

# NEW CONTROL FOR SILVERTON CAMP

**The Silverton War Memorial Fund will take over the control of the Youth Camp at Silverton next Friday when the Barrier Youth Camps' Council, which was responsible for the initial construction of the camp, will be wound up.**

Control of the Memorial Camp will now be vested in a larger committee representing all youth organisations, including members of the present Youth Camps Council if they so desire to remain on the controlling body.

A public meeting to elect officers will be held at the Y.M.C.A. rooms on Friday night.

A large programme of improvements at the camp is planned. It includes fencing and electric light throughout the building. It is expected that voluntary labor will again be given to help in this respect.

Since the Camp opened in April last more than 300 youths have used it, and many other camps are planned for the year. The camp is open for use by any youth welfare organisation and is well equipped for 40 persons.

All organisations interested in the camp are asked to send delegates to Friday night's meeting.

It is proposed to hand over to the Silverton War Memorial Fund all cash and other assets of the Youth Camp's Council because of the confusion of interests of the two organisations in the Youth Camp.

## FORMED IN 1945

The Youth Camp's Council was formed on April 27, 1945, and has been responsible for the purchase of the old courthouse at Silverton and the obtaining of a 27 years' lease of additional land near by.

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1946 a party went to the site and cleared away debris. In October, 1946, the first working party started work on the project, which was officially opened on April 10 this year by Mr. R. Pitman Hooper.

Since then the camp has justified its existence in the first months of operation and is becoming increasingly popular because of its facilities.