

DEPARTMENTS

Don't worry if you see **Russ Croger** talking to himself. He's house building every spare moment and contemplates marriage in the near future.

Congratulation to **Cec. Ebbeck**, in winning the "C" Grade golf competition; looks as if he'll soon be after "Von's" scalp.

LABORATORY

As a lad **David Carr** spent many a holiday sharing his time between the bush and fishing. His father encouraged him in a love for nature. Recently we thought David carried his interest a step too far; he collected a pigeon's egg in a new way—down the back of his neck. Phew!

We extend a hearty welcome to **Reg Hodgins**, a former trainee of Commonwealth Steel Co. and recently from South Australian Department of Mines, Uranium Treatment; Reg hopes to settle in the near lakeside.

Ted Kahn was back amongst us during his three weeks vacation from Newcastle University.

We expect any day to hear of the major prizes of our agricultural shows being won by **Mr. Horys**. He's putting a lot of time and energy into his garden.

BUILDING

Goat Hill, Wallsend is the scene of a venture of **George Hague**. Most of this locality has its share of rocks; yet George has invested in a block of land there; the first ten years of course will be the worst.

I am sure that our local council would appreciate the sturdy defence of their activities put up by **Bob Forster**; yet **Wizzy** will have many on side with him when the rate notices are sent out.

Charlie Lawrie on holidays at Port Macquarie will have little excuse if he doesn't get among the "big uns." His new rod should almost do the job on its own.

We expect to hear that **Edgar Hall** now on holidays at Katoomba, will have one day alone at Bathurst; we remember his experiences there last year.

The "**Ingham**" family now have a soldier amongst them. "**Biff**" junior is in camp with the N.S.T.

P.I.D.

Velta Skujins will be pleased when warmer weather gets here as typing with an overcoat on reduces her speed.

Peter Mead finished painting his house at last and did a good job too.

Phil Happ is enjoying every (dis) advantage of possessing a motorcycle and definitely does take more notice of the weather than he used to.

Ron Bath contemplates taking up the building trade and has acquired a nice block of land already.

The P.I.D. Must be getting motor minded as even **Las Banathy** was reported being busy with a (toy) motor-scooter. At least it goes!

COLLIERY.

We heartily congratulate **Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Jefferies** who are the proud parents of a fine son. Aaron is already willing to back his boy against anyone his weight.

The well worn briar of **Roy Lucas's** appears to have seen better days. Its a wonder that his men put up with it; miners have been known to take exception to a horse's breath.

FERTILIZER DEPARTMENT

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It is with regret that we again have to report that **George Rockell** is still off very ill.

Now that **Arnold Bergmann** has been elected to the Works Council from this Department, big things are expected from him. Why! he might even be persuaded to stand for Parliament.

We welcome **Charlie Cressy** back to the plant to relieve **Brian Smith** who has made preparation to wield the paint brush during his vacation.

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THAT ARE CARELESS.