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As you can see our Journal is taking shape at last. By keeping from each issue the "Tree of the Month" page and the natural history notes, it will in time be possible to build up quite a useful book. We will submit this issue to the P.M.G. and request that it be registered for transmission through the post as a newspaper. It will be necessary to alter the Constitution by the addition of the clause shown below. If you cannot get to the next meeting, please record your vote to the motion on the space at the bottom of this sheet, tear it off and send it to me or to any of the executive in time for your vote to be counted at the meeting.

You will recall that we protested to the Minister for Lands when we learnt that he intended granting a quarry lease over portion 77 straddling Singles Ridge Road at the Gap. The Minister very reasonably deferred the granting of the lease to give us time to make a wildlife survey of the area. Beyond a well-founded suspicion that lyre-birds were living on the land, we could offer no cogent argument, and the lease has now been granted. This is unfortunate, because 66 acres will be effectively ruined for a long time to come. But almost as unfortunate is our failure to prevent this destruction because we do not know what wildlife value is on this, or any other, piece of land in our area. When similar circumstances arise, let us hope we will not be so impotent.

At the April meeting, Mr. Frank Martin showed some slides illustrating the beauties of the National Park. Next meeting, on May 11th., Mr. Ormsby of Linden will speak to us on reptiles found in the Blue Mountains. In June, Miss Marie Baldwin is going to speak on the geology of the Blue Mountains.

In line with our aim of educating everybody who will listen, we are organising a film night on May 13th. at Springwood Primary School. The P. and C. Association are behind us, and provided we can publicise it properly, it should be quite a success. Films tentatively chosen for the children are "Natures Half Acre", "Where the Pelican Builds Its Nest", "Menura", "Egretta" and "The World is Born". We shall sell programmes and split the profit with the P. and C.

The motion is - "Moved to amend the Constitution by the addition of the following to the Aims;--

- (5) To publish a periodical to be known as KALORI. Issues to be made at least quarterly and all copies posted to the private addresses of members or contributors will be forwarded regularly. The price of 5 cents per issue to be included in the annual subscription or contribution. Sixty cents per annum from each members annual subscription or contribution shall be set apart for the Journal and be separately accounted for in the Annual Balance Sheet and be duly audited."

Next Meeting 11th May

G. Croghan
Hon. Sec.

I vote in favour of the motion.
against