In Flanders' Fields
—by Colonel John McRae—

In Flanders' fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks still bravely singing fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
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Take up our quarrel with the foe;
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State President's Message

State Congress

The 72nd Annual State Congress of the Returned Services League, Western Australian Branch (Inc.), was officially opened on Saturday, 18 June 1988 at the Lord Forrest Hotel in Bunbury by the Governor of Western Australia, His Excellency Professor Gordon Field.

In my opinion it was the success story of the decade, and the Bunbury Sub-Branch and Women's Auxiliary of Bunbury are to be congratulated; without their cooperation it would have been impossible for the State Secretary and staff at ANZAC House to run the State Congress so smoothly.

Mandurah RSL War Veterans' Village

By the time you receive this issue of the Listening Post, the Village will be well and truly underway. Several more units will have been completed and the RSL Memorial Hall housing the social centre will be under construction.

Again, I emphasise that there will be only 21 two-bedroomed units, and I understand that they are selling reasonably well. Each unit will have a private courtyard, front and rear porch, a lockable external store-room, fly screens on all windows and doors, and an insulated roof. Each unit also has built-in robes and linen cupboards, plumbing and power points for a washing machine, television aerial point, telephone connection, and an emergency alarm system.

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The Broken Years: Australian Soldiers in the Two World Wars. We lived with parents and being prompted by a sense of duty and spirit of adventure I can hardly do anything else but go on the continent and not out here. He continued to have an enduring effect upon the generations which had succeeded them.

Many of us here today were born in the intervening 35 years between the two world wars. We lived with parents and were told that they did not consider the first World War as they should have done.

World War was the one fought "to keep the world safe for democracy". It was a war waged far away from Australian shores and for ideals which, today, may be hard to understand or even realize. Many asked: "Why should I enlist or my son enlist to fight on the other side of the world?"

In his book, The Broken Years: Australian Soldiers in the Two World Wars, Bill Gammage records some of the reasons which AIF volunteers gave for their enlistment. One wrote, "I have enlisted," wrote an Irish Australian to his parents, "... and I don't regret it in the very least. I believe it is my duty." Another said, "Every hour of the day the best men the world can produce are dying," wrote a young lieutenant from New South Wales in August, 1917 — himself to be killed one year later, just one month before the Armistice. "This must go on until something new can be seen in the quality of the next generation." (Gammage, op. cit., p. 223)

The next generation was affected. The census of 1911 recorded Australia's population as 4.4 million, with a masculinity ratio of 9:8.4. The census of 1921 revealed a population of 5.4 million, with a masculinity ratio of 6:8.

These views are based on unquestioning patriotism, together with a moral and social commitment to one's country.

The Diggers from the first Australian Imperial Force were indeed "men of the right sort that anybody would be proud of". Just one year after their first action in the war, the members of the ANZAC gave a young nation its first legend. The first ANZAC Day was celebrated on 25 April 1915 — and has remained Australia's single most popular "National Day".

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They had originally expected. They returned to a preserved peace but not yet at peace with their nation. Australians had not come to terms with the end of the sacrifice of so many loved ones. Denny, Australian-born and homed by the remote of the front lines, returned. While in some ways, every man had accepted the appeal, “Lest We Forget,” in the end they found themselves unkindly and brutally treated with a new generation.

Their need was not the nation's. As a soldier, as a photographer, a poet, a composer, a friend. It is not the nation's duty to ensure that the sacrifice of so many lives was not in vain. The sacrifice was not in vain. The sacrifices were not in vain. The sacrifices were not in vain. The sacrifices were not in vain. The sacrifices were not in vain.

When the war ended, the RSL Western Australian Branch's 1988 Annual State Congress to be officially opened.

Today—72 years on—the Returned Services League of Australia commemorates the sacrifice of so many loved ones and endeavours that were never. As a symbol of thanks, the RSL Western Australian Branch's 1988 Annual State Congress to be officially opened.

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Letter from National President, Sir William Keys OBE, MC, to State President Jim Hall, AM, BEM, IP

Dear Jim,

Now that I have returned to Canberra following the State Congress and the Western Australian State Branch Presidency, I am writing on behalf of Dulcie and myself to thank you and your grandchildren for the wonderful gifts you presented to me at your recent State Congress.

Dulcie was thrilled with it. The clock is a beautiful piece of work and I think it was thrilled with it. The tray, the decanter and the glasses, and the pestle are something that can go into the Keys' heritage, dear to be passed on to children and grandchildren.

I shall never forget the warmth of the feeling at your State Congress and the great compliments you paid to me on your occasion but for their kind words and support they have given me through the years. With sincerest regards,

Yours sincerely,
Sir William Keys
National President.

WHY WE WEAR POPPIES FOR REMEMBRANCE

Poppies are the perfect symbol for Remembrance Day which is observed in November. From time immemorial they have been regarded as flowers of triumph and forgetfulness. Now they have become a national emblem of remembrance.

Many thousands of years ago, the ancient Greeks forged a legend regarding poppies and sleep. In this legend, they likened the heads of dying warriors to the drooping poppies of the field. They even made crowns of poppies for urgent medical treatment.

He noted poppies growing near by. In his dressing station at Ypres, he could see wild poppies growing amongst shell craters of no-man's land: the flower symbolised the everlasting rest of the dead of France and amongst the ruins of war, and for urgent medical treatment.

He remembered the Greek legend that the poppy was created by the god of sleep and, to the young doctor, it had become a symbol of perfect sleep. However, it was the publication of three simple verses which have been called the greatest poem of British literature produced by the First World War, which firmly established the poppy as the international flower of remembrance.

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After writing his poem, he sent his verses to Punch magazine where they appeared inconspicuously on December 8, 1915. However, the poem was not to remain unknown for long, as it was recognized that it had been born in the heat of battle, and that it had an enduring quality.

Dr John McCrae was not to see the end of the war. Soon, he was suffering from pneumonia, so became a patient in his own hospital. His condition gradually grew worse, and just before he died, he asked to be wheeled in a chair to a vantage point where he was looking the cliffs of Dover. Here he was heard repeating to himself the unforgettable words of his poppy poem.

Indeed, it is not strange at all that these poppy flowers, which abound in disturbed soil and which thrived amidst the shell craters, trenches and newly-dug graves of the First World War, should be truly known as "The Flowers Of Forgetfulness".

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Return to Labuan — Borneo Sabah, land below the wind

As a member of the 2128th Batt., 3rd Div. AR, taking part in the landing of Labuan on 9th June 1945, and later in the north-east move into Beaufort on the main island of Borneo, I, for some years, was occupied in 1945.

There was some hesitation because of logistics involved in obtaining evicting flight. However, these difficulties disappeared on Sunday 1st May 1945, Singapore Airlines Flight HS2244 for Beaufort on the main island of Borneo, I was on it.

Jessleton) where I stayed until next morning to catch MAS Flight 1898 Singapore Airlines Flight 1988 Singapore Airlines Flight 632 to Kota Kinabalu (formerly Labuan Town, contains larger area and changes are more dramatic outside the town with many imposing buildings, mosques and boreholes. A large industrial area to the south-west of the island appears to be mostly on reclaimed land and close to the Koppers Rancha Rancha, where the local people retired during the Allied invasion.

Back in Borneo, my return to Labuan was by a flight from Beaufort down past Maspin and through other villages on the way. First landed was the building of perhaps a more recent one, which we occupied when we returned to Beaufort after occupation of small flat. The airport is there now, complete with grandstand and large airconditioning building, one in the main part town.

A bridge over the river replaced the long and narrow to our landing place. From the Singapore can now walk to the main srone and the Balun where we stood in 1945, and the site of the surrender of the Japanese Armed Forces in North Borneo, Sarawak on 9th September 1945, are marked with honor, parables or plaques.

The "beach" where we landed was more difficult to locate and it was only with the help of Mr Ng Kok Chew, a magistrate and is now President of the Industrial Relations Commission. Mr O'Dea's funeral took place at Geraldton on 16th March, following a service in Saint Francis Xavier's Cathedral.

Old Soldier's Death

An army veteran who served in both World Wars and who was active in World War I, Daniel Patrick O'Dea, died in hospital at Geraldton on 14th March. Mr "Danny" O'Dea, as he was popularly known by a wide circle of friends, would have been 89 in April.

Dunne, of 1 Jose Street, was particularly well-known among members of the farming fraternity, having been associated with the store section of Dalgety's Geraldton for many years until his retirement.

Pre-deceased by his wife, he leaves two nephews and two of his three sons. One of his sons, Ron O'Dea, led his life in an Air Force flying career. Another of his sons, who was named Daniel O'Dea, is a former magistrate and a former President of the Industrial Relations Commission.

Mr O'Dea's funeral took place in Geraldton on 16th March following a service in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral.
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In summary to this issue, you will find comments from members who have enrolled in the programmes — members who have saved something with their application.

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Australian Vietnam War Veterans Trust

On 28 July 1988, the Hon C.L. Meares, AC, CMG, OC, Chairman of the Australian Vietnam War Veterans Trust Ltd, accepted a cheque for $5.5m from the United States District Court, Eastern District of New York. The money was the result of the Agent Orange product liability litigation action taken by Vietnam veterans, and represents the Australian portion of the total amount of $180m (US) awarded in an out-of-court settlement of the class action.

Justice Meares said that the Trust was now making arrangements for the distribution of funds as soon as possible. An Executive Director had been appointed and regional committees consisting of Vietnam Veterans would be established in each state, the ACT and the NT to receive and process applications.

The Trust will provide cash grants to eligible veterans, or their dependants, with the life of the fund having a duration in excess of 10 years, although the majority of disbursements were expected in the first 10 year period.

Applicants must:
1. Vietnam veterans or their dependants who affirm that to the best of their knowledge the veteran was exposed to Agent Orange.
2. In necessitous or deserving circumstances.

Justice Meares added that, when the regional committees were established, a nationwide advertising campaign would advise veterans and their dependents on how to make applications. However, no applications would be accepted before then, and the amount of each grant would depend on the individual circumstances of each case.

D.H. GIBBS
State Secretary.

New Memorial Dedicated

ANZAC Day provided the opportunity for members to attend the dedication of a new War Memorial to those servicemen and women from the Bellevue District who gave their lives while serving their country.

Army Base Chaplain, Reverend Fr Noel Forth, carried out the service of dedication after Mr Harold Klopper, BEM, of the Sub-branch related a brief history of the district’s memorials and of the need to re-establish the memorial at a new location.

Initially, the Bellevue Memorial consisted of an ornate Roll of Honour acknowledging fallen soldiers in the Great War and was located in the Bellevue Mechanics’ Institute Hall. In the 1950s a mortuary memorial was built in the form of an Infant Health Centre which was to serve the needs of a young and growing community.

The new Bellevue War Memorial. The front of the new memorial rough stone and flagpole marked the fact that the site was the town’s War Memorial.

The changing needs of the area in recent years saw the closure of the Infant Health Centre and its opening as a child play group centre. The creation of space prompted the Sub-branch to investigate the need to establish a new type of memorial adjacent to the Bellevue RSL Club. The Sub-branch succeeded in restoring the Memorial to its former state some years ago.

The new memorial is the result of a community effort with design and construction tasks being carried out by Sub-branch members with materials mainly donated or provided on generous subsidy by local business people.

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The national flag was raised by the 1988 Geraldton Greenough Citizen of the Year, Mrs Maureen Hobby, the Geraldton flag by the 1987 Citizen of the Year, Mrs Barbara Shields, and the Bicentennial Flag by the 1988 Young Citizen of the Year, Donna Ennls.

The ceremony was preceded by a march up Cathedral Avenue, led by pipers from the Caledonian Band, followed by the Army Reserve, Marching Girls, Girl Guides, Boy Scouts and Naval Reserve Cadets. After the hoisting of the three flags during the playing of "Advance Australia Fair" by the pipers, a firing party from the Army Reserve fired three volleys, following a tradition which would have been observed at Sydney Cove in 1788.

The dignitaries, who flanked the approach to the flagpoles, included Mayor Phil Cooper, Greenough Shire President Richie Maslen, Lieutenant-Commander Lynn Walton of HMAS "Geraldton" and Major Ron Bradfield of the Army Reserve.

RSL officers helping with the ceremony included Sub-branch President, Bill Cunningham, Senior Vice-President Tom Cream, Regional Vice-President John Spence, Secretary Ahmed Ellis and former Vice-President Derlef Andrews.

A guard was also provided by the Army Reserve for the flag-raising ceremony, which had a picturesque setting on the neatly-kept grassed area in front of the Civic Centre.

Before Mayor Cooper gave his Australia Day address, he performed an Australian citizenship ceremony, with former UK resident Stephen James Olive being applauded by the assembly for his action in this regard.

I write to acknowledge the generous gift of the Returned Services League of the very handsome book for our College Library, commemorating the contribution made by Returned Service personnel to the Australian community.

It has been a great privilege for me to participate in several of the events the RSL has organized to mark this important week, and I want you to know how much this school community appreciates this particular gesture.

Young Australians have much in common with the experiences of soldiers in service, as you know, and the charter of the RSL caters for those with no voting power. But the Charter is a document which certainly represents an appreciation of the generation, all at a similar age to the large portion of Australians who fought in the various wars.

The experience has greatly enhanced my outlook on the RSL and I have been inspired by such experience.

I have endeavoured to share this experience with my fellow students through my presentation in the school's "Annual" and an article which will appear in our school's "Annual". Thanking you again.

Yours sincerely,

Roderic Kefford
Headmaster
Wesley College, South Perth.

I would like to thank the League for the wonderful hospitality shown to me on Thursday 22 April at the luncheon you held for the senior students of metropolitan schools.

I appreciate that Narrogin College and was greatly answered by the manner of your welcome, the attention of your members to individual students, the organization and quality of the forum and the discussion. As you can see, the RSL has much to offer and especially in the area of education, accompanying this.

Finally, I would like to thank the RSL on behalf of the school for the presentation of the wonderful book "Lest We Forget" to our school library.

The occasion has greatly enhanced my outlook on the RSL and I have been inspired by such experience.

I have endeavoured to share this experience with my fellow students through my presentation in the school's "Annual" and an article which will appear in our school's "Annual".

Thanking you again,

Yours faithfully,

Joanne Quinn
Deputy Head Girl
Mercedes College, Victoria Square

I am writing to thank you and Mr Hall for the invitation to attend the Senior Schools Luncheon at Anzac House on 21 April, as part of the programme for the week leading to Anzac Day.

Not only was it a fantastic lunch, but it provided an interesting insight into the functions of the RSL we did not previously know. John McCartney and myself were previously only really aware of the RSL through the Victorian Branch headed by Bruce Rudder, but the perception was not clear. But, thankfully, we were informed by Mr Hall that the RSL is a very caring organisation, involved with the community, young and old, the nation's youth, in the organisation in fact, and into this organisation, the RSL, which is so much a part of our history, but I was also reminded of its charter of Australian values today, tomorrow and in this generation.

The luncheon also gave us a chance to meet representatives from other schools we would not normally come into contact with.

The tour of Kings Park was interesting to say the least. Each monument was explained in detail, along with the facts not able to be placed on the plaque. It was a treat to see the "Father and Son" plaque and especially the new plaque. When I had not seen before. Overall, it provided a useful insight into the Kings Park Memorials.

Also, many thanks for the book "Lest We Forget" presented to each school. We hope that others at our school will know how to learn about the RSL and we did. We will be presenting the book to our Head Librarian at an assembly on Thursday 29 April.

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Once again, thank you very much for the invitation to an excellent function. Please thank all the others involved. I hope the event continues next year, not just for the commemoratives, as I was a rewarding experience.

Yours sincerely,
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Early in 1945, ten Tiger Moth Aircraft were converted to Air Ambulance Configuration at 13 Aircraft Repair Depot, Breddan, Queensland, not far from Chartes Towers. These aircraft were destined to be used for medical evacuation of the wounded in the Jacquinst Bay area of New Britain.

Because of the low speed of the Tiger Moths, an Avro Anson was chosen as the escort aircraft to provide navigation and wireless communication for the flight. Chosen to crew the Anson were F/O WS Rinkin as pilot and W/O JL Brassil as navigator/wireless operator.

With the Tigers flying at their normal cruising speed, the Anson's cruising speed was faster. Thus the Anson would fly up the side of the flight of Tigers to a point a few miles ahead, then turn and fly past the flight on a reverse course and then repeat the process again and again.

Because the flying range of the Tigers was limited, there were many landings and take-offs at refuelling points along the way. As you all know, the operation of the landing gear was not automatic. It needed 99 turns of the undercarriage handle to lower the gear and 99 turns to raise the gear. Also the engines had to be hand cranked.

So we could see this was not going to be an easy trip.

We left Laverton on 27 March and arrived at Breddan on 29 March. The Tiger Moth pilot had arrived and was lying of the Tigers was in progress. During our time at Breddan we were lodged in a hut that had not been used for some time. We had a flask and a tumbler of beer, and syringes with a bottle of liquid. The beer and syringes were burnt and the hut fumigated.

All aircraft departed Breddan on 3 April 1945 and spent the night at Garbutt. Our intention was to take off early every morning and fly as far as we could before the turbulence made flying difficult.

Next morning we were ready to leave Garbutt at 0730 hours but the aircraft wouldn't start. On checking the engines, the spark plugs were found to be crystallised. The crystals had to be chipped away and the points reset. This crystallisation was to be evident every morning until we reached Higgins Field where we received a signal advising that the Tigers' engines had been modified to take 100 octane fuel instead of the low octane rating. We left Garbutt at 1110 hours.

Our next stop was Cairns and then on to Cooktown. Approaching Cooktown, one of the Tigers was forced to land on the beach at Weary Bay, but the pilot, F/O Tom Glynn, was okay. The rest of the flight landed safely and we spent five days recovering the downed Tiger.

We were due to leave Cooktown on April 11, however, this had been delayed due to low cloud. We left on the 13th and, after refuelling, we landed at Horn Island. We then flew to Horn Island in two seaplanes and replaced our fuel at an Army Marines Depot. We returned to Cooktown on 19 April, but did not leave until 29 April.

During our stay at Cooktown we took part in the Anzac Day Service and celebrations with the Cooktown RSL where we met Mr Jack Cash, who was a veteran of the Zulu Wars, Boer War and Great War.

We also experienced further engine trouble with the Tigers and had to wait for delivery of our ordered spares of tail skids. These were wearing out very quickly on the macadamised strips, and we were to experience further trouble with the skids on the American laid metal strip.

Also, everyone in the flight picked up a dose of dysentery, which did not abate until we were at Higgins Field and in medical care.

We took off from Cooktown at 1020 hours on 29 April for Cocos Island. We landed at Cocos Island on 30 April and then on to Iron Range, finally arriving at Higgins Field about 1700 hours on 2 May. By this date we had flown approximately 1000 miles and had completed about one-third of our journey.
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Take-off from Higgins Field was delayed until 6 May while all aircraft were worked over. Our next stop was at Port Moresby. We were particularly worried about the Tiger Moth. We hoped it would not rain, and the Tigers made two attempts to get on their next refueling point - Port Moresby, but the weather beat them. After several days delay, we were allowed to fly. Just before we landed, a large drop of water hit the undercarriage, so the pilots - knowing the weather was poor and the Tigers were left on ground - decided to leave the island population. As the weather got better, we were able to move the Anson to a take-off point with the help of the islanders who also cleared the long grass off the strip, thus giving us a good surface for take-off.

We were able to leave Daru on 13 May for Huiva, a small strip on the south coast of PNG where the Tigers landed to refuel. The Anson had to go on to Port Moresby, refuel, and return to pick up the Tigers, and continue the flight to Port Moresby.

Bad weather again halted progress and we finally left Port Moresby on 16 May, heading to Milne Bay. The Tigers were to refuel and stay overnight while the escort flew on to Milne Bay. One of the Tigers overturned at Abau and had to be left. The next day the escort picked up the remaining Tigers and returned to Milne Bay.

Fuel supplies were low, and there was an enemy's aircraft in the area. We continued on to the Finchhaven via Dobodure and Loi, arriving on 21 May.

Our next stop was to Jacquinot Bay via Cape Gloucester on New Britain. All refueling operations were carried out with little, if any, assistance. It was a rocky, rough place to want to go to Jacquinot Bay, off our scenic line. It appeared that the escort at Cape Gloucester was a wild day; two officers were seen a few days later, but they did not know who they were. We arrived on 26 May, and the Tigers were loaded onto a ship. The Tigers were then unloaded onto a ship.

We arrived at Tadji on 22 May 1945, after 49 days after leaving Breddan. The escort started its flight back to Laverton at 1300 hours on 22 May. We followed the same route back to Townsville. On 26 May we refueled at Garbutt and set out for Bundaberg. Over Mackay, a cylinder came out through the engine cover (starboard) with a hell of a clatter. The engine seized and we decided not to land and we had to get the undercarriage down on the runway. We flew to Mackay, and refueled. The next day we flew to Mackay, with the engine cover (starboard) still open.

The pilots of the Tiger Moths were - George Spencer, Peter Joubert, Bill Longmore, Arthur Tomkins, R. Andrews, D. Rowan, C. Goldstaver, C. Rayner, Lyle Holkamp, Tom Glynn, Gibson. I have forgotten the ranks. All the Tiger Moths were fitted with a communication ability.

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Army to patch up its uniforms

The Army has decided to patch up its uniforms — and needs help from old Diggers to do it.

But it is not a case of calling up the Old Guard to teach the youngsters how to sew.

The Army has reintroduced colour patches, traditionally worn by Australian units from 1915 until 1950 as distinguishing insignia.

Present day units which can trace their lineage to World War I or World War II are now entitled to apply for permission to wear these patches on the puggarees on their slouch hats.

More than 20 units throughout the country are now displaying their colourful link with history.

There are however, a couple of gaps in Army's records.

Records are held for over 800 colour patches approved during the 1915-1950 period. However, the authorisation and colour plates showing the colour and patch details of AIF divisional colour patches authorised during the periods April-May and September-October 1940 are not indicated.

Colonel David Chinn, of the Reserve Studies Group (Army Reserve), assisted by Army staff, has been carrying out research for the past three months to try to fill these gaps.

"We have almost exhausted every avenue," Colonel Chinn said. "We have checked Australian War Memorial records; Australian Archives resources; Army Office records; and all Orders and Instructions on the subject that we can find.

"There is simply no trace, but we know they are out there somewhere," he added.

"We believe what we are looking for is the Director of Ordnance Services Instructions issued in 1940 detailing colour patches for 6th, 7th, 8th, and possibly 9th Divisions," Colonel Chinn said.

"Soldiers are well known for their bowerbird traits and it's quite possible that an old Digger has among his memorabilia the colour patch information we are seeking."

If any reader can assist, contact officer is Mr Lindsay Mackey, Material Branch, Army Office, Department of Defence, Canberra, ACT 2600. Telephone (062) 655690.

Further information: Major Pat Green, (062) 65 5754 (b/h), (062) 31 3880 (alh).

The following list of units represents a selection only of those authorised to wear colour patches.

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Dear Editor,

I am appealing to the Veterans Affairs Tribunal for a War Widow's Pension on the grounds that stress during active service caused my husband to start smoking and that was a cause for his death.

Would any person who served with my husband, WX22206 Corporal Waiter Frederick Gilmor, in the 16th Australian Advanced Ammunition Depot in New Guinea or elsewhere, please contact me if they can assist my claim.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Ellen Gilmore
2 Pimlott Street, Dianella WA 6062
Tel: 276 9517

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Dear Editor,

Well done Vietnam Digger.

There's a march on in Sydney, are you coming mate? It's pay for yourself, find your own way and fifteen years late; Wind up the wheelchair and out with the crutch; Out with the dollars, don't forget that it's Dutch.

Don't worry if Aussie or Jock can't make the show; Remember they're dead, killed up - near D... Do.

This march is a snow job by the Canberra Mob; To ease their conscience for a fantastic job.

No loading ships, by their Communist mates; No ammo, no food, or beer or Xmas mail crates; We remember the marchers under a flag not ours; And of politicians' speeches and them taking the bows.

Yes, we remember their faces and the risks they took; Marching with Commie, Weido and Union Crook; We've learned a hard lesson in the hardest way; Be assured, and remember the march isn't our day.

You've nought to be proud of, you Canberra Mob; We'll remember you bastards when we finish the Job; Rorts, perks, and ripoffs by the cream of the land; Lies, cheating, graft, fraud, theft are the Government's brand.

Don't smile, Liberal members, for we remember you well; For our dead and our wounded in Vietnam's hell; Are there no men of vision or leaders in sight; To combat the threat of a Socialist might?

Yes, we'll fight for Australia, when asked again; To make it the greatest and free it again.

Yes, we remember our welcome and the lives that are broken; And laugh at your march and spit on your token; Yes, we remember the names and the names of the clods; Who marched as politicians and union red running dogs.

We've learned a hard lesson in the hardest way; Be added, and remember the march and our day; And we'll take the lesson we've learned so well; When we thank you fifteen years late and blow you to hell.

K.J. Dickson

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Dear Editor,

We are seeking your help in tracing sufferers and/or their families of Motor Neuron Disease.

This disease is in high proportion throughout the Pacific region namely Japan, Guam, New Guinea, to name a few. Many of your members were stationed in that area and may be able to provide information that will help the research presently being carried out by Dr Noel Tan at Royal Perth Hospital.

Only through research studies, can the cause of this life threatening disease be found. It is only then that those doing research can work on a cure.

May I suggest that this research is currently being carried out to help with this research. If those ex-servicemen/women would like to help in this study could they please contact:

Dr Noel Tan
Department of Neuropathology
Royal Perth Hospital
Wellington Street Perth WA 6000

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Australian Veterans and Defence Services Council

A report by the Chairman of AVADSC to the AGM of the organisation on 1 February 1988 has received a number of ex-service publications. It was critical of the RSL.

The collection was started by Martyn Keen in 1959 with a small selection of medals, badges and photographs, and has grown through the years to include military vehicles, field operations, uniforms and weapons, as well as various newspapers and other information.

Two very rare military vehicles are very rare: an Australian Army 66-ton Carrier 2 Pounder Tank, made by the Metropolitan Gas Company of Melbourne, and a Ford Motor Company of Australia-built Australian-built "Dingo" Scout Car, of which only 1916 were produced by the 4WD Motor Company.

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The collection is housed in a building in Tobruk Road, Jerramungup. The name "Jerramungup" is Aboriginal for "place of the tall Yate trees".

The Gairdner River runs close by the town (2km) and the Gairdner River National Park. Within the town and surrounding areas, the following attractions are worth a visit:

- The town of Jerramungup is located along Highway No. 1, at a 45km south of Perth. It is 20 minutes from Albany and 245km north of Esperance. The town is situated on the Gairdner River National Park.
- Jerramungup is the western gateway to the world famous Fitzgerald River National Park.
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Australian-Hellenic Memorial: Dedication Ceremony

The Dedication Ceremony took place on the morning of Saturday 21 May, forty-seven years after the Battle for Crete. In fine but typially cold Canberra autumn weather a big crowd, much larger than expected, watched with interest the arrival of the Appeal Chairman Major General Sir William Refshauge with Prime Minister Mr Hawke, and the Deputy Prime Minister of Greece, Mr Yannis Haralambopoulos, for the consecration of the Memorial by the Primate of the Greek Orthodox Church in Australia, the Most Reverend Archbishop Stylianos, and then the placing in position and unveiling of the Memorial plaque by Mr Hawke and Mr Haralambopoulos.

Members of 6th Division and others who served in the Greek and Cretan Campaign of World War II, particularly those who made a donation, all be interested to know that the knowledge of the Appeal making the construction of the Australian-Hellenic Memorial in Canberra was completed on schedule and free of debt.

They spoke of the need for understanding and mutual respect between Australia and Greece born in the horrors of war and developed and expanded in time of peace. The Memorial serves as a deliberate and unifying place of remembrance, the birth of a nation as it has today and the struggles of our peoples for freedom and peace.

Altogether it was a very moving and colourful ceremony and it seemed that almost every Greek and Cretan living in Canberra both young and old had come along to join in the occasion. Many of the children wore national costumes and they played and danced on the lawn behind the assembled crowd.

The ceremony was followed by a dinner at the RSM headquarters and, again, one was impressed by the number of Greek people present. It was obvious that they were fully involved in the Appeal.

On Sunday 29 May, I attended the 47th Anniversary Battle of the Crete-Greek Campaign Memorial and Thanksgiving Service at the historic Garrison Church, Sydney. The service was attended by workers, seamen and marines and many young Australian and Greek men and women recently returned from Vietnam wore traditional costumes. I also met a chap who had been involved with the Greek Film Memorial Chapel at Margaret River. He had also been involved with the Appeal, I was able to see some of his trips in Canberra and Sydney and worth the effort.

And what of the future? We have been advised that following the dedication of the Memorial in Canberra it was agreed that the present Executive Committee should be wound up and a new committee formed to implement Stage II of the Memorial Appeal, the Student Scholarship Exchange Scheme.

In the meantime the State Committee is seeking advice from academics in the Greek Community before formulating plans for the future.

S. B. Cann
State Chairman
Australian-Hellenic National Appeal Committee

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A TALE OF A LOST TRAIL
TWO LETTERS THAT BROUGHT RESULTS

LETTER NO 1 FROM SCOTLAND TO MAYOR OF KALGOORLIE

Saturday 7 May 1988

Dear Sir,

I wonder if you could help me with an unusual request. My late husband, John, was POW with a number of ANZACS. They were captured in Greece and were together for a bit over four years. At one time they escaped and were living in a Greek village till they were betrayed and handed back to the German Army. I have tried before to contact any one who was there and had no luck and my husband died. I would like to contact:

Paddy Campbell, a miner if he is still living as he was a bit older than the others, Chips Board, and a farmer's son, Frank Flood. I think the other chap's name was Jerry or Bill Platt. The name of the last name was Platt. He was a cane cutter and travelled. His wife was a hairdresser. I already met a chap called Forsyth. He came looking for John a few years ago. My husband, John Butler, was a Royal Scots Grey, commonly known as "Jocky", he was 5 feet 6 inches, so they were easily spotted, and well known.

I have some snaps of them all together in the POW camp so my husband spoke so kindly of these men for years there must have been a great bond of friendship throughout their hardships. If some one would write to me I would be ever so happy. Thanking you.

Mary Butler
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LETTER NO 2 FROM MAYOR OF GOLDFIELDS RSL SUB-BRANCH

Mr Finlayson, JP
24 May 1988

The attached letter is self-explanatory. I wonder if you might have the letter published in the RSL Magazine, in the hope that the enquirer may be put in touch with these ex-servicemen.

Kindest regards and good wishes.

Sincerely,

M R Finlayson, JP

SUMMARY OF ACTION BY SUB-BRANCH

1. The Kalgoorlie Sub-Branch arranged for a copy of Mrs Butler's letter to be passed to Mr Paddy Campbell and he is going to write to Mrs Butler.

2. Mr Frank Flood had been killed in a train accident in Perth. However, his brother, Tom, has passed a copy on to his grand-daughters and they will also write to Mrs Butler.

3. Anyone with knowledge of Chips Board or Mr Platt please write to Mrs Butler.

MISSING PERSONS

1. The Office of the Defence Attaché at the Australian Embassy in Beijing has been approached by an ex-member of the Chinese People's Liberation Army who served on the Korean Peninsular in the spring of 1953. As a medical orderly, he cared for a severely injured Australian soldier who became a prisoner-of-war. We have identified the Australian as Private John Frederick Davis who served with 3RAR and came from Maryborough, Queensland, date of birth, 1923. Queensland Branch has been unable to locate Mr Davis. Would you please check your records. If he can be found, would you ask Mr Davis to write to me.

2. J. Panes of Beeclefield, Hallatrow, Bristol BS18 5EG, United Kingdom, hopes to be in Australia later in 1988 and wishes to make contact with Sergeant Meager, RAAF, who was stationed in Sydney in 1945. Would you please include this notice in your next State Branch publication, with a request that Sergeant Meager write to Mr Panes.

3. WO Sam Devine, 2nd Bn Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers attached to Anzac Division, Belgium Coast and Trenches at Nicuport and Coxyde Sector. WO Devine's grandson Tony Devine, 3 Bawnville Avenue, Tallaght, Dublin 24 Ireland, has requested our assistance in tracing his grandfather who disappeared without trace after being medically discharged in 1917 on his return to Ireland. Would you please include this notice in your next State Branch publication, with a request that anyone knowing where WO Sam Devine is living or buried please contact Tony Devine in Ireland.

4. Major A.S. Bowden Fr. Leo Coffey is trying to contact Major A.S. Bowden or his relatives. At the end of World War II, the then Sgt. 45057 Bowden was stationed in Sydney while a young Irish Catholic himself, he decided to join the Irish Army in 1920 and served in Africa and India. After marrying a woman from Sydney, he moved to St. Louis, Missouri, in 1930 and died there in 1988. As a Catholic priest in Ireland, he decided to join the Irish Army in 1920 and served in Africa and India. After marrying a woman from Sydney, he moved to St. Louis, Missouri, in 1930 and died there in 1988. Would you please include this notice in your next State Branch publication, with a request that anyone knowing where WO Sam Devine is living or buried please contact Tony Devine in Ireland.
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An article about a new statue of John Simpson Kirkpatrick in his home town of South Shields, Tyne and Wear (formerly in Co Durham), featured in the "West Australian" of 27 January this year, prompted my sister to go to look for it, during a recent visit to the UK. She said that it wasn't difficult to find the statue which stands in an alley with its dedication plaque made by photographing the statue itself, though because it is a casting created in the way. There was also a display of Simpson material in the local library.

My sister said that she was surprised to find that an Australian had come such a long way to see his statue, even more so to find an article in a newspaper article in WA about how the statue was found. She promised to send me a copy of the "West" article. He was happy to talk about his work and grow a statue of a short评 at the statue and was the preceding biographical data not previously known in Australia, of "The Man With The Donkey".

BARBARA HARPER-NELSON

SUB-BRANCH NEWS

BELMONT

On April 17, politicians, the Mayor of Belmont, councillors and members of the general public joined us at the Belmont War Memorial for our Annual Anzac Commemorative parade and service. Once again the WA Police Pipe Band led the parade and afterwards entertained members and guests at the club. For the first time a Cold-War party from 16 RMAR stood guard at the Memorial. During the social gathering at the club a representative of Mr Kim Beazley, Minister for Defence, presented the branch with an Australian flag and a special Commonwealth plaque.

Anzac Day at Belmont was very busy, with a huge crowd attending members of the armed forces who had been the custom over the past few years. Members of the Korean and South East Asian Forces Association joined the parade through the town for their own service of "Thank you and Goodbye" which was prepared by the Belmont Pipe Band. The annual dinner in May was held as a bicentennial mini-ball with 100 members present during the evening was about Dr "Weary" Dunlop. The video was very moving and made one feel that people will do in time of war—often putting their lives in jeopardy to assist and save others.

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CANNING DISTRICTS

Federal Veterans' Affairs Minister, Ben Humphreys, and Canning MP George Pearse enjoyed a special buffet lunch with members of the sub-branch during July. Mr Humphreys spoke on the role of Veterans' Affairs and told members that he liked to visit sub-branches big and small all around Australia to discuss veterans' issues.

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Sub-Branch News cont.

The Dinner Dance held Saturday 20 was well attended and enjoyed by all. Over 70 members and their wives enjoyed a sumptuous buffet dinner, and the impromptu dance provided by our "Stag" from 9 p.m. onward.

Both land and sea were marked for the social president, Mrs Helen Knight, and our president, but the sea was much in evidence. Our marmalade was exported to South America and the Cheltenham area, and the thanks of all the ladies were tendered to all the land and sea men.

The kitchen renovations are now completed and the committee is turning its attention to the construction of a beer garden. Plans are in hand for a BBQ shelter. In November we hope to have the garden will be finished. The renovations, additions and functions are keeping our hardworking Treasurer Brian Poley busy. He is already budgeting however, and you are all reminded to keep frugal.

The sub-branch has attracted many new members during the past months, and many thanks to Doug Proctor, Jim Redmond, Philip Gardall, Brian Cooney, Alan Smark, Doug Thos, and many more for their hard work.

DAVID SMITH

GERALDTON

23rd CUP WIN

Members of the Geraldton Women's Auxiliary were presented with congratulations at our June meeting for winning the coveted Country Cup for the 23rd time as the Country Auxiliary with the most meritorious service of the year.

The Country Cup was received at State Conference held by our President, Allan Ellis, and the address at Geraldton Senior High School and the observances. The President, Tom Cream, gave the address at Geraldton Senior High School and the observances. The President, Tom Cream, gave the address at Geraldton Senior High School and the observances.

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KWINANA

For the first time at Kwinana we held a dawn service followed by a buffet breakfast at the Senior Citizens Centre. It was attended by a good representation of young and old and all agreed it should become an annual event. Sadly though, the Memory and Veterans' Auxiliary members, particularly among Vietnam veterans.

LIVELY GERALDTON DISCUSSIONS

There were lively discussions when two officers from the Veterans' Affairs Department attended our July meeting: members made it clear that they were not criticising the officers (Ian Parry of the Pensions Section and Glenn Sersleu of the Treatment Section) but those responsible for the serious erosion of veterans' entitlements.

The sub-branch decided to endorse State President Jim Hall's statement expressing deep concern at the trend of attenuation, and to prepare a strongly-worded submission for presentation to Federal VIPs. The majority of the submission will include the Prime Minister, the Leader of the Opposition, Veterans' Affairs Minister and non-executive MHR for O'Connor, Wilson Tuckey.

RECORD STREET APPEAL

A Street Appeal for the Regional War Veterans' Home raised a record amount of $1,111.

The previous record was last year's amount of $884, and a cheque was presented by the sub-branch President, Tom Cream, to the Chairman of the Regional War Veterans' Home Committee, Frank Sharp, at the May meeting.

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A social committee was formed with a view to creating a more permanent function in the sub-branch, particularly among Vietnam veterans.
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Mandurah

Hall Sold - The Mandurah RSL Memorial Hall has been sold. This will be a great weight off the shoulders of our President, Keith Rossi and his committee. The proceeds of the sale are necessary to help fund the cost of constructing the new Mandurah RSL War Veterans' Village and the new Memorial Hall.

In August 1952, the committee decided to "investigate an advertisement and inspect a hall at Hakea that was to be sold," according to the minutes of the day. A special meeting was held on August 7 "re hall at Hakea." It was resolved to offer one thousand pounds, with a deposit of one hundred pounds. The hall was inspected twice and a unanimous decision by 19 members was made to purchase it. Another special meeting was held on August 10 when it was decided to demolish the building at Hakea and remove it to Mandurah.

At a meeting on December 8, 1952, it was decided to hold the hall opening on Sunday, December 14. The first booking for the hall was made by Professor Enrico. The first dance would be held in the hall on December 20 - admission 3/- each.

The hall was officially opened on December 14, 1952, by the Premier, R McIarty. Present was the State President of the RSL, Mr F Chaney, Mrs McIarty, Mr Craig, the Revd Wendt, the Sub-Branch President, Women's Auxiliary President and others. It was recorded that there was a good attendance.

Over the years the old weatherboard hall gave good service, but it required more and more maintenance, which was not only costly but time-consuming. Although sorry to leave the old building, our members will be very pleased to enjoy the facilities to be provided by the new hall and social centre.

War Veterans' Village - Progress on the building of the units and social centre is continuing after a few frustrating delays, including a shortage of "brickies" and other tradesmen.

There are still some units available for sale. For further information, phone Jesus Hall on 635 2209, or Mandurah RSL Sub-Branch, PO Box 18, Mandurah 6210.

Recruiting Drive - Another recruiting drive by the Sub-branch was successful in gaining a few new members.

History - The publicity officer is compiling a history of the Mandurah Sub-branch, which was formed in January 1939. As there are still quite a few blank periods over the almost 50 years, any relevant information would be greatly appreciated. If you think you may be able to assist, please contact Bill Tate, (09) 535 7727, or at Mandurah Sub-Branch, PO Box 18, Mandurah 6210.

Goldern Anniversary - Next year we celebrate our 50th birthday. An informal meeting was held in the Brighton Hotel on January 18, 1939, followed by a preliminary meeting on January 20th, at which it was decided that an inaugural meeting would be held on Friday, 8 February, 1939. Officers were then elected and Mr Ross was elected as the inaugural President.

So we now have to decide just which date will be our actual birthday.

A busy time is ahead for the committee members as they plan the opening of the new village and hall and make the plans about the birthday celebrations.

Bill Tate
Publicity Officer.
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North Beach

The wintry weather has seen the average attendance drop to 26 over the past three months. The branch was saddened by the death of four members during the quarter. Welfare committee people reported on several others in hospital or ill at home.

A Victorian visitor at the May meeting was Brian Kent, brother of members Stan and Frank Kent. After the meeting Brian gave a brief but interesting talk on his recent trip to Gallipoli, and also his tour through Burma and Malaysia.

After much discussion, it was decided to hold a Sports and Entertainment night for members and partners at the NBDSC on Tuesday, October 4, the regular meeting night. The branch also approved a recommendation to again support three Legacy wards.

Coreen Hutle, Inaugural winner of the North Beach Sub-branch's scholarship award, received her certificate from branch president Brian Hall.

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OSBORNE PARK

Since the last publication of Listening Post, the sub branch has had an increase in membership. Our total is now near the 140 mark which augurs well for the future. We appeal to all members to keep spreading the word around; I am sure that we will end up with many more new members in the near future.

Attendance at our monthly meetings has unfortunately not been good; I know that the last couple of months have been cold and wet; perhaps that has kept everyone at home. I keep plugging away in each publication that our meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month (annual reminders won't do any harm).

The main topic to report is our Annual State Congress recently held at Busselton. With our President, Keith Anderson, I had the privilege of once again being one of the delegates for the sub branch to attend the congress, and what a great success this was. The Bunbury sub branch is to be highly commended for the excellent organisation that made the congress run so smoothly. Osborne Park congratulates you all down at Bunbury, including your Ladies Auxiliary, on the success of such an important occasion. As I heard mentioned during congress "Bunbury did us proud.'

On Friday September 30, members and wives will be having a social night at the Tivoli Club of W.A., which is held at the... show, and to prove its popularity we could only manage to obtain 100 tickets. These are being snapped up like hot cakes.

I would still like to receive news and notes from any members to assist in making up the quarterly article for the Listening Post. I sometimes run short of news items so don't forget members, anything at all will help me greatly.

BILL SULLIVAN

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RIVERTON

Our Sub-Branch is 40 years old this year and, as with others, we have had many ups and downs; good years and not so good. However, we go into this birthday year feeling very pleased and proud of recent achievements, especially over the last eighteen months.

We have been in our new $1.5m. club-rooms for over a year now. The new rooms are as large as the old, furnished with new chairs, tables, carpet etc., contain all kitchen facilities, and there is an excellent bar area and cool room. Our membership, open to full, social and auxiliary members, has doubled since we moved into this superb accommodation and socials are held regularly. Club-rooms are open weekdays 4-7 pm and Saturday and Sunday afternoons for members to enjoy refreshments; the pool, darts and social clubs. These guests are welcome. We hold general meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 8 pm and we have some RSL visitors at any time of the above dates. Please call in to 153 High Road, Riverton. Our phone number is 354 2197.

In the main hall is a new "Historic Board" on which we have listed the various commanders of same for each year since 1948.

This year's highlight was our "RUBY BIRTHDAY DINNER" held on Friday August 26 when many members, old and new along with special guests including some foundation members and supporters gathered in the hall to celebrate. A special vote of thanks was directed to the late Emily Hamilton who, as an RSL supporter originally donated the land we now occupy. A further vote of thanks was directed to our President, Harry Lowe, who looked after the draw of a raffle intended to achieve our present building and financial success. In his reply, President Harry paid tribute to past Presidents, members and supporters, and especially to the present executive committee and many helpers.

We look forward to seeing more of our own members and visitors calling soon.

FRED CARDEN - Publicity Officer

SCARBOROUGH

A report on Congress doings, by Peter Stubbs, was received by members with interest.

Held away from Perth, Congress can be an expensive undertaking for many sub-branches. We did learn, though, that if we are going to succeed and hold our own as a body of veterans, we must unite. The motto of "Eternal Vigilance" cannot be stated too often. There is a growing feeling that political parties would like to see the Department of Veterans Affairs eliminated.

Major-General Morrison explained why Repatriation pharmaceutical benefits are, in some cases, withdrawn or reduced.

Congress views on immigration, and what is actually taking place, reflected the feeling that the people generally are not being considered.

Mrs Joy Raid gave her report on welfare. She feels strongly that more thought needs to be given to the ailing and elderly veterans in our aging membership.

Despite wintry conditions, our attending membership is still maintaining a good muster.

JIM HUGILL

SOUTHERN CROSS

1988 is the Centenary Year of Southern Cross and, as a former resident of the town, it was my pleasure to make a contribution to some part of the year's celebration and I chose Anzac Day.

The local Sub-Branch is down to about five active members; an approach was made to the Council to allow us to organise a very special occasion and 50 veterans were given permission to wear their Badges and Women in honour resident's to kiss them to attend.

To further the cause, the Principal of the Southern Cross College, High School and the Mayor of Beloit assisted.

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Joseph's Convent was asked if they would be interested to receive an exhibit from the Army Museum of WA shown in the schools in the week preceding Anzac Day. I thank both for their cooperation, and I am grateful to the Museum Curator, Captain S. Jordan, for lending the display.

After the daily assembly, I showed the students close by class - and, by Anzac Day, they knew the story. It took place in the mind's eye, and the response from the students was remarkable - especially when they discovered, in most cases, it was their grandparents and great-grandparents about whom I was talking.

The privilege was mine to give the address at both school services on the Friday, and both occasions were well attended by parents and friends. To the staff and pupils who organised my talks.

Down on the 25th held a beautiful day. Forty-five attended the Dawn Service at the War Memorial. Ninety-six men and women from many parts of the State marched in the parade. A total of approximately 260 citizens attended and took part in the service.

A number of special schools helped to make the year a memorable occasion - the Chess Rose was held.

Women's Auxiliary

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Women and men were shown over the War Veterans' Home by the Superintendent, W.G. Edwards. I was in regard to the kindness of the staff of the Home, and the assistance was unable to attend the luncheon owing to illness.

Winner of the country cup was Carnarvon. The Salvation Shield was won by W. Underwood, and the Essay went to Baradine. The Metropolitan Cup was won by Busselton, the Anne Shield went to Bunbury, and the tray was presented to Cockburn, Subiaco, Rockingham, and Katanning.

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RIVERVALE-CARLISLE

The second birthday of Rivervale-Carlisle was celebrated by some 30 members and guests at the RSL Hall in Marrickville Road, Rivervale on Wednesday, 11 May 1988. Luncheon guests included the State President, Alison Cayley, Footy Butler, and Lady Mayor of Altona, Paddy Butler. State Secretary, Muriel Sullivan, and members of the Women's Auxiliaries from Altona, Villawood, Balmain, Darling Range and Cockburn.

FRANK FISHER

BOOK REVIEW

Book Launching "Our War Nurses". A history of the Royal Australian Army Nursing Corps - 1902 to 1988 by Dr Rupert Goodman.

As part of its bicentennial activity, the Returned Soldiers' Sub-branch held a successful book-launching at the Returned and Services Club of WA in Tivoli Street on May 23 this year.

It was a happy and exciting occasion attended by a large number of army nurses and guests. The president of the Sub-branch, Mrs Vivian Statham, particularly welcomed Mrs Ruth Reid, wife of the State Governor and the author of Goodman who had journeyed from Queensland to be present.

In launching the book, Mrs Reid paid tribute to the author for the excellent amount of research he had undertaken in the production of this epic work, the first and only definitive story to be written which covers the founding of the Australian Army Nursing Service in 1902 to its subsequent becoming the Royal Australian Army Nursing Corps of the present day.

Remarking on the book itself, Mrs Reid said that it was particularly gratifying that members of the AANS who served in World War II were given the recognition they so richly deserved. With members of their sister service the OAIMNS, these women faced unbelievable hardship when caring for the sick and wounded on hospital ships, and in the combat areas of the Middle East and France under conditions difficult to imagine.

ALLISON CAYLEY
STATE PRESIDENT
BUNBURY

Six of our ladies attended State Conference this year and we had a particularly interesting time - includine a visit to the War Veterans' Home at Mount Lawley. It is such a beautiful place with all the residents so happy and cheerful.

I strongly urge every Auxiliary to try to get at least two, or even more, ladies to attend next year's conference. Bunbury had great pleasure in hosting the Congress this year and what a grand time was had by all. It was a lot of hard work and a lot of preparation went into every detail but it was a success and something different from our usual activities.

We have Long Tan Day coming up quickly, and we are looking forward to meeting our friends, possibly making new ones.

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In responding, Dr. Goodman paid a tribute of the many of his men and women who had given their lives in the war. He expressed his appreciation of the help he had received from many nurses in all States, who had provided much of the medical care together with over a thousand photographs sent to him.

Many of those who joined the long queue for autographed copies were delighted to see themselves and their colleagues coming out of the pages, and to recognize as a WFX on the front cover:

Rupert Goodman is a Charged to the WA Medical Service. He is a Tobruk Rat and served with the 214th Australian General Hospital as a medical orderly and later education officer throughout the Second World War. His two previous books on the subject are "A Hospital at War" - a history of the 214th AGH, and "Queensland Harvey" which covers the Navy, Army and Air Force nursing services.

The present book "Our War Nurses", published by Booloong Press, is a handsome volume attractively presented on good quality paper and well illustrated. There is a foreword by Vivian Statham (nee Bullwinke), OBE, AGC, RD, Florence Nightingale Medallist.

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Captain Mona Wilkinson Hornsby, MID

Captain Mona Wilkinson Hornsby, MID, and passed away at the Wondouer Nursing Home, Halls Head, on May 26, will best be remembered by the personnel who served under her command in World War II for her strong leadership.

Captain Mona Wilkinson was chosen in 1941 to train as an officer and in the following 18 months served as Commanding Officer, both in the WAC A ground, Perth, and in the Teacher's Training College, Claremont. There was a lot of interest during her war-time camps for new recruits and as a Rookie training school. Mona was then transferred to Queensland, before being chosen to serve as Adjutant to the WAAS Contingent in Lei, New Guinea.

In recognition of her service to her country, Mona was in the list of King's Order of Declarations and Awards Commonwealth Group No. 49 and was bestowed the honour of Mentioned in Dispatches on 6 May 20, will best be remembered, by the personnel who served under her command in World War II, by her strong leadership.

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TWILIGHT ON V.2 COAST

Patton 150 Miles From Berlin

Supreme Allied H.Q., Wednesday: Pressing forward over the Great North German Plain, Field-Marshal Montgomery's British and American forces have captured Munster, capital city of Westphalia, have stormed into Osnabruck, which an unconfirmed agency report says was captured at daybreak this morning, and are fighting inside The Great Ruhr Railway Centre of Hamm.

The British and Canadian advance into Holland has virtually cut off the V.2 coast and narrowed considerably the enemy escape route eastwards into Germany.

Gen. Patton's tank spearheads, eating up the miles in their drive into Central Germany, have reached points seven miles east and 10 miles south of Gotha, to bring them within 150 miles of Berlin.

Troops of the British Sixth Airborne Division yesterday stormed their way into the road and rail centre of Osnabruck. Other forces which by-passed Osnabruck are reported by the Germans to have reached Herford, 30 miles to the south-east and 48 miles west of Hanover.

At Herford Field Marshal Montgomery's forces are less than 192 miles west of Berlin.

Ninth Army columns have reached the river Weser, while other units have penetrated far into Bielefeld.

Further south, across the autobahn linking the Ruhr with Hanover and Berlin, other Ninth Army forces are slogging it out with powerful concentrations of Tiger tanks and artillery.

Munster was finally cleared by a combined operation of the British Sixth Guards Armoured Brigade and the American 17th Airborne Division.

The German withdrawal from Holland went on steadily all day yesterday, as the Allies kept 10,000 bomb heavy hits of the Britain Channel area. Troops of the 43rd Wessex Division have reached Hengelo, 30 miles from the Zuider Zee. Other British troops have captured Nordhorn, 15 miles to the north-west, just over the German border.

Canadian troops have cleared the "island" between Aachen and Muenster and the U-boat base opposite Antwerp on the left bank of the Lower Rhine.

Ninth and Third Army troops were fighting a two-way battle against increasing resistance from the German forces trying to break out from the Ruhr.

It is now officially estimated that there are between 120,000 and 150,000 Germans inside the Allied trap.

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By Capt. KENNETH HARVEY

In an attempt to isolate the 22nd Field Regiment, R.A., the Manchester Artillery, has been going on detached support operations during the fighting in Italy. Second battalions of the 3rd and 4th Battalions, have been in continuous action, and have been involved in several important operations.

At Taranto, on the 8th April, 1942, the Regiment relieved the French near Poggibonsi. Just outside Florence, fire was brought on our guns, but no casualties were sustained. This was the only artillery in the area to support infantry crossing the Siles.

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OKINAWA: MOST FANTASTIC PACIFIC BATTLE

Civilian Welcome

The Battle of Okinawa is developing into the most far-reaching in the Pacific campaign. At all the engagement scenes on the Island enemy斗志 is held in check, while the continued progress of numbers of Thousands of Japanese troops among the mountains out of sight of the invasion force is still continuing unobserved.

Meanwhile, thousands of civilians are streaming into the Allied lines, waving Japanese flags and giving thanks to the Allied troops.

Killers With Kukris

The 1st Battalion of the 5th Royal Gurkha Rifles (Frontier Force), now fighting in Italy, can look back with pride on a record of solid achievement, colourful exploits and numerous acts of gallantry in the field, the most conspicuous of which was recently recognised by the award of the Victoria Cross to Rfn. Thaman Gurung.

With Kukris, the village was taken after a short but furious engagement.

Marines are now landing into villages and towns, replacing the Japanese troops with enemy with the order of the day.

Three Japanese cities, Shibukawa, 85 miles south of Tokyo, and Tachikawa and Koizumi, both within 20 miles of the capital, were raided by over 300 Superfortresses yesterday.

General MacArthur took the Southern Pacific Islands campaign a further step nearer conclusion on Tuesday when he ranked the northern tip of the Sulu archipelago at Tarutao, the main island of the Sulu Archipelago, within 80 miles of North Borneo.

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The French Government has made a decision to withdraw pre-war licences to pre-war private broadcasting companies and to sequestrate their property. This confirms France's policy of a single, non-commercial broadcasting corporation on lines not unlike those of the BBC.

MR Alfred Launcelot Wykes, of Cliffe House, Barrow-on-Soar, Leicester, of the Auster aircraft company, who died as the result of a flying accident, left £24,949 gross and £19,002 net personalty.

American Army Jewish personnel stationed in eastern England have given £550 to the Jewish congregation of Norwich to help in the re-building of their blitzed synagogue.

Rumanian generals, Nikolae Macici and Trestiorianu, have been examined and placed under arrest by Rumanian People's Tribunal charged with having issued an order for massacre of 20,000 Soviet citizens in Odessa, reports the Romanian Radio.

Belgian Social Insurance scheme, which was officially announced last December, is now being put into operation.

Corinth Canal, at present unusable, will soon be widened and deepened, says Athens Radio.

U.S. State Department opposes the formation of a single American monopoly to control all telegraph communications as such a merger might be injurious to the freedom of the Press.

Several London newspapers have reported that the Swiss Government has informed the Italian Government that if Mussolini seeks shelter in Switzerland he would not be received as a political refugee, but an asylum might be granted if application for entry were made on the grounds of illness.

More than 80,000 soft coal miners throughout the United States are on strike and other industries are already being affected.

Greek Union of Popular Republicans (E.L.D.), the second largest party in Greece, has officially announced its withdrawal from the organisation. Minor Socialist parties have also withdrawn in agreement with E.L.D.

British Naval Units Sailing East

The Japanese News Agency said yesterday that a British fleet, consisting of some 10 units, had left the Red Sea bound for the Indian Ocean "to take part in operations for the re-conquest of Burma and Malaya."

And from the West

BOMBERS IN THE CHASE

For the second successive day heavy bombers yesterday raided German barracks and troop concentrations in Northern Italy 60 miles west of Rome in Central Germany, and the German naval base in Kiel. Other targets for the 700 armed bombers were the great port of Hamburg in the mouth of the Elbe, airfields in north-west Germany.

On Tuesday night Mosquitos again dropped their 4,000lb bombs on Berlin.

Dominion Talks Start in London

British and Dominion delegates to the San Francisco world security talks began a series of preliminary meetings in London yesterday under the chairmanship of Lord Cranborne, the Dominion Secretary.

The talks, consisting of discussions in advance on matters of interest to the British Commonwealth, are expected to last a week or longer.

Mr Churchill and Mr Eden may take part.

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