

Kentucky

The celebrations at Kentucky yesterday were attended by a large gathering of citizens, including a full roll up of returned soldiers. The service was held in the Memorial park.

Mr. Arthur Monk presided, and on the platform with him were the Rev. H. C. V. Lancaster, the Rev. B. C. Archbold, Capt. Coughlan, and Major D. Toomey.

The Boy Scouts, with their officers, the combined band, and the Diggers formed up at the K.A.B. Packing house and marched along Noalimba Avenue to the park.

The service followed practically the same form as that at Uralla.

The Rev. B. C. Archbold delivered the occasional address.

"Nineteen years ago our boys measured up to the challenge and proved themselves men of a quality that has never before been equalled in the world's history," said the Rev. B. C. Archbold, in commencing his address. "Scaling heights such as Gallipoli in just those particular circumstances had never before been excelled in the world's history."

The landing had become a classic. Little did we realise what was being done, not until the casualty lists were published did we realise that Australian history had really begun. Australia did not then possess an army with traditions, but the boys at Gallipoli proved that Australia possessed a race with all the qualities that go to make real men, real heroes. It was proved then, as it was right to the end of the war.

The war did not stop there. Thousands of Australians were still suffering the marks of war—there was an ever increasing number paying the price of war—going to their graves, oftentimes unnoticed, unsung.

To-day they did honour to those men who fought that despotism may be killed, and all the free citizen rights that they possessed were defended.

He spoke as one of a generation at school when the call came. They knew the men who went, citizens,

knew the men who went, citizens, clerks, professional men—they were men who forgot class distinction and denominational label. Over there a man was accepted on his face value. If he measured up all right he was accepted. Hypocrisy, cant had no place, and a man had to ring true.

Here they were back again, and again were they hedged round with labels and class distinction; but they were still in the fight—fighting the common enemy, and he would challenge them to be sincere, real, and true—to forget the petty things and realise, just as the men stood together in the trenches so must they of to-day stand together in the presence of God.

The men of Anzac won out when others thought it was impossible. Let that spirit not die, but let them still be a people with initiative, with resource. There was too often to-day a tendency to lean on the support that came from others. They must use their wits, and to the utmost possible for themselves. To the girls and boys especially he would say take advantage of every chance possible while at school—be resourceful, be true.

The Anzacs stuck to each other in a wonderful devotion. They were not daunted by the stark reality of war, but developed a wonderful devotion to their cause. Had the present generations that same spirit of devotion, so that they were prepared to be faithful unto death, if necessity arose? They must think of the men who came back and who were still paying the price of their service. They must not forget the promises made in time of war, but must do their utmost to relieve those who were suffering.

Dedication of Gates.

At the conclusion of the service, the dedication of the newly-completed gates of the park was carried out by the Rev. H. C. V. Lancaster. The school children, in charge of Messrs Middleton and Carman, had already formed up at the gates and upon the completion of the dedication ceremony marched through, and headed by the band, continued their march along Noalimba Avenue, for the purpose of hanging wreaths on the memorial trees. This impressive cere-

pose of hanging wreaths on the memorial trees. This impressive ceremony over, they again assembled at the park, where the Last Post was sounded, and the flag, which had been flying half-mast, was drawn to the masthead.

During the service, when announcing that a collection would be taken up for incidental expenses, the balance to go towards the cost of the gates. Mr Monk took the opportunity

of expressing the committee's thanks to all present.

A basket picnic and sports for the children concluded the day's celebrations. There was a large attendance, and all present, the children especially, enjoyed the outing to the utmost.

The Committee was:—Messrs A. C. Monk (President), D. J. Toomey (Secretary), R. Williamson, W. E. Bayliss, A. G. Bashford, D. L. Findlay, F. J. Westbury, W. Milligan, Chas. Ward, Mesdames Bashford, Brecht, Bayliss, Chas. Ward, Findlay, Williamson and Milligan.

The sports resulted:—Girls race 12-14: Betty Billington 1, Enid Haynes 2. Boys 12-14: D. Haynes and L. Meehan dead heat 1, V. Westneat 3. Girls consolation 12-14: Muriel Jobson 1, Mary Murray 2. Boys 10-12: E. Westbury 1, Don Ferris 2, Len Ward 3. Girls 10-12: Jean Smith 1, Rita Billington 2, Pat Tracey 3. Girls 10-12 consolation: Millie Bayliss 1, Patty Ryan 2. Boys 8-10: Reg Jobson 1, R. Burraston 2, K. Bayliss 3. Girls 2-legged race: Enid Haynes and Eileen Ward 1, Dorothy Reichel and Mavis Bayliss 2, Letty Pope and Betty Clarke 3. Girls 8-10: Noreen Tracey 1, Doris Clay 2. Boys under 6: Kevin Haynes 1, George Fuller 2, Clive Sweeney 3. Girls under 6: Marjorie Tracey 1, Audrey Brecht 2, Rita Harrison 3.

Mr R. A. Missen, of Forest Farm, is having a new brick residence erected.

On Friday night last, at the supper tendered the visiting Walcha Institute members, Mr J. E. Jenkinson, President of Uralla Memorial Institute, took the opportunity of presenting to Mr R. Dugan a small token of appreciation of his efforts as Treas-

appreciation of his efforts as Treasurer of the Institute. The presentation was made on behalf of the Committee. Mr Dugan briefly expressed his thanks.