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market. Presuming that Italy and Germany between them, having established a barter agreement with Australian interests, were to force prices to the same extent as has been done in other wool producing countries, the result must be followed further than the mere moving of wool out of first hands. Totalitarian States have developed a system of subsidisation of their manufactured goods which is difficult to combat. By the maintenance of high internal prices which compensate low export prices they can ship to countries like Great Britain materials of creditable construction and design, at prices many pence below first mill costs here. Up to now this kind of competition has been restricted mainly to woollen dress goods but were it to extend to other fields without check it would have the direct effect of limiting the volume of imports of Australian wool into this country by the manufacturers concerned. In short, whilst a temporary advantage is gained by the wool producer in sales of a portion of the clip at advanced prices a reduction of competition from other directions is likely to more than off-set the immediate advantages.

INCREASED USE OF BURY WOOLS

Instant demand for wool fabrics at low fixed prices which has developed during the past decade, is having the effect of redistributed wool demand. Every type of wool which will yield even fractional advantages in clean costs is being very carefully considered as a prospective cheapening element, and a gradual change in the character of wool trading and manipulating in centres like Bradford is discernible. The most noticeable feature is the increasing use of shorter tops for the production of which burry wools can be utilised. The newer combing plants in Bradford and district have either been erected or converted to treat such material and it must be said that this enterprise in adapting methods to markets has met with outstanding suc-

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increase in the number of Schlumberger combs running in both commission and private combing establishments, which have hitherto concentrated on the Noble comb. One of the largest commission combing firms in Bradford decided to put in a limited number of French combs as an experiment. They have found that whilst they had great difficulty in keeping 90 per cent. or so of their Noble combs employed, these French combs have run day and night since they were installed. They have more than doubled their French combing plant since the first experiment and are of the opinion that they have nowhere near reached saturation point.

NEW ROYAL YACHT.

The new Royal yacht in place of Victoria and Albert—provision is made for it in the new British Estimates—will be an oil-fired ship. She will be about the same tonnage as, or possibly slightly smaller than, Victoria and Albert. The decision to build her is no surprise to those in Court circles, where it has been urged for a long time that

DEAD WOMAN WRITES A BOOK.

Praise From "Beyond" For Mr. Chamberlain.

(From A Special Correspondent By Air Mail).

LONDON, March 4. In a remarkable book which spiritualists claim was dictated by Lady Zoe Caillard from beyond the grave, Mr. Neville Chamberlain is praised for his peace efforts. A psychic instrument known as a Communicograph was used. Lady Caillard, who died in 1935, was the wife of Sir Vincent Caillard, famous financier and a director of Vickers. He died in 1930. Lady Caillard writes: "I thank God we gained a respite from the horrors of war—gained by the magnificent work of Britain's Prime Minister."

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ON THE LAND.

INGHAM NOTES.

INGHAM, March 14.

The weather over the week-end was very hot and on Sunday afternoon a storm worked up and just after six o'clock real gale conditions prevailed and although the wind only lasted for a few minutes, while it did it blew with great force. It appeared as if we were going to get quite a lot of rain but after raining for about 15 minutes it ceased. Again on Monday morning another storm worked up and although heavy rain was experienced for a few minutes, it also was of short duration. Up to 9 a.m. on Monday morning the rainfall registered at the Ingham Post Office was 80 points. It is another hot day to-day and in all probability we will experience another storm to-night.

We now enjoy a complete and continuous water supply and it is understood that the local Shire Council will officially take over the Water Scheme to-morrow (Wednesday). It is understood that the scheme has been completed within the estimate and although there is still some cleaning up and painting to do the Tower residents of the town, for the first time, will enjoy an uninterrupted supply of water.

The local Ambulance reports a slack period over the week-end so far as serious accidents are concerned and the only case was that of Miss Collinson, an employee of the Tru-bonne Hotel, who over-balanced while cleaning a fanlight and falling through sustained a severe laceration of the left arm. After attention she received medical attention and was admitted to the General Hospital.

The Member for Kennedy (Mr. C. G. Jesson) has received a communication from the Minister for Works (Mr. Harry Bruce) that the Main Roads Commission has been authorised to carry out the following works—Hinchinbrook Shire: Northern Highway No. 8 (Ingham—Cardwell Road) deviation, clearing and grubbing, final trimming, surface formation, earthworks, re-inforced concrete pipes, land resumption and resumption surveys, etc., 14,000ft. to 23,050ft. Thuringowa Shire: Mt. Spec (Townsville—Mungabulla Section), tourist road: Final trimming, re-inforced concrete pipes, metalling, 157,300ft. to 164,700ft., 178,900ft. to 192,200ft., 192,400ft. to 201,208ft. (a total of 30,418ft.).

The new Ingham hospital was taken over yesterday and the patients moved over, and the staff members are now very pleased with their new working conditions.

In the Summons Court at Ingham on Friday last before Mr. A. E. George, P.M., Plain Clothes Constable Charley Donaghue proceeded against William Richard Thomas Morris on a charge of having wilfully and unlawfully damaged a three-barbed wire fence. Sergeant Patch prosecuted and defendant pleaded guilty and elected to be dealt with summarily. Sergeant Patch stated the facts were that on the 22nd February some horses were impounded by the Hinchinbrook Shire Council's herdsmen from off the road and several were not released. The horses were advertised for sale as they were unclaimed and until the day of the sale they were kept in the pound paddock adjacent to the pound yard. The herdsman visited the paddock regularly and while the horses were there on the 4th March when he visited the place on the 6th March they had disappeared and he also found that the fence had been cut. A complaint was made to the police and Plain Clothes Constable Donaghue after making investigations, questioned the defendant. At first defendant denied that he had interfered with the fence but later admitted that he had visited the paddock at midnight on the 5th March and cut the fence to get the horses through. Defendant was convicted and fined 10/- and ordered to pay 10/- being the estimated costs of

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Two vigorous teams from Townsville journeyed by special motor last Sunday to play against local teams. The local Royals completely routed the Castles and defeated that team by an innings and 38 runs. Miss M. Fowler carried the honors for the Royals scoring 17 and securing most of the wickets. Misses Ballard and Harrison did best for the visitors. St. Patrick's, of Townsville, were too good for the Endeavors, and won by 20 runs. Miss Finn, with 10, won the trophy presented to the highest scorer and Miss Oliver did best with the ball, while for Endeavors Misses N. Fenoglio and E. Kelly scored seven each and Miss Markey secured most wickets.

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