

## ABOUT PEOPLE

The Lieutenant-Governor, accompanied by Lieutenant-Colonel A. G. Oldham, attended the annual review and display of the Boys' Brigade, at Hawthorn town hall, yesterday evening.

The Minister for the Army (Mr. Forde) left Melbourne for Sydney yesterday.

The Minister for Customs (Senator Fraser) will leave Melbourne to-morrow for Sydney on departmental business, returning on Monday week.

Mr. Barnard, M.P., Labor member for Bass, has again been elected Federal president of the Hospital Employees' Federation of Australia. He was first elected in 1940, and is commencing his third term as Federal president.

Air-Commodore E. A. Daley, Director-General, R.A.A.F. Medical Services, has returned to Melbourne from a tour of air force units of B.C.O.F., Japan. He investigated hygiene and medical problems, and conferred with medical directors of the British and U.S. forces.

Mr. H. N. Mortensen, Director of Naval Stores, Albert Park, is making good progress in the Mercy Hospital after an operation. During Mr. Mortensen's absence Mr. J. P. Barnett, superintending naval store officer, Sydney, is acting as director of naval stores.

Mr. L. Ainsworth, industrial officer and staff inspector, Department of the Army, is leaving Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, to take up an appointment as an inspector on the Commonwealth Public Service Board staff at Canberra, yesterday. Mr. F. R. Sinclair, secretary of the department, in making a presentation to him of a golf bag and balls on behalf of the staff, expressed appreciation of Mr. Ainsworth's services.

Mr. E. J. McConville, of the staff of court criers at the Victorian Law Courts, has been appointed superintendent of the Law Courts, to replace Mr. R. Semmel, who has retired from the public service after having held that office for 21 years.

Very Rev. J. S. Bourke, S.J., who has been in charge of the Hawthorn parish for twelve years, has celebrated the 50th anniversary of his entrance into the Jesuit order.

Mr. A. D. Pearce, Victorian manager of the South British Insurance Co., retires on October 31. He will be succeeded by Mr. C. Q. Wilkinson, from the Brisbane branch of the company.