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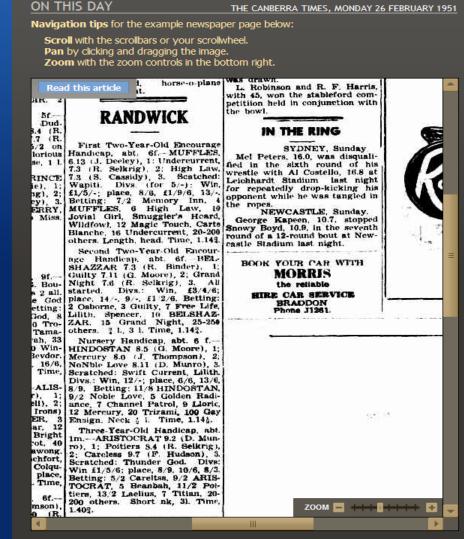
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Olympic Games

A Finland Wonder

At the Olympic games, Winter the Australian athlete, cleared well over 52 teet in a hop, step, and jump and created a world's record. In the swimming contest, Boy Charlion (Australia), beat the world's record for 1500 metres free style swimming, Time 21 minutes 20 and three tenths seconds. The sensation of the contests was provided by Murmi (Finland). He crowned all previous achievements by paralysing the field of the world's best distance runners in 10.000 pietres



OLYMPIC GAMES OPENED IN BERLIN

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FOREIGN VISITORS BELOW EXPECTATIONS

MODERATE SHOWING BY AUSTRALIANS

AMERICAN NEGRO BREAKS TRACK RECORDS

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AUSTRALIAN SUCCESS IN OLYMPIC GAMES

BOXING AND WRESTLING

AMERICAN'S NEW RECORDS

5 August 1936

HITLER SALUTES NEGRO VICTORS

BERLIN, Monday.

The most piquant moment at the Olympic Games to-day was when two German maidens, clad in white, placed laurel wreaths on the heads of the negroes Owens and Metcalfe, who ran first and second respectively in the 100 metres, as they stood upon the dias immediately opposite Herr Hitler's box.

"The Star Spangled Banner" was struck up, and the Fuhrer and all stood up in salute. This is the process for all Olympic victors here, but racial theorists must have squirmed.



SUNLIGHT AND SHADE AT OLYMPIC GAMES

TRIUMPHS AND DISAPPOINTMENTS

AUSTRALIANS FARE BADLY

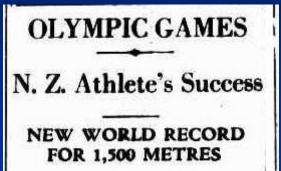
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OLYMPIC GAMES

NEGROES BREAK MORE RECORDS

AUSTRALIANS IN HOP, STEF AND JUMP SEMI-FINALS





Australians Fail By L
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JAP SWIMMERS BREAK
RECORDS











Australians Out of All
Events

STANDARD FAR BELOW
REST OF WORLD





OLYMPIC GAMES

AUSTRALIA FADES OUT

Must Revise Methods

FAR BELOW WORLD

STANDARDS





Germany was the most successful nation at the Games, securing 180 points compared with 122 obtained by the U.S.A. contestants. Points were calculated on the basis three for a win (gold medal), two for a second (silver medal), and one for a third (brass medal).

Leading nations were:

Germany 33 wins, 22 2nds, 29 3rds Total 180.

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Hungary 10. 1, 5-37.

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New Zealand won one gold medal (three points) and Australia one bronze medal (one point).

Twenty nations failed to secure any points at all.



The Canberra Cimes

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1936.

AUSTRALIA AT THE OLYMPIC GAMES.

NOT at any Olympic Games, since the war at any rate, has Australian interest waned so perceptibly as in the games which have ended in Berlin. Where once Australian representable brought home by the Olympic team. But though they bring tives triumphed against the world, a sorry record of failures will no laurels, members of the team will bring to Australia a store of experience that will have to be turned to account before the games at Tokyo in 1940.

Almost every commentary on the Olympic Games has told Australia that we must respond to the changed conditions and standards of athletics. One fact has, however, been glossed over, namely, that sporting contests have become more a business than a sport, and it is deplorable to have the admission that at

Editorial 18 August 1936

JUNIOR SWIMMING

Pauline Sykes, aged six, proke a record for girls of her age when she sprinted across the Canberra pool in 13.6 seconds on Saturday morning.

Twenty-three races, combined with a coaching class, were held by the Canberra Swimming

Club as part of a campaign to foster the sport in Canberra.

Results:

BOYS — 13 YARDS 5 years: E. Powley: 30.8 secs.

6 years: L. Mallesch 1, J. Mc-Gregor 2, R. Hawke 3; 28.6 secs.

7 years: G. Piper 1. W. Upson 2. F. Werner 3: 12.6 secs.

8 years: G. Lipman 1, M. Somes 2, D. Turner 3: 10.5 secs.

9 years; 1st Div., J. O'Connor 1, J. Richer 2, J. Elphick 3; 12.1

secs. 2nd Div., W. Hawke 1, J.

11 years: J. Makin 1, J. Blakston 2, E. Gowing 3; 8.8 secs, GIRLS — 33 YARDS 12 years: C. Hingee 1, B.

Moore 2; 20.1 secs.

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SYDNEY, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1945

FORMAL SURRENDER IN TOKYO BAY

ONLY 37-MINUTE CEREMONY

HISTORIC SCENE ON BATTLESHIP

From Our War Correspondents, Jack Percival and William Marien

U.S.S. MISSOURI, Tokyo Bay, Sept. 2.— Formal surrender of the Japanese Empire was signed on board this 45,000-ton American battleship at 9.5 o'clock (10.5 Sydney time) this morning.

The ceremony was austere and simple and the Japanese envoys were on board for only 37 minutes.



SIGNED

Eye-Witness Description

Our War Correspondents, J. Percival and W. Marien

U.S.S. MISSOURI, Sept. 2 .- An overcast sky gave Tokyo Bay a dirty appearance as the delegates came aboard this mighty battleship this morning to sign the documents that were to bring peace to a war-torn

The Missouri lay between the hattleships Iowa and South Dakota. Many planes were in the air but they remained at a distance during the brief ceremony so that their roar would not drown the speeches which were being relayed by amplifier to all parts of the ship.

Thousands of operation were a white out with a block car, and perched everywhere on the Mis- seven were to full uniform, withbut swords but wearing dictoraseart. like gulls on a litalic.

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General MacArthur at \$30 a.m. He was followed plac &c.16-merchal's cap much five minutes later by the Prench mare were and less gifficting

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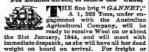
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Morpeth Hotel, January 10, 1844.

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mill charges. 6th December, 1844.

Reduction in the Price of Grinding Wheat

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His charge for Grinding and Dressing Wheat is now 9d, per bushel, and for Separating and Smutting 3d., in quantities not less than three bushels; for small lots a trifle more will be

charged for extra trouble.

MaizeCracked, 6d. per bushel ; Twice Ground

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R. JAMES S. WHITE, late Teacher of the Philosophical, Classical, and Mer-cantile department in the Australian College, cautile department in the Australian College, Sydney, hoge to intimate to the inhabitants of Matthand and its vicinity that he Opened the above Academy on Monday, the Sith of January, 1844. Having had ample opportunities, during a course of several years experience as a public teacher and private tator, of observing the excellent effect of the theket system, in securing close and unremitting attention to study purposes introducing the late of the study of the above establishment Mr. White pledges himself that the structs attention shall be paid to the improvement and correct most discipline of the pupils who may be entrusted to bis care.

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HUNTER RIVER AGRICULTURAL

River Agricultural Society was held at the Northumberland Hotel on Thursday last. About relve members were present. Mr. Pilcher was

tweive mambers were present. Mr. Fileber was called to the chair.

The Chairman opened the proceedings by reading the portion of the minutes of the general meeting on Thursday week which had reference to the duties of the committee.

The Rev. Mr. Stack stated that Mr. Wilson was unavoidably absent from the meeting to-day, but he had accepted the office of Secretary, and would enter upon its duties immediately the

would enter upon its duties immediately.

The secretary was instructed to write to George Wyndham, Esq., to inform him that he had been appointed president of the society for the current year, and to request that he would hold the office. The Secretary was also desired to address latters to those-members of the committee who were not present at the list general meeting, informing them of their appointment; and to the members of the society generally, stating that the society had commenced operations, and requesting them to pay their subscriptions as early as convenient.

A conversation ensued upon the necessity and importance of collecting the subscriptions as early as possible, in order that the committee early as possible, in order that the committee might be enabled to carry out the instructions of the general meeting; and with a view to facili-tate the collection of subscriptions the following resolution was adopted:—"I That the following gentlemen be appointed to receive subscriptions —If. R. Green (Tonaurer), Mr. Coates Wilson, —Str. R. Green (Tonaurer), and Tonaurer (Tonaurer), and Tonau Mr. Lipscomb, and Mr. Reynolds; and also the Bank of Avistralists."

Several new members were then proposed and

The Rev. Mr. Stack said that since the general meeting he had been endeavouring to devise some plan by which the suggestion of Dr. Scott, some plan by which the suggestion of Dr. Scott, relative to the verbal communications of practical agriculturists, might be carried into effect. He thought the suggestion a very important one, and if judiciously acted on might be the ugasas of obtaining a large body of saceti information, or obtaining a large body of saceti information could attend the committee meetings, and after the formal business was disposed of they might enter upon the discussion of points of interest connected with agriculture, of which previous notice had been given. The Secretary could preserve loose notes of the more important purtiess of the conversations, and these notes are previously and the conversations, and these notes are previously for that duty, with a view to their appointed for that duty, with a view to their being recorded in a book to be kept for the purpose. He had no resolution to propose

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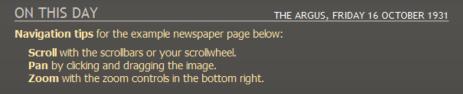
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Bathing suits of fine clastic wool are now almost the only wear in the water. Later a few cotton suits will appear, but all bathers know the comfort of a warm garment which clings to the figure, and does not impede swimming movements. There are all-wool bathing gowns at 12/11, 14/11, 16/11, and 21/, and at all these prices a superior

article is turned out. The latest cut is a backless or a semi-backless one, so that the bather has the advantage of as much sun as possible, but in case only occasional sun bathing is desired many suits have a removable back, which can be put on or taken off by means of a few press studs. Adult suits are almost always made with skirt over the trouser legs, but for eveniug children no skirt is necessary. The popus Hospi-are Mrs. and another below it, is the usual style in children's bathers, while for adults garbranch), Mrs. ments are horizontally striped from top to bottom, or very plain with just a dash of contrasting colour here or there. The reason for the simplicity of pattern on the bathing suit is that the suit is

covered completely while its wearer is on

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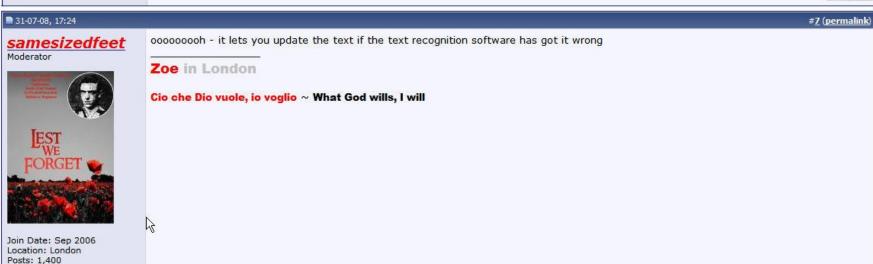
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