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FEATURESSYDNEY'S HEART IS IN THE  
WRONG PLACEBy JOHN KENNY *briefed  
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*Sydney would not be fearfully calculating the cost of tunnels and additional bridges if Governor Phillip had chosen a site for his settlement a few miles further up the harbour.*

IN the Drummoyne-Abbotsford-Fivedock area, town planners, beset with the difficulties of solving Sydney's developmental problems wistfully see what would have been the ideal site for the city's centre.

There they would like to rebuild the city centre if an atom bomb destroyed it, or if, because present trends are not halted, the frustrated citizenry has to abandon it in 50 years or so.

Phillip, of course, might have done worse by the future by choosing one of the possible sites east of Sydney Cove—Woolloomooloo Bay, Rushcutter Bay, or Double Bay.

Sydney Cove was not the only site with a supply of fresh water, but, as well as this, it had other advantages which appealed to Phillip—a sheltered anchorage; possibilities as a defensive position, with views up the main channel of any approaching ships; sufficient distance from the sea for protection against surprise attack; and immediate backlands suitable for settlement.

SO Phillip chose wisely for the demands of his immediate situation and also for the vision he had of a future city—if the city, with accumulated surrounding development, had remained confined within a radius not exceeding six miles.

Sydney, however, became the major port and main manufacturing centre of a nation. Australians acquired an intense desire to own their homes in suburbs sprawled miles into the hinterland.

Sixty per cent. of the metropolitan population found employment in the city centre; and the port and maritime services of a State developed on the edges of the city centre.

Planners with the Cumberland County Council, who are trying to regulate the development of Sydney, believe they would have a much easier task if the city centre was further up the harbour in the Drummoyne-Abbotsford-Fivedock sector.

This area would be nearer the geographic centre of existing development, and travelling times for workers in the city centre would be more evenly balanced. Bridge building would be cheaper and easier.

Port development could still have been placed in the Darling Harbour area and its environs, and the harbour and Parramatta River would be a greater asset to the inhabitants and users of the city centre.

SUBURBAN development would have followed different patterns with more of the population living on the north side of the harbour and in the Lane Cove Valley, now a neglected area between the ribbons of development along the ridges which the North Shore and Epping railways follow to Hornsby.

Decentralisation of industrial, administrative and commercial activity to the North Shore would have taken place and would not be starting now.

The city centre would have developed more satisfactorily directly to the south because Botany Bay would not have been an obstacle.

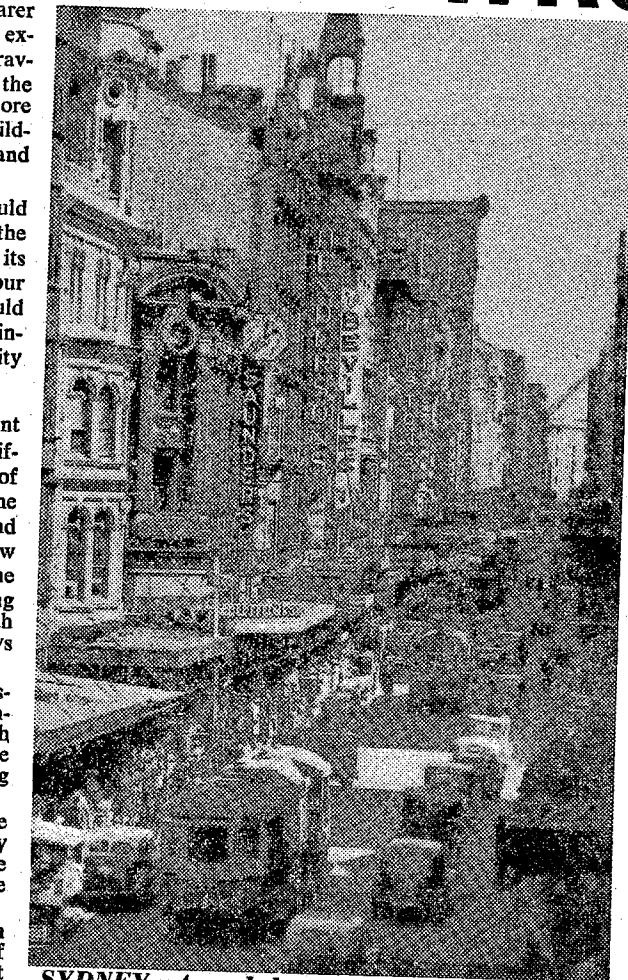
In practical consideration of the future development of Sydney, town planners do not discard the possibility of the city centre shifting through the normal processes of evolution and decay of its parts, which can become clogged with congestion, and unsuited to modern demands.

Such a shift, they believe, could be to the section between the Town Hall and Central Railway, in which a large area will become available for trade and commerce when the markets move to a new site.

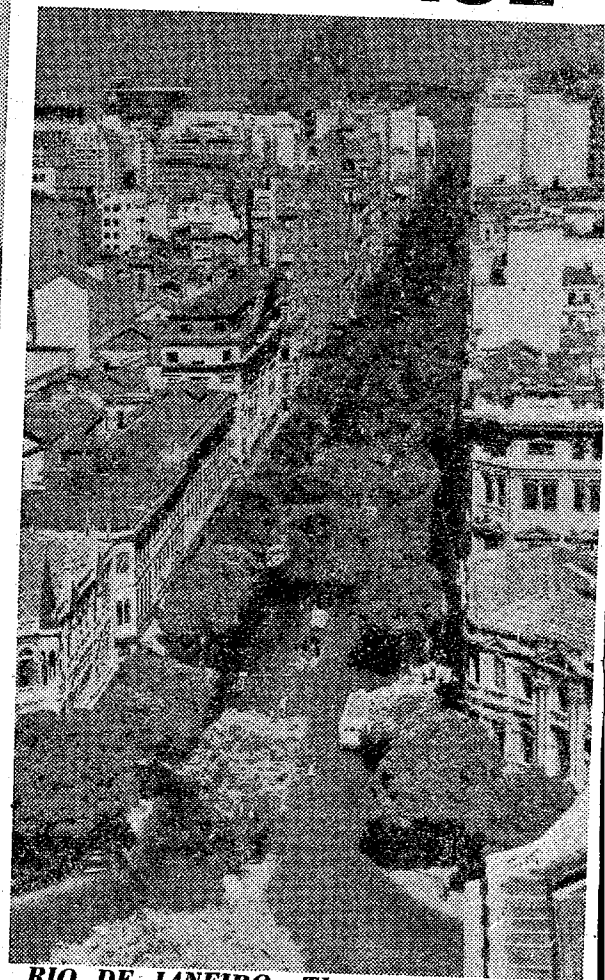
THE unrealised possibilities of Governor Phillip's site are Sydney's shame. Charles Darwin, the great naturalist, saw them in 1836, when Sydney had a population of 20,000.

Darwin wrote: "In the evening I walked through the town and returned full of admiration for the whole scene. This is a most magnificent testimony to the power of the British nation."

"Here in a less promising



SYDNEY: A peak hour scene in Pitt Street. Traffic congestion in the city area is one of the many problems facing civic authorities. A contrast is the scene on the right.

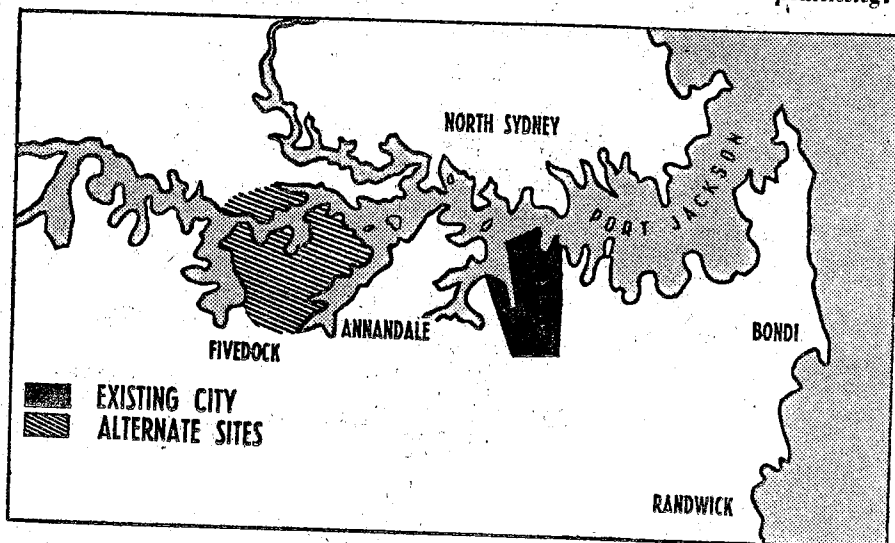


RIO DE JANEIRO: The wide, tree-lined Avenida Rio Branco, main thoroughfare of a city similar to Sydney in climate and location—but far ahead in civic planning.

country scores of years have done many times more than an equal number of centuries have effected in South America. My first feeling was to congratulate myself that I was born an Englishman."

Some of the South American cities Darwin derided later realised their possibilities with magnificent squares and boulevards, while Sydney cluttered its harbour and ocean frontages, and plundered its dedicated open spaces.

Now instead of Sydney having a green belt around the city centre, as Adelaide has, the Cumberland County Council is attempting to save something from the fiasco by creating a green belt for the whole metropolitan area 15 to 20 miles from the city centre.



The map shows the present location of the business and industrial centre of Sydney, and indicates an alternative site which might have been chosen.

# CONNOLLY PROFIT UP

## Rise Of 34 p.c.

Consolidated profit of J. Connolly Ltd., engineer, at 34,306 for the year ended June 30, is an increase of 8,628, or 34 per cent. The profit is after £18,310 (up £5,218) and £3,652 depreciation.

Ordinary dividend, raised from 8 to 10 per cent., requires 9,750, less than one-third the profit.

Preference charge, 5 per cent., is £1,500.

After £15,000 is placed to serve (£5,000 last year), and £4,000 written off patents, carry forward is £12,220 (up £4,056).

Profit is equal to 32.6 per cent. on ordinary capital, after paying the preference dividend.

Sales increased appreciably in the latter half of the year, directors state.

This high level has been maintained since June 30.

# Aust. B. Metal Profit Up

Consolidated net profit of Australian Blue Metal Ltd. £107,981 for the year ended June 30, is an increase of £17,886, or 20 per cent.

Dividend remains at 10 per cent.

The result is after £64,300 (up £5,945) and £55,000 depreciation (up £5,500).

Dividend requires £50,000, or less than half the profit.

Earning rate on ordinary capital is 21.5 per cent.

Carry forward is £101,576 (up £57,981).

The demand for the company's products and services is increasing, directors state.

# APPLETON IND. EXPORT TRADE

Expansion of export business had meant considerable expenditure for Appleton Industries Ltd., said the chairman, Mr. T. A. Hiley, at the annual meeting in Brisbane.

The company was the largest manufacturer of louver windows in the world and was conducting the largest export business in that product. Competition on world markets was hampered by the fact that competitors in the U.S.A. and Europe could command adequate raw materials, tempered to their own requirements.

The company had found it necessary to outlay capital on annealing mills and galvanising plant because these supplies were not available in this country.

# MORE TURNOVER FOR SUPERTEX

Directors of Supertex Industries Ltd. expect increased turnover in the current year.

The company is distributing direct to retail stores, the annual report states.

This policy had an adverse effect on turnover during the last six months of last year.

Consolidated profit for the year ended June 30, as already published, £36,100, a fall of £19,041.

# Radio Programmes

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27  
7 a.m. to 8 a.m.

2FC: Wake Up and Listen; 7.15, Breakfast Session; 7.45, News.  
2BL: Orchestra; 7.10, From the Bible; 7.15, Melody; 7.45, News.  
2GB: Music; 7.15, Railway Information; 7.30, Rhythm; 7.45, News.  
2UE: Music; 7.30, Weather, Music; 7.44, News; 7.56, Music.  
2UW: Melodies; 7.45, News.  
2CH: News; 7.15, Harmony; 7.45, News.

2SM: Just for To-day; 7.30, Fats Waller; 7.45, News.  
2KY: Music; 7.20, Top Tune; 7.25, Music; 7.45, News; 7.50, Musical Comedy Spot.

8 a.m. to 9 a.m.  
2FC: Popular Entertainers; 8.15, Hospital Half-hour; 8.45, Serial.  
2BL: Melody; 8.30, Orchestral.  
2GB: Choice of the People; 8.25, Children's Story; 8.30, Serials.  
2UE: Music; 8.20, Little Pals; 8.24, Music; 8.45, His Heritage.  
2UW: Music; 8.30, Serials.  
2CH: Hit Parade; 8.15, Kid-dies' Corner; 8.30, Requests; 8.45, New Releases.

2SM: Playmates; 8.15, Music; 8.30, Sterling Programme; 8.45, Lottery.  
2KY: Entertainers; 8.30, Music.

9 a.m. to 10 a.m.  
2FC: Yours for the Asking; 9.45, Play It Again.  
2BL: Famous Pianists; 9.20, Time for Music; 9.30, Kindergarten; 9.55, Sacred Music.  
2GB: Serials; 9.30, Aspro Show.  
2UE: Serials.  
2UW: Serials.

2CH: Hymns; 9.15, Old Fashioned Gospel Message; 9.30, Women's League.

2SM: Home Folks; 9.45, Greeting Time; 9.55, Home Folks.

2KY: Music.

10 a.m. to 11 a.m.  
2FC: 10.15, Orchestral; 10.30, Women's Session.

2BL: Schools Service; 10.15, Concert.

2GB: Painting the Clouds with Sunshine; 10.30, Housewives' News; 10.35, Melody.

2UE: Serial; 10.15, You and Your Child; 10.30, Newscast; 10.32, Knock on any Door.

2UW: Serials; 10.45, Women's News Service; 10.50, Morning Devotions.

2CH: Music; 10.15, Devotions; 10.30, News; 10.32, Music.

2SM: Home Folks; 10.45, News.  
2KY: Mid-morning Melodies.

11 a.m. to Noon  
2FC: Music; 11.15, Correspondence School; 11.25, Schools.  
2BL: Symphony Hour.

2GB: 11.10, Notice Board; 11.15, I'm On Your Side (Eric Baume); 11.30, Strictly Private.

2UE: Ken Stone; 11.15, Bouquet of Music; 11.30, News; 11.32, Ken Stone.

2UW: Serials.  
2CH: A Man and His Music; 11.30, At Ease; 11.45, Voluntary Workers.

2SM: Music; 11.15, Bankstown Programme; 11.30, Around the Town; 11.45, Piano.

2KY: Music; 11.15, Women's Session.

Noon to 1 p.m.  
2FC: Country Hour; 12.30, News.  
2BL: Song Time; 12.15, Mid-day Melody.

2GB: Macquarie News; 12.30, News Service; 12.45, Serial.

2UE: Raffles; 12.15, Personality Parade; 12.30, News; 12.40, Music; 12.45, Music and Money.

2UW: News; 12.15, Cookery Nook; 12.30, Music; 12.45, Confidential to Mothers.

2CH: Del Cartwright; 12.15, News; 12.30, Del's Diary.

2SM: Angelus; 12.4, Sacred Heart; 12.15, Music; 12.30, News; 12.45, Music.

2KY: Lunch with St. Meredith; 12.30, Top Tune; 12.45, Sunnyside of the Street.

1 p.m. to 2 p.m.  
2FC: "Blue Hills"; 1.15, Composer; 1.30, News; 1.45, Music.

2BL: 1.15, Notes on the News; 1.23, Stock Exchange; 1.30, Young Australia; 1.45, Afternoon Prelude.

2GB: Northern Suburbs Presents; 1.30, News; 1.32, Music; 1.45, A Star Sings.

2UE: Invitation to Song; 1.30, Music.

2CH: Community Chest; 1.15, Church Service; 1.45, Music Has Meaning.

2SM: Calls; 1.15, Pops; 1.30, Spinning Favourites; 1.45, Music.

2KY: Aust. Composition; 1.30, Universal Favourites.

2 p.m. to 3 p.m.  
2FC: Housewives' Choice; 2.30, Nature Study; 2.45, Let's Dance.

2BL: For the Music Lover; 2.57, Parliament.

2GB: Storyteller; 2.15, Our Town's Choice; 2.55, Housewives' News.

2UE: Music; 2.30, News; 2.32, Music.

2UW: Sewing Circle; 2.15, Serials.

2CH: Let's Talk It Over; 2.30, Variety; 2.45, Music.

2SM: Music; 2.45, Greeting Time.  
2KY: Peter Bergin; 2.30, John Harper.

3 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
2FC: Where Old Friends Meet; 3.30, Old-time Ballroom.

2BL: Parliament.

2GB: Eric Parratt Calling.  
2UE: Call from UE; 3.30, News; 3.32, Call from UE.

2UW: Serials.  
2CH: The Music Shop; 3.30, News; Music.

2SM: Music.  
2KY: John Harper; 3.30, Melody.

4 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
2FC: News; 4.15, B.B.C. News-reel; 4.30, Tunes of Our Land.

2BL: Parliament.

2GB: Lucky Number; 4.30, Teen Time.

2UE: Melody Lane; 4.15, Kembra Races; 4.20, Melody Lane; 4.30, News; 4.32, Little Pals; 4.45, Rumpus Room.

2UW: News; 4.10, Blind Appeal; 4.15, Drama; 4.30, Star Parade.

2CH: The Music Shop.

2SM: Music; 4.15, News; 4.20, Birthday Calls; 4.30, Uncle John's Gang.

2KY: Melody; 4.30, Variety.

5 p.m. to 6 p.m.  
2FC: Children's Session; 5.55, Stock Exchange.

2BL: Parliament.

2GB: Teen Time; 5.30, Serials.

2UE: Rumpus Room; 5.45, Spinning Tops.

2UW: Star Parade; 5.30, Serials.

2CH: Children's Session; 5.35, Strings.

2SM: Teen Club.

2KY: Radio Record; 5.30, Dinner Divertissement.

6 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
2FC: "Blue Hills"; 6.15, Latest and Brightest; 6.40, Sporting; 6.45, Serial.

2BL: Melody; 6.30, Talk; 6.45, Piano Classics.

2GB: Serials; 6.45, News.

2UE: Spinning Tops; 6.15, Life Can Be Beautiful; 6.30, Smoky Dawson; 6.45, Serial.

2UW: Serials.

2CH: Serials; 6.59, What's On Tonight.

2SM: Angelus; 6.4, Top of the Evening; 6.45, The Best.

2KY: Dinner Session; 6.30, Redex Show; 6.45, State of the Nation; 6.50, Music; 6.55, Top Tune.

7 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
2FC: News; 7.15, A.B.C. Hit Parade; 7.45, Any Questions.

2BL: News; 7.15, News Commentary; 7.20, Question Time.

2GB: Frank and Archie; 7.30, Bunkhouse Show.

2UE: News; 7.10, Selkirk Pantom; 7.15, When a Girl Marries; 7.30, Feature.

2UW: News; 7.15, Serials.

2CH: News; 7.15, I Married a Russian Diplomat; 7.30, Music Quiz.

2SM: News; 7.15, Here's Health; 7.45, Great Waltz.

2KY: Dogs or Trots; 7.30, R. H. Gordon Show.

8 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
2FC: 8.15, Serenade; 8.45, News.

2BL: Parliament.

2GB: Jack Davey; 8.30, Play.

2UE: Strike It Rich; 8.30, Dangerous Interlude.

2UW: Vera Lynn Show; 8.30, Popular Choice.

2CH: Men of Music; 8.30, Concert Hall.

2SM: Strike It Rich; 8.30, Search for Talent.

2KY: Dogs or Trots.

9 p.m. to 10 p.m.  
2FC: News; 9.15, Orchestral.

2BL: Parliament.

2GB: Play (cont.); 9.30, Serial; 9.45, In Tune With the Times.

2UE: Reach for the Sky; 9.30, Fancy Free.

2UW: Concert Grand; 9.30, News; 9.45, Music.

2CH: Hit Parade; 9.30, Songs.

2SM: Music; 9.15, Recital; 9.30, Phil Furley's Old-time Dance.

2KY: Dogs or Trots.

10 p.m. to 11 p.m.  
2FC: Religious Talk; 10.15, Grand Organ; 10.30, Columnist of the Air.

2BL: Parliament.

2GB: This I Believe; 10.15, News; 10.22, Notice Board; 10.30, Stars Are Singing; 10.45, Australians in Music.

2UE: Music; 10.15, Fancy Free; 10.30, News; 10.40, Fancy Free.

2UW: Welcome Visitor; 10.15, Current Affairs; 10.30, Music.

2CH: News; 10.10, Interlude; 10.15, Report from London; 10.30, Dream Time; 10.45, Chapel Time.

2SM: Old-time Dance.

2KY: Dogs or Trots; 10.30, Toast of the Town.

11 p.m. to Midnight  
2FC: News; 11.20, Meditation and Music; 11.30, Close.

2GB: Tomorrow's News Tonight; 11.15, Close.

2UE: Fancy Free; 11.30, Close.

2UW: Starlight Serenade (continuous programme to dawn).

2SM: End of the Day.

2KY: Toast of the Town.



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