

## NEW CHURCH OPENED

### Governor at Kingsgrove

His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales, Lieut.-General Sir John Northcott, and His Grace the Archbishop of Sydney, the Most Rev. H. W. K. Mowll, D.D., were present at Kingsgrove on Sunday afternoon, August 30, to officiate at the ceremony of opening and dedicating the new St. Thomas' War Memorial Church, in Morgan Street.

The Rector, Rev. G. M. Fletcher, welcomed the Governor and Archbishop, and other members of the clergy. Prior to the service a procession of church members, Sunday School Scholars, Boy Scouts and Cubs, led by Rockdale Salvation Army Band, marched from the shopping centre to the church, the Scouts and Cubs forming a guard of honour for the Governor.

After the Archbishop had dedicated the new church to the Glory of God the official party, followed by the congregation, proceeded to the outside of the building, where His Excellency the Governor unveiled a memorial tablet. The new church was erected to meet the needs of expanding population of the district, also as a fitting memorial to servicemen who paid the supreme sacrifice in the recent world war. His Excellency said that it was only right that some regard should be paid to those men who left the district to go overseas and fight for us, and by so doing saved for us everything we hold dear. "We owe them a great debt," he said, "and the church which has been opened and dedicated to-day will serve as a lasting memorial to their bravery and sacrifice."