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NORWOOD HIGH SCHOOL.

The Head Master, in introducing Mr. Dunstan, said that while with some, he would be referred to as the Hon. Donald Dunstan, Premier of South Australia, there are always other titles. In Norwood, he was known as Don Dunstan and he had always taken a great interest in Norwood High School and they wanted him to feel that in coming to Norwood High, he was coming to a place where he had many friends. Whereupon the Premier said that he was always delighted to come to Norwood High, having been the Member for the district for some 15 years. He knew many of the children present at Norwood High today and had known them since they started school and had watched with interest and pleasure their progress through the schools in the district.

As to the Head Master's opening remarks that he was not a very formal sort of chap and when people required that he be greeted with formal titles, his reply was that he didn't much like formality, and that when the day came when some small child from Norwood Demonstration School didn't call out across the street to him "Good Day Don" he would think that something had gone wrong.

The school had an extremely fine record of scholastic and athletic achievement and he wanted to pay a tribute to the great work of the School Committee. He had known many of them for many years, but he could not remember a time when Mr. Cottrell, the Chairman of the School Committee had not been associated with school activity somewhere in the district, and he and Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Richards, and members like them had given enormous service to the district and to the school and had enabled him to get a satisfactory result, and when he approached the Minister of Education for a subsidy for the Norwood High School Assembly Hall he had been delighted with his Government's introduction of subsidies for Assembly Halls

for the first time in the history of the State, and naturally enough had been keen to get a subsidy for the Norwood High School. He had sent a Minute to the Minister of Education saying : "Please make me happy and let me have a subsidy for the Norwood High School in the first subsidy grants for assembly halls", and the Minister had sent back a Minute saying "I am glad to be able to make you happy. Norwood was first in the field of all High Schools with applications for assistance for an Assembly Hall, and therefore with a perfectly clear conscience I can ensure that you get the subsidy money you ask for."
