



THE GOVERNOR'S ARRIVAL

His Excellency being welcomed by the Shire President, at Lennox Bridge on Saturday afternoon.

says taken by Sir Philip and Lady ... was to Mt. Victoria, where he ... quite a time amid the magnific- ... scenery of that area."

#### The Name of the Bridge

"There has been some little differ- ... of opinion as to whether the ... should be called Lennox Bridge ... ot," said President Wilson. "A ... as the Blue Mountains Shire is ... concerned, we have known it by ... ther name, and every resident in the ... tea knows it as Lennox Bridge. ... Hear, hear. It is time that there ... ther bridges constructed by Lennox, ... ut this was the first, and there is no ... reason why a man should not be hon- ... ured in more than one place, so long ... as the places are separate and no ... onfusion arises. We have always ... nown this as Lennox Bridge, and ... he name will never be altered. I ... extend to his Excellency a hearty and ... ducere welcome to this area, not only ... n behalf of the Blue Mountains Shire ... ouncil, but only on behalf of the ... residents within our area, but on be- ... half of all the people here assembled ... day. In the past we have had ... many notable Governors. It seems ... only yesterday that the former Gov- ... ernor, Sir Dudley de Chair, and his ... daughter, Miss Elaine, drove over this ... road to open the magnificent deviation ... of the Great Western Highway. Sir ... Dudley was a prince among gentle- ... men. Prior to that we had the late ... Sir Walter Davidson, a man whose ... memory is loved, and who, while he ... was here, was adored. I have read ... Mark Antony's oration over the body ... of Julius Caesar, in which he said, ... 'When the poor hath cried Caesar hath ... wept.' I will say of Sir Walter that ... when he heard of distress and suffer- ... ing of returned soldiers tears came ... into his eyes and his voice faltered."

"You, sir," continued the Presi- ... dent, addressing the Governor, "have ... come to us with the highest creden- ... tials, being thrice honored by our ... King. When historians come to re- ... cord the happenings of this period, the ... name of Sir Philip Woodcock Game ... will not be the least among his illus- ... trious predecessors. (Applause).

#### Descendants of Lennox

The President also extended a wel- ... come to descendants of David Lennox

lot of other things, and in all of them ... he did well. Lennox afterward built ... bridges in Victoria. He died in Nov- ... ember, 1873, at the age of 85 years, ... and was buried in a vault with his ... son-in-law, C. W. Rowling. Some ... people wonder why a monument has ... not been erected to this great man, ... but the greater monument is these ... magnificent bridges."

Mr Frank Walker, of the Historical ... Society, said that he would like to ... emphasise the fact that in these cele- ... brations they were not only commem- ... orating the building of the first bridge ... in Australia, but they were also com- ... memorating a very fine man.

The Governor was presented with a ... message stick, being a container in ... which was a scroll of welcome from ... the Scouts.

#### Tablet Unveiled

His Excellency unveiled a marble ... tablet that had been let into the mas- ... suary of the bridge and which was ... inscribed, "The oldest bridge in Aus- ... tralia, constructed by David Lennox, ... 1833. R.A.H.S."

"I am very deeply grateful to the ... Shire Council for the honour conferred ... on me and to the President for his ... kind words of welcome," said his ... Excellency. "Lennox, I believe, ... was a Scotchman, and like many of ... his people, he came out here to see if ... he could get a better living than the ... hills of Scotland could afford. He ... came to this young country of Aus- ... tralia, which I think now offers just ... as much opportunity to the ... man at initiative and resource. He ... built this bridge, and ... a very fine old bridge it is. Al- ... though it has been more or less pon- ... sioned off, you are showing that you ... still have affection for David Lennox ... and admiration for his work. What ... impresses me is the speed with which ... it was built. I want to express my ... deep gratitude to the Scouts for turn- ... ing out. I don't think they could ... have any better message than that ... here conveyed—what they see to do, ... do it and don't make any fuss about ... it." (Applause).

#### The New Reserve

After this ceremonial traffic proceed- ... ed up the new road to the new Lap- ... stone Reserve, situated above Kuap-

it. (Laughter). We have progressed ... since then a great deal."

The Shire President said that that ... day they were only witnessing Lap- ... stone Hill reserve in the making. Later ... they would find that where there was ... now bareness there would be avenues ... of Australian trees and innumerable ... palms striking out in all directions. ... As a matter of fact they had not yet ... fully explored this reserve.

#### Don's Avenue

The Governor, said the President, ... had remarked that "Don's Avenue" ... might be taken for Don Bradman's ... Avenue. "Don Bradman is a very fine ... fellow," said Cr. Wilson, "but that ... avenue is named after Cr. Don Skar- ... ratt." (Applause). Marge's Look- ... out, he explained, had been named ... after the daughter of Cr. S. H. Walker, ... who had been a member of the Coun- ... cil since the inception of Local Gov- ... ernment. (Applause). Elizabeth Look- ... out (whose where the manquee was ... erected) was named after Cr. Skarratt's ... wife, one of the greatest workers in ... the cause of charity in the district. ... (Applause).

Ald. Freeland, Mayor of Katoomba, ... said that Katoomba did not look with ... envy on the achievements of the ... Shire, but with pride and admiration.

#### Governor Opens the Reserve

In declaring the new reserve official- ... ly open, the Governor said that an ... hour ago they were paying tribute to ... a great bridge builder who had done a ... great deal to open New South Wales ... by improving its communications, and ... he thought that there were others who ... were deserving of a farm tribute too. ... He believed it was less than two years ... since this land was dedicated as a re- ... serve and its control was vested in ... the Shire Council. He understood that ... before being opened up it was only ... accessible to small boys and goats. ... (Laughter). "Like a former Presi- ... dent Wilson, your President seems ... to have 14 points if they could only ... be got at," said his Excellency, "and ... I think he is even a better diplomat ... than his namesake. I have worked in ... a public department for many years, ... and I have never heard a public de- ... partment described in the way that ... the President referred to the Lands ... Department. It wasn't usually said

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of the officers that I ... inquiry; it was asked ... informal fellows "ask ... questions?" (Laughter) ... Lands Department th ... ous precedent, and I ... ling that the Shire ... to blow in some d ... something. (Laughter) ... we should commens ... tends to the improv ... serves and beauty s ... born done in this ... Empire in recent yea ... who was Viceroy of I ... rescued some histor ... from decay and neg ... Prime Minister of E ... taken an interest in ... at home. It is an ... see a young countr ... example. In decla ... open; I hope it is go ... value and a pleasur ... who live here, and t ... as well as to a large ... generations." (Appl

#### Presen

The Deputy Shire ... C. Grace, presents ... with a walking stick ... in ringed gidgee ... New South Wales, ... preciation from the ... trust," said Cr. G ... leney, "that when ... will in time, to the ... we British people ... this stick will serve ... a sunny day spend ... tains. The stick s ... serve to advertise p ... (Laughter). If we ... or an ask stick it ... ing coal to Newcas ... it to be looked up ... the great respect ... (Applause). It ... to introduce anyth ... will find small mis ... but I think you w

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