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HIGH ENTRIES FOR SHEEP SHOW.

The secretary of the Horsham Agricultural Society, Mr. H. A. Roe, reported yesterday that entries for the Merino Sheep Show, to be held in August, had been coming in very freely right up to the closing, and indications are that they will be particularly high for the first show. The society is catering for the public who wish to see the highest quality merinos yet assembled in the Wimmera. Luncheon and afternoon tea will be provided and there will also be a publican's booth. The wool classing instruction, which will open on Monday, will be attended by students from Horsham and surrounding districts, and there has been a suggestion that the students should help the judges at the merino sheep show to be run concurrently with the class.

PETROL THEFT FRUSTRATED.

A thief was detected on Wednesday night in the act of stealing some petrol from a shed on the property of Mr. D. Zippel, of Wonwondah. When the owner's son Allan went out to feed the dogs at about 9 p.m. he saw a torch flashing in the shed. Investigating, he saw a figure run out of one end of the shed as he ran in the other and, although he chased the intruder, the latter made good his escape in the dark. Mr. Zippel found a 44-gallon drum of petrol opened and a length of hose inserted, with a four-gallon drum standing nearby. A search of the locality was made without result, but the intruder was not successful in obtaining any fuel.

RUNAWAY DETECTED AT HORSHAM.

13-year-old lad was picked up in the town by the local police last night when attempting to book a bed at a hotel. He had run away from home following a threat of a thrashing from his father, and on Tuesday morning he hailed a transport and managed to secure a ride right through to Melbourne, where he had ambitions to become a jockey. Evi-

through to Melbourne, where he had ambitions to become a jockey. Evidently the big city held no charms for him, and the following day he hitch hiked back the way he had come, bound for home. The adventurer is of diminutive stature and only had 3/6 in his pockets when found by the Horsham police. His parents were contacted yesterday, and the lad will leave this morning for his home town.

THE WEATHER.

A change yesterday with warmer winds and fine weather indicates that the cold snap of the past few weeks may have passed, for the temperature reached 56 degrees with a minimum of 39. Heavy rain fell up to Tuesday, but on Wednesday only 2 points were recorded. Temperatures were: Tuesday 38 (min.), 55 (max.); Wednesday, 36, 55; Thursday, 39, 56. Twenty points were registered at the Horsham Post Office on Tuesday.

PIONEERS' MEMORIAL.

The contractors, Messrs. Robson Bros., of Stawell, will next week commence work on the foundations of the Pioneers' Memorial, which will be erected on the Henry Highway at Doon at the intersection of the highway and the Longerenong road. The memorial movement was sponsored by the Horsham Branch of the A.N.A. in memory of the first settlement of the Wimmera.

BOY HIT WITH BOTTLE.

The 13-year-old son of Mr. S. Jost, of Quantong, sustained head injuries when a bottle thrown from a brown utility struck him on the back of the head as he was walking home on Wednesday afternoon. The police were notified of the incident and a patrol was sent immediately in an attempt to locate the offenders. Watchers were also stationed on the main road but the car was not seen again. Further inquiries are being made into the matter.

VISITOR FROM U.S.A.

A former resident of the district who for the past 40 years has been living in the U.S.A. visited here yesterday. He is Pastor A. L. Anderson of the Baptist Church, who has been visiting his brothers and relatives who include Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Smith, of Dimboola. Another brother is Mr. B. Anderson, the present relieving stationmaster at

Another brother is Mr. B. Anderson, the present relieving stationmaster at Horsham. Pastor Anderson, who comes from California, will soon leave on the Orion for Europe. He has preached in several district churches in the past three weeks, and on Sunday will conduct the services at a Geelong Baptist Church.

BOYS' BRIGADE COMPANY.

In a day when the emphasis is upon the right training of youth, the establishment of the 1st Horsham Company of the Boys' Brigade is a definite contribution in this field. The pioneer organisation for boys, being 65 years in existence, it has as its object "the advancement of Christ's Kingdom among boys, and the promotion of habits of obedience, reverence, discipline, self-respect and all that leads towards a true Christian manliness." The Scout movement and the Boys' Brigade have much in common. Camping, ambulance, wayfaring, signalling, life-saving, arts and crafts and club games are amongst their activities. Originating in Scotland, it is a large and influential movement in Great Britain. It is represented in most countries of the world, and in New Zealand it is particularly vigorous. The uniforms are very smart—navy base, glengarry hat piped with white, white haversack and black belt. The newly-formed company is attached to the Church of Christ, Baillie Street, and meets every Friday evening at 7.30 p.m. The officers are as follows:—Captain, Mr. Frank Simpson; Chaplain, Mr. G. M. Mathieson; Lieutenants, Messrs J. Marshman and V. Berry. The company already has an active membership of 20 keen lads.