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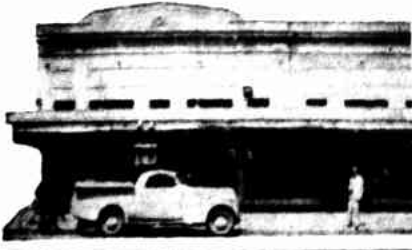
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WHEEL WIZARDS TO APPEAR Moritz, Thomas, Beasley, Rogers

"BILL" MORITZ, the dashing South Australian all-round champion cyclist, will be one of the headliners at the Griffith Anniversary carnival next Wednesday, day and night. The Colossus of cycling has been riding so amazingly well of late that his appearance at Griffith should arouse great interest. Some of his rivals will include Lennie Rogers, the international six day rider, Lloyd Thomas (N.Z.), Keith Webb (Tas.), Ted Stubenrauch and Clinton Beasley, of Victoria.

By J. J. Maher

THE Griffith Athletic Club has shown enterprise in engaging Moritz cannot be questioned because he has proved himself one of the most powerful and popular international cyclists in Australia in recent years. What is more he is a great performer on country tracks. He has proved that at Wangaratta in past years by winning scratch and handicap races against Australia's best and Continental.

Moritz Will Be Welcome Last year W. K. Moritz was engaged for Leeton, but a sudden illness prevented him from competing. It is pleasing to note that the great South Australian will be making his first appearance at Griffith with such noted performers as Lloyd Thomas (N.Z.), Len Rogers (N.S.W.), Keith Webb (Tas.), Ted Stubenrauch (Vic.) winner of the Centenary 1000 race, Clinton Beasley (Vic.) former Australian road champion and one of the best performers at the Exhibition road track.

Stubenrauch, with other competitors, should provide some really excellent sport. It is expected that close on 100 cyclists will visit Griffith to compete in a well-balanced programme, which includes the Centenary one mile handicap of 2125 swifter, 1500, the half-mile handicap and a five miles scratch race, which probably will be conducted under Continental rules—the points system and with special sprints over certain laps. It is in this type of race that onlookers will be provided with thrills with Moritz, Rogers and others battling for points.

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MEN IN CONTROL Pride in Council

THE district of Griffith is under the jurisdiction of the Wade Shire Council, which came into operation when local government was inaugurated in the Murrumbidgee region on August 6, 1925. Before that date the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission discharged all the functions of local government.

The first shire clerk of the shire was Mr. J. H. Kelly, now living at Leeton—another very progressive and ideal town about 40 miles from Griffith.

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MEN WHO SERVE The following have been presidents of the shire of Wade—1929 Cr. R. J. Thompson, 1931 Cr. R. J. Thompson, 1932 Cr. R. J. Thompson, 1933 Cr. A. J. Lenehan, 1934 Cr. J. Jensen, 1935 Cr. J. Jensen, 1936 Cr. J. Jensen (resigned), 1937 Cr. A. J. Lenehan (resigned), 1938 Cr. W. D. Bull.

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RIO AND LYCEUM Fine Griffith Theatres

THE Lyceum Theatre, one of the finest in the Riverina, is to feature a special programme at the beginning of the Griffith Anniversary Celebrations. On the night of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next the super production, "The Sign of the Cross" will be presented.

The programme from Monday to Thursday during the Celebrations Week. The first feature is "Big Fella", in which appears Paul Robeson, the famous American singing negro. Robeson has made some big pictures since he entered Hollywood studios but "Big Fella" is considered his finest to date. On the same programme, "The Sign of the Cross" and "The Confession" will be presented.

The proprietors of the Lyceum and Rio Theatres have arranged a special programme as a climax to the Celebrations Week which will be presented the following Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. The feature film of this programme is "The Sign of the Cross" in "A House in Doreas" while the supporting feature is "The Sign of the Cross".

CRICKET VAN

GRIFFITH has a keen cricket enthusiast in Mr. J. B. "Jack" Aiton, who has been president of the Griffith District Association for the last two years. There are sixteen teams—ten in A grade, and six in B. Annually cricket is played for the Spiers shield. The Association has a membership of 250. Mr. T. P. Carney, son of Mr. W. J. Carney, the well-known storekeeper, has been secretary of the association since 1936. Before becoming president, Jack Aiton was secretary for nine years.

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How Club Was Formed

WERE it not for the vision of Mr. C. Oaxenham more than 20 years ago there would have never been a bowling club on the present site in Griffith. About the same time small premises were secured for a social club. As the result of a move on the part of Mr. Oaxenham, ten men in the district, subscribing £20 each, purchased ten blocks of land in a row, which today form a picturesque setting in the heart of Griffith.

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JOHN GOLDRICK Hon. Organizer of the Venetian Carnival

Nothing gives a man a knowledge of business to fit him for almost any organising job more than banking. This has been proved in the case of Mr. D. G. "Bill" Dobson, general organizer of the Griffith section of the 10th anniversary celebrations. He was born at Broadwood (N.S.W.) and was educated at Cleveland Street High School and Newington College.

For thirteen years he was with the Commercial Banking Co. of Sydney, which enabled him to get an insight into all sorts of business. Then he felt the call to the land, and for 16 years he was farming, five years of which was spent with the Griffith Producers Co-operative Co.

The Celebrations Committee at Griffith made a wise choice in appointing Mr. Dobson to the position of general organizer. He has tackled his job with tenacity and as a result has earned the respect not only of his committee, but some of those who have opposed him on certain matters of policy.

"Bill" Dobson remains the big man behind the celebrations, and is doing a splendid job. He has a good address, and is not afraid to speak his mind. Once he tackles a job he never relaxes until it is completed.

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