

COURT REPORTS

Pedestrian gets record damages

SYDNEY, Monday. — An Australian record award of \$301,076 has been given to a pedestrian injured two years ago.

In the NSW Supreme Court today, the Chief Justice at Common Law, Mr Justice Taylor, awarded the damages to Mr James William Arkley, 51, of Unaderra.

Mr Arkley, who was chief radiographer at Wollongong Hospital, was struck by a car as he crossed King Street, Warragong, near Port Kembla, about 8.30pm on January 12, 1973.

Mr Justice Taylor found that the driver, Mr Robert Brian Kelly, of Warilla, had been driving too fast and had failed to keep a proper lookout.

Mr Arkley's spine and ribs were fractured, he suffered severe head injuries and received compound fractures of both legs.

Charges of assault

Mr James Karoly, 31, chief of Chubb Street, Latham, appeared in Canberra Petty Sessions yesterday on two charges of having assaulted a policeman and one of having been in possession of a car he knew to have been stolen.

The police prosecutor, Constable Pat Leonard, said it would be alleged that Mr Karoly had attacked Detective Sergeant M. A. Keating and Constable P. A. Bur-

bidge with a knife while they were questioning him on Saturday.

Constable Leonard said it would be alleged that Mr Karoly had stolen the car from Avis Rent-A-Car in November last year.

Constable Leonard did not oppose bail, but sought a surety of \$500.

Mr Karoly, CM, remanded Mr Karoly on \$600 bail with a similar surety until June 2 on condition that he reported to the police twice a week.

No plea was entered.

Alcohol offences

Among people who appeared in Canberra Petty Sessions yesterday charged with having driven with more than the prescribed concentration of alcohol in their blood were:

Mr Pavo Gvozdanovic, 41, bricklayer, of Collingwood Street, Queanbeyan, who was fined \$150 and had his driver's licence cancelled when he was found guilty of an offence on the Monaro Highway on December 29, 1974. He had a breathalyzer reading of 0.100 per cent.

Mr Victor Hlevjak, 27, labourer, of Burrendong Street, Duffy, who pleaded guilty to an offence in Commonwealth Avenue last November 17. Mr Kilduff, CM, fined him \$120 and suspended his licence for six months.

His breathalyzer reading was 0.240 per cent.

Mr John King, 20, butcher, of Warragong, who was fined \$180 and had his licence suspended for 12 months.

He pleaded guilty before Mr Kilduff to an offence on Commonwealth Avenue on May 13. His breathalyzer reading was 0.140 per cent.

Mr Raymond Lewis Barrett, 48, labourer, of Bell Street, Griffith, who was fined \$120 and had his licence suspended for six months.

He pleaded guilty before Mr Kilduff to an offence in Walker Crescent last June 15. His breathalyzer reading was 0.170 per cent.

Milk bottles stolen

SYDNEY, Monday. — Instead of milk on their doorsteps this morning some residents of the North Shore and the Eastern Suburbs of Sydney found notes saying their milk had been "redirected" to more needy people.

The note read, in part, "Dear householder, this is to inform you that it was not your milkman who failed you."

"Your milk was delivered but has been redirected."

"While you were snoring in your cosy bed Sydney members of the Dairy Liberation Fund struck."

"This activity is in conjunction with simultaneous action interstate."

A spokesman for the DLF said today the milk had been stolen to aid people in the outer suburbs of Liverpool and Green Valley areas. It had been given to Aborigines and to women whose husbands had left them.

MELBOURNE, Monday. — The DLF today carried out its third raid in recent months, taking milk bottles from houses in several fashionable suburbs, including the houses of the Premier, Mr Hamer and Mr Justice Woodward.

Some of the bottles went to the Fitzroy Creche, with a note: "A gift from people whose lives are easier."

Treating wild animals

SYDNEY, Monday. — Many Australian veterinary students have been shown how to deal with emergencies involving lions, tigers, dolphins and snakes.

They were shown how to anaesthetise a lion, do a blood test on a dolphin, treat a tiger's gashed leg and handle any type of snake.

About 150 students from all States attended a demonstration of those skills today at the African Lion Safari at Warragamba. They are in Sydney for the Veterinary Students Association convention.

Today's demonstration was by Dr Ron Hynes, of the Sydney University Veterinary Clinic at Camden, and the Safari's resident veterinarian. His specialty is exotic animals.

The purpose of the demonstration was to show the students how to treat exotic animals.

Dr Hynes showed how to anaesthetise a lion with a dart gun.

One of the Safari's tigers was involved in a fight recently, badly gashing one of its legs.

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Fine only for import of STP

SYDNEY, Monday. — Importation of the drug known as STP to Australia carried only a monetary fine, the Special Federal Court was told today.

Mr Smyth, SM, was told it was the first time STP (dimethoxyamphetamine) had been seized in Australia.

Mr Smyth said STP led to depression, panic and suicidal behaviour as well as genetic problems. He said it was a danger to serenity, tranquility and peace.

Parcels at exchange

Before the court was Mr Dallas Llewellyn Lewis, 28, unemployed, of Neutral Bay, charged with having imported the drug on April 29 and again on May 2 and again on May 13.

Mr R. T. Volkman, a Customs officer, said that on April 29 this year and again on May 2 parcels were intercepted at Sydney Airport. The parcels were addressed to Mr F. Johnson Cremorne Junction.

Mr Volkman said the parcels found to contain 16 sheets of blotting paper ruled into 3,000 squares of the drug.

Mr H. Woltering, for the Crown, said that according to the United States Department of Justice the LSD had the same effect as LSD but was more intense and lasted for three to four days.

Mr Lewis pleaded guilty to all charges.

He was fined the maximum of \$1,000 on each charge, in default of which he would be imprisoned for 206 days on each offence. He was allowed 21 days to pay.

Law list

Before Mr Justice Fox in No 1 Courtroom at the ACT Law Courts today were:

Hearing: Re Graeme Smith's Furniture City Pty Ltd and the Companies Ordinance (1965) (part-heard).

Insurance 'up every 6 months'

SYDNEY, Monday. — Thousands of NSW motorists face the prospect of increases in comprehensive motor-vehicle insurance rates every six months.

The manager of the NSW Government Insurance Office, Mr R. M. Porter, said today that this situation could arise because of the continuing "frightening" increase in the cost of smash repairs.

His forecast follows last week's announcement of increased charges for third-party insurance.

Third-party premiums were increased by 41 per cent for cars and 50 per cent for motor cycles.

Mr Porter said more frequent increases in comprehensive cover were inevitable because of the spiralling cost of smash repair parts and labor.

He said that in the past it was not unusual to have premiums unchanged for up to two years.

The last increase in comprehensive insurance by the GIO was in February, the one before that in September last year.

Queanbeyan base for new Catholic welfare scheme

A Queanbeyan-based survey of social-welfare needs of children at 10 southern NSW Roman Catholic schools is to be given \$12,000 from the Schools Commission, under its disadvantaged schools program.

The Minister for Education, Mr Beazley, announced the grant yesterday along with other grants totalling \$40,197 for assistance to schools in Canberra-Goulburn, Sydney and Wagga.

The \$12,000 grant will enable social welfare staff to work as a team under the direction of Catholic Community Welfare, in conjunction with the Catholic Education Office of the diocese.

The resources and services of Catholic Community Welfare will complement the work of the team based in Queanbeyan.

Areas of need

The plan is to identify areas of need and formulate initiatives to meet the needs of the 1,300 or so children at the schools, St Gregory's High and St Gregory's Primary, Sacred Heart Primary and Marist Brothers Primary (all Queanbeyan), the St Joseph Schools at Bombala, Delegate, Eden and Nimmitabel, St Francis Xavier's School at Lake Cargelligo, and St Mary's School, at Murrumbidgee.

Problems to be investigated include those associated with high levels of migrant population, disturbed families and the limited educational expectations of the children.

There are few community services available in the areas at the moment and none equipped to deal with deep-seated family and personality problems.

The Catholic Education Office for the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn is to decide, on a needs basis, what parish schools in the NSW section of the archdiocese will share a Federal grant of \$362,949.

The grant is for second term recurrent expenditure. Similar grants have been made to other areas of NSW and to other States.

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MPs 'blame media'

PERTH, Monday. — A tendency existed among some Federal Labor politicians to blame all their faults on the media, the president of the ACTU, Mr Hawke, said today.

Speaking at a Press Club luncheon, he said the media would be wise to set up an internal body for dealing with complaints, rather than have it imposed from outside.

In a brief address, Mr Hawke said he thought the current high rates of inflation and unemployment could get worse and the solution was not simple, as often suggested by the Federal Opposition.

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