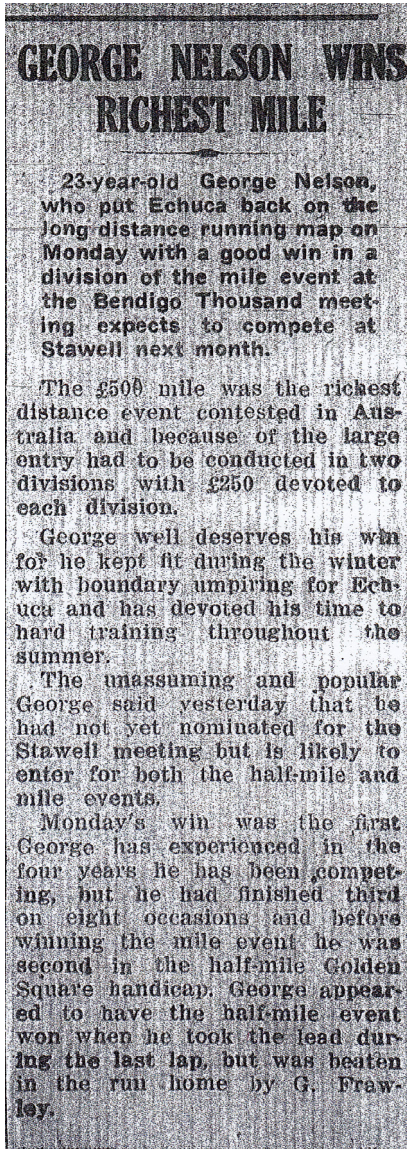


## Appendix Three: 'George Nelson Wins Richest Mile'



News Article Caption: 'George Nelson Wins Richest Mile'.

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GEORGE NELSON

His winning margin in the  
mile event was the smallest ever  
recorded at a Bendigo Thousand  
meeting and was the result of  
determination, for about a fur-  
-long from home he was headed  
by one of the backmarkers, but  
he fought on to regain the lead.

Total winnings for George dur-  
ing the day were £180 of which  
he gained £160 for first place  
in the mile event. He did not  
back himself in either event, but  
a few district people recouped  
the money they lost when he fla-  
shed second in the half-mile  
event during the afternoon.

George said yesterday after-  
noon that he intended to con-  
-tinue running for another couple  
of years and will again be run-  
ning as boundary umpire in the  
Bendigo League this season to  
keep himself fit. He was definite  
that he would not be playing  
football this season.

Money won by George on Mon-  
day will go towards the deposit  
on a house. He is married with  
one child and lives in High  
Street.

Richards was the recipient of  
many gifts from the branches.  
Mrs McCrabb, in thanking Mrs  
Richards for chairing the meet-  
-ing, said Mrs Richards had given  
a lead in many different ways  
during her term of office and  
carried out her duties in a gra-  
-cious manner.

Mrs Fry, of the Leitchville  
branch thanked the Lockington  
members for their hospitality  
and this was seconded by the  
Koyuga branch.

## UNFURLING THE BANNER

AFTER the election of office-  
-bearers, Mrs Wellington  
unfurled the banner of the  
group.

Explaining how the idea of  
the banner originated Mrs Well-  
-ington said that during her term  
of chairman of Handicrafts and  
Home Industries she suggested  
that each group should have a  
banner so that at State confer-  
-ence banners of all groups could  
be hung from the balcony of the  
Exhibition building and this  
would make a colorful sight.

She said the idea was a long  
time reaching fruition but it gave  
her pleasure to unfurl the first  
banner for the Echuca group  
four years after the suggestion  
was made and to commemorate  
21 years as a group.

She told the meeting that the  
Echuca group broke away from  
the Goulburn Valley group 21  
years ago when the meeting was  
held in Victoria Park and chair-  
ed by Mrs McAdzean.

In those days the Goulburn  
Valley group covered a vast area  
from Cobram to Murchison and  
had one group president on State  
executive. The area is now di-  
-vided and represented by four.

These are:

- Echuca group.
- Central Murray group which  
embraces the new soldier  
settlement of 60,000 in the  
Cobram, Nathalia, Numurkah  
area.
- East Goulburn Valley.
- West Goulburn Valley.

## MADE BY CRAFT WORKERS

The banner which Mrs Well-  
-ington unfurled was made by craft  
workers of the group and in each  
of its four corners was depicted  
the interests of the association.

Each member who helped with  
the banner was called and she  
stood to receive the applause of  
the members.

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Cra C. J. Coon (Echuca) r  
ed out that the only cond  
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There were many queries  
ing was it given by Mrs Dorv  
for craft only.

Mrs Adam (Torrumbarry)  
the smaller branches had  
chance of winning it if it was  
stricted to craft as their num  
are so small they did not h  
the same chance as big  
branches with more craft w  
ers to choose from.

Coburn branch, which mo  
the motion, said they want  
something concrete on the bo  
as there now was confusion al  
it.

The motion of only one or  
per branch was carried.

## Reports from branches

ALL branches in, their re  
ports told of interest  
speakers visiting them during  
the year, craft activities, par-  
-ticularly dressmaking which  
proved so popular and the  
help they had given to the  
various C.W.A. funds they  
supported.

Some of the branches divul-  
ged many interesting sidelights  
C.W.A. activities.

● Torrumbarry showed t  
association is ever ready to c  
tend the helping hand for sho  
ly after a family in the distri  
had their home completely de-  
stroyed by fire the branch or-  
-ganised a kitchen tea and each  
party to help them replace son  
of the goods they lost.

● There must be many civ-  
-ilised members in the Deni-  
-quin group (could this be the i-  
fluence of Alderman McCrabb?)  
for due to the efforts of th  
branch bread deliveries were r-  
commenced in the town. Th  
branch succeeded where mat-  
other people had failed.

● Rochester townspeople a-  
working hard to build a swim-  
-ming pool and the Rochest-  
branch have assisted them wi-  
their project. This branch's mai-  
object is to establish a C.W.A.  
room in the near future.

● Is it possible that Tongal  
branch find it "easier by the do-  
-en"? They have adopted a larg-  
family of twelve mentally i-  
children and also accord suppo-  
to both the Echuca and the To-  
gala hospitals.

● Leitchville branch thought  
of the aged during the year an-  
entertained district womenfol  
over 70 years-of-age to a part-  
● We think that Mrs Nichola  
of Malthous, spoke for ever  
branch when she said, "C.W.A.  
continues to be a source of goo-  
to our small community."

News article: Bendigo Mile win.

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