

# Sunshine Advocate

## Accident victim was keen church worker, Robert F. Newnham, Aged 32

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**ACCIDENT VICTIM  
WAS KEEN  
CHURCH WORKER**

A Sunshine man, Mr. Robert F. Newnham, who was killed in an accident on the Eppalock Weir, near Bendigo, last Wednesday was the son of the Rev. A. R. Newnham, L.Th. and Mrs. Newnham, of the Ballarat Town and City Mission and the Alexandra Babies' Home.

Mr. Newnham completed his secondary training at the Ballarat School of Mines, and joined the I.C.I at Ballarat. Some four years ago he was transferred to Deer Park. After a brief residence at Deer Park he moved to Albion.

He had a life-long association with the Methodist Church, and quickly entered into the activities of the Albion congregation.

At the time of his death he was the leader of the Young Men's Bible Class, and the leader of the Albion Pages' Court of the Methodist Order of Knights (a junior boys' club). He was also assistant organist.

He was widely known as a lay preacher, and took services in the Footscray, Newport, Yarraville circuits.

The high regard in which he was held was reflected in the large number of people from many walks of life who attended the services at the Albion Methodist Church and at the Crematorium.