

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 Euclunda 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 Euclunda, 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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Sir Frederick McMaster is a leading New South Wales pastoralist and stud-master, and in recent years has performed signal services in assisting research into sheep problems, having erected a laboratory for work by the Commonwealth at a personal cost of £20,000. He is a member of the Council of the Royal Agricultural Society of New South Wales and president of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research. He is noted for his philanthropy, and has made substantial gifts to many charitable organisations. Some time ago, when there was a shortage of rams throughout the State, he presented 500 rams to the State Government for distribution to the needy settlers.

Sir Charles Merrett is the president of the Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria, which will inaugurate the Centenary celebrations this year with its annual show at Flemington. He has held the position since 1915, and has been a member of the Council of the Society for more than 30 years. He has been a member of the State Employment Council since it was inaugurated in 1922. Almost all his life Sir Charles Merrett has been interested in rifle shooting, and he has been chairman of the Commonwealth Council of Rifle Associations since 1921. He was the manager of the Baker team of 1914 and 1922. He commanded in turn the 10th, 11th, and 25th Victorian Light Horse regiments, and retired in 1920 with the rank of colonel. During the war he was engaged in selecting applicants for the officers' training schools. His present civic activities include membership of the South Melbourne Council, and representation of that council as a Commissioner on the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works. He was a member of the Town Planning Commission. He is managing director of Welch, Ferrin & Co. Pty., general merchants.

OTHER HONORS

Mr. H. F. Brown, C.M.G.—The Postal Director (Mr. Brown), who is 55, has had a meteoric career, having risen to the controlling position in the Commonwealth postal system after having started as a youth as an engineer's assistant in the postal office at Newcastle, England. In 1910 he was given control of the London city central and trunk exchanges, and later was made responsible for the internal construction work of the telephone system of Great Britain. In 1914 he helped to reorganise the Indian telephone and telegraph system. On his return to England he took over emergency telephone arrangements for home defence purposes, which included anti-aircraft gun stations, and control equipment warning systems, and submarine communications. Installations for all Government departments, and telegraph and telephonic area systems for military use in case of invasion. In 1922 he was selected to advise the Commonwealth Government in a large Post Office works programme, and in 1923, on the retirement of the then head of the department (Mr. Coxhead) Mr. Brown was appointed to this position, which he has held since.

Captain F. H. Marriot, C.M.G.—Capt. Marriot was born in London in 1876 and was superintendent of railroads and roads construction in the United States from 1897 to 1902. Since 1903 he has been farming in Tasmania. He was blinded in action in 1917. He has been a member of the House of Assembly since 1922. Capt. Marriot is

FIVE RAISED TO PEERAGE

One Sir William Morris

BRITISH HONORS

("News" Special Representative)

LONDON, December 31

FIVE new peers are in the list of British new year honors, announced today. Of these the one best known to Australians is Sir William Morris, the noted motor car manufacturer, who visited Australia several years ago.

The others are Sir Evelyn Cecil, Sir Bertram Falle, Sir Douglas Newton, and Mr. Godfrey Eilon. Sir William Morris is chairman of several big motor companies in England and many other similar organisations overseas.

Sir Evelyn Cecil is the eldest son of the late Lord Hugh Cecil. He has been a member of the House of Commons continuously for 21 years, and has held many important political positions. He has also sat on many important commissions. In 1926 New South Wales paid him the compliment of calling him to the bar at Sydney.

Sir Douglas Newton, who is chairman of the National Agricultural Council, had a long career in municipal life.

Sir Bertram Falle was formerly a judge at the active tribunal, Cairo, and has been a member of the Commissions for Portsmouth since 1910.

Mr. Godfrey Eilon was formerly dean of Queen's College, and last year was political secretary of the National Labor Committee.

Other new year honors are:—

PRIVY COUNCILLORS

The Aga Khan, noted Indian statesman and sportsman.

Sir Taj Bahadur Saps, prominent Indian barrister. President of the Indian Liberal Federation.

Lord Stanley, Parliamentary and financial secretary to the Admiralty.

BARONETS

Major Ralph Glyn, Parliamentary private secretary to the Prime Minister.

Mr. O. E. d'Avignon-Goldsmit, prominent Jewish lawyer, President of the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

British-born Sir William McCintee, retired. Served in Egypt, Sudan, South African war, and Great war.

Mr. J. Sykes, National Liberal member of the House of Commons.

KNIGHT OF GARTER

Earl Stanhope, Under-Secretary of State for War, was Parliamentary Secretary to the War Office in 1918.

GRAND CROSS OF THE VICTORIAN ORDER

Earl of Harwood, Princess Mary's husband.



Sir Wm. Morris

