DUNSTAN'S BUSH FIRE GUILT
WARNING OF 1939 IGNORED BY STATE MINISTRY

TWENTY PEOPLE HAVE BEEN BURNT TO DEATH, 500 HOUSES DESTROYED AND THOUSANDS MADE HOMELESS IN ONE OF THE WORST FIRE CATASTROPHES IN VICTORIA.

About 1,000,000 sheep, 30,000 cattle and a large number of pigs and fowls have been lost at a time when men and women are urgently needed for our fighting men and our Allies.

Yet the Country Party Premier of Victoria, Mr. Dunstan, declares: "No good purpose will be served by holding post-mortems regarding the disastrous fires."

ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN BY THE DUNSTAN GOVERNMENT TO CARRY OUT ITS PROMISES. WHAT ABOUT THAT? OUR GOVERNMENT ALWAYS REFUSED TO CARRY OUT THE RECOMMENDATIONS.

TITO NEEDS AID

L-Let. Dodder, now at Chir, who has been attached to Marshall Tito's staff for 21 years, reported on January 16 that the Yugoslav Army was facing 50 German satellite divisions on seven fronts: "These German divisions are engaged in occupying our army in every front, except the Russian," he said.

"The Jugoslaevs are fighting without heavy artillery, anti-aircraft guns or tanks. Allied planes are apparently in use on this front, but they must be backed up with a continuous stream of aerial war materials of all kinds.

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Union Challenge To A.L.P. Expulsion

The Central Executive of the Victorian A.L.P. last week advised the State Railways Union that it had "forfeited" its affiliation with the Labor Party by permitting its chief officer, Mr. J. J. Brown, to speak as an individual on any political platform he desired.

At its meeting on January 22-23, the Council disagreed unanimously with the A.L.P. Executive and decided to lodge an appeal to the A.L.P. National Conference so that the Union could demand its democratic rights.

It was further unanimously resolved that the A.R.U. pay its affiliation fees to the A.L.P. and thus prevent any argument being used against the Union that it was not legally entitled to be present at the Conference. These fees had not been paid pending the decision of the A.L.P. Executive.

FIGHT FOR DEMOCRACY.

The A.R.U. executive decided to have a for-commission office on the fight for democracy inside the A.L.P. as this Union, which is a powerful factor in the A.L.P. in this State, especially in the country, should be able to lend all the muscle it has to the fight for the right to determine their own affairs.

This arises from a decision of its Annual Conference does not allow any of its officers to speak against, or endorse Labor candidates as official of the Union, but neither does it allow any of its officers at any time from exercising his right.