

UNVEILING OF MEMORIAL TABLET.

The ceremony of unveiling a memorial tablet to the late Private H. R. Wilson took place on Sunday last in the presence of several hundred people on a reserve at site known as Wilson's Hill which is situated about six miles from Victor Harbour on the Cape Jervis road.

The late Private Wilson occupied a block of land adjoining the reserve and was employed by land holders in the vicinity, hence the reason for placing the tablet in this locality where there is considerable passing traffic.

The chairman of the district council of Encounter Bay (Mr. G. Batty) presided, and expressed sincere sympathy to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, who came from Adelaide for the occasion. The ceremony of unveiling the tablet was performed by the Minister for Public Works (Hon. M. McIntosh), who also expressed sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson on behalf of the State Government.

The Minister emphasised the beauty of the surroundings, with the everlasting hills to the north and west and the wide stretch of ocean, south coast towns, and the waters of Lake Alexandrina to the south and east. After a very appropriate speech Mr McIntosh removed the

speech Mr McIntosh removed the Union Jack from the tablet which bears the inscription: "In Memoriam. SX 313 Private H. R. Wilson. killed in action 25th May, 1941. Aged 29 years." The tablet was adorned with many beautiful bunches of wild flowers.

Dr. G. S. Shipway, president of the local sub-branch of the R.S.A., made feeling reference to the passing of the young hero. Councillor G. A. Depledge, for whom the late soldier had worked for a considerable period, spoke of his sterling qualities, and moved a vote of thanks to Mr. McIntosh for performing the ceremony.

The women of Waitpinga, Encounter Bay, and Victor Harbour provided afternoon tea for all present.

It was noted that considerable preparation had been made to give effect to the tablet; the scrub had been cleared and trees planted in the vicinity. These will improve the site as they grow. The clearing of the track to the summit will enable persons to view the panorama without leaving their cars, and the locality will eventually be a much visited place.