Timaru Herald. 27 November 1906 (Papers Past) [04/11/2014]

One of the oldest identities on the wharf passed away about noon yesterday, in the person of Mr A. Schaab. For some few weeks past, Mr Schaab has been ailing from a serious strain and was in the care of Dr Bowe till death overtook him. Mr Schaab was an employee of the Harbour Board since its constitution about 30 years ago, and worked on the beach prior to that, and has always been an able and willing worker. He was an eye-witness to the wrecks which unfortunately took place on this coast in the eighties, and was one of those who was so prominent in the rescue work of the crews of the wrecked sailing ships. Deceased was engaged under the harbourmaster's staff in the mooring of ships of all kinds, and it was while in the performance of his duties that be was incapacitated through a strain from which he never recovered. Deceased was a popular figure on the wharves and all those with whom he had ever worked, speak in the highest terms of his wonderful energy. Deceased leaves a wife and a grown up family to mourn their loss, and much regret was felt in shipping circles when it was learnt that the oldest and much respected Harbour Board employee had died. The flags on the harbour offices were flown at half-mast yesterday out of respect for the deceased.

Timaru Herald. 19 November 1914 (Papers Past) [03/08/2023]

Last evening the members of the Sacred Heart Choir and St. John's Tennis Club met in Mr M. F. Dennehy's home, to bid farewell to Mr. M. Schaab. A very enjoyable evening was spent in a musical programme and various entertainments. During the night the Rev. Dean Tubman presented a handsome travelling bag and silver set of brushes from the members of the above societies. In a happy speech the Dean dwelt on the sterling qualities of the recipient, stating not only would the members of the clubs present miss him greatly, but the whole parish would be losers. Mr Schaab leaves by first express to-day to take up more important duties in Wellington.

NZ Tablet. 26 November 1914 (Papers Past) [04/08/2023]

The members of the Sacred Heart Choir and St. John's Tennis Club met in Mr. M. F. Dennehy's home in North street on Wednesday evening last to bid farewell to Mr. M. Schaab. A very enjoyable evening was spent, consisting of a musical programme and various entertainments. During the evening the Very Rev. Dean Tubman presented a handsome travelling bag and silver set of brushes from the members of the above societies. In a happy speech the Dean dwelt on the sterling qualities of the recipient, stating that not only would the members of the clubs miss him greatly, but the whole parish would be losers. Mr. Schaab left by the express on Saturday to take up more important duties in the General Post Office, Wellington.

Timaru Herald. 20 October 1915 (Papers Past) [03/08/2023]

A largely attended meeting of the St. John's Tennis Club was held in the Hall, Brown Street, last evening. At the opening the chairman and several members spoke of the pride they felt in having so many members doing their duty at the Front and expressed the hope that they would before long be back safe and sound. The names mentioned as serving their country at the Dardanelles were as follows: — F. Dennehy, S. Venning, F. McGrath, J. Sullivan, N. Quinn,

M. Schaab, J. Lynch, E. Burns and B. Fitzgerald. The officers elected for the coming season were: — Patron, Dean Tubman; president, Mr J. Venning; vice-presidents. Father Murphy, M. Mullins, E. Ward, J. J. Ardagh, Mrs M. O'Meeghan; secretary, Mr T. Doyle; committee: Misses Dennehy, Kane and Roseingrave, Messrs Venning, O'Leary, Virtue and Doyle. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr T. Dennehy, last year's captain and for the way he had brought the club along. It was decided to hold the opening day next Thursday and invite all outside players. The meeting closed with the usual vote to the chair.

NZ Tablet. 28 October 1915 (Papers Past) [04/08/2023]

The annual meeting of the St. John's Tennis Club was held in the hall, Brown street, on Tuesday evening last. There was a large attendance of members. At the opening, the chairman and several members spoke of the pride they felt in having so many members doing duty at the front, and expressed the hope that they would before long be back safe and sound. The names mentioned as serving their country at the Dardanelles were as follow: F. Dennehy, S. Venning, F. McGrath, J. Sullivan, N. Quinn, M. Schaab, J. Lynch, E. Burns, and B. Fitzgerald. The officers elected for the coming year were: - Patron, Very Rev. Dean Tubman; president, Mr. J. Venning; vice-presidents — Rev. Father Murphy, Messrs. M. Mullins, E. Ward, J. J. Ardagh, Mrs. M. O'Meeghan; secretary, Mr. T. Doyle; committee - Misses Dennehy, Kane, and Roseingrave, Messrs. Venning, O'Leary, Virtue, and Doyle. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. T. Dennehy, last year's captain and secretary, for his work on behalf of the club. The meeting closed with the usual vote to the chairman. The club opened its season on Thursday afternoon last in splendid weather. There was a good attendance of members and visitors from other clubs. Afternoon tea was dispensed by the ladies. The courts were in excellent order, and the sets were keenly contested.

Timaru Herald. 13 April 1917 (Papers Past) [03/08/2023]

Archdeacon Jacob writes, under date January 11: "I am now living at Oatlands Park Hotel - 1½ miles from Walton — which we have taken over, for 500 extra men, and ply up and down between the two places. We have about 840 patients now, and expect to have 1000[?] soon. There is not much to tell you as the work is always the same, though quite interesting. I can't get permission to build a chapel yet. We had a great Christmas Day, and every one had a great time. Dr. Unwin is of very great value here — I don't know what the hospital would do without him. He does about three men's work, and of course his skill and knowledge are invaluable; yet he keeps well, and has put on flesh. **Corporal Schaab, of Timaru**, is in charge of our Post Office here." Under date January 26 the Archdeacon writes: "I am hoping to build a church army hut here, if so I shall want £100 towards it; but the men at the actual front are those that need help most. I am hoping to get to France in the spring. My nephew, Roger Tempest (Priest), sails from England this week to join the Melanesian Mission. Will you ask the Missionary Association to remember him in their prayers for a few weeks? Mrs Jacob is well, still at Weymouth with her father, who kept his 89th birthday yesterday."

BULLS

Postmaster's Death

News was received on Saturday that Mr Schaab, postmaster of the Bulls office, had passed away in Christchurch at 9 p.m. on Friday. Deceased was in charge of the Bulls office for between three and four years, but owing to ill-health he was granted leave in June last, and for some months was an inmate of a hospital situated in the Cashmere Hills, Christchurch. Very deep sympathy is felt for his widow and one wee boy. The late Mr Schaab was a returned soldier, and an active member of the Bulls Bowling Club. His demise at the early age of 42 years is very sad indeed.