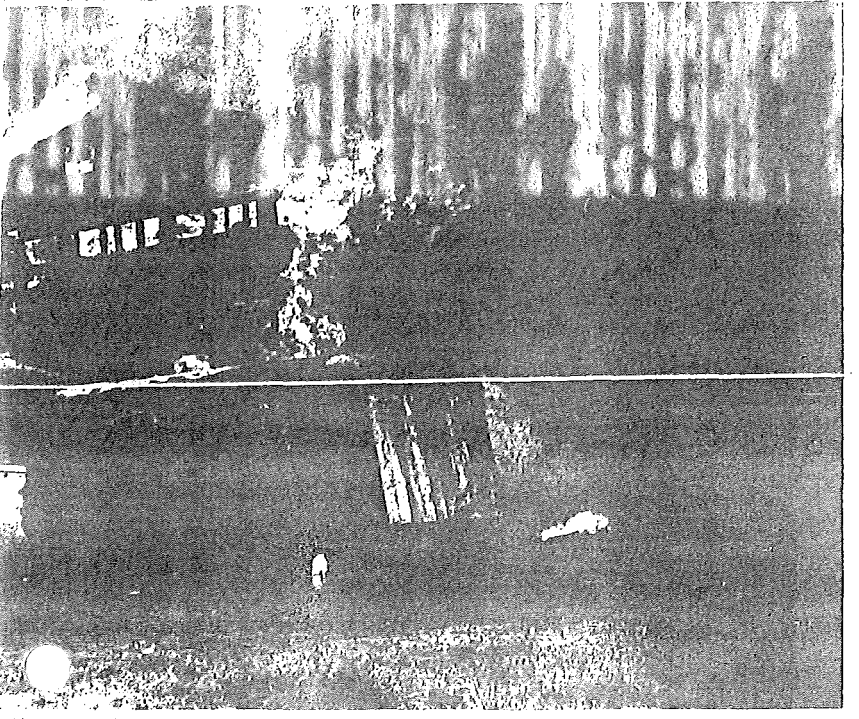


RAILS PARK BLAZE UNCOVERS TWO MORE "SQUATTERS"



VENDING MACHINES Investigation Of I.V.M. Group Co

The State Government yesterday appointed Mr V. H. Cohen, senior auditor of the Auditor-General's Department, to investigate the affairs of Automatic Merchandising (N.S.W.) Pty. Ltd.

The company is one of several which are controlled by the International Vending Machines Pty. Ltd. group of companies. He is expected to receive his appointment to investigate the activities of the company...

PARRAMATTA GIRLS' HOME

Had For Open Inquiry Beaten

An Opposition move in the Legislative Assembly yesterday for a full and open inquiry into the administration of the Parramatta Girls' Training School was defeated.

A motion by Mr K. M. McCaw (Lib., Lane Cove) calling for the inquiry was defeated on party lines by 47 votes to 39.

Speaking against the motion the Premier, Mr Heffron, said the question could be regarded as sub-judice because the Public Service Board had suspended an officer at the school and was holding an inquiry.

When the inquiry had ended he would arrange for the Minister for Child Welfare and Social Welfare, Mr F. H. Hawkins, to make a statement to the House.

Mr McCaw's motion was: "That in the opinion of this House a full and open inquiry should be set up to inquire into all aspects of the conduct of the Parramatta Girls' Training School and with particular reference to:

- "1. The conduct of men in charge
- "2. The ability of female staff to speak English and understand and be understood by inmates.
- "3. The use of isolation cells.
- "4. The training curriculum.
- "5. The desirability or otherwise of high walls and barred windows.
- "6. The delay in implementing psychiatric treatment for an inmate."

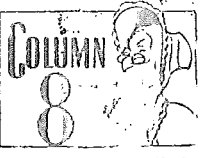
A full and public inquiry was the only thing which could allay public anxiety, Mr McCaw said.

The Premier, "As one who took over Parramatta when it was something in the nature of a shambles and built up over 12 years to what it is today... (Opposition) tonight."

Mr Heffron "All right, but I can look back on a period of 16 years without an inquiry taking place during which I got many members of this House out there to see what was being done."

Examination Of Lunatics

It is proposed to take a full and open inquiry into the administration of the Parramatta Girls' Training School and with particular reference to the examination of lunatics.



HEFFRON'S HEAD-ACHE

The board is a round million pounds in the red, and, unless the Premier comes to the rescue smartly, there just won't be any mains for Mr Landa's housing development at Hoxton Park-Green valley.

The only sign, left of reckless largesse at 341 Pitt Street is the free bubbler fountain at the entrance.

REPORTERS who met members of the Japanese trade mission at Mascot yesterday addressed their questions through an interpreter. But one Japanese on the tarmac spoke good English with a rugged Australian accent.

Not surprising, really, for he was Mr Ken Hirodo, an Australian-born Japanese, educated at Mosman Public School and now a wool-buyer. He was a member of the incoming committee.

BEFORE going for her driving licence test Mrs Les Davies, Peakhurst, made sure she had all the answers.

But somehow they came out differently. She should have said that when approaching a railway crossing you slow down 100 yards to 15 m.p.h.

What she did say was: "At 15 yards, away you slow down to 100 miles an hour."

But they know what she meant.

TRIBUTE. "Only the Prime Minister and yourself have set me on this," Mr Ted Hampton writes from Bendigo, Victoria, enclosing a copy of a letter to the editor of Harry's News on "Our Andy's Own Way".

The original has been forwarded to Mr. Menzies. How are the boys of the party?

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