

AROUND THE SCHOOLS

Ceremonies To Mark Empire Day

Newcastle schools will celebrate Empire Day to-morrow morning with school assemblies, speeches and patriotic songs.

Most ceremonies will be on similar lines.

Addresses will be given by pupils or guest speakers, school choirs will present items and Lord Gowrie's Empire Day message to schoolchildren will be read.

The Captain of Newcastle Boys High School (David Beach) will conduct the Empire Day assembly there. Empire Day addresses will be given by members of the school's three debating teams.

At Newcastle Girls' High School, a girl from each year will speak on a subject related to countries visited by the Queen on her recent tour.

The Lord Mayor (Ald. Purdue) will address children at Mayfield East school at 10.30 a.m. Other speakers will be Brigadier J. Main and Rev. R. Bell. The Headmaster (Mr. C. Jopling) said parents were invited to attend the assembly.

A demonstration will be held by pupils of Hamilton South school. Parents are invited to attend the demonstration which begins at 11 a.m. The Mothers' Club will conduct a stall immediately after the celebrations.

THREE ex-captains of Newcastle Boys' High School will make a concerted effort to renew interest in the ex-students' body, the Old Novocastrians' Association. The association was re-formed about six years ago, but lapsed after two years. The boys have appealed to all old boys to attend a meeting at the school on Tuesday night.

They hope to form a strong committee at the meeting to plan social and sporting activities.

Speech night will be held at the City Hall on Monday night, when the guest speaker will be

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BOYS' High School Parents and Citizens' Association was told this week that the net proceeds of the fete on May 7 were £385.

The Minister for Education (Mr. Heffron) advised that funds were not available for extensions to the Assembly Hall and other structural alterations. Members said newer schools of a junior nature were being excellently equipped, but senior schools were becoming more out of date.

Mr. R. Hall will seek the cooperation of Mr. Hawkins, M.L.A., Mr. Cameron, M.L.A., the Chambers of Commerce and Manufacturers in a campaign for improvements.

FOR the first time for many years, Newcastle Girls' High School has a male staff member.

Mr. J. Nelson is deputising for Miss L. McKenna, and is taking English and History. Mr. Nelson has transferred from New Lambton South primary to secondary teaching. He expects to stay at Girls' High for three months, till Miss McKenna is well enough to return to the staff.

A PARTY of senior girls from Kogarah Domestic Science High School visited Newcastle yesterday. They inspected the B.H.P. Works in the afternoon. Mrs. Frank Milne, formerly Miss Norma Armstrong, a pupil at Newcastle Home Science High School and a teacher at Wickham Home Science, was in charge of the girls.

FENCING of the grounds at Windale School has started. When the work is finished, the P. and C. will arrange gardens in the fenced area.

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The Women's Auxiliary of the school has started a series of functions to raise money for the annual fete in September.

The accommodation problem at the school has been partly solved by the addition of two rooms which will be finished early this term.

IN BRIEF

Newcastle Home Science High School Women's Auxiliary will hold a sweets and cake stall at the school at 11 a.m. to-morrow.

A special meeting of Newcastle Home Science High Parents and Citizens' Association will be held at the school at 7.45 p.m. next Wednesday. The association would like as many fathers as possible to attend. Guest speaker will be Mr. A. Downie, of Newcastle Technical High School. Mrs. L. Kearns has arranged a musical programme and supper will be served.

Delegates elected by Boolaroo Infants' School Mothers' Club to attend the monthly meeting of Westlakes' Federation Conference at Toronto are Mesdames E. Brodie, E. Fisher, S. Bordiss and O. McDonnell.

The Mothers' Club will hold a tuckshop at the school on Tuesday, June 8.

Several Newcastle schools are planning to see the Royal Tour film in Newcastle. They hope to be able to arrange a 9 a.m. screening on one or two mornings.

Newcastle Girls' High School has started a class-by-class drive to raise money for the library.

Two new teachers have joined the staff at Newcastle Home Science High School. They are Mrs. G. Gow, who transferred from Bulladelah, and Miss B. Greentree, from Belmont Junior High School.

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The Area Director (Mr. Gelfus) will be guest speaker at the next meeting of Mayfield East P. and C. on Wednesday night. He will speak on the activities of the Area Directorate.

Contracts for the erection of a double classroom at Argenton and Lambton have been signed. The Department of Education office is waiting for a contract to be signed for a new school at New Lambton.

Mr. W. Findlay, formerly of Wickham Central School, has been appointed Secretary of Newcastle P.S.A.A. Mr. J. Grady, of Mayfield East School staff, has been acting secretary since the death of the former Secretary (Mr. N. McCaffery).

STAFF CHANGES

The following transfers have been announced by the Newcastle Area office.—

Mr. M. A. Poyser, from Sunnywood to Boolaroo; Mrs. E. Mercer, from New Lambton South to Newcastle East; Miss P. Piggott, from Cardiff Infants to Young Wallsend; Miss N. Greenwood, from Birmingham Gardens to Young Wallsend; Miss S. Hoffman, from Young Wallsend to Cardiff Infants; Miss V. Robinson, from Young Wallsend to Cardiff Infants; Miss L. Coleman, from Stockton Infants to Birmingham Gardens; Mrs. S. Bland, from Merewether to Stockton; Mrs. H. Blanch, from Nelson's Bay Migrants' School to Nelson's Bay Public School; Mrs. P. Flodin, from Nelson's Bay to Lambton Infants; Mr. J. Davison, from Pembroke to Haydonwood; Mrs. J. Askey, from Telarah to Waratah; Mr. W. Grahame, from Kundibakh to Marlee; Miss A. Mehan, from Argenton to Merewether; Mr. R. W. Rawlinson, from Gungal to Segenhoe; Mr. R. P. Billingham, from Taree Relief Staff to Wang Wauk; Mrs. C. Fackender, from Segenhoe to Scone; Mr. R. H. Singleton, from West Kempsey to Port Macquarie; Mr. Stockbridge, from Ainslie to West Kempsey; Mr. J. C. Leaver, from Haydonwood to Wauchope; Mr. W. J. Meredith, from Raymond Terrace to Limeburner's Creek.