave prominence to the coin-logo, and the Bank's support of the project.

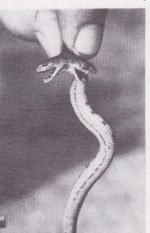
 Wayne Pattison (left) and Ron Holloway checked the progress of the logo-makers as they finished laying more than 270,000 one-cent coins.



Coleraine:

Copperhead Collared

This snake got itself into a tight corner when it stopped for a drink of left-over Passiona one evening in October. The snake, a copperhead, was found crossing the road just out of town with the soft-drink can jammed securely on its head.



The pattern of its scales had prevented it from withdrawing. Local Shearer Mr. Norm Milton brought the collared copperhead into town, where it was photographed by branch manager Peter Leake. (This is Peter's second snake snap to be featured in Statesman during recent years. The first was taken of a two-headed tiger snake (see insert) found on a property near Coleraine in December 1974.

More Branches overleaf

Around the Branches (Cont.)



Bee invaders were caught in the camera of a lady customer who is a keen 'shutterbug'.

Abbotsford North:

One For The S.S.BEES (Caused a Buzz)

Five years after the introduction of our 'State Bank' nameplate and symbol, and subsequent campaigns to oust the old S.S.B. image, it seems the 'bees' have finally had their revenge.

One morning in October a swarm, thought to be from a bush hive, converged on traffic and pedestrians in Johnston Street, sending pedestrians scurrying for cover.

The bees blocked the entrance to the branch for several minutes before settling on the exterior 'State Bank' sign.

Manager Peter Carboon rang the Department of Agriculture, which arranged for a local beekeeper to transfer the invaders to a new hive in his private collection.

However, the keepers caused quite a buzz themselves when they arrived that evening at the branch carrying a ladder, and wearing protective overalls and full face masks. A passing lady motorist mistook the men for bandits, stopped at a nearby service station and phoned police. Several minutes later a patrol car arrived on the scene and the suspiciously dressed 'bee-baggers' were asked to explain their behaviour.

Sale:

Kevin Captains 'Country' Eleven



Country Cricket Captain Kevin Lanigan.

Cricketing accountant Kevin Lanigan, 29, recently had the biggest thrill of his sporting career when selected to captain the Victorian Country Eleven against the touring New Zealand team.

The Country combination, drawn from clubs in Gippsiand, trained under Kevin's guidance for their one-day match at Traralgon.

Although the New Zealanders won the contest, Kevin's team was far from disgraced. "We got them all out for 220 runs, though that was a better score than ours," says Kevin, who withstood an hour's Test-grade bowling to make his team's second best tally of 18 runs.

After the game, at a civic function in Traralgon, the New Zealanders presented Kevin with a 'tour tie' — the official token of their Australian visit.

Kevin, who has played District, Sub-district and Country Week cricket, will add this memento to his already impressive collection of cups, caps and pennants.

Edenhope:

Busy Girl—Young Farmer, Fund-Raiser, Sportswoman

Small-town life is anything but dull for clerk Jackie Pretlove, 18. Her sporting and community activities keep her very much on her toes. She recently joined with a group of friends to resurrect the local Young Farmers' Club, which had expired some 10 years earlier. The first meeting of the reformed club elected Jackie treasurer. At present she is also busy fund-raising as an entrant in the Wimmera Family Homes Quest. Proceeds will enable local children from broken homes, currently placed in Melbourne institutions, to return to their home districts and live under the care of cottage parents. In the sporting field, Jackie is a key member of the Border Districts netball team, which competes as far afield as Kingston, nearly 200 kms. over the South Australian border.

 'Action' is Jackie Pretlove's motto, and that's the way the camera caught her in a recent netball match. (Photo by courtesy of 'Naracoorte Herald').



Echuca:

The Beads And The Birds! —Strange Finds in Wall

In the last edition of Statesman, we reported that a string of rosary beads had been discovered in a wall cavity by workmen carrying out extensions to the branch building. Since then, an equally baffling mystery has come to light. While demolishing a parapet and adjoining scrolls above the old front door, workmen found a bird's nest, encased in cement but perfectly intact. It is thought that a sparrow or starling made its home in a cavity in the double brick wall during construction of the building in 1933.

Branch staff, on the advice of local nuns, have returned the rosary to its sanctuary in an interior wall, where it is secured in a sealed copper container made especially by the builders. A note reading "Don't throw me away" and a letter written by manager Harry Gallagher explain the significance of the beads to any possible future discoverers.

A construction worker was pictured with the bird's nest discovered in a wall cavity of the old Echuca premises. (Photo by courtesy Riverine Herald).

Around the Branches (Cont.)

South Melbourne

Ramp Wins Award From World Body

A ramp at the branch's Park Street entrance last month earned the branch a special commendation from an international organisation for the disabled. The ramp, installed by the Bank in April, enables physically handicapped customers to enter and leave the bank with ease. The plaque was presented by the Australian Council for the Rehabilitation of the Disabled (ACROD), and is believed to be the first awarded by the Council to a Victorian Bank. It is now on permanent display outside the adjoining Clarendon Street entrance.

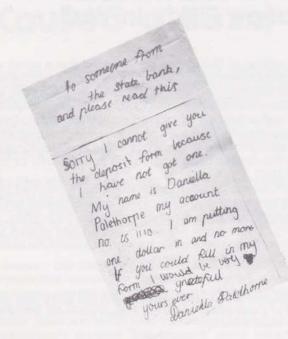
 Branch manager John Dickson receives the plaque from ACROD's Christine Ashby while Harold Davidson from the Yooralla Society tries out the ramp.



Frankston, Foot Street:

Daniella Was Definite

These very positive instructions, pinned to a dollar note and sealed in a home-made envelope, turned up in a recent branch of school bank transactions:



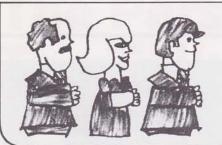


Seaford:

Banker Saves Boatmen In Surf

Rescuer David Clark

Accountant David Clark, during an early morning jog at Seaford recently, spotted two men waving frantically for help beside an upturned boat some 300 metres out to sea. David ran back to the local shops where he asked a newsagent to alert police. He then returned to the beach, by which time the men had left the boat and were in difficulties while trying to swim to shore. David grabbed a lifebuoy from the end of the pier, swam 200 metres to the men, and assisted them back to the pier. During the rescue, police arrived in a boat, and the whole incident was covered by the Channel 10 news team from their rescue squad helicopter.



Meet our new Managers



N.C. STEVENS, Relieving Staff

As leader of the 1st Bundoora Cub Pack, Norm supervises the activities of some 24 cubs. He is currently a member of a Victorian committee, researching why boys leave scouting. For relaxation Norm collects coins and stamps, and he keeps fit by weight-lifting and swimming.



D.J. BROWN, Assistant Manager, Wangaratta

Having sampled country life, city-bred David has decided that the North East region has Victoria's best climate and scenery. He and his wife Margaret, former Bank staffer (Chambers), are looking forward to becoming better acquainted with the area and its activities. They have three sons aged one, six and seven.



G.B. LEWIS, Koroit

Bachelor Graham joined the Bank in 1956 at Coleraine, so is happy to return to home territory. Until recently, Graham was actively involved with his local church tennis team. Other interests include squash, tennis, photography and music. Summer months are spent at the beach, or visiting the various beauty spots of the Western District.



S.C. JACKSON, Club Accounts

Stephen is a great believer in keeping physically fit. His main sporting activity is squash, and he is a pennant grade player. Stephen has coached the Oakleigh Youth Club's junior footballers during the past three years. Another interest is running, and he covers a strenuous 20 miles a week. Stephen is married with two sons aged nine and twelve years.



D. THOMAS, Lancefield

A banker of many parts, David breathes new life into vintage cars and motorcycles. During the past two years he has restored a 1942 Harley Davidson motorcycle, and is currently rebuilding an MG sports car. David also enjoys badminton, squash, table tennis, tennis, photography and bushwalking.



A.W. McKEAN,

Credit Manager, Bankcard.

Before taking up his latest posting, Alan spent several years moving between Elizabeth Street, the relieving staff and Personal Loans Department. During his spare time, Alan is a keen swimmer and fisherman. His wife, Robyn, former Elizabeth Street staffer is expecting their first child.



Ewen Rolls Up For Final Day

Ewen Franklin, who retired recently, had a luxurious drive to work on his last day of duty as manager of Coburg branch. He was able to swap the family Commodore sedan for a chauffeurdriven Rolls Royce.

Ewen's stylish arrival at the branch was part of a memorable exit from the Bank arranged by his admiring staff.

They took up a collection to hire the limousine, complete with uniformed driver, and secretly invited many of Ewen's former

workmates to a big farewell party.

Ewen says that his ride in the Rolls came as a complete surprise.

"As I was getting ready for work I looked out the window and saw this great limousine right across the front of the house," he says.

"It was a magnificent start to a very emotional day. I really appreciated the gesture from the staff."

Staffer of the month

A Man Of Notes

Relieving manager Laurie Petschack likes to 'sound off' — and the larger the audience the better.

Laurie, 40, is a member of the Yallourn Madrigal Singers, a 20-strong choir who have been performing at local concerts for almost 20 years.

'Madrigal', Laurie explains, is a poem about love or the beauty of nature, set to music and generally sung without instrument accompaniment.

He says his introduction to the group came two years ago, when a friend invited him to "come over for some music".

"I was handed a sheet of music and asked to join in with the singing of a madrigal or two".

Laurie enjoyed the evening, and has been performing regularly with the group ever since.

Laurie's interest in music stems from his boyhood days when he sang with high school choirs. Nowadays, he plays double-bass for a guitar group, and tutors his four children in piano, trumpet and cornet.



Although music demands much of his free time, Laurie still finds a spare moment to dabble in motor vehicle and general household maintenance (he recently rebuilt a run-down 1965 Yamaha motorcycle).

He is also a lay preacher and elder of his local church.

Puffed-Up Proverbs

Most proverbs are brief and pithy.

However, they can be effectively disguised by substituting long words for short, simple ones.

For instance, 'Pride goes before a fall' can become 'Vaingloriousness harbingers situational precipitation'! Can you identify these proverbs that have been given similar treatment?:

- 1. Calligraphic instruments predominate over mere weaponry.
- 2. The final cachinnator is most vociferous.
- 3. Possession of a mere scintilla of erudition is fraught with hazard.
- 4. Situational scrutiny is mandatory to saltation.
- 5. A plethora of culinary practitioners deleteriously influences the quality of the bouillon.
- Relative inaccuracy in estimating trajectory parallels is in effectivity a miscalculation aggregating 160,934.4 centimetres.

Answers on Page 21



UMPS GO FOR WHISTLES!

V.F.L. Grand Final Umpires Ian Robinson (left) and Bill Dellar had to stretch to claim their 1980 Golden Whistle Awards from Richmond's giant centre half forward David Cloke of H.O. Marketing Department.

The whistles, 'frozen' in clear perspex blocks, are presented annually to Grand Final umpires by the Bank and Thomas Cook Travel.

In addition, the umpires each receive an 11-day trip for two to Fiji, with \$200 spending money.

The Parson, The Telly, And Mrs. Donnelley

The following series of classified advertisements allegedly appeared in the 'Wanted to Sell' column of a country newspaper:

Monday's advertisement read:

"The Rev. A. J. Jones has one TV set for sale. Tel: 626 1313 after 7 p.m. Ask for Mrs. Donnelley who lives with him, cheap."

On Tuesday:

"We regret any embarrassment caused to Fr. Jones by a typographical error in an advertisement yesterday. It should have read: The Rev. A. J. Jones has one TV set for sale. Cheap. Tel: 626 1313 and ask for Mrs. Donnelley, who lives with him after 7 p.m."

On Wednesday:

"Father Jones informs us that he has received several annoying telephone calls because of an incorrect advertisement in



· Cartoon by Peter Gibbs, Watsonia branch.

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On Thursday

"Please take notice that I, Rev. A. J. Jones, have no TV set for sale. I have smashed it. Don't call 626 1313 anymore. I have not been carrying on with a Mrs. Donnelley. A Mrs. Donnelley was until yesterday my housekeeper."

On Friday:

"Wanted, a housekeeper. Usual housekeeping duties. Good pay, Love in. Rev. A. J. Jones, Tel: 626 1313."



'Holers-in-one' Ken Farley and son Blair.

Father and Son Holers-In-One

Shepparton-based relieving manager, Ken Farley and his son Blair, 20, a Mooroopna branch clerk have created some sort of a golfing record. Both recently scored holes-in-one on the same green.

Ken used a seven iron to sink his 135-metre 'holer' at Tatura's Hill Top course last year. Blair recently performed the same feat using an eight iron.

Ken, who won the club championship in 1979, was unavailable to defend his title this year. It was won by another son, Neil! Could next year's championship be a three-way tussle between the Farleys?

Hong Kong Trip For 'Holer' Heap

Werribee branch staffer Jeff Heap, 23, won a 6-day hole-inone contest at a Geelong East course last month — and was rewarded with a trip for two to Hong Kong. Jeff is an A-grade golfer with Queenscliff Club.



On the Way Up

Here are our newest classified officers, promoted in recent months to Accountant 3 status:



NEIL LIVINGSTON Branch Mechanisation Department



VANESSA HANSEN E.D.P. Department



PETER STOITSIS Internal Audit



JILLIAN QUIGLEY Branch Mechanisation



BRUCE EWERT Internal Audit



VAL TSIAPLES Legal Department



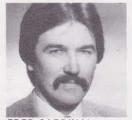
ANDREW HOPE Relieving Staff



ROSS BARNES Maffra



JUDITH BAKER Internal Audit



FRED CARDINAL Insurance Department



JULIE REES Brighton Middle



Quest Girl

Rita Pograri, 20, of H.O. Chief Accountant's Department, was an entrant in the 1980 Miss Victoria Quest in aid of spastic children. Rita organised tin-shakes, raffles and a disco to help raise funds.

SOUNDS OF EMOTION

Hollywood film technicians, experienced in recording sound-tracks, were asked to nominate the ten most moving and dramatic sounds used in movies. They listed the following: a baby's first cry ... waves breaking on a rocky shore ... a wailing siren ... the crackle and roar of a forest fire ... a foghorn at sea ... the slow drip of water ... galloping horses ... a howling dog ... the wedding march ... a distant train whistle.

One of these sounds was agreed by the experts to be the most moving of all, capable of stirring up such varied emotions as sadness, envy, regret and supreme joy. Which one was it?

(Answer on Page 21).



WANTED

News and photos about staff members...their sporting ac-

their sporting achievements and unusual interests or hobbies.

idents from everyday life from branches and Head Office departments.

Humorous inc-

HELP PUT MORE VARIETY INTO



Andrew Rennie and Ron Gray, last month's world hang-gliding title contenders, photographed during earlier flights.

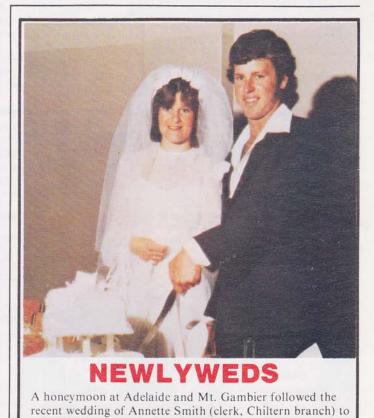
Hang Glider World Record Bid

Two Melbourne amateur hang-glider pilots late last month soared off into the wide blue yonder above a rugged stretch of coastline along the Great Australian Bight in South Australia. They headed from Eucla, on the W.A. border, toward Head of Bight some 200 metres to the east.

Their objective: to break the 168 kilometre world hang-gliding record set earlier this year in America. Their attempt has been sponsored by the Bank.

The pilots, Andrew Rennie of East Bentleigh and Ron Gray of Dandenong, businessmen in their mid Thirties, set out to fly continuously for some 6½ hours at altitudes around 1000 feet, while travelling more than 100 miles.

Both fliers have had long experience in the air in Australia and abroad, and spent many months surveying the Bight coastline before embarking on their recent record-breaking bid. Their flight was to be filmed, as the basis of a 50-minute documentary for screening on television and elsewhere. Stewart Faichney, star of the Bank's 'No Risk' advertising commercials, accompanied Rennie, Gray and the film crew to the Bight, and will appear in the film footage.



Nicholas Meyer at St. Mary's, Rutherglen. Annette wore a

chiffon dress trimmed with lace to match her veil.

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London Office Staff Line-Up



Here is one of those rare photos of our complete London Office staff. Taken in mid-year it shows three categories: U.K. APPOINTED Staff; AUSTRALIAN APPOINTMENTS and L.W.O.S. (LEAVE WITHOUT-SALARY Staff from Australia). Here is the line-up, reading left to right: BACK ROW: John Storey (L.W.O.S.) Robert Scott (L.W.O.S.) David Street (U.K.) Robert Perry (U.K.) Anthony Kyberd (U.K.) Richard Sillett (L.W.O.S.) Nicholas Kelly (L.W.O.S.) William Dawson (L.W.O.S.) Robert Bromley (L.W.O.S.) Eric

Giddy (U.K.) Miss Jenni Walters (L.W.O.S.) Miss Marisa

Baldini (L.W.O.S.) Miss Helen Gray (U.K.) (INSERT).

MIDDLE ROW: Miss Sharon Howard (L.W.O.S.) Mrs Jalu Dalal (U.K.) Miss Ann Logan (L.W.O.S.) Miss Ranvieg McManus (L.W.O.S.) Miss Julie Preston (U.K.) Miss Jan Walter (U.K.) Howard Pearce (AUST.) Mrs. Janice McGeachie (U.K.) Robert Atkinson (AUST.) Miss Kim Halliwell (L.W.O.S.) Miss Kathy Constantinou (L.W.O.S.). FRONT ROW: Russell Morgan (AUST.) Miss Linda Vigurs (U.K.) Tony Janes (AUST.) Accountant 1 John Kennedy (AUST.) Manager Geoffrey Atkins (AUST.) Assistant Manager John Collins (AUST.) Accountant 2 Mrs. Christine Caen (U.K.).



Great Scott! A Game At Last

A glass of orange juice was how VFL footballer Scott Howell, Premises Department accounts clerk, celebrated his four-year bid for selection in Carlton's senior team. He was chosen on the inter-change bench for the first semi-final in mid-September after nearly 100 games with the Reserves and Under 19's.

Scott, now 22, joined the club in 1976 with excellent credentials: size (he was 193 cm and 87 kg.), skill (he had just won a junior league best and fairest award), and stock (he was the son of former Carlton star Jack 'Chooka' Howell). But the presence of firmly established ruckmen minimised Scott's chances of proving himself. He is hoping to gain a permanent place in next season's team. (*Photo courtesy 'The Sun'*).



TRAVEL TIPS

by Diana Roomer, Senior Consultant Thomas Cook-State Bank Travel, Melbourne

Australian Customs

This article is not about the habits of the people of Australia. It concerns import restrictions on goods you may bring back with you from overseas. Customs regulations are intended mainly to prevent a large inflow of low-cost foreign goods, which would compete with local products.

Everyone dearly likes to bring back dutyfree purchases, but these items must:

- Accompany you on the same aircraft;
- Be suitable, and intended for, your own use;

- Not be intended for commercial purposes;
- Not exceed \$A200 in value. (This is not the cost in Australia, but the cost overseas translated into our dollars, so keep your receipts!).

They may include gifts and souvenirs.

In addition, another \$160 worth may be imported, but with 20% duty payable.

Goods covered by Excise regulations can be brought back only in limited quantities. For example: 200 cigarettes, 250 grams cigars, 250 grams tobacco; One litre of alcoholic liquors (incl. beer),

Perfumes are not restricted.

Every country has a list of totally prohibited imports, such as drugs, knuckledusters and animal hides. Australian Customs has printed a small booklet listing these items. It is obtainable at airports, and you should take a copy abroard with you.

Finally: Goods carried on behalf of another person are prohibited. These could be articles you have purchased at their request. Similarly, articles which someone overseas has asked you to deliver are barred in Australia because (a) the person who asked you is not entitled to your concession and b) the person using you as a courier service is depriving the postal service of revenue.

Your travel consultant can give you details of items which cannot be taken into countries other than Australia.

• Readers, have you any questions about travel, or any experiences, sad or funny, you would like to share with others? Send them in, now, to me, care of Statesman, H.O. Marketing Department.

Staff College Doings

Baxter Bulletin

Which member of our Staff College directing staff took 5 hours to play 8 holes of golf and walk the ninth? He is also said to keep three sets of scores: Number of Hits . . . Number of Strokes, Throws and Kicks . . . Number of Lost Balls.

Since the College's opening in August 1977 a complete cycle of managers' courses has been completed.

Last month, a new series of 'advanced' managerial courses started. These will continue over the coming three years, but managers will not attend in the same groups as in the initial courses. Emphasis will be on practical banking. Some courses will be designed specifically for country managers, others for city managers. Short courses will be devised for specialist groups.

More golf gossip: The College has its own one-hole (Par 3) course. First player to hole-in-one on it was Michael Lane (Manifold branch). The principal shouted the bar that night, and Michael was presented with an appropriate trophy.



Michael Lane, who holed-in-one on Baxter's one-hole course

Desert Island Dream

A sailor had been marooned for 18 months on an island. Suddenly in front of him arose from the water a beautiful blonde in a wet-suit, diving tanks, all the gear.

"Hello," she said. "How long have you been here all alone?" He told her.

"Eighteen months," she said. "All by yourself!" And she smiled.

"What would you like more than anything else in the world?"

"Oh," he said. "I'd love a glass of French champagne."

"No trouble," she said, whipping out of a back pack a bottle and two glasses. They started to drink. After a while she said: "But haven't you missed companionship?"

"Not half," he said. "I'd love a game of backgammon."
"Is that all?' she asked. "Wouldn't you like to play around?

"Good heavens," he exclaimed. "You didn't bring a set of golf clubs, did you?"

Rejection Slip

We rarely reject material submitted by staff for publication in STATESMAN, but when we do we send the following note to soften the blow:

'We have read your article with boundless delight. However, if we were to publish this item it would be impossible for us to publish any work of a lower standard. As it is unthinkable that, in the next thousand years, we shall ever see its equal, we are regretfully compelled to return your divine composition.'

CAR-TALK

by Tom Sedunary

During a recent long service leave trip to Europe, CARTALK was able to 'test' two chalk and cheese vehicles: a Ford Transit-based campervan, and a MGBGT—one of the last of the now-defunct make. This tortoise and hare duo was rented in London at opposite ends of the four-month trip. The brand new Ford, valued at around \$A20,000 was home for four adults during a 13-week tour of the continent.

Measuring 5.75 metres long, 2.27 metres wide and nearly three metres high — and weighing close to three tonnes — the Travelhome was more a mobile motel unit than a campervan. It was powered by a Cortina-type, 2 litre four cylinder engine, so performance could best be described as 'holiday pace', with a comfortable highway cruising speed of 70 kph. Low gears were frequently used on hills.

Despite the van's bulk, it was relatively easy to drive; parking and laneway manoeuvres provided the only real challenges. Driver controls required little more effort than for a car. The van's on-road stability was no doubt aided by excellent Michelin radial tyres on all six wheels (there were four on the back). Cornering, though, had to be executed cautiously — definitely not the vehicle for GMH's 'witches' hats'.

Creature comforts in the plushly-appointed 'residential' section included an oven/cooker unit, refrigerator, flush toilet, shower, water heater, interior heater, and, of course, a kitchen sink.

Water for said sink came from a 72-litre storage tank, and the bilge drained to another tank below the floor.

One double-bed lay above the cabin and, by day, the other was converted to a table and seating for four. Several cupboards, bins and a wardrobe provided basic storage facilities for our lighttravelling foursome.

The only problems encountered with the van related to the back section: When the main fuse blew, a replacement proved difficult to find, and a foot-operated water pump packed up towards the end of the holiday.



All up cost for the van rental was around \$4000, including the various taxes and add-on charges that travellers attract. Petrol costs (which ranged from 57 cents to 80 cents per litre) totalled \$1500 for the 14,500 km. journey (at an average 19 MPG). Split four ways, the per head cost of transport and accommodation seemed reasonable.

Rented In Advance

All rental arrangements were made well in advance in Melbourne through Euromobile International in Williams Street, City. The two-fold benefits of pre-booking were that we were able to secure the van we wanted, and clerical formalities were minimised in London.

The MG, hired from London's Guy Salmon Car Rentals (who "do" anything from a VW Polo to a Porsche Targa), provided five days of thoroughly enjoyable, escapist motoring.

The GT bodywork had a fold-back sun-roof, to compensate for inability to drive 'top down' in the true MG tradition. Though the latest and last model MGB, the car wasn't all that different in appearance, specification, or to drive from, the mid-1960's original. It had of course been updated through improved suspension, minor mechanical changes and a better level of equipment.

This thoroughly impractical car was great fun to drive, whether thundering down motorways or trundling along English country laneways. It wasn't especially fast, but the thrills, so to speak, came at lower speeds than as happens in more modern pseudosports cars such as the Honda Accord or Toyota Celica. That was no doubt due in part to the driver's proximity to the ground, and exposure to high noise levels.

Where the MG really showed its true appeal was in the way it cornered, sat on the road and gave its crew a keener sense of relationship with terrain being traversed. Slightly reminiscent of youthful billycart days.

In many ways the MG showed its design age. The gearbox, a traditional MGB problem area, was a good example. The electric overdrive didn't work, and after four days of fairly constant driving it was almost impossible to change between third and fourth gears. Yet the car was only a couple of months old, and its new price was \$A14,000. Still, the MG provided a grand finale to a memorable holiday.



Sik Leeve Ekscuses

Here are some of the reasons given for sick leave, as received by a government department:

- Bowel Constructions
- Removal of Averies
- Flue
- Flew
- Miscourage
- Monps
- Dilation of Test Tubes
- Exma
- Coroner Occurs
- Bloody Pressure
- Alagy Blud
- Stumock Unconfinement
- Gastrick
- Texticle Disorder
- Cercimisiscation
- Blood Pressing
- Elect Cardigraft
- Heppiates
- Pilolitus
- Early Stages of Parking Disease
- Apsas on Face

- Viras New Mania
- Expectorant Mother
- Fmia
- Undescended Tenticles
- Scist
- Gasbag Inside
- Short on Blood
- Elergy
- Hybroid Cysts
- Wog
- Paymonia
- Direa
- General Cheque
- Bloodlessness
- Rivetted Uterus
- Virginial Repair
- Migrant Headakes
- Blood Pression
- Blood Taste
- Bronco-Umonia
- Gaul
- Tumia in Ivory

- Acute Urinary Intention
- Blocked Station Tubes
- Nev Teeths
- Malutrishion
- Nerfs
- Dissaranged
- Nose Plugged
- Alige
- Tension Head
- Veginitis
- Ulssa
- Nomania
- Diva Trickulitis
- Thyroid Glans
- A Tough of Pnemonia
- Serible Haem
- Bariom Enemy
- Messels
- Phumonia
- Pluresse
- Overhaule

DUT//LE CORNER

1/PAYDIRT: A father told his young son "I am going to pay you very generously, at the rate of \$6 an hour, for the 6 seconds it took you to wash your hands for dinner. How much did the boy receive?

2/ATTHE THIRD STROKE: In a kindergarten, three loud gong strokes announce the mid-morning play break. Most of the children try to get from the classroom to the yard before the third gong stroke. The strokes are 10 seconds apart. It takes 2 seconds to pack books away in a school desk, which is required of each child. How much time does a child have to race to the playing yard?

Answers on page 23

SOUNDS OF EMOTION (from Page 16)

The most moving sound of all was agreed to be the Wedding March (Not 'Here Comes The Bride', the closing March).

Puffed Up

(From Page 14)

- 1. The pen is mightier than the sword.
- 2. Who laughs last laughs loudest.
- 3. A little knowledge is a dangerous thing.
- 4. Look before you leap.
- 5. Too many cooks spoil the broth.
- 6. A miss is as good as a mile.

\$ALE of the CENTURY

More than 90 guests helped our Sale staff celebrate the branch's 100th birthday on November 10. Earlier on that day, our General Manager, Mr Harry Torrens, presented to the City of Sale a large electric barbecue, which had been built at Sale Tourist Centre. Sale's Mayor, Cr Geoff Rossetti, a former State Banker, said the barbecue would enhance the Centre as an attractive recreational venue for local families and visitors to the city. He added "We appreciate very much that the State Bank, which has assisted local residents and business people with financial matters for 100 years, is also hoping to improve the quality of community life in Sale".

RECOLLECTIONS . . .

In advance of our Sale Centenary celebrations we contacted former staffers who had served at the branch as far back as 1912, and asked them to contribute recollections. He are some excerpts from the letters they sent:

CLAUDE GELDER, 85 years of Benalla,

At Sale: 1934 onward

"During the Thirties, when the District Inspectors visited the branch to do cash counts, they travelled by train from Melbourne, arriving at Sale around 2.30 p.m. The Inspector usually delayed his call until about 3.05 p.m. and would hover in the vicinity of the branch until that time. On one occasion, the branch clerk was about to leave the office to take a cheque to another bank. Then he noticed a man half hidden behind a telegraph pole in the street. The clerk hastily closed the door, and phoned police. They arrived promptly, and took the protesting suspect to the police station for questioning. Police refused to release him until the branch manager went down to confirm his identity as an inspector of the Bank."



Cartoon by Peter Gibbs, Watsonia branch.

8 4-year-old William Jamieson, of Oakleigh, was a special guest at the Sale centenary function. Pictured in this Gippsland Times photo with branch manager lan Slater (rear) and the Bank's General Manager Mr. Harry Torrens, Mr. Jamieson served at the branch from 1912 to 1915 (see Recollections, this page).





• General Manager Mr. Harry Torrens presented to Councillor Geoff Rossetti, Mayor of Sale, a public barbecue commemorating the 100th anniversary of our Sale branch. Staffers pictured in period costumes for the occasion included manager Ian Slater (right) and Mrs. Jan Andrews and Kate Bohmer (Gippsland Times photo).

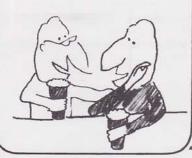
TOM MANALLACK, 71 years of Alfredton, Victoria At Sale 1939-46

"I had been in the town a fortnight when Black Friday, January 13th 1939 hit us. A hot windy day, fires all over Victoria, and ashes and leaves, carried by the prevailing winds, sounded like rain as they fell on the tin roofs (Debris from these fires fell as far away as New Zealand.) Street and shop lights were on all day, until at 3.00 p.m. electricity failed and the town was plunged into complete darkness, so black you could not see your hand before your face. It was eerie. Railway bridges were burnt out, roads were blocked by fallen timber, and for almost a week Gippsland was isolated from everywhere. You could get neither in nor out."

WILLIAM JAMIESON, 84 years of Oakleigh, At Sale: 1912-1915

When I first entered the branch at the beginning of 1912, there were three on the staff. I hadn't attended High School, but fortunately had received an excellent grounding in the Three R's at primary school (kids were soundly drilled in the basics then), and I had been brought up to understand that hard knocks were essential to success. So I accepted the most menial of duties, washing and refilling inkwells, changing pen nibs and blotting paper, with never a thought of demurring.

On the Grape~ Vine



Has Your Church A Tate Family?

It seems that many church committees of management include members of a family named Tate.

There is an old man, Dic Tate, who wants to run everything in the Church. Uncle Ro Tate tries to change everything, and sister Agi Tate stirs up trouble wherever possible. Her brother Irri Tate helps her to do so, too. And, whenever new projects are suggested, brother Hesi Tate and sister Vegi Tate pour cold water on the proposals.

Then there is sister Imi Tate who tries to have the Church mimic everybody else. When the Church budget is announced, everyone quakes if brother Devas Tate stands up in the meeting, while brother Poten Tate wants to be a big shot.

But not all members of the family are bad. Brother Facili Tate is quite helpful. A delightful member of the family is Miss Felici Tate. And the Minister is always delighted with brother Cogi Tate and his twin, Medi Tate.

R.A.A.F. Mates Became Bendigo Buddies

Two old Air Force mates, with consecutive intake numbers and who first met at Darwin during World War II, became consecutive managers of our Bendigo branch.

Harry Higginbotham (on the right), recently retired after more than four years at the branch, and his comrade Len Butterworth is our present manager. The two, both sergeants, were pictured in 1943 while serving in a transport unit responsible for moving troops and supplies into Darwin.



Gone Fishin

Recent or approaching retirements

ARNOLD ATKINSON (Deputy General Manager, Finance)
NELSON WARDEN (Manager, Elizabeth Street)
ROY NORRIS (Building Department)
KEITH BOWEN (Emergency Staff)
RUSS ZENNER (Kew East)
JACK BOURNE (Valuers Department)
JACK KNIGHT (Branch Banking)
LEANNE MILLER (Central Clearing)
EWEN FRANKLIN (Coburg)
BOB THOMAS (Printing and Stationery)
CLIVE BAKER (Kensington)
DAVE LEWIS (Coburg West)



 Mack Davidson looks to new horizons for Mornington Lifesaving Club.

Mack The Lifesaver!

Mack Davidson, who three years ago retired as manager of Mornington branch, is trying to save the languishing local lifesaving club. He believes that growing popularity of Mornington beach makes continued existence of the club imperative. Although current membership is less than 40, Mack is sure he can lift it to more than 200.

"I've got time up my sleeve now to promote and revitalise the club," says Mack.

Part of his strategy is to hold a beach carnival at Mornington, with swimming and shore activities. Once membership is healthy, Mack wants to build a new clubhouse.

Mack's plans have been well received in Mornington. The local paper has publicised his campaign, and the lifesaving club recently elected him senior vice president.



1/ PAYDIRT: One cent

2/ AT THE THIRD STROKE: 18 seconds

Christmas Bank Bargains



Now is the time to order cut-price gift items imprinted with the Bank's symbol — as gifts for your business contacts, friends, relations . . . or yourself.

Choose from 15 items ranging in price from 50 cents (beaker set) to \$5.75 (gold-finish cufflinks)

HOW TO ORDER:

Simply send your list (mentioning where applicable, your preferred colour, tie design, garment size, or type of packaging) with a cheque payable to State Bank to: "Goodwill Gifts" H.O. Marketing Department.

Here is the current list of items, all but one still available at last December's prices:

NOTEBOOK WALLET (60 cents). Black or brown leather-look with Bank emblem and gold-finish corners. Size 11 x 7 cms approx. holds six business cards in plastic pockets, and has 28 page notebook insert, also a note compartment.

GOLF BALLS (\$3.50 or \$4.50 per pack of three). Specify Hot Dot (\$4.50) or Cut-proof (\$3.50).

KEY PURSE (60 cents). Brown, red or black leather-look with gold Bank emblem.

OPENER/SEALER (60 cents). Colour and chrome finish with Bank emblem. 12 cms. long. Opens bottles and cans, and has slide-on sealer for opened bottles. Also in presentation case: 80 cents

GOLD-FINISH PEN (\$1.00). Ballpoint, longlife, with Bank emblem, in gold presentation box.

T-SHIRT (\$3.50). Unisex style. Yellow body with Bank emblem on chest and back. Sizes: Girls: 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20. Men: SM, M, L, OS.

NOTE/CARD WALLET (75 cents). Soft, black leather-look hip pocket wallet with Bank emblem and gold-finish metal corners. Size 10 x 9 cms. approx. Has ten card pockets and three compartments, one with a clip for notes.

FILING CASE (\$3.50). Leather-look, will fit inside briefcase. Has do-it-yourself compartment labels.

BANK TIE (\$3.50). Silky finish with gold emblem in scattered or all over pattern, on backgrounds of either black, navy or sky blue (specify pattern and colour). Great value.

BEAKER SET (50 cents). Four yellow plastic cups with cap. Bank emblem.

TABLE LIGHTER (\$2.75). Black cylindrical gas-fire lighter, approx. 10 cms. high, with Bank emblems. Contains replaceable 'Cricket' lighter.

CUFFLINKS (\$2 to \$5.75). Chrome Bank emblem on black. \$2 in cellophane pack \$2.50 in plastic box. Gold-finish emblem in black velvet gift box \$5.75.

'STAYPUT' PEN (50 cents). Black ballpoint with Bank emblem, on flexible extension cord, with stick-on holder for attachment to walls, desks, etc.

TAPE MEASURE (\$2.50). Pocket size (4 cms. square) chrome case with Bank emblem. Retractable 1.8 metre metal rule has corresponding feet and inches markings (to 6 feet).

PENDANT (\$1.20 or \$1.50). Gold or silver finish chain with Bank emblem as pendant. \$1.20 in cellophane pack. \$1.50 in gift box.