

# New Year Honours

1934

## FIVE NEW PEERS IN BRITISH HONORS

### Sir William Morris Included PRIME MINISTER'S FRIEND

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The British New Year honors list includes peerages for the following:—

**Sir Evelyn Cecil**, a director of the Southern Railway, chairman of the Foreign and Colonial Investment and other trust companies. He is a cousin of the Marquis of Salisbury, Viscount Cecil, Lord Hugh Cecil, and the Bishop of Exeter (Lord William Cecil).

**Mr. Godfrey Elton**, political secretary of the National Labor Committee, who was expelled from the Labor Party for having supported Mr. MacDonald. He is a personal friend of Mr. MacDonald, and will reinforce the tiny MacDonald group in the House of Lords.

**Sir Bertram Falle**, a lawyer, Conservative member of the House of Commons for North Portsmouth since 1918.

**Sir William Morris**, chairman of Morris Motors, Wolseley Motors, Morris Industries, and other companies.

**Sir Douglas Newton**, Conservative member of the House of Commons for Cambridge Borough since 1922.

Other honors include:—

**Knight of the Garter**.—Lord Stanhope, Under Secretary of State for War since 1931.

**Grand Cross Victoria Order**.—Lord Harewood, son-in-law of the King.

**Privy Counsellors**.—The Aza Khan (Sultan Sir Mahomed Shah), head of the Ismaili Mohammedans and noted racehorse owner.

**Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru**, Indian lawyer and landowner and president of the Indian Liberal Federation.

**Lord Stanley**, heir of Lord Derby, Conservative member of the House of Commons for the Fife Division of Lancashire since 1922, Parliamentary and Financial Secretary to the Admiralty since 1931, and a member of the Imperial War Graves Commission.

**Baronets**.—Major Ralph Glyn, Conservative member of the House of Commons for the Abingdon Division of North Berks since 1924, and Parliamentary private secretary to the Prime Minister since 1931.

**Mr. Osmond d'Aviesdor-Goldsmit**, chairman of the Tourbridge division of the Conservative and Unionists' Association since 1909, president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews (the Jewish Parliament) since 1926.

**Sir William McLintock**, member of the Glasgow Institute of Accountants and Actuaries, who acted on the Royal Commission on Income Tax, the Racecourse Betting Control Board, and other Government commissions.

**Mr. P. J. Pybus**, Minister of Transport since 1931.

#### Canadian Decision

The "Times" says:—It would be regrettable should there be anything like a party controversy regarding the re-appearance of Canadians in the honor list. The Canadian House of Commons in 1919 voted against further titular distinctions, but the conditions then existing are gradually disappearing and the Prime Minister (Mr. Bennett) has decided to abandon the self-denying ordinance. In the case of Canada every Prime Minister is handicapped when the question of finding recognition for such an officer as a Lieutenant-Governor of a province or a judge of the Supreme Court arises. In such cases the only real alternative to honors is money, which means either extravagance or corruption.

#### M.B.E. For Anglican Sister In Western Australia

PERTH, January 1.

The only Western Australian in the New Year honors is Miss Katherine Mary Clutterbuck (Sister Kate), on whom M.B.E. (civil division) has been conferred. She recently concluded 30 years as head of the Parkerville Children's Homes, where, as the result of her work, 200 boys and girls have been brought up. She had previously worked among London children, and is now conducting a sanctuary for half-caste children. Sister Kate is a member of the Anglican sisterhood.

## WORK FOR PATRIOTIC CAUSES

### Mr. Abe Shannon's Generosity

Few South Australians have contributed more generously to patriotic and Imperial enterprises than has Mr. Shannon, who has been awarded the O.B.E. His first work in this sphere was done at the time of the Boer War. Mr. Shannon is a son of the late Mr. David Shannon, of Mercula. His home, "Kingscourt," from which he gained the title of "Squire of Kingscourt," was named after his mother's birthplace in Ireland, and is situated



MR. ABE SHANNON, O.B.E.

six miles south of Eudunda on a tableland overlooking Hanborough and Hampden, with the Anlaby Range in the distance.

In recognition of his support to funds during the South African War, Mr. Shannon was presented with the horse Bugler, by means of which previously many thousands of pounds had been raised in aid of the Bushman's contingent. Mr. Shannon gave more money to this enterprise than any other individual. During the war, Mr. Shannon went to South Africa, and there worked indefatigably on behalf of wounded soldiers, sending many of them to leading hotels at Cape Town and Durban, and paying their entire expenses while they were recuperating. Because of his great service to the British cause in the war, Mr. Shannon was presented to King Edward and Queen Alexandra.

During the Great War, Mr. Shannon, although rejected for active service, did voluntary war work in the hospitals in France. He held the rank of honorary captain in the Australian Red Cross. Equally tireless were his efforts after the war to ensure the safe return of troops, and last year he was presented with the Certificate of Merit by the R.S.L. He was founder of the Angorichina Hostel for tubercular returned men. He provided the means of floodlighting the Soldiers' Cemetery at West terrace, and gave large contributions to the fund for the erection of headstones on the soldiers' graves in conformity with those in British war cemeteries abroad.

Mr. Shannon is the patron of the Boy Scout movement in Eudunda, and is a member of the council of Toc H.

The Premier (Mr. Butler) said he was glad that Mr. Shannon's patriotic services had been recognised. He was largely instrumental in sending to England the South Australian Trade Commission (Mr. McCann). In many ways Mr. Shannon had shown great generosity. His patriotism and intense desire to do something for the Empire and for the commendation of all.

Squadron from 1930 to 1931, and commanded the Third Battle Squadron in 1932.

#### SIR GILBERT DYETT

Sir Gilbert Joseph Dyett was elected Federal president of the R.S.L. in 1919, and has been re-elected at each annual congress since. Since the war he has been a leading figure in all returned soldier activities, not alone in Australia, but throughout the Empire. He enlisted at Bendigo in September, 1914, was wounded at Lone Pine, Gallipoli.

## CANBERRA GIRL M.B.E.

### "Recognition Of Work Of Girls In The Service"

CANBERRA, January 1.

"I feel it is a recognition of the splendid work done by all the girls in the service, and, in that spirit, I accept it gladly," said Miss Marjory Grosvenor, M.B.E., the Prime Minister's confidential typist today. Miss Grosvenor is the first woman member of the public service whose name has figured in an honors list.

"I certainly cannot imagine what I have done personally to be so honored," added Miss Grosvenor, "but, needless to say, I deeply appreciate the wonderful kindness that prompted it. Now I will have my time cut out living up to it."

Miss Grosvenor is one of the most popular girls in the service, and her Canberra friends are delighted at the recognition given to their sex. "Marjory is a wonderful girl to work with," said one of her companions today. "It may sound funny, coming from another girl, but Marjory certainly can keep a secret—I suppose that is why she holds the job she does. She is the soul of tact and discretion, and never offends anybody in the process."

Miss Grosvenor is an accomplished athlete, and spends most of her week-ends playing tennis. Tonight Miss Grosvenor's friends are giving a theatre party in her honor, and later she is entertaining them at a New Year's night party at the home of Mr and Mrs. Don Nicholson.

## New Zealanders Honored

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), January 1.

New Year honors conferred on New Zealanders include the following:—Knights Bachelor—Major-General William Sinclair Burgess, General Officer Commanding Military Forces, and James Trevellyn Grose, general manager of the National Bank of New Zealand, C.M.G.—Professor Robert Alexander, director of the Canterbury Agricultural College, Commander of the British Empire—C. A. Knowles, private secretary to the High Commissioner in London for the past 20 years.

## NEW KNIGHTS

### SIR JOHN HIGGINS

Sir John Higgins was chairman of the Central Wool Committee from its inception in 1916 to the completion of its work in 1932. During the war he was also the Commonwealth metallurgical adviser. Probably, he is best known for his work as Australian chairman of the British Australian Wool Realisation Association, Limited, from 1921-1926. The dealings in wool and sheepskins handled by the Central Wool Committee, under Sir John Higgins's guidance, amounted to £242,639,899 and were conducted in an honorary capacity without cost to the Commonwealth.

### SIR GEORGE HYDE

Vice-Admiral Sir George Hyde has been First Naval Member of the Commonwealth Naval Board since 1932. He was born at Portsmouth, England, in 1877, and joined the Royal Navy, later transferring to the Royal Australian Navy. During the war he was second in command of H.M.A.S. Australia, and later commander of H.M.S. Adventure, and Flag Captain to Admiral Sir Lewis Bayly in 1918. He was commodore commanding the Royal Australian

pool, being invalided from the service in 1916. At the end of that year, Sir Gilbert Dyett became organising secretary of the State recruiting committee of Victoria, and continued in that capacity until the Armistice. He was also a member of the central committee, which organized the War Loans. He was leader of the Australian delegation to the conference of returned soldier organisations within the Empire, held in Cape Town in 1921. He was R.S.L. representative at the American Legion Convention at New Orleans, United States, in 1922, and leader of the Australian delegation to the first biennial conference of the British Empire Service League in London in 1923. He was chairman of the third biennial conference of the League in London in 1927.

### SIR LANGER OWEN

Sir Langer Owen was born in 1852, and is a son of the late Sir William Owen, for many years a Judge of the New South Wales Supreme Court. He was educated at Oxford, and was called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn in 1883. He was admitted to the bar in New South Wales in 1889, and became a Justice of the Supreme Court in 1922, retiring in 1932. Recently he acted without fee as Royal Commissioner in the Commonwealth Performing Rights Enquiry, and arbitrator between the Federal and Victorian Governments, the subject of compensation to British migrants.

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**Mr. J. Webster, C.M.G.—Mr. Webster,** an honorary member of the R.S.I., has occupied this post with success since 1923. Before the war, he was an secretary to Launceston. He travelled in 1915 and served in Egypt and France, being seriously wounded in April, 1917. He was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and was awarded the French Croix de Guerre with palm, in April, 1917.

**Mrs. Daisy Bates, C.B.E.—Mrs. Bates** is probably the most unique woman in Australia, having sold her property and lived alone among the aborigines of the Golden Water, South Australia, as a welfare worker since September, 1914.

**Mr. R. A. O'Shade, C.B.E.—Mr. O'Shade** has been in the public service since 1927 to 1931, and again in 1931. He is a member of the firm of Gill, O'Shade and Coeg, solicitors, of Sydney.

**Mrs. Lucy Hallenstein, O.B.E.—Mrs. Hallenstein** did notable work during the war as president of the R. K. D. Soldiers' League and other similar societies. Since its inception 14 years ago, she has been honorary secretary to the Alfred Hospital Auxiliary, Melbourne, and is connected with many other charitable and social organizations.

**Mrs. J. E. P. Sawyer, O.B.E.—Mrs. Sawyer** is State president of the Commonwealth Women's Association New South Wales, of which she was a founding member in 1922. In 1929 she organized the "Wear More Wool" campaign.

**Mr. W. W. Threlfall, O.B.E.—Mr. Threlfall** is a journalist, and served on the staff of the "Sydney City Herald". He became a member of the Commonwealth Government under Mr. Traill in 1926, and was intelligence officer to the Italian delegation to the Imperial Conference in London in 1930. He became the leader of the United Empire Club in 1931, and when the latter became Prime Minister, Mr. Threlfall became private secretary and Commonwealth publicity officer in charge of the Cabinet Secretariat, which position he relinquished his resignation to the Prime Minister when he re-joined the Premier's journalism at the end of January.

**Mr. J. H. Grover, M.B.E.—Mr. Grover** is a confidential trustee of the Prime Minister, having joined the staff in 1928 since when he has acted in an capacity to enter, serve, and assist in under Mr. Bruce, Mr. Scullin, and the confidential work for the Prime Minister. Mrs. Grover is a lady of the Federal Club.

**Mrs. S. Hayes, M.B.E.—Miss Sarah Hayes** is a scientist and a founder of the Sydney University and is a founder of the Federal Club, Sydney. She is president of the Randwick Women's Social Committee, and a past president of the Coogee and Randwick branches of the U.A.F. She was the first woman biologist appointed to a government position.

**Mrs. Marion, M.B.E.—Mrs. Marion** received her early training at Bartlemans Hospital, London. She came to Australia to reside with her brother, the Rev. Sidney Marston, who was one of the founders of St. James Church, King Street, Sydney.

**Mrs. M. A. Waters, M.B.E.—Mrs. M. A. Waters** is a prominent public figure in the star field of the...

New Knight's Station

**SYDNEY, Monday—**"Dalkett" will come into even greater prominence now that Sir Frederick McMaster has been included in the New Year honours list. This station can be ranked as one of the greatest in Australia.

It has a wonderful career, there is a large swimming pool, and the tennis courts completely satisfied the world champion, Kellawell Vines, when he played on them last year.

Sir Frederick and Lady McMaster have their own talkie equipment, which shows them all the principal films that come to Australia.

The McMasters were particularly interested in the talkie, "The Squatter's Daughter," as a great part of it was filmed at their station.

Of all the wonders of this station, they are proudest of David, a giant merino ram, who brought them no less than 5,000 features at a Sydney sale.

Features of Local

Honors List

**CANBERRA, Monday—**One of the features of the New Year's honours is that 14 out of the 24 distinctions conferred are to retired members of the Public Service.

The number of women to receive honours is, as usual, notably large, in view of the comparatively small list. In every case, however, the honor has been conferred for well-merited local or philanthropic service.

Particularly appropriate is the C.B.E. conferred on Mrs. Daisy Bates, who, at an advanced age, is still carrying on her life work of sacrifice and devotion among the blacks at Ooldea Water, South Australia, without financial assistance or reward of any kind.

She lived 35 years among the blacks since 1913, and she got a slender estate with a small income from the proceeds of her property, which she sold years ago in order to free herself from work among aborigines.

This income is supplemented by earnings from her work among aborigines.

Recently Mrs. Bates was given a short holiday at Canberra at the invitation of the Commonwealth, and it was suggested at the time that she should receive a related appointment. But the matter did not go any further.

Included in New Year Honors



TOP (from left)—Vice-Admiral Sir George Hyde, first member of the Australian Naval Board; Sir Gilbert Dyke, Federal president of the R.S.I.; Sir Frederick McMaster, a New South Wales pastoralist and philanthropist; and Sir Lancelot Owen, a former judge of the New South Wales Supreme Court. Beneath—Sir John Higgins, K.C.M.G.; Mrs. Daisy Bates, C.B.E. (civil division); Mr. Abe Shannon, O.B.E.; and the Postal Director (Mr. H. E. Brown), who had the C.M.G. conferred on him.

**Parliament House, Canberra.** Mr. Sparkes retired last year, after 25 years as Parliamentary housekeeper. He was previously sent attached to the House staff since 1901. Mr. Mitchell is the present incumbent of the position of principal clerk, Mr. McMillan was principal clerk in 1929. He now lives at Kew, a suburb of Melbourne. Mr. Mitchell is a member of the House of Representatives since 1929. He was principal clerk when he retired in June this year, since 1901.

MR. LYONS HONORS PERSONAL STAFF

Awards Already For Chauffeur And Messenger

**CANBERRA, December 31.** Mrs. Marjorie Grover, M.B.E., the Prime Minister's confidential typist, has the distinction of being the first woman member of a public body to receive an honor.

A pretty blonde, with a witty disposition, Mrs. Grover was overcome to learn when informed that her name appeared in the honors list. By a good fortune, however, Mr. Threlfall, the Prime Minister's secretary, who in the ordinary course would have given Miss Grover the draft honours list to type some days ago, managed to conceal from her the fact that her name was included by typing portion of the list himself.

Mrs. Grover, of course, had to be sounded on her days ago whether she would accept the honor, but she never really knew what her name and name any further.

Mr. Threlfall, who has himself received an honor in today's list, had the unique experience of being the only man in the honours list who has ever handed out the names' mechanism of his own making. In addition to taking a shorthand note of the Prime Minister's conversations with the Government, Mr. Threlfall had to deal with all the communications with the Government general and the British authorities referred to the list. He was the one person in the list who knew from the start exactly what honor he would receive.

Mrs. Sparkes and Mrs. McMillan, the three former Parliamentary clerks, who received the Imperial Service Medal, were the only persons in the list to whom their honours came as a surprise. It is not necessary to enlighten the recipient of this honor beforehand in the case with the higher distinctions.

With the recognition of Miss Grover and Mr. Threlfall, Mr. Lyons has now secured Royal honours for every member of his secret staff. His chauffeur, Mr. Childrey, and his chauffeur, Mr. Tracy, received minor honors last year.

Canadians To Be Honored Despite Resolution

**OTTAWA, December 31.** Recommendations have been made to confer Canadian honours on members of the New Year list of honorees and awards conferred by the King. The honorees included in the list are: Sir John Higgins, K.C.M.G.; Mrs. Daisy Bates, C.B.E. (civil division); Mr. Abe Shannon, O.B.E.; and the Postal Director (Mr. H. E. Brown), who had the C.M.G. conferred on him.

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