

## Appointment of Dr. W. E. George

On behalf of all at Z.C.-N.B.H.C., we extend a hearty welcome to Dr. W. E. George, who has accepted the appointment of Chief Medical Officer to the Australia-wide organisation of Consolidated Zinc Pty. Ltd. Dr. George's first concern will be to inspect the Group's various activities, in order to familiarise himself with existing conditions. He will then proceed on an overseas tour, and after a thorough investigation will be making recommendations on the prevention of industrial disease and the improvement, where necessary, of working conditions.

Dr. George has already encountered a number of Z.C. personnel during recent underground inspections, undertaken as part of his observation programme. But to very many Broken Hill citizens he is well known through his previous long experience with local industry.

He first came to Broken Hill in 1923, shortly after the Technical Commission which led to the establishment of the Bureau of Medical Inspection, and for some time he assisted the then Government Medical Officer, Dr. Finlayson. In 1926 he assumed full responsibility for the local Bureau, and he continued here until 1947.

In that period he made extensive investigations into industrial diseases. In 1930 and 1938, he attended I.L.O. conferences on pneumoconiosis at Johannesburg and Geneva as N.S.W. Government representative. In 1945 he travelled to the U.S.A. and Canada, and his report on the use of aluminium in the treatment of pneumoconiosis was



published by the N.S.W. Government. Later, in 1950, he was Chairman of the I.L.O.'s conference on dust diseases in Sydney. In 1947, Dr. George joined the N.S.W. Joint Coal Board, with the responsibility of organising a Medical Division. He remained with the Coal Board until accepting his present position with Consolidated Zinc Pty. Ltd.

Throughout his long medical career, which has been devoted to investigation of various aspects of industrial disease, Dr. George has retained a jovial outlook and a keen sense of humour. To the investigation of our Group's working conditions, he brings a long medical experience and an easy manner which few could equal.

## Our Cover



This month's cover photograph shows where nearly a thousand Z.C. - N.B.H.C. people enjoyed their Christmas holidays — Largs Bay Holiday Camp, Adelaide, South Australia.

In the foreground is the railway line near Draper station, and some of the Outer Harbour installations appear in the background.

Campers may readily identify the tents they occupied, and some of them will recognise a certain tree, under whose spreading boughs some pleasant little evening parties were held.

We tell our readers much more about the Camp in following pages.

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