

## **Mr. Arvid John Soderberg**

Mr. Arvid John Soderberg, aged 54, who died suddenly at Border Cliffs on December 16, was an honoured member of the Renmark Sub-branch of the RSL and the flag over the club-room flew at half mast during the day. Deceased was born at Helsenkie, Norway, and was a sailor who followed in the foot steps of his father, Captain Soderberg, commander of a number of vessels in a long sea career. Mr. Soderberg had worked in Renmark for some time before World War I broke out, and enlisting early, served for four years in the 32nd battalion in Egypt and France. He was badly gassed, and this affected him all his life and eventually caused his death. He was one of the best known fishermen on this part of the river. Comrades round the graveside spoke of him as a man who was hon-

of him as a man who was honoured and respected by all who knew him. He had been a fisherman since he returned from the war.

The Rev. G. Williams (Church of England) performed the funeral rites. Comrades from the RSL Sub-branch, headed by the president, Mr. R. P. Bennett, placed red poppies of remembrance on the coffin, which was draped with the Union Jack. Mr. A. T. Anderson recited the solemn RSL ritual.

Deceased married Miss Katie Patey, and leaves five children. They are Dorothy (Mrs. Ruediger), Helena (Mrs. Fiegert (Loxton), William, John, and Kathleen. The funeral took place on December 17. Chief mourners were members of his family and members of the RSL. Pall bearers were Messrs. F. Quarrel, F. Quigley, W. Lane, and F. Mosel. Mr. R. Douglass made necessary arrangements.

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## **Mr. J. Eckermann, Paringa**

Mr. Jack Eckermann, who passed away at Paringa recently, was born at Saddleworth. With the exception of 5 years in which he resided at Gawler, he had been a farmer all his life. In February of 1928 he settled at Pyap in the Loxton district and was there until 1941 when together with his eldest son, he went to Paringa on the farm of Mr. W. Stoeckel. Since that time he had been in failing health. Mr. Eckermann was 61, and he is survived by his wife, three sons, Garry (Paringa), Ben (Loxton), and Herman (AIF), three daughters, Dora (Mrs. Stanitzki, Loxton), Mona (Mrs. Erwin Arnold, Loxton), Margret (Mrs. Theo. Anderson, Loxton) and 12 grandchildren. His remains were laid to rest at Loxton, officiating ministers being Pastors G. and O. Backen. Pall bearers were Messrs. T. Schuster, C.

Hanish, W. Theile, H. Modis-  
tach, C. Quast and A. Kassulke.  
Many of his late friends paid  
their last respects. Mr. Eck-  
ermann was exceptionally well  
known in the Loxton district  
and had always taken a great  
interest in everything connected  
with the Pyap settlement.

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