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Preparations for the organising campaign of Mr. Corish in the metropolis are now being made. Directly the decision of the Executive to organise the city and suburban branches was made known, the matter was taken up with enthusiasm. Branch secretaries everywhere have requested the services of the organiser. During next week Mr. Corish will visit—
 The Coal Elevator, Pyrmont;
 The Grain Elevator;
 The Per. Way Shops, Alexandria;
 The Per. Way Shops, Rookwood;
 The Per. Way Department Sydney Yard;
 Clyde Loco;
 And certain other places.
 The exact date upon which he will visit the various places mentioned above has not been decided upon, but will be communicated to the branch secretaries and collectors in due course. The assistance of all railway men is invited. If you are working with a gang containing non-unionists, send in particulars to Head Office at once, so that Mr. Corish will be able to devote one day to organising the gang. The campaign will be planned systematically. It is manifestly inadvisable for an organiser to work haphazardly, hopping about from one depot to another. It is by concentration on one place until that one place or depot is thoroughly organised that meets with success. Indiscriminate hurry-scurry rushing about organising shows no results at all. The Amalgamated wants not merely new members. It wishes to build up an organisation that will be a credit to the State, and a source of lasting benefit to the members. In view of the fact that No. 1 Board, which takes in the Per. Way, Per. Way Workshops, and the Railway Quarries, is likely to sit, special efforts will be made to enrol every man covered by this Board. There are hundreds of men in the metropolis who are not in our union, but who ought to be in our union. These men will be visited by Mr. Corish, and every effort made to enrol them. It is regrettable that a number of men do not, or will not, join the Association until an organiser comes around and personally asks them. In fact, men came into Head Office last week and stated that they were quite prepared to join, and had been for years, but they had never been asked. We may have our doubts about the truth of this statement, but if we allow no loophole for escape, if we create a state of affairs that no railway man can say he has not been asked to join,

the result will be that many will be shamed into joining the Association. Thousands of pounds have been expended by the Amalgamated in securing better conditions and higher wages for railway and tramway men. The efforts to improve the conditions will continue. The Amalgamated will be more successful if every man who can help places his shoulder to the wheel and pushes the old chariot of the All Grades along. Literature is being prepared, circulars sent out, and everything necessary for the conduct of a successful campaign is receiving attention. If you, reader, can distribute some literature to advantage, Head Office will be glad to be favored with your name, and a bundle of literature will be sent to you post free.
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what form that help is tendered. Fuller particulars of the arrangements will be published in next week's "Co-operator." Meanwhile, let all the men at the places mentioned above make preparations for the visit of our organiser.
"ALL GRADES" PRESIDENT ON THE MOUNTAINS.
GREAT RECEPTION.
THE BLACKHEATH FUNCTION.
 This week the campaign has been extended to the mountains. The long looked-for day was just drawing to a close, dusk was descending and the night gave promise of being one of those clear, frosty, moonlight nights, the mere thought of which made one

train steamed into Mount Victoria, and the pressman was speedily disillusioned. The first service man to extend the glad hand was the night S.M., and the last a junior porter, and between these two the writer thinks that the bulk of employees in the service on the mountains were met. After meeting the S.M. the branch officials and social committee, Messrs. Jubb, Ford, and Rook took charge of the visitors, dined them, and otherwise looked after them so well that time to catch the 2 a.m. mail arrived—well, long before it should have been 9 p.m. After a chat with a very old friend of the president, in the person of Manager Poppit, of the Mount Victoria refreshment rooms, himself an old railway man, an adjournment was made to that very fine hotel, "The Imperial," where, on the arrangement of the branch officials, the manager (Mr. Shephard (also an old service man), saw to it that the visitors were well equipped to meet the cold, and then the right away was given for the social hall. Here the doubter was put to rout, for a very large attendance of between 30 or 40 service men were present, and since several had to leave for duty, and several others came late, it may be taken that a big proportion of service men in the district took part in what was a most successful function.
 Mr. A. Ford occupied the chair, and after the loyal toast had been honored, he extended a hearty welcome to the visitors. The branch officials, said Mr. Ford, had been anxious ever since re-registration to hold a re-union, so that their members might meet the executive, and that the branch might not be left too far behind in the boom that had set in for the grand old Amalgamated. The branch officials were determined not to be last and, in extending a welcome to the visitors, he earnestly asked those present to stand shoulder to shoulder with them in their endeavor.
 Mr. Campbell replied and said he was more than pleased to meet them, indeed, he had been looking forward to renewing many old acquaintances. If he could help them in the slightest measure he would be amply repaid for the trip. He went into a short review of the past history, showing that no other organization in the State had ever had so much up-hill fighting to do as had the Amalgamated during the last eighteen months. When their registration was cancelled, said Mr. Campbell, (Continued on page 5.)

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A full attendance of members and intending members is urgently requested including porters, shunters, and Port Waratah gland packers. As these are the last meetings to be held this quarter will those members in arrears please arrange to make themselves financial before the quarter ends? All are given this chance to arrange with secretary, failing same other action will be taken which will ensure of payment being made.

BRANCH MEETINGS.

ALBURY.
The monthly meeting of the Albury branch was held at Mrs. Waterstreet's Hotel, on the 11th inst., Mr. Denham (president) in the chair. Transfers of Mr. W. A. Stanton to Goulburn branch, and Mr. J. Patey to Culcairn branch were passed. Mr. Dwyer moved that collectors be appointed in the gangs away from the town, which would greatly assist in the collection of contributions, if adopted by all branches. The motion was carried, and Mr. Dwyer was appointed to collect at Table Top. Mr. Corish's visit was discussed at length, and it was decided to send a letter to the Wodonga branch, thanking them for assisting to make the reception to Mr. Corish a success. Several new members were nominated for next quarter, and a large increase in the membership is anticipated.

DARLING HARBOUR BRANCH. (WAGES.)
A meeting of the above was held on June 6, Mr. Alf. Evers (president) in the chair. It was resolved that the branch endorse the General Secretary's action, re getting some of the temporary men who had been dismissed, further employment in other branches. It is hoped the remaining 13 men will be successful in having the same consideration granted to them. It was resolved that Head Office be asked to send an open apology to all members of the Darling Harbour Branch who have been notified as being indebted to the Association, when branch books show them to be clear. The first matter to receive attention was in connection with the lifters' assistants employed in Sydney Yard. The president read the correspondence received from the Chief Commissioner, in which he stated he would not pay them the 9/4 per day, the same as the men in Clyde and Eveleigh. Why the Commissioner takes up this attitude needs some explanation, and there is no doubt that he will be compelled to give his reasons for refusing to pay the men what they are justly entitled to. A resolution was passed and ordered to be sent to the general secretary, asking him to summon the Chief Commissioner without further delay. A member stated that the Chief Commissioner seems to force the men to summon him, because he pays only 8/6 per day to the men in Sydney yards and Alexandria, who are doing precisely similar work to that done by the men at Eveleigh, to whom he pays 9/4.

Arrange a mid-meeting for Organiser Corish. Send in word to Head Office; then talk up the meeting among your work mates. This means YOU, not the other fellow.

SYDNEY No. 1.
The monthly meeting of Sydney branch was held in Head Office, Orchard's Buildings, George-street. The president (Mr. W. Armstrong) was in the chair. There was a good attendance. The first matter to receive attention was in connection with the lifters' assistants employed in Sydney Yard. The president read the correspondence received from the Chief Commissioner, in which he stated he would not pay them the 9/4 per day, the same as the men in Clyde and Eveleigh. Why the Commissioner takes up this attitude needs some explanation, and there is no doubt that he will be compelled to give his reasons for refusing to pay the men what they are justly entitled to. A resolution was passed and ordered to be sent to the general secretary, asking him to summon the Chief Commissioner without further delay. A member stated that the Chief Commissioner seems to force the men to summon him, because he pays only 8/6 per day to the men in Sydney yards and Alexandria, who are doing precisely similar work to that done by the men at Eveleigh, to whom he pays 9/4.

SYDNEY PARCELS OFFICE BRANCH.
The meeting of this branch was held at head office, Mr. W. Brown occupying the chair. The officers' roll was then called, and four were found to have failed to attend one in three meetings; these positions were then declared vacant. Messrs. T. Sparrow, A. Brown, C. Ambler, and W. Emery, all young and energetic workers, who have brought many to the Amalgamated, were appointed. Mr. Thompson was asked to communicate with the Department with a view to obtaining more parcels, which it is hoped the Department will supply.

The correspondence, re railway porters' strike, was read, the branch secretary announcing that two men had again signed the paper, this making the third time to his knowledge for them to have the £1/9/8 deducted from their pay.

J. Bruce, believed to be at Clyde or Granville, late of Sydney Parcels, is advised to see Mr. Thompson, re strike fines.

It was decided the Mr. D. Broke take up collections for South Africa.

The Government should see that the Commissioner is forced to pay the same rates to all men doing similar work as in this case, because he practically admits that he is liable by paying more than three-fourths of the men the 9/4 per day. However, the Court will be asked to settle the matter as soon as possible.

Mr. E. Harris's case was taken up again. The general secretary explained in a circular, which was read, that Mr. Harris had not exhausted the department, as there was

Office on Saturday, 13th inst., at 8 p.m., so that the necessary evidence which may be required, can be taken down and points of interest discussed.

A matter was brought forward by one of the members, showing how far the department will go in depriving men of positions and putting shop boys into them. This, it appears, is what has been done in the copper-smith shop at Eveleigh. To those who have been any length of time in the service it is a well-known fact that the departmental heads take all the points imaginable to try and keep the low-paid men down. It will be a good thing if the low-paid men when the Railway Act is altered, and the Minister for Railways can have some say with regard to the legitimate grievances of the men which the Chief Commissioner refuses to rectify. However, the general secretary is to be asked to take the matter up and give a direction. It was moved and seconded, that the name of Mr. B. Teague be recommended to the executive for the position of collector. This was carried.

The president said that the general secretary asked about a "room-warmer" on our removal to the new office in Bowen's Buildings.—The matter was left in the hands of the general secretary.

GRANVILLE.
The most successful meeting of the Granville branch of the Association—both for attendance, interest, and length of debate—was held in the Town Hall, Granville, 11th instant. The loco, per. way, traffic, signalling, interlocking, and other branches of the service were represented. The president, Mr. F. Smith, in the chair.

Staff Changes and Promotions

TRAMWAYS.

APPOINTMENTS.
Traffic Branch.—Conductors: Herbert Jupp, Frederick S. Jones, Thomas Maskley, Thomas Crooks, Joseph Bawne, William Kneale, Owen K. Wightman, Edwin P. Ogier, John Power. Junior Car Cleaners: Murdoch McIntosh, Edward P. Hixon, David Rowlands. Motor Cleaner: Clarence Teakel.

Electrical Branch.—Cleaners: John K. Jackson, Bertie Weatherhead, Cecil H. R. Gray, William N. Brookbank, Sydney. Shop Boys: Harry Peel, James R. Lee, Herman W. F. Wendel, Leonard B. Gyder, John H. Fleetwood, Richard Tattersall, Randwick. Fitter: Frederick A. C. Brown, Randwick.

Permanent Way.—Laborers: Thomas Flynn, Oswald Bird, David Hume, James L. Welfare.

PROMOTIONS.
Electrical Branch.—Fitterman's assistant to Leading Car Cleaner: Arthur Fitzpatrick, Sydney. Laborer to Leading Car Cleaner: Henry C. Arthur J. Sutton, Sydney. Electrical Mechanic's Improver to Electrical Mechanic: Frank B. Morris, White Bay Power House. Laborer to Turner's Laborer: John Smith, Randwick. Shop Boys to Laborers: Alfred Bloomfield, John Gillespie, Randwick.

Traffic Branch.—Motor Attendant to Steam Driver: Ernest F. Cox, Newcastle. Motor Cleaner to Conductor: James Thompson, Sydney. Conductor to Signalman: Gordon E. Brown, Newcastle.

RESIGNED OR LEFT THE SERVICE.
Traffic Branch.—Conductors: William P. Fulton, Hugh Brownlow, Cecil E. Booty, Thomas R. Simpson, Leslie J. Cowan, Walter H. Pye, Francis J. Stibbard, Claude W. Harder, Arthur C. H. Morrie, Edgar A. Caffin, Charles K. Pater, William Kneale, Ted Ryan, Thomas Oreigg, Drivers: John C. King, Frederick Gosling, William Glendinning. Junior Car Cleaner: Philip McQuillan. Leading Car Examiner: William C. P. Piper. Junior Motor Cleaner: George A. Graham.

REMOVALS—RESIGNED OR LEFT THE SERVICE.
Electrical Branch.—Line Testers: Robert Long, Jules R. Azzo, Sydney; Robert Long, Jules R. Azzo, Sydney; Fitter: William Hands, Randwick. Horse Traction Wagon Driver: John Lamb, Sydney. Switcher: Robert J. Juber, Randwick.

REMOVALS.
Permanent Way Branch.—Laborers: Robert R. Hickson, James Curtis, Charles Clifford, Joseph Deane, Thomas H. Dunn, George White.

DECEASED.
Traffic Branch.—Rudolph Lonsdale.

RESIGNED OR LEFT THE SERVICE.
Locomotive Branch.—Fireman to Driver: Thomas Whitley, Narrabri West. Cleaner to Fireman: Tasman McCracken, Lismore. Firefighter to Striker: Robert Toland, Murrumbidgee. Firefighter to Cleaner: Thomas Mason, Lismore. Shop Boy to Cleaner: Robert Boyd, Armidale. Call Boys to Cleaners: Henry Burston, Hamilton; Edward Smeed, Murrumbidgee; Herbert Batters, Benmore, Piney. Permanent Way Branch.—Shop Boy to Driller: George H. Lucie, Newcastle.

Traffic Branch.—Porters to Shunters: George Crouth, Bullock Island; Robert Gibbons, Werris Creek, to Tamworth; Clarence Barker, Moree. Gatekeeper to Porter: John Mailey, Lisarow to Bullock Island.

RESIGNED OR LEFT THE SERVICE.
Locomotive Branch.—Tube Cleaner: Robert Jackson, Hamilton.

Permanent Way Branch.—Ganger: Clever J. H. Tarr, Collarenebri East; Porters: John Dedman, Newcastle-Waratah; Thomas Hazell, Parley-Blandford.

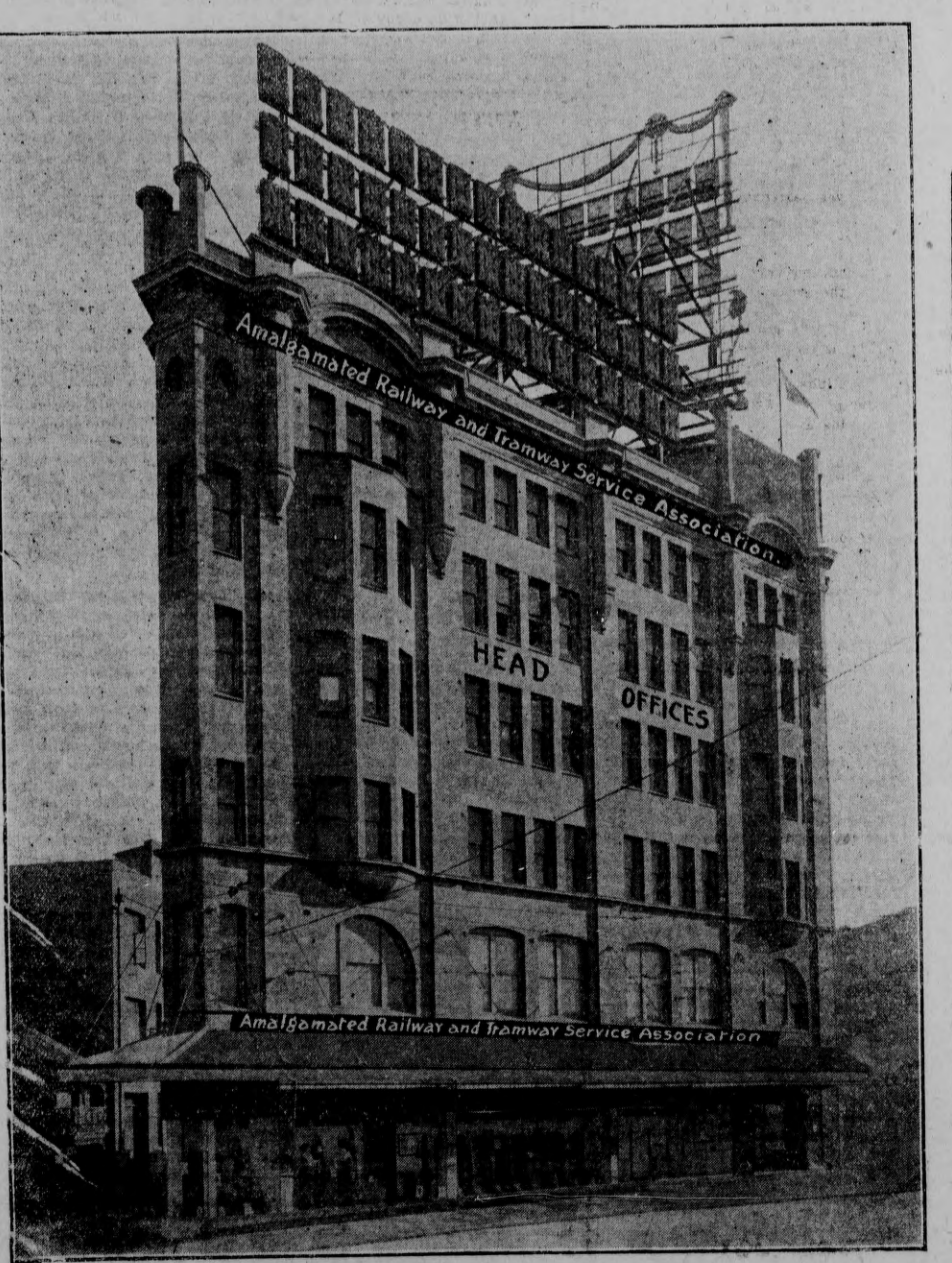
Traffic Branch.—Signalman: William McRae, Bullock Island. Porters: William E. Wood, Scone; Harley Whelan, Benmore; William Finney, Moree. Junior Porters: Rollic N. Murray, Baan Baa; Peter Sullivan, Bolivia. Gatekeepers: John H. Swan, West Maitland; Edward Jones, Murrumbidgee.

COOTAMUNDRA.
The usual monthly meeting of the Cootamundra branch was held in the Lodge room, Town Hall, on Saturday, May 30. Mr. Walsh presided. Mr. W. J. Curran's transfer from Narrandera to Cootamundra branch was received and accepted. The subscription list was received from head office for South African unionists who were deported and those on strike. It was decided on the motion of Mr. Chapman seconded by Mr. Buchanan, that this list stand over for further consideration on the evening of the quarterly meeting. The resignation of Mr. Thomas Stoddart, ganger, was accepted, Mr. Stoddart being retired from the service. Mr. Augustine Wells was accepted as a member of this branch. Accounts were passed for payment. The quarterly meeting of the branch will be held on Saturday, June 27, the usual time and place. Members and intending members are earnestly requested to attend. Their presence will demonstrate that the efforts made by the Amalgamated are properly appreciated.

HORNSBY.
The usual monthly meeting of the branch was held in the Railway Hotel on June 4/14, the president, Mr. J. Leatham, occupied the chair. Mr. H. Davis, loco councillor addressed members on matters in connection with No. 2 and 3 Wages Boards, and urged loco members to attend the meetings, as important matters were being taken up which were of vital interest to them. The secretary explained that owing to various attractions in the town he had anticipated a small meeting, as a number of attentive members had gone to the P.L.L. lecture, and notices of the meeting had been sent out before he had known of this lecture. Members present eagerly discussed the rapid rise of the All Grades owing to the good work of the organisers and expressed the hope that this district would receive a thorough overhauling as there is a big field for an organiser of Mr. Corish's calibre. The branch has rapidly gained ground of late, but even greater progress is expected in the future than has been made in the past.

TRAM SIGNALS.
The June meetings of branch were held on 4th and 10th instant. No. 2 shift on 4th was well attended, and matters re wages board claims reached finally. No. 1 shift on the 10th was treated by members as of no consequence—that is, by the majority, only a very few turning out. It puts one in mind of the old Biblical story in which so many excuses were forthcoming, to hear the various reasons of absence, when absentees are afterwards met. As stated in letter of July, members will only have themselves to blame if claims do not suit them. Claims have now been lodged with general secretary, and witnesses for the branch will be selected later on. It behooves all members to prepare themselves with good, concise evidence, bearing on their several boxes, especially those asking to be placed in a higher grade and to be prepared to come before the board if called on. Members must distinctly understand that lodging claims is only a preliminary, the really important part being that the board must be convinced by irrefutable evidence that the work deserves higher remuneration and better conditions. Members, keep this in mind during the next few months. Ordinary business was transacted.

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EXECUTIVE.

A meeting of the executive of the Amalgamated Railway and Tramway Service Association was held at head office, Orchard's Buildings, on June 9, 1914. There were present: Messrs. E. D. Campbell (president), V. G. Kavanagh (vice-president), E. Lawless (general treasurer), G. H. Stokes, H. Odell (executive officers), and Claude Thompson (general secretary).

It being a special meeting called to consider the question of organising and the drafting of a programme for 1915 no minutes were read. A verbal request was received from the secretary of the Granville branch asking for the attendance of an executive officer on Thursday evening. It was resolved that Mr. G. H. Stokes be deputed to attend. Mr. Campbell stated that if his engagements permitted he would endeavour to attend at Granville on that date.

BRANCH NOTICES.

MAITLAND.
A meeting of the above branch will be held at McDonald's A.B.C. Rooms, High-street, West Maitland, on June 22, at 8 o'clock. All members are earnestly requested to attend.

WERRIS CREEK.
A meeting of the Werris Creek branch—postponed from 14th inst.—will be held on Sunday next. All members are urged to attend. There is important business to transact.

NEWCASTLE No. 10.
The usual fortnightly meeting of traffic will be held at Beaumont's Rooms, Fern-street, Islington, on Sunday, June 21, at 10 a.m. sharp, and at Trades Hall, Newcastle, on Tuesday, June 23, at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

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