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The Listening Post

Congress

This year’s Congress was a momentous one in many respects. The traditional digger hilarity was maintained throughout, which did not prevent delegates from settling down to serious discussion of the more important items of the agenda—paper. We can foresee the future—historian of the League referring to it as the “Douglas Credit Congress.” In fact, next to the election of State President, the items dealing with currency and economic affairs were of most interest to members. One must compliment the Douglas Credit adherents on their persistence and the painstaking earnestness with which they had prepared their case. That their various motions were rejected reflects no discredit on the proposers. The motions were ably put and keenly debated. On one occasion, when Dick Law, of M. E. Law, spoke, even the ranks of Tuscumal could scarce forbear to cheer. But the general opinion of those who voted against the various motions was that Congress as a body should know more about the details of the scheme before committing the League to a policy which may, quite conceivably, become an issue of party politics.

The general tone of Congress was high. There was the same good fellowship, the same spirit of service in the study of public questions, the same lusty enjoyment combined with decorum at the social junketings. Age may have withered delegates, but it has not curbed their inimitable variety. A few familiar faces were missing. The evergreen (physically, not mentally) Arthur Nolan of Campden did not come up this year. Brother Harold informed the overflow congress that Arthur is now prospecting. May he also be a good digger in that venture and strike another “Golden Eagle.” Colonel Clarrie Fairley is still a terror for his size, and championed the interests of goldfield diggers in his usual vigorous and humorous style.

Monsieur Le Marquis de Torbay, dear old Jim Whitten, happily recovered from the illness that put him into hospital during last year’s Congress, was well in the play. He is another interesting speaker who can tincture sound common sense with the saving grace of humour. New delegates also made their bow before the digger forum. Padre Vines—ably exemplified the old song tag—“Would you leave gaiety All to the laity?”

Doctor Cyril Bryan, who writes as happily as he speaks, though he did go out for a haircut once, and Doctor Jacob, of Harvey, an earnest Douglas Creditor, were also among the debaters. There was at least one touching family re-union. Dick Collins, of the Press Sub-branch, and Michael Collins, of Tambellup, discovered that, besides being fellow clansmen, they have relatives in common, and as old Euclid might have said, “Blokes who are related to the same bloke are related to one another.” Intensive researches into clan history failed to establish exactly where the relationship lies, but the long and short of it went to communion together several times—and, any way, there’s always another Congress.

Colonel Nicholson was an able advocate for the soldier settlers. Colonel Manning represented Toodyay, and Major Whitnell, an officer who served in the Imperial forces, worthily represented Bridgetown. Norwood’s pride, George Cattermole, had a resolution carried which will enlarge a future issue of the LISTENING POST. Jack Maloney, M.L.A., of Subiaco, spoke feelingly on a motion to pension off diggers, who reach the age of fifty. Other Parliamentarians present were genial Alex. Panton, now Mr. Speaker “in another place,” Jim Thorne, of Toodyay, Jim Mann, of Beverley, while the LISTENING POST’s old friend, Jimmie Cornell, M.L.C., definitely proved that he belongs to a house of review. Mr. Cornell did not seek re-election to the State Executive this year, and his absence from the seats of the high and mighty is to be deplored. His advice on matters of procedure and constitutional points will be greatly missed. Another vigorous speaker was Jack Mulgueeney, from Lake Brown.

Defence or Default

The announcement of the Federal Government’s new defence policy has evoked the usual hysterical wails from those holy persons who would have us believe that, when a maniac brandishes a carving knife at one, the correct procedure is to tear off one’s collar and expose more throat area to the impending stroke. There has been much foolish talk about “militaristic propaganda,” and talk even sillier about “big business” wanting another war to swell dividends. As to the latter, it would be just as logical to assume that the clergy want peace so that the threepenny-piece may be more plentiful in the Sunday collection plate. What is most amazing about the whole business is the attitude of our patriotic Press which, in trying to propagate peace ideals, has allowed much space to anti-defence ranters. A local comic weekly weighed in with the bright suggestion that the proper way to defend Australia is to sow minefields round the entrances of all our important harbours. Minefields in peacet ime! What a splendid stimulant to overseas trade! Another weird point of view which has found expression in print is that because we have a large coastline and a relatively small population the job of defending Australia is too big for us.

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able for many years to come. Therefore we must be prepared for eventualities, and if our men are ever called upon to take the field again, it is our duty to see that they do so unhandicapped by lack of preparation and insufficient training. Past history has shown that disarmament has invited attack rather than averted it, and that insufficient preparation has rendered wars more terrible by prolonging them. There is nothing jingoistic in insisting upon an adequate defence policy. In this respect Australia is in the position of the man who can cover his property with a fire insurance policy without necessarily accusing his neighbours of being incendiaries.

Congress and Mr. Roland Green

Mr. Roland Green, M.H.R., is like the proverbial Irishman, always "agin' the Government," and everlastingly attacking something or someone. Such an attitude is not, in itself, a reprehensible one. On the contrary, it may be productive of much good in the way of ventilating legitimate grievances. Unfortunately, Mr. Green is not over-particular as to what he says and, of late, he has developed a pernicious habit of sniping at individuals from behind the cover of privilege of Parliament. The pity of it is that Mr. Green is a man who has served his country splendidly, both in war and in peace; and he could still do so were it not for his unfortunate temperament. Whether his criticism, in the House of Representatives, of a member of the staff of the Randwick Hospital was justified or not, is a matter of which we have no knowledge and which in any case is beside the mark. The censure passed upon him during the concluding hours of this year's State Congress was with reference to Mr. Green's unwarranted attack on the head of the Repatriation Department, an official who cannot, because of regulations, reply publicly, and who, on account of privilege of Parliament, is denied the ordinary layman's redress by way of a libel action. Consider this extract from the report of the affair, which appeared on October 6 in The West Australian:

The Minister for Repatriation (Mr. Marr) deplored the castigation of a departmental officer who was not in a position to reply.

Mr. Green: He is hopelessly incompetent.

The Minister: This is a most unfair attack on a man who cannot defend himself. Colonel Semmens has been the head of the department for many years and has been sympathetic in his administration. Every officer of the department is a returned soldier and is just as sympathetic toward returned soldiers as any member of the House.

The Congress resolution was a virtual corroboration of the Minister's statement. Now consider Mr. Green's reply as published in The West Australian of October 10. Defending his attitude, Mr. Green quoted a resolution of the Con-

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SWAN BRAND MUSTARD* PICKLES ARE PIQUANT
gress of the New South Wales Branch on March 31, 1929, congratulating him for his action on a former occasion, "My attack in the House," concluded Mr. Green, "was on the policy of the Commission, rather than against any individual officers."

Thus, by one of those queer verbal twists so popular in political circles, saying that an officer is hopelessly incompetent is attacking a policy and not an individual.

Mr. Green has found at least one defender in this State. Writing in The Daily News on October 14, "Fair Deal Wanted," one of those anonymous know-all who has not the courage to sign his name to a contribution, declared that "some of the speakers" (on the Congress motion) "are not aware of the sufferings and hardships with which ex-service men are putting up, nor had had to approach the Department of Repatriation with a serious disability." He then went on to say that "the majority of those who voted for the motion were principally from the country and are fit men with no knowledge of what ex-service men in and around the metropolitan area have to contend with."

For sheer blatant cocksureness assertions like these consume the whole output of Messrs. Mills and Ware. Country delegates, please note. There are evidently no pensioners in your sub-branches, and you do no amelioration work. It may be news to you that you are all fit men and we poor city crocks are not, but "Fair Deal Wanted" has been a success. In the Evansons.

This stupid and blundering defence is like the flowers that bloom in the spring—it has nothing to do with the case. Notwithstanding assertions to the contrary, which have appeared from time to time in a certain comic weekly, this paper and the Pensions Committee of the State Executive have never contended that the pensions position has been entirely satisfactory. But both are in a position to know what "Fair Deal Wanted" obviously, does not know—that Colonel Semmens and his administrative staff were not responsible for the difficult position which arose in this State, and which has now been satisfactorily adjusted without recourse to thunder and lightning.

The purpose of Congress was not to throw bouquets at the Repatriation Department, which, being controlled by humans, has its share of human weaknesses, but to defend a capable and sympathetic official against a palpably unfair attack, and this is what Mr. Roland Green has studiously ignored, and what "Fair Deal Wanted" evidently has not sufficient brains to realise.

The Diggers' Carnival

At the last General Meeting of the Nedlands Park Sub-branch it was unanimously resolved to conduct a "Diggers' Carnival" for the purpose of assisting the funds for the erection of Anzac House, and the sub-branch. A strong committee was formed, and under the able chairmanship of Mr. J. Tozer, has already met and discussed many things. It is hoped to secure the University Hockey Grounds at the corner of Broadway and Stirling Highway, Nedlands, for the carnival, which is expected to last a full week, commencing on December 18, and ending on Christmas Eve. Special attractions are being arranged for each evening, and it is hoped that a brass band will be in attendance.

Those members of the League who will be in the metropolitan area during the Christmas season are advised to note the date, and make a point of going along at least one evening, if not more, and have some fun. Watch the columns of this periodical for later announcements.

Soldiers' Children's Scholarship Trust

Applications are invited from the children of fallen and incapacitated ex-soldiers for Scholarships at the University of Western Australia, Perth Technical College, School of Mines, Kalgoorlie; Secondary Schools, Business Colleges.

Application forms and full particulars may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary of the Soldiers' Children's Scholarship Trust, Mr. J. R. Fitzpatrick, G.P.O. Box K761, Perth, and must be returned before November 12, 1933.

Presentation of 16th Battalion Colour

Colonel E. L. Margolin desires to express keen appreciation of members of the Committee of the "Old Sixteenth" Battalion to those men of the unit who paraded on Sunday afternoon last, despite very inclement weather conditions, and "stood to" as in the days of old when serving with their old battalion. Thanks are also conveyed to those who, although unable to be on parade, so ably assisted in raising funds whereby the presentation of the Battalion Colour was made possible.
Hot Air over the Air
(By "Rady O'Listener")

I was interested in the newspaper report of the University Senate meeting, at which various professors demanded the right to express their opinions in public. But even the greatest advocate of freedom of speech must admit that there is a medium in all things. The specialised knowledge University professors have on subjects like Literature, Common Law, Economics and History, should be disseminated beyond the halls and walls of Crawley, but when they become propagandists for pet panaceas they cease to be what lawyers would call “good evidence,” even when it is admitted that their trained intellects give them a quicker grip of the pet panaceas than that of laymen in the same subject. Of course, knowledge can not and should not be confined within water-tight compartments, but who, for instance, is interested in Professor Murdoch’s personal opinions about Australian defence? The trouble with many of these learned men is that their heads are so high in the clouds that they cannot touch the earth. On the evening of the day the report of the Senate discussion appeared, I listened—in to a lecture by Professor Murdoch on “War as an Investment.” It was a series of charges against the armament makers, who, it was alleged, are organised internationally—even as other businesses are—and who control banks and newspapers and bribe Parliamentarians and Ministers of State in various countries. The armament makers allegedly are responsible for causing “war scares” and patriotic movements, and are responsible for the agitation for a more adequate defence system in Australia. They sell to both friend and enemy. I seem to remember that Yorkshire looms provided the cloth for the uniforms of Napoleon’s soldiers—and Professor Murdoch told his hearers that they could prove all these charges for themselves by reading the literature of various pacifist organisations. About the only charge he did not bring against the armament makers was that of sending hefty agents into other countries to breed surplus populations and so create the demand for a war to acquire extra territory to absorb them. It is a pity someone did not remind the good professor of this.

In conclusion, he stated that the Oxford students, who decided to scab on their fellow Britons—that is, assuming they were all British and not shandy-gaffs—by refusing to fight for King and country under any circumstances, were just as loyal as we are, but they decline to risk their precious (and probably pacifist-coloured) hides to enrich the armament makers.

It is nice to know that all of us except the lily-white pacifists, can be duped and “squared” by the wicked fellows who make guns and rifles. I am no lover of war as an international pastime, but I have yet to be convinced that the scrapping of all known armaments will end wars. In common with thousands of others who are not altogether too godly to be manly, I have always believed in an adequate defence policy for White Australia, and I do wish some of Professor Murdoch’s armament makers would come along and bribe me to advocate what I already believe. Believing in defence measures, I cannot be capable of honest thinking, for that is the exclusive monopoly of Professor Murdoch and those who think—or think they think—like him.

State’s Premier Sub-Bran

NARROGIN WINS NEWDEGATE CUP

The following is the report of the Newdegate Cup Committee, submitted to Congress by Archdeacon G. L. Riley:

Nine sub-branches submitted claims for the Cup, and the standard attained was so high that your Committee experienced even more difficulty than usual in coming to a decision.

The outstanding feature noted was the very definite reaching out beyond the confines of purely domestic activities into every avenue of general service to the community. Apparently, as the work gets consolidated more man-power and more brain-power is being applied to this question, and the result is an extraordinarily far-reaching programme of public utility on the part of your members in the sub-branches under review.

"Naturally in these times the questions of unemployment and of amelioration both figure largely in any active sub-branch programme, and the papers submitted all show a complete realisation of the needs, and some very excellent schemes for coping adequately with them."

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The ball which took place on the State motorship "Koolinda" on October 9, under the auspices of the Fremantle Sub-branch, was a social and financial success. The gay decorations and the gleaming white decks provided a pleasing setting for the crowd of dancers, many of whom had come miles to be present on this festive occasion. Those responsible for the arduous work of preparation well deserved the congratulations that were showered upon them. Included in the list are the Chief Officer of the ship, the Chief Steward and his competent staff, who had charge of the arrangements for the supper, which was provided by the State Shipping Service. One attractive feature of the function was a clever exhibition dance performed by Miss Vera Stewart and her-partner, Mr. Wally Wilcox. The Fremantle Sub-branch greatly appreciates the services of Mr. J. M. Lynch (organiser), Mr. W. Tinscombe (ball secretary), Mrs. F. E. Gibson (Mayor of Fremantle), Mrs. Turton (Mayor of North Fremantle), Miss Sinclair (State Shipping Service), Lieutenant Hatten (Naval Depot), and Mr. A. R. Baker; Mr. Glyde, the manager of the State Shipping Service, and members of his department, the officers and crew of the "Koolinda," the Chief Steward and his staff, and members of the sub-branch who helped to make the ball such an unqualified success.

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"Anzac Day, Poppy Day, and Empire Day all appear from the reports to have been observed in the way most peculiarly suited to each, while the right as well as the duty of ex-service men to take a share in public commemoration or function of national or regional value has been well emphasised in the past year.

"The Sons of Soldiers' League has engaged the attention of various of the sub-branches, and they seem to anticipate a decided addition to the interests of the fathers in the League workings as a result.

"The explicit statement of one sub-branch: 'Here we have given the widow's mite. No returned man has been refused a feed. No widow or orphan has appealed to us in vain is, we find, the implied motive of service in every claimant, and while that continues the League's domestic efficiency is assured.

"Very good claims came in from Lake Grace, Osborne Park, and Tambellup.

"Grouped very close together, and here given in alphabetical order, were the records of activities in every department of the League's work of Boulder, Collie, Kalgoorlie, and South Perth.

"We find North Perth with a splendid record of service a very close second to the sub-branch whose sustained effort and good results have entitled it to the cup for this year, namely, Narrogin."

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State War Memorial
WARDEN'S REPORT TO CONGRESS

Sir Charles Nathan submitted the following report to Congress:

"As retiring Warden of the State War Memorial, I desire to submit a brief resume of the activities of the past twelve months, and toward this end cannot do better than attach a report of the Perth Sub-branch, signed by Mr. W. J. Hunt, President, and Mr. H. Hop- perton, Job Master, who, as sub-wardens, carried out efficiently and well the important duties attached to their office.

In the Sub-Warden's report certain recommendations are made regarding the procedure which in their opinion should be adopted in future in connection with the Dawn Service, which I feel sure will have the earnest consideration of your Executive. When presenting his report last year, Lieut.-General Sir Talbot Hobbs referred to the then contemplated alterations in connection with the layout of the grounds surrounding the Memorial. This work, which has now been completed, has enhanced the beauty of the surroundings, enabling the Memorial to be seen to the greatest possible advantage. It has provided a magnificent concourse which on last Anzac Day permitted fifteen thousand people to participate in the Dawn Service and to view the whole of the proceedings in comfort.

"Members of Congress, on their annual pilgrimage on Wednesday, the 4th instant, will have an opportunity of viewing the complete work which, in my opinion, has resulted in making the surroundings the Memorial the most beautiful in Australia.

"I am particularly desirous of placing on record my appreciation of the earnestness and conscientiousness of the Sub-Wardens in fulfilling their responsibilities; not only in caring for the Memorial itself and its surroundings, but in punctilious attendance on Saturday afternoons, Sundays, holidays, and special days, in order to preserve decorum and respect within its precincts.

"Apart from the many thousands of Western Australians who have visited the Memorial during the year, one of the most gratifying features has been the pilgrimage of hundreds of overseas visitors who have passed through Perth during the period under review.

"In conclusion, may I state how much the Sub-Wardens and myself have appreciated the signal honour conferred upon us, in being appointed custodians of the Memorial for the past twelve months, and I trust we have always been mindful of the sacredness of our office.

"In view of the important and honorable duties which the Wardens and Sub-Wardens are called upon to perform, it is felt that the change-over of Wardenship each year should be made the occasion for some simple ceremony, providing an opportunity for the laying of a wreath on the Memorial by outgoing Wardens and for the initiation of those who are about to accept the responsibilities for the ensuing year."

SUB-WARDENS' REPORT

The Sub-Wardens (Perth Sub-Branch) submitted the following report to the Warden:

"On behalf of the members of Perth Sub-branch, may we express our pleasure and deep sense of gratitude for our association with you on this important task. The responsibilities and duties attached to the post of Warden have, we know, been carried out by you with the deepest thought and consideration, your evident desire and anxiety has been admired and appreciated by our members. We, like yourself, are proud to have served in the capacity of Sub-Wardens; and in the performance of our duties we feel a deep sense of gratification that comes from the effort to carry out such duties as the care of so beautiful a Memorial to our fallen comrades whose memory it perpetuates.

"Members of the Sub-branch have attended the Memorial each Saturday and Sunday afternoon, and on such special days as were considered advisable. We desire to point out to you that our duties have, on all occasions, been of a pleasant nature with scarcely any exceptions. Here we would point out that those occasions when it became unfor-
Munsie Prospecting Scheme

During Congress Colonel Fairley moved—

"That a Sub-committee be appointed by this Congress to interview the Minister for Mines regarding the conditions of the Munsie Prospecting Scheme."

After discussion this was carried and the following committee was appointed: Colonel Fairley (Kalgoorlie), Messrs. Hammer (Southern Cross), and Sheridan (Boulder).

Later in the Congress the following report was submitted:—

Your Sub-committee waited on the Minister for Mines in connection with the Munsie Prospecting Scheme. The Minister agreed to the principle of paying the men a certain percentage of their grant in cash each week, but at the present time was unable to do so owing to the Treasury not being able to issue cash vouchers under the Scheme.

He was doing all in his power to have the amount of 5/- paid in cash out of every 15/-.

In connection with the explosives question, the Minister was fully alive to the situation, and would make State Battery managers the authority for authorising explosives, and in the case of the Southern Cross district, would be prepared to receive a nomination from any responsible body or any experienced man prepared to do the work in an honorary capacity.

It was felt that if the 5/- cash voucher per week were arranged, men would then have sufficient money to make their own arrangements for water during the summer months.

The Minister expressed his appreciation of the wonderful support given to the scheme by R.S.L. sub-branches of the various mining districts, and greatly appreciated the action of Congress in sending the sub-committee to meet him on these questions.

Ex-Service Engineers and Allied Units

Members of the above Association will no doubt be looking forward to their annual re-union, being reminded of the event by the re-unions of various Unit Associations held during Show week. This (the eighth) re-union will be held in the Soldier's Institute, Perth, on Saturday, November 4, at 8 p.m.

All ex-members of Engineers, Tunnellers, Pioneers, Railway Operating Divisions, Electrical and Mechanical Boring Companies, and allied units are urged to keep this night free, and are invited to attend in force, where they will find the real comradeship of men that grew in the A.I.F. still remains true.

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(By C. R. Collins)

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The ever-dwindling rearguard of an army corps sublime;
And ne'er does darkness thicken, nor the morning sky burn red,
But, some chosen one goes forward to join the host-ahead.
Time was, we marched abreast of them, the foremost of the van.
We laughed with them, and wafted with them, and drooped to man.
We shared their joys and sorrows, and we closed their dying eyes,
Our cobbers of the picquet lines beyond the starlit skies.
They're waiting there by what the hymn-book calls the crystal sea
To share with us the leaves that last for all eternity.
Ho! the weary trampling rearguard in the thickest of the dust
Must plod along and do the thousand jobs a rearguard must,
Hump the weakling's pack and set the straggler on his feet,
Ginger up the faltering ones, renew the faint heart's beat.
Make the grumbler smile again and speed the way with song;
The thousand unobtrusive jobs that earn a bloke, no gong.
But when this duty's over, with our belts and side-arms clean,
We'll fall in for the last parade beyond the empyrean.
We'll meet our pals who went ahead, on that last big parade.
God grant that we can stand by them erect and undismayed.
God grant that we'll be fit, when all the final rolls are checked,
To give the honest answer: 'All present and correct!'

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Group Settlement Committee

REPORT TO CONGRESS

Colonel Olden, on behalf of the committee appointed by the 'Soldier Settlers' Conference', submitted the following report to Congress, which was duly adopted.

A sub-committee of returned soldiers, representing soldier settlers engaged in dairy-farming in the South-West portion of W.A., yesterday waited on the Minister for Lands (Mr. W. F. Troy), and discussed with him matters relating to pasture improvement, the provision of suitable implements on settlers' properties, the disposal of surplus stock, and disabilities suffered from ravage by pests and from restricted activities. The Deputation, which was introduced by Colonel A. C. N. Olden, comprised Messrs. J. S. Whitten (representing Torbay and Geraldton districts), F. J. Stahl (Yannnah), W. Hand (Northcliffe and Pemberton), and E. P. Coates (Wellard).

Mr. Whitten said that one of the first things settlers in the districts he represented required was to have properly laid pasture, and they desired Government assistance to enable them to do this. The fact that in the past a suitable pasture had not been secured was the cause of much of the failure. If the Minister visited the districts, he would be able to see for himself how the pastures could be improved. Grasses of poor quality that were entirely unsuitable for particular districts had been planted in many instances, and the Government should encourage the planting of the best grass varieties.

Mr. Hand said that settlers had done their best to improve their pasture lands, but at present they found that the clover and other grasses which they had established were being affected by the ravages of the red mite and the lucerne flea. Kikiyu grass was well adapted to resist these insects, and if the Government would assist them to cover their land with this grass, they would be able to carry a greater number of stock, and would become much more successful.

Mr. Stahl said that the present fodder grown did not provide food for a long enough period of the year, and settlers would like better quality grasses introduced to carry them over the hot summer months. The area of some of the settlers' blocks was too small at the present time, and these should be enlarged to allow for the more extensive planting of lucerne. The settlers in his district who had good lucerne land were the most successful, and the planting of this grass should be further encouraged. In cases where a settler kept as many as twelve or fourteen cows, and his pasture was not up to standard, the Lands Department should force him to get rid of three or four of them so that an improvement could be made in the lucerne lands.

The Minister said that he would be paying a visit to the various dairying districts later on, when he would pay special attention to matters connected

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with pasture improvement. As far as red mite and lucerne fleas were concerned, he believed that everything possible was being done to deal with them. The Council for Scientific and Industrial Research was giving very close attention to the matter, but it was extraordinary that the Council's experts had never been able to discover a parasite that would effectively destroy the pests.

Mr. Hand complained that the State Implements Works' disc ploughs, which had been supplied to settlers, were too cumbersome for use by one horse, and requested the Minister to go into the matter, with a view to making available ploughs that were more suitable for their needs. He said that the lack of mowers was another disability suffered by the settlers. There were a number of these machines on abandoned blocks, and he felt that settlers should be given an opportunity of using them.

Mr. Stahl suggested that the Minister should consider the appointment of a greater number of veterinary officers, who could be stationed in dairying districts that required them. Sixty head of cattle, he said, had died in his district this year from various diseases which could have been checked if the animals had been attended by qualified officers. With regard to red mite and the lucerne flea, more money for research work should be made available, and perhaps university students could be encouraged to study the question if a scholarship for the subject were offered. Another pest that was giving a lot of trouble was the rabbit, hundreds of which could be seen in many of the paddocks in his district. He thought that steps should be taken to enforce the Vermin Act with respect to the poisoning of the pest.

The Minister said that he had every sympathy with the settlers of the South-West. With regard to veterinary advisors, the Department had recently made four appointments of men who had a great amount of experience in fodder conservation and herd testing. They should, he said, be able to apply their knowledge and the settlements would be improved as a result. He thought that there were less rabbits in the South-West than in many other parts of the State, but this was a matter for consideration by the local governing authorities. With regard to machinery desired by settlers, he would confer with the Agricultural Bank authorities and see what could be done in the matter. He would also give full consideration to all the other questions raised by the deputation, and would go further into such matters when he visited the districts concerned. He was very pleased with the suggestion made with regard to the extension of clearings on settlers' holdings, and he would do all he could to assist. He had a scheme to put into operation with respect to the extension of holdings. He was not in a position to disclose details for the moment, but he could assure them that it would go a long way to assisting them in that worthy object.

The Sub-committee desires to express its thanks to the Hon. the Minister (Mr. Troy) for his consideration and high sense of duty in receiving the deputation at such short notice, despite the fact that he had attended a late sitting of the Legislative Assembly, which, only terminated at about 4.30 that morning. He realised that the stay of delegates in town was limited, and his gracious action was much appreciated. The Deputation left the interview imbued with the idea that as far as lay in the hands of the Minister, everything that could be done to make their lot smoother, would be done.

I have only to reiterate, on behalf of the Executive, and, I hope, of Congress, that our soldier settlers engaged in the important dairying industry in the South-West have the whole-hearted support and good wishes of the League throughout the whole State.

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SOLDIER SETTLERS' COMMITTEE REPORT
(Consisting of Messrs. Cornwall, Brown, Mulqueen and Pleist)

The report of the committee appointed by Congress to consider and report to the authorities all matters affecting soldier settlement or bank clients was submitted by Mr. Cornwall as follows:

Your Committee decided that items should be divided into three classes, namely:
1. Agricultural Bank matters.
2. Matters to be dealt with by the Hon. the Minister for Lands.
3. Matters to be left to the Land Committee of the State Executive.

In accordance with the foregoing your Committee submits the report in two parts namely:
1. Report of the Interview with the Trustees of the Agricultural Bank, when items 2, 7, 18(a), 25, 26, 28, 30, 34, 37 and N. of M. 4 were dealt with.
2. Report of Interview with the Hon. the Minister for Lands, when items 3, 4, 1, 20, 24, 33, 67, 68 and 70 were dealt with.

All items not specified above and which were carried by Congress are referred to the State Executive for settlement.

PART I
Item 2—Amended: "That ex-soldiers at present settled on land which has proved inferior and unsuitable for profitable production of any kind be granted the right to be transferred and priority of any good abandoned properties now in the hands of the Agricultural Bank."

The Trustees reported that wherever it has been found that a location cannot be worked profitably owing to salt and other unforeseen difficulties at the date of selection, the policy of the bank has been to conform to the terms of the resolution and this has been extensively done in Esperance.

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district, as written down values, and further that
this policy wherever necessary and possible would
be applied.

Item 7—Amended: "That where a settler’s
property is endangered from rabbit menace the
settler concerned be permitted to purchase nett-
ing to fence his property in lieu of interest-guar-

tement."

Could not be agreed to. Settlers could under
the present scheme rabbit net their properties.
Where a settler could not meet the whole of the
interest payable to the Bank and the Lands De-
partment, it was expected that the amount which
could be paid be paid pro rata.

Item 18(a): "That in any future distribution of
the Commonwealth grant no necessitous farmer
be ineligible because he had no crop in the pre-
vious season."

That the grant in question, together with its
conditions, no longer exist, therefore we re-
commend that the State Executive be directed to
endeavour to have provision made in any future
Commonwealth grant to provide for the terms of
the resolution.

Item 25: "That the Agricultural Bank Trus-
tees be urged to declare their policy in respect to
the distribution of settler’s proceeds, suste-
ance and farm necessities not later than March
1 of each year."

This was done as soon as possible after the
proceeds were known, but in few instances by Mar-
ch 1, as many settlers stored their wheat or some of
it, and therefore the proceeds could not be
determined until same had been sold. District
Inspectors had power to grant farm necessities to
enable the settler to take off his crop.

Item 26: "That the Agricultural Bank Trus-
tees be requested to state their policy in respect to
the distribution of settler’s proceeds, suste-
ance and farm necessities not later than March
1 of each year."

An Act of Parliament defines the powers of
the Trustees of the Agricultural Bank and the Trus-
tees have no authority to delegate those powers
to the District Managers. It was pointed out by
the Trustees that the District Managers had not
used the power which they do have to its fullest
extent.

Item 28: "That the Agricultural Bank be
requested to lodge claims against buyers for one
year’s interest only under the Bank’s lien.
Current cropping assistance, of course, to be add-
ed."

One year’s interest only will be claimed under
the Bank lien this year. Last year wheat orders
were secured by District Inspectors when it ap-
pared that the client concerned would be in a
financial position to pay some proportion of ar-
rears. Item 30: "Whereas war pensions were granted
to ex-service men as a compensation for any dis-
ability they may suffer in consequence of war ser-
vice in defence of the country, be it resolved that
when the Agricultural Bank is gathering informa-

tion as to the financial position of clients requir-
ing assistance by way of sustenance, the question
regarding war pensions payable either to the
farmer or dependants, should be deleted from the
questionnaire, and the information not demand-
ed.

The Trustees assured your Committee that in
no case had the information given in respect to
this question been considered when the question
of assistance by way of sustenance was under
consideration. The Necessitous Farmers’ Fund had
been sufficient to provide the assistance required.
Only would this information be considered in the
event of a shortage of funds to provide assistance
and when equally necessary cases were under
review. Assistance was given to pensioners out of
the Necessitous Farmers Fund, who would hardly
be considered necessitous by reason of the amount
of pension.

Item 34: Congress discuss superphosphate pur-
chases under the Trustees that it was
understood by settlers that super, supplied by
the Bank was purchased at cash price of £4/10/-
and the rebate of 5/- retained by the Bank and
that the Bank charged clients the terms price of
£4/15/- and interest.

This was denied by the Trustees; it being im-
possible to pay cash as the Bank did not have
the money. All did was to guarantee the payment
for his super, which then went out at the firm’s price and
conditions. Wherever a client failed to meet his super, lien
the Bank had to put on.

Item 37: "When the Agricultural Bank decides
to let abandoned property on cropping lease,
aplications be invited.”

The Trustees intimated that greater publicity
would be given to the fact that anyone desirous
of obtaining a cropping lease of an abandoned
holding may make application without waiting
for the gazetting of the holding.

Notice of Motion No. 4: "That Congress de-
preciates the rule of the Agricultural Bank of send-
ing out financial statements in unsealed envelopes
and that the incoming Executive be requested
to press for a discontinuance of the practice,
and that the indiscriminate issue of a list of Agri-
cultural Bank debtors be discontinued.”

The additional expenditure entailed would be
approximately £200 and not £25, as stated by a
delegate to Congress. Consideration would be
given to the request. In regard to the list of
liens published, the booklet is marked “strictly
confidential.” The only other alternative to the
procedure would be to publish the information in
the “Trades Gazette,” wherever the holder of
this booklet leaves it in such a place as may be
perused by the public he is guilty of gross
negligence and breach of confidence.

PART II
(Item placed before the Minister for Lands)

Item 3: "That all soldiers acquiring Crown
land, or land carrying an Agricultural Bank

mortgage, have such land included under the
S.S. Act.”

The Minister replied that the Scheme would
not be re-opened for new settlers holding qual-
ification certificates, but if a soldier settled out to another soldier without a Certificate then
the vendors conditions were passed on to the pur-
chase.

Item 4: "That the Government be urged to in-
Troduce legislation providing for a first share
of the farmer’s produce being his own property
in priority of all liens, and such first share to be
sufficient for himself and his family to live on
a reasonable standard of comfort based on the
amount of £150.”

The Minister was thoroughly conversant with
all the phases expressed in the resolution and so
expressed himself as to indicate that if it were pos-
sible, to help in any degree as expressed in the
resolution he would be pleased to do so. The
purpose sought to be achieved in this resolution
is of such importance that your Committee feel
it is justified in departing from the usual formula
adopted by such committees and makes the fol-
lowing recommendation:

That the resolution be an item for considera-
tion at the next Federal Congress and with the
object of assisting this Branch’s delegates thereto,
to suggest that... (whole paragraph not legible).

The Government supports the idea and for
some weeks past has been actively co-operating
in this direction with Governments of, other
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The gentleman who judged the merino sheep at this year's Royal Agricultural Show is Mr. Hubert Parker, of Hay, New South Wales. Hay is a very good name for the principal town in a large pastoral district, and one with a name like Hubert Parker certainly should know his merinos. Our own Hubert Parker, who was for several years Crown Prosecutor in this State, is an excellent judge of black sheep.

Sid Savage, of Clarence Sub-branch, who has been on the sick list for a long time, is a patient in Ward XI, of the Perth General Hospital. He would like to see any friends able to spare a few minutes when they are in town.

Vice-President A. White, of Cottesloe Sub-branch, is now out of hospital and well on the road to recovery after his recent operation. E. Nixon of the same sub-branch is in hospital on account of a septic hand. Another Cottesloe cot-case is A. Careton, whose progress, according to latest bulletins, is satisfactory. We join with the sub-branch in wishing them all a speedy return to normal health.

On Thursday, September 28, the members of the Broome Sub-branch gathered at the R.S.L. club to bid farewell to Colonel W. O. Mansbridge, D.S.O., V.D., who was one of the founders of the League, and an enthusiastic member of the sub-branch. Zero was at 8 p.m., and shortly after that hour the attack was launched. The first objectives were easily gained, although once the smoke Doctor had to extend help to the "Old Man," who stuck a particularly sticky patch in the advance. Reminiscences were the order of the evening, and yarns poured in, culled from every theatre of the war, from the heights of the Peninsula to the depths of Piccadilly.

By midnight all objectives had been carried, and with a final toast to "Old Bill," as he was affectionately known to all hands, the parade dismissed, a move being made to the hotel, where, with due ceremony, a guard of honour was provided, through which the Colonel passed to his quarters.

The Colonel left Broome by plane on Saturday, September 30, en route for Cue, where he takes up his duties as Resident Magistrate.
Sturmer all happiness in their new surroundings.

Advice has been received from the Police Department concerning an exsoldier by the name of P. L. Loveland. It appears that his address some years ago was Spring Valley, Darkan. About five years ago he left with the Wagin Police a suit case and swag, the contents being a good suit of clothes, etc., and music books. The police are anxious to trace Mr. Loveland in order to return his belongings to him, but if nothing is heard within a few weeks they intend to sell them.

Before the old-time dance at Tambellup on October 14, several of the troops attended a gathering to say "Cheerio" to Dr. Crowley, who is leaving the district for the Eastern States. Dr. Crowley's father is on the sick list, but the Tambellup diggers feel sure that the patient will improve once the "Doc" gets on the job.

On October 4 the stork renewed its acquaintance with a Yanmah digger, when it left a bonny baby girl at the Glenoran residence of Bob Maunders.

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THE LISTENING POST
October 27, 1933.

We have news of our dear old pal Field-Marshai Sir William Birdwood. Writing to a friend in Perth on September 14, on board the Highland Patriot, Sir William states: "Last summer I was taken rather ill—much the same sort of thing as I had in Perth last year—only more so. It reduced me to 9 stone in a week. That was not so bad, but a germ of the complaint went to my feet, starting inflammation of the tendons covering the bones of both feet, and which kept me a real prisoner for two months...very irksome when I have always been accustomed to be about and active all day long. The doctors then sent me off on a voyage to the Argentine, which I was glad to see, and as a result I am now fit again.

"However, to my great regret, all this has prevented me seeing one whom I regard as, my very best and most loyal friends, General Hobbs, for he arrived after we had left England, and will have left again before we get back. We much regret this, as we had so much looked forward to his coming to stay with us for some time. You have indeed cause to be proud of him, for he is one of the very best from every point of view."

(We speak for all diggers when we say how pleased we are that Sir William is well again. We trust that the day will not be far distant when we will have him with us in Australia—as Governor-General.—Ed., "L.P.").

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Mr. D. W. Paterson, of the Forestry Department, has been allotted new duties, which will take him out of Collie. The members of the sub-branch, of which he has been president for two and a half years, are all hoping that exigencies of the service will not compel "Pat" to relinquish this office.

A welcome visitor to our office during the month was Jim McGill, the secretary of the Calingiri Sub-branch. Jim had the misfortune to lose his father, to whom he was devoted, last month. Mr. McGill, Snr., who died in the Northam Hospital, was 82 years old. The McGill family came to W.A. from England in 1910. Three sons enlisted, and two paid the supreme sacrifice. Jim served with the 32nd Battalion.

Mr. J. Garner, after fifteen months' service, has resigned the secretaryship of the Osborne Park Sub-branch, owing to business claims. The new secretary is Mr. F. Gillett, ex-44th Battalion, who is also secretary of the Sons of Soldiers' League local sub-branch, and president of the Parents' and Citizens' Association. He was one of the first to enlist when compulsory training became law. He served with success in the cader corps, and holds a medal awarded by the Commonwealth for efficiency. The team of which he was a member visited Sydney in 1912 to compete against the other States. On the memorable day when the Great War was declared, Frank enlisted for home defence, and was engaged on patrol work at the local reservoir in Robert Street, Osborne Park, and also at the King's Park reservoir. Subsequently he was on duty at Rottnest Internment Camp, and afterwards went to Sydney in charge of interned prisoners. On return to W.A. he enlisted for active service in the 44th Battalion, and returned home in 1919, with the rank of sergeant, and the M.M. A brother was killed in the war. Altogether four brothers served in the ranks.

A certificate of service has been awarded to Mr. D. Millef for work in connection with the Osborne Park Sub-branch. Dave has served the branch faithfully and well, and though it is rumoured he does not favour "consultations" outside the hall, he is the principal organiser of the club's Xmas "goose" sweeps. Dave is also a great exponent of Scottish minstrelsy of the "Bonnie Mary of Argyle" variety, and will be a valuable addition to the contemplated choral society.
JOE Bogue, of the 44th and 31st Battalions (No. 577, one of the old originals), is a handy chap to know. He is clerk in charge of the Unemployment Relief Offices, West Perth, where many a good digger has to make a call. Joe was a smart soldier, and was picked for the 5th Australian Demonstration Platoon in France, for a three-months' spell, and he earned it.

He is living in South Perth, at Thelma Street.

Recently down from Denmark is G. L. Phillips, of the R.H. & R.F.A. He was a driver in France, and got well mixed up in the fun. Gilbert is a keen member of his sub-branch, and hopes to make his transfer to Bassendean at the first opportunity. Mrs. P. and five little Phillips came down with him.

Down to the big smoke is Scotty Taylor. Scotty was a member of the 3rd Tunnellers, and is working at Wiluna. He tells us that J. G. Perry-grew and Bill Foslin, of the same Co., are also working there.

RALPH Rowles, one of the old 28th Battalion, is now in business, in the small goods line, between Midland and Bassendean. You all will be pleased to hear he is about again after a very rough spin in hospital, where he lost a finger, a kick from his car causing the damage. Ralph was a sergeant, and a smart one too.

32nd BATTALION ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, October 12, this Association held its annual general meeting in the Board Room at the Soldiers’ Institute. In his report, the Hon. Secretary (Mr. L. D. Lobascher) pointed out that not only had the Association maintained membership, but had also strengthened its financial position, and the balance sheet and annual accounts showed that the Association had a larger credit balance in the Savings Bank at the end of the financial year than at the start. Mr. R. Murray expressed the members’ sincere appreciation of Mr. Alexander’s efforts and their regret at his decision not to seek office this year. Eulogistic comment was also made on the manner in which the secretarial duties had been carried out by the Hon. Secretary (Mr. L. D. Lobascher). The toasts of both Mr. Alexander and Mr. Lobascher were drunk with musical honours.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year—President, G. V. Abjornson; Vice-president, E. Mellow; C. Beckley, R. Murray; Goldfields Vice-President, C. Maury; South-West Vice-president, A. Tanner; Fremantle Representative, W. Flindell; Hon. Secretary, L. D. Lobascher; Hon. Treasurer, W. E. Junner; Hon. Auditor, F. K. Turlton; Publicity Officer, A. Stone; Committee, A. Pearce, J. Rotherford, S. Gordon, G. Coul tas, A. E. Smith, C. R. Isher.

Musical items were rendered by one of the 32nd’s own members, Mr. Barnard, whose xylophone solos were greatly appreciated. Mr. Barnard also put on a fine magic show—feint-of-hand and card tricks. The banjo team (Melvey Junior and Blay) had all the boys singing in great spirit to the rhythm of the old soldier songs and choruses. Mr. Melvey is the son of a 32nd member, and he and his cobber gave the meeting some fine music.

The establishment of the diggers’ library in Osborne Park has been a huge success. A large number of books were contributed, and as there was no suitable accommodation in the Memorial Hall, Mr. and Mrs. “Dug.” Foreman placed a room at their house for use as a library. The shelving was supplied by Mr. E. Harrington, of the Osborne Park Hotel, who recently became a member, and the small charge made (1d. and 2d. per book) goes to purchase new books. There has been a big membership secured, including ex-soldiers and civilians, and “Dug.” and Mrs. “Dug.” are kept fairly busy in this voluntary work of exchanging.

The Osborne Park R.S.L. Cricket Team commenced the season with a match against the "Cresco" Cricket Club on the Agricultural Show Grounds. Osborne Park scored 46, and Cresco 86 for nine wickets. The local team made history in its efforts to secure wild "ducks."

Visitors to Yanchep, while passing along the Wanneroo Road, can see the memorial erected to the memory of soldiers of the district. The monument is in an enclosure near the school, and is well preserved by local residents.

Owing to the Report of the Annual Congress taking up a great deal of space in this issue, we have been compelled to hold over some of our usual features. —Ed.

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The film marks the first appearance of March on the screen since his winning of the award of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for the best performance of 1932.

"Tonight Is Ours" is an amusing and romantic tale of the lives of clever, intelligent people. Miss Colbert is cast as a young woman who has tossed aside the responsibilities of a kingdom for a fling at Paris, and March as a young Parisian who insists on sharing the fling with her. Their romance has its hectic moments, as well as its deeply passionate ones. This Paramount Picture lives up to the high standard of Grand Programmes. Director "Jimmy" Stiles will be glad to welcome the "boys" at all times.

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(By M.H.M.)

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being 'pinched.' Must have been meant
for the officers' mess. They never
packed soup essences for the troops on
Gallipoli, I'll bet. Keep it dark, and
we'll have some decent meals for a
while."

"Who 'told the Colonel's batman
that we had soup essences? He found
out somehow, because I swapped him
for a pound or two of sugar. Anyway,
the soup's nearly finished now, so we'll
have to look out for another case. You
watch the ration train tonight, Jack,
and see what luck you have."

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of November 11.
Report of Proceedings of the Seventeenth Annual Congress

Congress commenced at the Soldiers' Institute, Perth, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, October 4, 1933, after delegates had assembled at the State War Memorial, where the State President (Col. H. B. Collett, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D.) presided. The following were accredited delegates:

Albany, A. Craigie; Aradath, J. Walsh; Armadale; Archdeacon C. L. Riley; Bashee, F. A. Law; Bayswater; J. Revel; Belmont, C. A. Kelly; Bunbury, L. Sheridan and F. A. Johnston; Bridgetown, H. M. Whitton; Bruce Rock, F. A. Law; Bullfitch, T. Thurgood; Bunbury, N. C. Ryder; Busselton, E. S. Watt; Calingiri, J. Truman; Cardiff, S. Hoare; Carnamah; R. Baty; Carlisle, R. C. Hooper; Claremont, C. N. Bannister; Coolup, A. W. G. Gibbons; G. M. A. May and H. Sturchbury; Cottesloe, A. White (A. F. Keals, proxy); Cranbrook, W. L. G. Armstrong; Dalwallinu, R. P. Bickett; Darling Range, R. Tanner; Denmark, H. G. Nugent; Esperance, J. Conner; J. M. Lorimer; Fremantle, A. E. F. Pady and P. S. Janz; Geraldton, J. H. Tomlinson; J. F. Cranwell; Gosnangar, E. Chambers; Gannell, W. Hocken; Goolalling, E. J. Waterhouse; Guildford-Bastide; Geographe, H. V. Gwalia; C. G. Gibb; Harvey, Dr. Jacobs; Herne Hill, F. W. Batson; Kalgoorlie, T. C. Fairley; E. H. M. Farquharson and Col. E. L. Margolin; Kellerberrin, G. W. Mann; Kelmscott, S. Ward; Kentdale, J. S. Whittem; Kojobup, Hector Biexe; Konidjin, W. Watson; Koorda, W. C. Chappell; Kulin, M. E. Zeffert; Kununurra, C. R. Collins; Lake Grace, E. W. Edmonds; Lake King, H. H. Pinse; Manupup, H. L. Bets; Marradong-Bodd, E. C.'East; Maylands, W. A. Clowes and P. R. Allen; Meekathara, F. J. Cranwell; Merredin, C. R. Davies; Midland Junction, A. B. Stephens; Moora, Col. E. J. Nicholson; Moree, Rock, G. Martinson; Morawa, Col. R. F. Fitzgerald; Mt Barker, Dr. Clarke; Mt Hawthorn, A. H. Pantoon, M.L.A.; Mt Lawley, Col. T. Flintoff and L. G. R. Challen; Mt Marshall, R. F. Breckel (Null, proxy); Mornington, W. A. Wilkins; Mundaring, Dr. C. Bryan; Murray, E. Patern; Nannup, G. S. Meller; Narrogin, T. Hogg and J. Clunies; Nedlands, H. Dean, R. A. Wood and J. Riley; Northam, A. S. Childlow; Northcliffe, W. Hand; Northampton, L. J. Lipple; North Perth, W. J. James, L. J. McDowell, W. H. Rigg; North-East Fremantle, S. McMurray; Norwood, G. Categomin; Nungarin, D. McKenna; Osborne Park, R. Corlett; Pemberton, W. Hand; Perth, F. J. Taylor, R. Harwood, J. D. Moloney, A. G. Eanaul; J. Mulqueen, H. Hopper; Puthara, W. A. Cadwallader; Pillbara, Ross Keating; Poulter Farmers, E. Lovegrove; Press, C. Longmore; Quarinding, J. I. Mann, M.L.A.; Railway Workshops, R. Gibson and F. Moody; Southern Cross, J. S. Hammer; South Perth, F. J. Abele and A. C. N. Olden; Spearwood, H. G. Parsons; Subiaco, R. M. Gibb; Tantas, M. M. Collins; Three Springs, J. A. Brown; Toodyay, Col. C. H. E. Mannin; Torbay, J. S. Whittem; Tramways, W. F. Saunders; Traying, T. C. Thompson; Upper Swan, C. A. Yeates; Victoria Park, F. Matthews; Wagin, H. G. Piesse; Waroona, C. Henning; Wellard, E. Caves; Westcliffe, W. Hand; West Leederville, H. J. Haines; West Perth, J. V. Farrell; G. H. Philip, P. L. Ross; West Swan, W. W. Day; Wickespin, D. Kirby; Wiluna, T. J. F. Farrer; Wongan Hills, V. F. Gilbert; Wubin, J. Day; Wyalkatchem, H. E. Wells; Yandanooha, J. A. Brown; Yannam, F. Stahl; Yealing, J. H. B. Latham.

Presidential Address—The State President, Col. H. B. Collett, delivered his address to the Congress and this was broadcast through the courtesy of Station 6WF.

On the motion of Mr. Munisse (Wiluna), seconded by Mr. Stahl (Yannam), the report was adopted.

It was agreed to thank the President for his excellent address, which occupied a period of 65 minutes, and authority was given for the printing and distribution of the address to delegates and sub-branches.

Newgate Cup—Archdeacon C. L. Riley submitted the committee's report, which awarded the Cup to Narracan Sub-branch. The State President presented the Cup to Messrs. Clunies (President) and Hogg (Secretary), who suitably responded on behalf of Narracan.

Archdeacon Riley Memorial Shield—This Shield was presented by the Rev. C. L. Riley (Vice-President) to Mr. H. Dean, of Nedlands Sub-branch. Mr. Dean suitably responded.

Consolidated Council of Ex-Service Organisations—Mr. E. W. Edmonds submitted a report on the work of his Council, which was adopted on the motion of Mr. Edmonds, seconded by Mr. Fairley (Kalgoorlie).

Annual Report and Balance Sheet—Moved by Mr. Tanner (Darling Range), seconded by Mr. Wells (Wyalkatchem), that the annual report and balance sheet be adopted. Carried.

State War Memorial—Reports were submitted by Sir Charles Nathan, as Warden, and the Perth Sub-branch as Sub-warden. On the motion of Mr. Watt (Busselton), seconded by Mr. Hammer (Southern Cross), the report was received and adopted. The reception was accorded to Mr. Nathan's tendered to Sir Charles Nathan as Warden, and the Perth Sub-branch as Assistant Wardens for their efforts during the past twelve months.

On the motion of Mr. Pantoon (Mount Hawthorn), seconded by Mr. Wells (Wyalkatchem), Brigadier-General A. J. Beswick-Brown was appointed Warden, and the Boy Scouts' Association Assistant Wardens for the ensuing year.

Women's Auxiliaries Report on Congress—The State President, Mrs. T. C. Wilson, submitted a report on the activities of the Auxiliary during the year and also details motions carried at the recent Conference of Women's Auxiliaries.

On the motion of Mr. Law (Merredin), seconded by Mr. Pady (Pemberton), the report was received and referred to the Agenda Committee for report.

Congress agreed to place on record its appreciation of the excellent work carried out by Auxiliaries throughout the year, and also their great assistance to the work of the League.

CONGRESS RESOLUTIONS

Appreciation of Colonel Collie—Moved by Mr. Fairley (Kalgoorlie), seconded by Mr. Farquharson (Kalgoorlie), Congress places on record its great appreciation of the services rendered to the League in general, and this the W.A. Branch in particular, rendered by Colonel H. B. Collie, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., and tenders to him their congratulations on his appointment to the Federal Congress for its further endorsement—Carried.

Appreciation S.C.S. Trust—Moved by Mr. Yeates (Upper Swan), seconded by Mr. Riley (Armadale), Congress expresses its appreciation of the splendid work carried out by the Soldiers' Children Scholarship Trust, the Soldiers' Children Education Board, and the Mc Baumage Bequest Trusts—Carried.

Money in Reserve—Moved by Mr. May (Collie), seconded by Mr. H. Stuchbury (Collie), that this Congress affirms the welfare of returned men, their dependants and the community at large requires the combating of the present deflationary policy and calls upon the League to support the following proposals with that end in view—

1. The appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate—
   (a) The policy and methods of banking as a domestic institution;
   (b) The regulated interest levels;
   (c) Reduced wages and their effect upon general prosperity;
   (d) Defects owing to lack of credit control and currency expansion.

2. Till the report of the Commission is published and given effect to, the Governor-General be advised to declare immediately that a state of emergency exists and that the resources of the Commonwealth be mobilised by all Governments to support the needs of the people as in war time—Lost.

Moved by Dr. Jacobs (Harvey), seconded by Mr. Stahl (Yannam): Congress, after due con-

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Paid Leisure.—Moved by Mr. Taylor (Perth), seconded by Mr. Stahl (Yannam): Owing to the increasing mechanisation of industry and the threatened collapse of our present economic system, it is abundantly increased leisure for all, Congress propose paid leisure at Basic Wage rates for all returned men over fifty years of age.—Lost.

Defence System.—Moved by Mr. Watt, seconded by Mr. Collins, that the defence system be brought up to modern requirements and that the Commonwealth Government give urgent consideration to the introduction of universal naval and military training as an urgent matter of policy. This was substituted in place of Item 118.—Lost.

Moved by Mr. Whitell (Bridgetown), seconded by Mr. Wilkins (Mornington Mills), that item 118 as follows be taken as an amendment:

That the system of universal naval and military training be re-introduced as an urgent matter of policy.—Carried.

League of Nations.—Moved by Mr. May (Collie), seconded by Mr. Hoare (Cardiff) that the League should associate itself with the principles embodied in the constitution of the League of Nations, and that the sub-branches throughout Australia should discuss such principles, prepare suggestions whereby these principles may be brought to fruition more propitiously and so be the means of preventing war between nations for all time. That all suggestions be tabulated by the Federal Executive and forwarded for approval and adaption to all other kindred organisations of the R.S.L. throughout the world, and when completed to be placed before the League of Nations by an accredited representative or committee of all ex-service men in the world.—Carried.

Defence: Air Force.—Moved by Mr. Wilkins (Mornington Mills), seconded by Colonel Manning (Toodyay), that the following item from the 1932 Congress be re-affirmed:—That representations be made to the Minister for Defence with a view to having a branch of the Air Force established in Western Australia and that some quota of military aeroplanes be transferred to that State so that civilian aviators who are constantly training at their own expense, in Perth may have an opportunity of experience with the type of machine they would be required to use in a national emergency.—Carried.

Pensions and Supersession.—Moved by Mr. May (Collie), seconded by Mr. Stuchbury (Collie), that Congress emphatically protests to the State and Federal Parliaments against any action whereby war pensions are deducted from sustenance or any other payments whatsoever.—Carried.

Imperial Pensioners.—Moved by Mr. Whitell (Bridgetown), seconded by Mr. Nugent (Otrons Park), that the Federal Executive be asked to approach the Imperial Government with the request that ex-Imperial Soldiers should be allowed to state their case before the War Pensions Assessment Appeal Tribunals, if they desire to do so on reduction or cancellation of pensions.—Carried.

Reduction of Pensions.—Moved by Mr. Bryan, seconded by Mr. Fairley, that no war pension be reduced without previous notification of that intention, and that the pensioner be given reasonable time to appeal against the proposed reduction.—Lost.

An amendment was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Panton: Strike out all words after “reduced,” and add “until the pensioner has been allowed an opportunity of appearing before the Appeal Board.”—Carried.

W.A. Aged Soldiers’ Relief Fund.—Moved by Mr. Hopperton (Perth), seconded by Mr. Mellor (Nannup), that action be taken to prevent the Commonwealth Government from taking into consideration any benefits received from the W.A. Aged Soldiers’ and Soldiers’ Relief Fund by a sailor.

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or soldier who may be in receipt of Old Age or Invalid Pension.—Carried.

Sustenance Payments.—Moved by Mr. May (Collie), seconded by Mr. Gibson (Railway Workshops), that Congress take up with the responsible authorities the question of the deduction under the Financial Emergency Act, which affords the payment of sustenance to inmates of Repatriation Institutions—with a view to the ignoring of outside income from such sources as Friendly Societies, Lodges and Unions.—Carried.

Assistant of Doctor.—Moved by Mr. Kelly (Belmont), seconded by Mr. Moody (Railway Workshops), that a returned soldier be allowed the assistance of his private doctor or doctors on pension award.—Carried.

Funerals, Ex-Service Men.—Moved by Mr. Whitnell (Bridgetown), seconded by Mr. Farquharson (Kalgoorlie), Congress instructs the incoming Executive to continue to urge upon the Federal Executive the claim for obtaining funds through the B.E.S.I. for the burial of ex-Imperial soldiers dying in Australia in indigent circumstances.—Carried.

Undertakers.—Moved by Mr. Hull (Mt. Lawley), seconded by Mr. Tanner (Darling Range), that the Government be asked to alter existing regulations with regard to the removal of bodies of deceased persons who have died suddenly, by debarring any firm of Undertakers, proved to have annoyed relatives when soliciting for the funeral arrangements, from obtaining the right to remove under Government contract, the bodies of persons dying under abnormal circumstances.—Lost.

Medical Examinations.—Moved by Mr. Craigie (Albany), that Congress directs the incoming Executive to take steps to secure the Edward Millen Home at Victoria Park for a home for old and infirm ex-service men.—Lost.

An Amendment was moved by Mr. Philip, seconded by Colonel Oden, that Congress directs the incoming Executive to consider the desirability or otherwise of acquiring the Edward Millen Home, or any other suitable property for old and infirm ex-soldiers and furnish its report for consideration at the next State Congress.—Carried.

Imperial Pension Officer.—Moved by Mr. Catermole (Norwood), seconded by Mr. Whittem (Torbay), that in order to fall into line with a practice common in England, Congress is of the opinion that an Imperial pensioner or applicant for a pension called before a Medical Board should be informed of the result before leaving.—Carried.

Imperial Pension Official.—Moved by Mr. Catermole (Norwood), seconded by Mr. May (Collie), Congress suggests to the British Ministry of Pensions the desirability of appointing a responsible Repatriation Official in this State of at least in August to work for and listen to facts matters for Imperial ex-Service men.—Carried.

Definition R.S.—Moved by Mr. Kealy, seconded by Mr. Gibson, that the Executive use its utmost endeavours to get the Government to amend their definition of a Returned Soldier so as to include ex-members of the Imperial Forces who are eligible to become members of the R.S.L.—Lost.

An amendment was moved by Mr. Whittem, seconded by Mr. Moloney, that this Congress recommends that the State and Federal Governments and public bodies generally should invariably consider the war-service of an ex-Imperial man when applications are made by them for appointments.—Lost.

Preference.—Moved by Mr. Fairley (Kalgoorlie), seconded by Mr. Farquharson (Kalgoorlie), Congress deposes the recent instructions issued to the heads of Departments concerning the preference clause, and requests the President to clearly state publicly what his attitude is in regard to the preference to returned soldiers' policy.—Carried.

Preference Batteries Commission.—Moved by Mr. Harwood (Perth), seconded by Mr. Hooper (Perth), that Congress congratulates Parliament for inserting in the Batteries Bill preference to Returned Soldiers, Soldiers and Nurses, in the making of appointments to the staff, but views with alarm the fact that the Commission has not adhered to or observed this condition laid down, inasmuch as only one returned soldier has secured employment therein.—Lost.

"Listening Post."—Moved by Mr. Whitnell (Bridgetown), seconded by Mr. Parrott (Spearswood), that though a member may become unfinancial he be supplied with a suitable house to be worn by the District.—Lost.

Report B.E.S.I.—Moved by Mr. Catermole (Norwood), seconded by Mr. Whitten (Gosnells), that the full report of the proceedings of the B.E.S.I. Congress (London) 1931, be published in or by the "Listening Post," if necessary, as a supplement, and that a special financial grant for this purpose be approved.—Lost.

An amendment was moved by Mr. Panton, seconded by Mr. Mangles, that Congress directs the incoming Executive to publish a Weekly "Listening Post," and insert "page report" and insert "four-page extract."—Carried.

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Membership Badge.—Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Woods, that a new membership badge of a different design be struck, so as to distinguish members of the League, from persons who are only using the badge for exploitation purposes and not qualified for same.—Lost.

Beads.—Moved by Mr. Kirby (Wickepin), seconded by Mr. Liptill (Leicester Chapman), that members resident in a district should join the nearest sub-branch.—Lost.

League Badge.—Moved by Mr. Kirby (Wickepin), seconded by Mr. Fairley (Kalgoorlie), that it be made illegal for a man who ceases to be a member of the League to wear the League badge.—Carried.

Beads for Blazer.—Moved by Mr. Harwood (Perth), seconded by Mr. Whitten (Torbay), that Congress arrange for the reproduction and disposal of a special badge for another R.S.L. badge in the form of a pocket badge for blazers, etc., such badge not to replace the present badge but to be worn in conjunction with it.—Lost.

Meetings.—Moved by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Gribb, Congress instructs the Executive to

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convene quarterly meetings of all sub-branch Presidents and Secretaries to receive a report from the Executive of the general activities of the League for the preceding three months and to foster a better knowledge of R.S.L. matters generally.—Lost.

An amendment was moved by Mr. Cranwell (Geraldton), seconded by Mr. Sheridan (Boulder), to insert the word "metropolitan" before sub-branches.—Lost.

President’s Certificate.—Moved by Mr. Sheridan (Boulder), seconded by Mr. May (Collie), that a more suitable and artistic form of Past President’s Certificate be issued by the League.—Lost.

Membership.—Moved by Mr. Whiteman (Torbay), seconded by Mr. Wilkins (Mornington Mills), that unless recommended by a sub-branch and approved by the Executive, no new members who have been outside the League for the last five years, be enrolled after December 31, 1933.—Lost.

Financial Crown.—Moved by Mr. Fairley (Kalgoorlie), seconded by Col. Margolin (Kalgoorlie), that a full year’s supply of financial crowns be made available to sub-branches in the December of each year for the ensuing financial year. An allowance of ten per cent... to be made for losses by members.—Carried.

Capitation Fees.—Moved by Mr. Matthews (Victoria Park), seconded by Mr. Saunders (Tramways), Congress is of opinion that the time is now opportune for the R.S.L. to reduce fees to capitation fees only to all returned men in receipt of a full pension who are unable to follow any occupation.—Lost.

Membership.—Moved by Mr. Cattermole (Nygueblo), seconded by Mr. Truman (Calingiri), Congress is of opinion that the welfare of all ex-service men not eligible for membership of the League should be an objective of the policy of the League, and directs the Executive to bring about this desirable innovation in this State, if possible throughout the League, pressing if necessary for an amendment to the Constitution of the League to that end.—Lost.

An amendment moved by Mr. Watt, seconded by Mr. Aberle, though not eligible for all privileges of the League, it is the opinion of Congress that the League interests itself in the welfare of ex-service men not eligible for membership of the League.—Lost.

Federal Constitution.—Moved by Mr. Yeates (Upper Swan), seconded by Mr. Wilkins (Mornington Mills), that the Federal Constitution be amended so as to provide for the appointment by Federal Congress of a Returning Officer for elections, such Returning Officer, unless he be a branch delegate, to have only a casting vote; (2) that the Federal Constitution be amended so as to provide that the Federal President shall have a casting vote only.—Carried.

Incorporation.—Moved by Rev. Riley, seconded by Mr. Wilkins: (Rule 13) That a new sub-branch shall take or cause to be taken any steps to become incorporated under the provisions of the Associations’ Incorporation Act, 1895.—Carried.

Constitution.—Moved by Rev. Riley, seconded by Mr. Harwood, that new rules be added after rule 20 as follows:

20 (a). The W.A. Branch and the property and affairs thereof shall be under the control and management of the Executive except to the extent that sub-branches are empowered by these rules or the Executive to control and manage their own affairs or any property acquired by them for their own exclusive use.

20 (b). In addition to all powers hereby expressly conferred upon it and without detracting from the generality of its powers under Rule 8 or any other rule, the Executive shall have the following powers, namely:

(a) To expend the funds of the W.A. Branch in such manner as it shall consider most beneficial for the purposes of the W.A. Branch and its sub-branches and to invest in the name of the W.A. Branch or in the name of Trustees such part thereof, as it may deem fit and to direct the sale or transportation of any such investments and to expend the proceeds of any such sale for the purpose of the W.A. Branch and for its sub-branches.

(b) To acquire in the name of the W.A. Branch or in the name of Trustees, build upon, pull down, rebuild, add to, alter, repair, improve, sell or dispose of, or otherwise deal with, any land, buildings, or premises, for the use of the W.A. Branch.

(c) To enter into contracts on behalf of the W.A. Branch.

(d) To borrow money upon the security of any of the property of the W.A. Branch and to execute or direct to be executed mortgage, assignments or other assurances for securing the same.

(e) To cause the Common Seal of the W.A. Branch to be affixed to any document it may think proper.

20 (c). The Common Seal of the W.A. Branch shall be held by the Trustees for the time being of the W.A. Branch, and the Common Seal of the W.A. Branch shall not be affixed except by resolution of the Executive and shall only be affixed in the presence of the Trustees or any two of them.

The Secretary or Acting Secretary for the time being shall also sign every deed or instrument to which the seal shall be affixed.—Carried.

Auxiliary Constitution.—Moved by Rev. Riley, seconded by Mr. Hopperston, that the Constitution of the Auxiliary Branches be amended as follows:—

1. That the committee be enlarged to 10 members.

2. That Sailors or Soldiers’ daughters be eligible for full membership on reaching the age of 18 years.

3. That “sailor” or “soldier” be inserted before “sailor” or “soldier” where necessary in the rules.

4. That authority be given to the Women’s Auxiliary Executive to disfranchise from voting by Congress any officer or auxiliary for such time as dues remain unpaid to that Executive.

Section 4 was disallowed on the motion of Mr. Watt, seconded by Mr. Wilkins, and the remainder of the items were carried.

Ladies’ Day.—Moved by Mr. Watt, seconded by Mr. Panton, that Congress place on record its appreciation of the services rendered by the late Hon. T. A. L. Davy to the League and deeply regret his early demise during the year.—Carried.

Congress stood in silence as a mark of respect.

Anzac Day.—Moved by Rev. Riley, seconded by Mr. Fairley, that items 11 (1) and (2) of the Final Agenda Committee’s Report be reaffirmed.

Before proceedings to discuss items under the heading of Anzac Day, it is recommended that Congress reaffirm or otherwise the resolutions of the last ten Congresses, viz—

That the Government be urged to declare Anzac Day as a sacred holiday ranking equally with Christmas Day and Good Friday.

That failing Statutory enactment being given to Congress decisions in respect to the observance of Anzac Day, Congress is of the opinion that such day should be proclaimed a fully paid statutory holiday applicable to all workers.—Carried.
Elections

State President—The following were nominated and balloted for: Col. Margolin, Col. Olden, Mr. Panton, and Mr. Yeates, and the election was conducted by Mr. H. R. Gordon, the Chief State Electoral Officer. Mr. Yeates was declared elected.

Vice-President.—Nominations for Vice-President were received as follows: Messrs. C. L. Riley, A. C. N. Olden, G. H. Philip, Rev. C. L. White, and Col. G. N. Olden were elected.

Country Vice-President.—Colonel Collett submitted the name of Mr. A. E. Anderson, of Geraldton, as Country Vice-President. This was confirmed on the motion of Rev. Riley, seconded by Mr. Yeates.

Trusted.—Nominations received for Trustees were Messrs. Denton, Panton, Philip and Tozer. Messrs. G. H. Philip, A. H. Panton and Col. J. B. Denton were elected.

R.S.L. Trading Co. Director.—Mr. A. H. Panton was elected to the position unopposed.

Auditor.—Mr. J. J. Prendergast was elected unopposed.

Committees.—The following nominations were received: Messrs. Aberle, Bader, Bate, Bryan, Cattermole, Collins, Denton, Edmonds, Parquharrison, Freedman, Gibb, Harwood, Hunt, Hopperston, Keightley, Lamb, Lovell, Margolin, Mellor, Moloney, McDowell, Nicholson, Nugent, Olden, Pady, Panton, Parker, Philip, C. L. Riley, Pady, Parker, J. Riley, Ross, Shaw, Taylor, Tozer, Warner, Watts, Wells, Wilkins.

The election resulted as follows, and the first eight were declared elected: Messrs. Freedman, Watt, Edmonds, Nugent, Tozer, Hunt, Pady, Aberle, McDowell, Margolin, Lovell, Collins, Ross, Mellor, Wilkins, Lamb, Parquharson, Warner; Bryan, Wells, Nicholson, Parker, Keightley, Cattermole, Moloney, Shaw, Bader, Battoe, Riley, Hopperston, Harwood, Taylor and Gibb.

Allocation of Executive Members to Districts

The following allocation was decided upon:


Anzac Day.—Moved by Mr. Stahl, seconded by Mr. Matthews and withdrawn in favour of an amendment: "That similar privileges be granted to ex-Imperial men on Anzac Day as those enjoyed by the ex-A.I.F."

Carried.

Moved by Mr. Watt, seconded by Mr. Parquharson, that in view of the growing national observance of Anzac Day and its emphasis of supreme service to the community, future Anzac Day processions should be so arranged as to include representatives of self-governed organisations of proved national value, the selection of such to be entirely prerogative of the League, through its Anzac Day Committee. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Wilkins, seconded by Mr. Watt, that the Executive take steps to organise suitable speakers to lecture to the primary and secondary schools just before Anzac Day on the significance of the occasion. Carried.

Relief Work.—Moved by Mr. Panton (Mt. Hawthorn), seconded by Mr. Pady (Freemantle), that a second pension be not considered when assessing his claim for relief work. Carried.

R.S. Tenders.—Moved by Mr. Emouf (Perth), seconded by Mr. Hopperton (Perth), and amended: "That the Federal Executive approach the Commonwealth Public Works Department, Cabinet, and the Repatriation Department, with a view to giving to at least 5 per cent. preference to returned soldier tenderers in all work carried out and paid for by these departments, as affecting any war-created department, and further, that a list of such providers be given to returned soldiers in work not tendcled for."

Carried.

Employment of Women.—Moved by Mr. Harwood (Perth), seconded by Mr. Taylor (Perth), and the first that the opinion of the continuance of employment of women is not in view of certain employment, is not in the best interests of the State, as many men have done their best to keep away from Government assistance and are thereby prevented from obtaining employment under any relief scheme. Carried.

Sustenance Work.—Moved by Mr. Fairley (Kalgoorlie) seconded by Mr. Parquharson (Kalgoorlie) that the action of the State Government in restricting all its voluntary work of a casual nature to men in receipt of sustenance, is not in the best interests of the State, as many men have done their best to keep away from Government assistance and are thereby prevented from obtaining employment under any relief scheme. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pady (Freemantle), seconded by Mr. Jane (Freemantle), that the Employment Officer of the R.S.L. be notified by the Government Departments of all pick-ups for work, and that the returned soldiers (whether in receipt of Government sustenance or not) be given the same opportunity for employment as the non-return men who are in receipt of same. Carried.

Employment.—Moved by Mr. Cattermole (Northwood), seconded by Mr. Mellor (Denmark), that Congress request the Metropolitan Water Supply Department, Municipal Bodies, and Road Boards to consider the desirability of providing temporary employment for unemployed pensioners to enable them to pay their rates. Carried.

Repayment Administration.—Moved by Mr. Watt, seconded by Mr. Pady, that this Congress entirely dissociates itself from the opinion expressed in the House of Representatives yesterday by Mr. R. Green, M.H.R., in his criticism of the administration of the Department of Repatriation. Carried.

Amalgamation.—Moved by Mr. Corlett, seconded by Mr. Matthews, that Congress is of the opinion that in future only members of the League be given assistance from League funds and that non-members have no call on monies raised by the League's efforts for amalgamation. Lost.

Moved by Mr. Riley, seconded by Mr. Yeates, that this matter be referred to the State Executive.

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Move by R.v. Vine, seconded by Mr. Sheridan, in view of certain Secondary Schools refusing to close on Anzac Day, the Government be requested to extend the customary leave to secondary schools just before Anzac Day on the significance of the occasion. Carried.

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tive for necessary action. That the qualifications for beneficiaries under the Amelioration Funds be revised.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Fairley, seconded by Mr. Fairley, that the Trustees of the Central Amelioration Fund make available to country districts certain sums of money for the relief of distress amongst non-members of the League, such monies to be accounted for by the officers held responsible by the said Trustees from time to time.—Lost.

Archbishop Riley Memorial Shield.—Moved by Mr. Mellor, seconded by Mr. Ennor, that the rules and conditions of the Archbishop Riley Memorial Shield be carried out and conducted by a committee consisting of a representative of the State Executive and one member of each of the metropolitan sub-branches.—Carried.

State War Memorial.—Moved by Mr. Riley, seconded by Mr. Yeates, that the retiring Warden and Sub-Wardens of the State War Memorial, hand over their duties on Armistice Day at a ceremony to be arranged by the Executive.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Cattermole, seconded by Mr. Riggs, that this resolution be forwarded to the State War Memorial Committee for consideration.—Carried.

That Congress suggests to the State War Memorial Trustees the desirability of arranging for a deceased soldiers’ regiment and battalion being inscribed on the State War Memorial of those Australians who fell serving in a British Unit.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Yeates, seconded by Mr. Mellor, that the State War Memorial Committee be authorized to act as an Advisory Committee to all sub-branches of local authorities in regard to war memorials.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Riley, seconded by Mr. Yeates: That Congress approve of the McNess Fund for the maintenance of the State War Memorial being vested in Trustees consisting of Sir William Latham, Colonel H. B. Colless, and Colonel G. H. Lamb.—Carried.

That the inatters of the general care and custody of the State War Memorial be entrusted to a Permanent Committee, consisting of the State President, the Vice-Presidents (for the time being), the Generals Sir J. Talbot Hobbs and Messrs. Colless, Freedman, Panton, Philo, Riley, Foster and Warne. Commencing on the 10th September, 1914, two of the named members shall retire annually. The order of retirement to be determined by ballot. Congress to make appointments to fill the vacancies. Retiring members to be eligible for re-appointment. The State Executive to have the power to fill any extraordinary vacancies.—Carried.

Memorials.—Moved by Mr. Piesse, seconded by Mr. Pady, Congress approves of all memorials being known as Fallen Soldiers’ Memorials instead of War Memorials, as at present.—Lost.

Congress Resolutions.—Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Stutchbury, that the fate of all resolutions passed by a State Congress and subsequently considered by a Federal Congress be definitely set out in a circular by the Executive to all branches.—Carried.

Greetings.—Greetings were received from Wyalkatchem Sub-branch congratulating Mr. A. Yeates on his appointment and informing Congress that £25 had been raised for Anzac House.

Result of Items.—That the effect and result of any resolution passed by any Congress be given in writing by the Executive to any sub-branch concerned.—Carried.

Youth Demonstration.—That for the purpose of focusing public attention upon the quality of Western Australian youth and its power to mould the future of the State, the League take the initiative in organizing an annual Youth Demonstration involving participation by all duly constituted youth organisations, having either public service or sporting aim.—Carried.

Australian History.—That the Education Department be reminded of the necessity of avoiding teaching in schools of Australian history, which is inaccurate and misleading, and to adopt a standard and authentic history for use in schools; prominence therein being given to the history of Australia from 1914 onwards.—Carried.

Visiting British Regiment.—Congress urges the Federal Executive to approach the Commonwealth Government to impress upon the Imperial Government the advisability of sending a crack or composite British Regiment to tour Australia in conjunction with the proposed visit of the Guards Band to inspire that spirit de corps which is so necessary to promote the Empire sentiment into the minds of the youth of the Commonwealth.—Lost.

Marketing Legislation.—Moved by Mr. Whitell (Bridgeport), seconded Mr. Whiteman (Torbay), that Congress affirms the desirability of Local Marketing Legislation.—Carried.

Royal Commission (Agricultural Bank).—Moved by Mr. Mulqueen (Perth), seconded by Col. Nicholson, that this item be left to the incoming State Executive Land Committee.—Carried.

That all items or amendments passed under the heading of Agricultural Bank be, used as a basis on which evidence shall be given to the Royal Commission on the Agricultural Bank and a Drafting Committee of three members be appointed to extract from all Conference Agenda items.

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Agricultural Bank; Debtor.—That Congress
approves the abolition of the Agricultural Bank
of sending out financial statements in unsealed
envelopes and that the incoming Executive be re-
quired to press for a discontinuance of the practice
and that the indiscriminate issue of lists
of Agricultural Bank debtors be discontinued.

Farmers' Produce and First £150.—That the
Government be urged to introduce legislation
providing for the first share of the farmer's
produce being his own property in priority to all
leases, such first share to be sufficient for himself
and his family to live on as reasonable standard
of comfort based on the amount of £150.—Carried.

Armistice Day.—Congress considers that it
should not be the policy of the W.A. Branch to
commemorate the Commencement of the war, and
in future, broadcast arrangements be limited to take
place on Armistice Day, and the contrary policy ob-
served.—Lost.

Mr. Hoare—It was agreed that the following item
be referred to the incoming Executive, for consi-
deration: Congress opposes any further exemp-
tion on the Fraser's line of leases being granted,
unless definite guarantees of bona fides be given.

Aliens on Mines.—Moved by Mr. Manke, sec-
onded by Mr. Fairley, that Congress asks that
the State Government enact a regulation in the
Mining Act restricting the percentage of aliens
employed on any gold mine to 5 per cent. of
the labour employed, and that the language test
be strictly applied to all aliens so employed.—Carried.

War Service Homes.—Moved by Mr. Hooper,
seconded by Mr. Fairley, that a strong protest
be made against the eviction of a soldier's widow
from War Service Homes and that a recommen-
dation be forwarded on to the Federal body of
the League asking them to approach the Federal
Government with a view to formulating a scheme of lower payment to give soldiers
widows an opportunity of paying off their
homes.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Childow, seconded by Dr.
Bryan, that the State Executive be instructed to
make public through the Press that returned
soldier holders of War Service Homes are invited
to report to the Office of the R.S.I. M. taking up their case where they think they
have been harshly treated by the Commissioner.

Moved by Mr. Childow, seconded by Mr.
Clune, that the Commonwealth Government be
requested to make more liberal the conditions
governing the granting of a further loan to
returned soldier holders of War Service Homes, for
the purpose of making additions to their homes.

Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pady, seconded by Mr. James
(Fremantle), that no occupant of a War Ser-
vice Home be evicted for non-payment of rent,
when it is proved that such non-payment has
been wholly caused by the unemployment or
sickness of the occupant.—Carried.

Mr. Hoare—That the reinstatement of a tenant of a house under the War Service
Homes Board, the equity of the home shall be
secured to the widow irrespective of whether
the man is in receipt of a widow's military pension
or not.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Jane (Fremantle), seconded by Mr. Bryan (Mundaring), Congress urges
the Commonwealth Government to make sufficient
arrangements available to meet all requirements
for War Service Homes.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. Riley, seconded by Mr. Wil-
kins, Congress recommends that Section 35, (2a)
of the War Service Homes Act and regulations
thereunder be amended to provide for the removal
of restrictions on the sale of a dwelling
house from one eligible party to another on
terms mutually agreed upon and which offers
reasonable security for the undischarged li-
ability to the Commission.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Fairley, seconded by Mr. Stuchbury,
that Congress strongly recommend the authority
be granted to the Commonwealth Government to
make payments and to enter into dealings with
alien debtors and re-establish the United
and Commonwealth Governments to carry out
that function of the British Commonwealth
Government which is the object of the
Commonwealth Government to provide.

Use of Term "Digger"—Moved by Mr. Pady,
seconded by Mr. Fairley, to prevent misuse of
the terms "Returned Soldier" or "Digger" in
trade or advertising, Congress is of the opinion
that the proper authorities should be approached
with a view to action being taken to tighten up
legislation regarding the use of these terms.

Carried.

Railway Freight.—Moved by Mr. Stuchbury,
seconded by Mr. May, with a view to stimulating
sales for local production in the War Service
Homes and employment, Congress urges and supports every action taken to
reduce railway freights on primary products,
including Collie coal.—Carried.

Cost of Living.—Moved by Mr. May, seconded
by Mr. Moody, Congress instructs the incoming
Executive to strongly recommend the authority
concerned to have Collie included in the list of
towns of W.A. when compiling the cost of
living statistics in connection with the fixing of
the bocie wage.—Carried.

Affiliation.—Moved by Mr. Ramsden, seconded by Mr. Hopperston, that Congress
affirms the advisability of providing for the affiliation of
the 44th Battalion Ladies' Auxiliary on similar
lines and conditions as set forth in Item 177 of 1932
Congress providing for the affiliation of the
Friendly Union of Soldiers' Wives.—Carried.

Census Returns.—Moved by Mr. Hand (Pen-
berton), seconded by Mr. Stahl (Yamnath), that Congress disapproves of the action of the Fed-
eral Government in omitting "ex-Imperial" from
census returns in the portion referring to War
Service.—Carried.

Price : Fixing Commission.—Moved by Mr.
Fairley, seconded by Mr. Farquharson, that Con-
gress requests the Government to appoint a Price
Fixing Commission for districts outside the met-
ropolitan area.—Carried.

"Financial Crown"—Moved by Mr. Fairley,
seconded by Mr. Tanner, that small envelopes
be supplied to sub-branches marked "Financial
Crown" for the purpose of conserving the issue
of such crowns to a reasonable number.—Lost.

White Australia.—Moved by Mr. Fairley,
seconded by Mr. Farquharson, Congress instructs
the delegates to the next Federal Congress to
vote thereon: That the headquarters of the
B.E.S.L. be asked to strenuously oppose all
attacks by clergymen, politicians and others to
upset our White Australia policy by full and
complete publicity in the British Press.—Carried.

Cost of Living.—Moved by Mr. Fairley,
seconded by Col. Gollan, that the attention of the State Statistician be directed to the great
discrepancy between the cost of living on the
Goldfields compared with cost of living in the
metropolitan area.—Carried.

Ferriages.—Moved by Mr. Hand, seconded by
Mr. Stahl, that the Government be approached for a
reduction in the price of meat meal and blood
food which is made at the Government
Abattoirs, Midland Junction.—Carried.

North-West Australia.—Moved by Mr.
McDowell, seconded by Mr. Jagot, Congress
views with alarm the proposed splitting up of the
Territory in the North of Western Aus-
tralia, and that no move be made in this direc-
tion other than by a referendum.—Carried.

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State Executive Meetings

At the meeting of the State Executive on October 18, there were present: Messrs. Yeates, Riley, Olden, Philip, Panton, Watt, Edmonds, Nugent, Tozer, Hunt, Fady, Aberle, McDowall, Lovell, Collins, Ross, Mellor and Wilkins. Leave was granted to Messrs. Anderson, Colett, Denton, Foster, Margolin, Lamb, Farquhason, and Warner.

The following committees were appointed:
Management. - The State President, Past President, two Vice-presidents with Chairmen of Finance, House and Pension Committees.


Minting and Protcting. - Messes. Olden, Watt, with Mr. Cornell consulting member.

Empire and Local Trade. - Messes. Lovell,

(c) The Diningroom Leece and Staff.
(d) The delegates to the S.S. Conference and the several committees of Conference and Congress.
(e) Employers generally for facilitating the attendance of their employees as delegates.
(f) The Lord Mayor and Councillors of Perth for hospitality.
(g) The Hon. the Minister for Lands, the Hon. Minister for Mines, the Managing Trustee of the Agricultural Bank, Mr. W. E. McLarty, and Departmental Officers for attending and submitting information to Congress and Conference.

(h) Mr. Gordon, State Electoral Officer, for conducting the Presidential election at Yarloop and Mirrillus.

(i) The Naval and Military Club, M. Hamilton Bowen, the Australian Bowling Commission, the W.A. Trotting Association, the Collingwood Track Race Club, the National Football League, and other organisations who have assisted towards promoting the comfort of delegates.

(i) The Press.

(k) The Artists at the Smoke Social and the House Committee.


On the motion of Mr. Ryder, seconded by Mr. Stahl, the report was adopted and the thanks of Congress extended to all who have assisted or entertained delegates.

CONGRESS CONCLUDED at 1.31 p.m. on Saturday, October 7.

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Anzac Day.—Management Committee, with Messrs. Edmonds, Hunt, Margolin, Mellor and Tozer.

Hospital Visiting.—Rabbi Freedman, Messrs. Mellor, Panton, and Pady.

Anzac Hour.—Messrs. Collett, Chairman Finance Committee, Chairman House Committee, Messrs. Hunt, Olden, Panton, Tozer, McDowell, Col. Lamb and Sir Charles Nathan.

S.S.L. Committee.—Messrs. Riley, Lovell, Mellor and Philp.

Executive Meetings.—It was decided that the Executive would meet on October 18 and October 25, and thereafter, fortnightly.

Quorum.—The quorum was fixed at eleven members.

Staff.—The Executive adopted the report that Miss McLean had been replaced by Miss York.

Poppy Day—Aising out of the Poppy Day Committee's Report, a request was received from the Ex-Naval Men's Association for permission to participate in Poppy Day sales. After discussion it was decided to inform the association that this Executive regrets that the request could not be complied with.

Employment Bureau.—On the motion of Messrs. Watt and Nagert, it was decided that the Employment Bureau be placed under the control of the Pensions and Employment Committee.

Anzac Hour.—The Management Committee had recommended that a guarantee of £10 be approved for Nedlands Sub-branch's carnival providing that satisfactory assurances were provided by the organising committee. The recommendation was adopted.

Wheat Bounty.—The State Secretary reported that a telegram had been forwarded to the Federal Executive conveying the Congress resolution that the W.A. Branch press for a Federal guarantee of 3s. a bushel for this season's wheat.

Preference.—The State President reported that arrangements had been made for an early interview with the Premier on the question of preference to returned soldiers.

Visits.—The State President reported having visited all Unit Association Reunions during Show Week, and the Trooping of the Colour on Sunday, October 11.

Aising out of this report, Mr. Collins moved, and Mr. Nagert seconded, that this Executive forward its congratulations to Colonel A. R. B. Cox, officers of the Staff Corps, Warrant Officers and other ranks of the Australian Instructional Corps, for the very successful organisation of the ceremony; and congratulations to Colonel Margolin for his success in raising the necessary funds to procure the colour which was presented.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Panton reported having visited the Osborne Park Sub-branch.

Sir Charles Kingsford Smith.—It was agreed that a telegram of congratulations be forwarded to Sir Charles Kingsford Smith on his recent successful record-breaking flight.

League Trustee.—In connection with General Bratty's resignation from the office of League Trustee, it was decided that the Federal Congress delegates move a suitable resolution at the Federal Congress.

Sir William Birdwood.—Mr. Watt, read an interesting letter from Field Marshal Sir William Birdwood.

The appointment of officials in the following sub-branches was confirmed—Norwood, Corrin, Meckering.

Invitations.—It was regretted that no representative could be sent to Corrin on October 19, and that representation cannot be arranged for the Koorda annual ball. A general invitation to the A.A. and Imperial Veterans' Annual Memorial Service, on November 12, was received. An invitation from Moorine Rock, for October 28, was referred to the Management Committee. The following representations have been arranged—

Koorda—October 18—State President, Secretary and Country Vice-president.

Meckering, November 10, Mr. Pady; No. 2 D.C. Reunion, November 18, Mr. Warner.

S.S.L. Sub-branches.—West Leederville Sub-branch reported the formation of a sub-branch of the S.S.L. Sub-branch requested Executive representation at the first meeting on October 21. The request was acceded to.

The Press Sub-branch advised that a sub-branch had been formed.

Group Settlers.—The State Secretary reported that he had interviewed the Agricultural Bank authorities in connection with complaints received from Group Settlers in the South-West, alleging victimisation. The general manager had agreed that Mr. Pullin investigate the position. The State also stated that a request had been received from Pemberton Sub-branch that consideration of the Land Committee's report be granted.

W.A. Trail and Produce Association.—A communication from this Association relative to statements made by delegates to the Annual Congress was received and the matter was referred to the Land Committee.

Australian Marketing Commission, Agricultural Bank.—A letter was received from the Secretary of the Commission asking if the League wished to bring any relative matters before it. On the recommendation of the Management Committee, it was agreed that the Land Committee prepare evidence to be submitted to the Royal Commission.

Koorda.—Some time ago the Koorda Sub-branch requested the State Executive to endeavour to obtain a remission of the sentence being served by a former resident of the district. The State Secretary had made inquiries and had been informed that no consideration would be extended at the present time. It was agreed that the Koorda Sub-branch be advised.

League Membership.—Mr. K. M. Symonds submitted on behalf of War Workers reasons why they should be admitted to League membership. After discussion, it was agreed that the reply be left to the State Secretary, and that he explain the constitution to the writer.

General.—A communication was received from the Australian Marketing Corporation in respect to an Australian Jam Appeal. The Australian War Memorial Committee advised that sub-branches had been communicated with in connection with the sale of war histories.

Lake Grace Sub-branch advised that its members looked with confidence to the State Executive to take the necessary action to maintain the policy of preference to returned soldiers. Advice was received from the Premier's Department that railway facilities had been granted to Federal Congress delegates.

The Rev. C. L. Riley was granted leave for three meetings, and Mr. E. W. Edmonds for one meeting.

It was agreed that the State War Memorial Committee consider the arrangement of a suitable ceremony for the change of the Warden and Assistant Warden at the State War Memorial on November 11.

Mr. Wilkins appointed to act as representatives of the State Executive on the Citizen's Air Force Committee.
SUB-BRANCH NOTES

TAMBELLUP

At the meeting on October 11, with Vice-President "Bunny" in the chair, it was decided to form a library, with some volumes of the Official History as a nucleus.

The Hospital Board's Secretary, Wally Cadzow, presented the Government Auditor's report on hospital affairs. The auditor gave the Women's Auxiliary and the sub-branch a pat on the back for their effort in raising the building fund for the hospital extensions.

The Memorial Garden has been planted with couch grass, which was a donation from the local bowling club.

The old-time dance held in the Read Board Hall on October 14, was a great night out, and the Diggers' Orchestra—Fred Daddan at the piano, Bill Henneker and Harry Slack on the banjos, and Jack Collins, drums—deserves all the congratulations received that night. Harry also won the waltzing competition with Miss Mary Cousins. These lads of the Senior Service know their onions! The Women's Auxiliary did the usual good work at supper time, and Mr. O. H. O. Beisen acted as M.C. "Woody" took the cash and, of course, Jack Cousins was at the door.

The boys are looking forward to Mick's return and his Congress experiences, and hope his visit to the Repatriation doctor will benefit the old wound trouble.

NARROGIN

The monthly meeting was followed by a Ladies' Night, and the President thanked all who had helped to make the year a success as regards membership, amelioration funds and social work. At present the sub-branch is working on a new library. The Secretary was instructed to expend £20 on new books. All the members are hoping the Newdegate Cup will come this way, after the great effort put up by the Secretary and Tom. Tom has shown what can be done in bringing the sub-branch up to 20744 members. Thanks are also due to the Women's Auxiliary for their efforts during the year.

CARLISLE

The monthly meeting on October 1 drew a good attendance. The energy and persistence of Secretary Mr. Fred Frickers has resulted in a membership of over 651, which considering the depression, is very creditable. The sub-branch was very pleased when it became known that Mr. Yeates was elected State President.

On October 12 a sub-branch of the S.S.L. was formed at Carlisle. Mr. G. Grieve was elected President, and Mr. Bill Hay was elected Secretary. The lads are very enthusiastic and reckon they will gain their dadd up. The Women's Auxiliary donated £5, which was very much appreciated.

The sub-branch received an invitation from the Tramways Sub-branch to a social evening on October 18, and, as Carlisle has some splendid artists, with Mr. Hayes as leader, and a capable President (Mr. Nick), the invitation was accepted.

CLAREMONT

The programme of monthly games for the sub-branch, as drawn up by the Sports Director, Mr. E. Woodland, was tried out after the business of the last meeting and proved a great success. The thanks of the sub-branch are due to Mr. Woodland for the time and trouble devoted by him. A member of the committee, who wishes to be anonymous, has donated a trophy to be presented at the next annual meeting to the member scoring the highest number of points in sports during the remainder of the year.

The question as to advisability of forming a sub-branch of the S.S.L. was opened, and Mr. Birtwistle gave a lecture on the objects, and very valuable suggestions for the efficient working of the S.S.L. with the parent sub-branch. A committee has been formed to go more thoroughly into the matter, and to make a report to the next general meeting.

Mr. Birtwistle also presented a case of pipes, donated by Mr. Keeling, to Mr. Tomlinson, being the member who had enlisted the most new members to the end of July.

Intending players in the cricket team are notified that the first match for Claremont is on October 29, not October 13, as stated last month.

MIDLAND JUNCTION

A combined social evening was held in the Lesser Town Hall, Midland Junction, on Friday, September 29, when Colonel Collett, supported by Messrs. Lovell, Yeates and the State Secretary (Mr. D. M. Benson) attended, for the purpose of making a presentation to Mr. F. Bate- son, a past-president of the sub-branch. The Midland Sub-branch appreciates the action of Colonel Collett and Executive members who brought their wives with them. Colonel Collett, in presenting Mr. Bate son with the certificate of service, stressed his pleasure at being there to night to make the presentation, as Mr. Bate son and himself had been life-long friends, in fact, they went to school together. Mr. F. Doug, on behalf of the sub-branch, presented Mr. Bate son with a pipe, and tobacco pouch, Mrs. Marshall, president of the Women's Auxiliary, on behalf of her organization, in a neat little speech, presented a large travelling rug and a cushion for Mrs. Bate son, Mr. Tomlinson, president of the Midland Sub-branch of the Sons of Soldiers' League, followed up by presenting a silver-mounted pipe and case.

In between the presentations vocal items were given by Messrs. Priddle, Davis and Kennedy. Mr. Bate son, in his response, said he felt at a loss how to thank the various organizations for their kind thoughts and wishes; but concerning anything that he might have done he could honestly say that it was the hearty co-operation of all concerned that achieved the results, and not himself.

The sub-branch desires to thank the Women's Auxiliary, the Sons of Soldiers' and Mrs. Powell, of Baywater, whose act as pianist, and those two stalwarts, Mr. Roy Marsh (Secretary) and Bob Vickery (Social Secretary), 'not forgetting the cook, Mr. Andy Muir.'
and A. White; Treasurer, Mr. F. Spencer; Secretary, Mr. A. G. Cook; Hon. Auditor, Mr. H. P. Neuman; General Committee—Messrs. Garrett, Lowick, Scott, Thomas, Craze, Hemingway.

The members of the sub-branch cricket team met at the Queen's Hotel on September 18. The Secretary (Mr. Waterman) tendered his resignation on account of taking a trip overseas for the benefit of his health. His resignation was accepted with regret.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, Mr. C. L. Harvey; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. A. H. Fry; Captain, Mr. E. Yeomans; Delegates at all meetings, Mr. F. Yeomans, Harvey and Yeomans. The monthly committee meeting took place on September 19. The election of officers to the various committees resulted as follows:—Social Committee—Messrs. Lowick, Thomas, Scott, Amelioration Committee—Captains, Cook and Hemingway, War Memorial: Messrs. Garrett, Lowick, Spencer, Stanley.

The second annual Smoke Social of the sub-branch took place on Thursday, September 26, in the London Hotel. The man of honour was the State President (Col. H. Collett), who, in reply to the toast of "Mr. Collett and the State Executive," which was proposed by Captain Hemingway and supported by Captain Craze, voiced his regret at having to relinquish the office of State President. He was supported by Mr. A. Pady of the State Executive. Other toasts honoured throughout the evening were "The United Services," proposed by Captain A. G. Cook in a most amusing manner, and responded to by Brigadier A. M. Martyn in his usual witty style. "Parliament," Major Hubert Parker, responded to by Mr. J. T. Tonkin, M.L.A. "The Cottoslake Sub-branch R.S.I." proposed by Mr. W. Newall, and responded to by the President (Mr. C. L. Harvey). "The Visitors," Mr. G. W. Heath, response by Mr. McIntosh, "The Artists," Mr. C. E. Williamson, response by Mr. W. Routledge.

An excellent programme was contributed by the following artists: Messrs. Love, Scott, Routledge, and Yeomans, with Captain W. J. Craze at the piano.

The supper arrangements and the decorations were carried out by the members of the Women's Auxiliary.

The monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 1, developed into a good social evening, our old friend Fred Yeomans providing the musical part of the show.

PEMBERTON

There was quite a good muster of the "boys" at the last monthly meeting to hear various views from cakes to cricket. Pemberton has a cricket club this season and hopes to spend some pleasant hours with the budding "Bradman." There is also to be a show with the "Druids," which should be very interesting.

The Carnival went off well, though the "flu," which has been very bad here, kept a good many away. The Women's Auxiliary did some wonderful decorating and certainly deserved all the honours that came their way and down the hall that night. The catering was something to remember and must have entailed some really hard work. "Scrap" Lockhart, the M.C., was absent owing to heart trouble and has got to lay up for a spell. Erb Bosse was an excellent substitute and got hearty thanks for helping in.

We are still trying to get a rifle range in the district, but, for some reason or other the Defence Department withholds its support. There is nothing in the military line this side of Har-
Ball" on November 10. A working committee will be formed at the next general meeting. The President, Mr. Sagar, would like members to know that he would greatly appreciate an increased attendance at meetings. The weather is not good and no excuse can be offered for continual non-attendance. Messrs. G. Warburton and J. Vaughan have worked very energetically to raise funds for buying material for the newly-formed R.S.L. Cricket Club. They have done splendid work with hedges and flowers, the last one held at the State Farm Hall, being a credit to the organisers. Approximately £16 has been raised during the winter months. The material has arrived and the first picnic match will be against Benger. Roll up and have a game with the boys, but the constitution provides that you cannot use the material unless you pay for it, and become a member of the R.S.L. Cricket Club.

The local Agricultural Show will be held on October 21. Quite a number of members take a very active part. It is rumoured that the Secretary and Treasurer contemplate entering the log-chopping event.

Was speaking to the "Navy" last evening. He sends his regards to members.

Roelands members are hereby reminded that we have not seen them since "Musolini" was a boy.

Kindest regards to Mr. Hawthorn Sub-branch, hoping W.E.K. is being cared for and wishing him luck. Billy Rolleys is also included.

We hear news of a wind-fall in the district, a member's wife having been very fortunate. If true, then we wish them the best of luck and may they do it again.

NORTH PERTH
A Digger's Diary
(With profound apologies to the shades of Samuel Pepys)

September 18th—To sub-branch general meeting, there hear Mr. Abele (State Executive) speak on pension matters. He then cry up our sub-branch for the good work it is doing, and give his congratulations. Saying all the world do talk of us, which was pretty news to hear. Mr. Rigg, in his hospital report, said No. 11 Ward now have a wireless, but mighty few earphones, and he ask if there be any so good of heart to give phones, as they have a lot of soldiers in here, who would have a little pleasure. Anon—presenting of a very pretty tea tray to Mr. Clarrie Sadlier (Past-President) and all the company very merry at the drinking to his good health. Home afoot, about 11 by the clock.

28th—I visit the Women's Auxiliary meeting, having business with Mrs. Middleton (Secretary). Did see there many members' wives, who smile and greet me very civilly, but none, I judge, that would cause any husband to become himself a long-suffering male, as I hear some declare. 29th—Up at 7.0. A warm day like summer. I did pick my sweet peas and prepare them for the sub-branch flower show this night. By and by to the hall and there find Mr. Sam Vincent and Mr. Jack Watson preparing the stands and vases for the flowers which had been kindly loaned by the North Suburban Horticultural Society. Home to dinner, thence, after dressing myself in my best suit, away with my exhibit to the hall again. I find the hall full of people arranging their flowers—a most pretty sight, and all with great hope that they win a prize. All the company of the hall while the judge (Mr. A. Haselgrove) make his awards. When in again, I find my son did win a first prize and my wife to gain a second, but sought to me, which I was not pleased at. Anon giving of prizes and Mr. H. S. Jones to auction all the flowers and the sub-branch to profit 1½% thereby. A pleasant supper, thence home afoot, yoked at my not winning a prize, but in some content, that two prizes come to my home, and that the show was so excellent, a success.

28th—Meet Mr. Sulliter who told me a tennis team of ladies and gentlemen from our sub-branch did travel to Nedlands last Sunday, and play a team of the sub-branch there. North Perth did win handsomely by four sets to two, I said, and he cry up the Nedlands team to be merry company and do meet their defeat in excellent spirit of sport, which was pleasing to hear.

29th—Up betimes, my wife baking cakes against this Women's Auxiliaries' Art and Craft Exhibition in Perth City, and I see the cakes done, the wretch demand I carry them to the exhibition, but I would not until she did give me a fare against the Garden tram coach and the price of one at my self. This she did, after much discussion and wrangle. When to the exhibition, find North Perth ladies do win all the prizes, almost, having won 27 in all. How our ladies did puff themselves up with pride at being so clever, which was a pretty thing to see. A fine exhibition and very well done.

October 2nd—The weather most foul, wind and rain all day, and so the night. I to sub-branch meeting, but no business done, there being a poor muster, to set to playing games. The milk for coffee come, we wash the orders in a pretty swifter what to do. Supper of cold milk with biscuits and cheese. Lord, to see the grime of some at drinking milk, their stomach being in revolt at such strange drink. Home afoot, the wind chilling my narrow bones and the ground covered with fallen hail.

3rd—Up, after a restless night, which I impute to the milk that I drank the night before. With Mr. "Bunny" Richmond to the W.A. Branch Congress. There hear the President (Col. Collett) deliver his address, after which, all the company did sing praise of him. Mighty sorry all diggers be at his retiring from the chair, he having been a brave leader to W.A. Branch this eight years past. By and by "Bunny" Richmond says he be as sorry as a drum, and who his dinner. So we make for home, that he might fill himself. A hungry fellow methinks.

6th—News by Mr. W. Godden, of North Perth, playing tennis with South Perth Sub-branch come this October 29th. And, in secret, he tell me how North Perth have now a mighty strong team that win from all whom they play, and will conquer South Perth, or, said he, I be no prophet.

10th.—To a meeting of the North Perth Sons' of Sailors and Soldiers' Sub-branch. A good muster of fine, healthy, strong boys, and all look proud at wearing the handsome badge of their league. Mr. J. G. Paterson (Press Sub-branch), make a fine address to the boys, on manners. Is to be so grand, I thought to see Mr. Paterson, a gentleman I know many years, not specially pleased to learn how, from a boy scout, he hath brought himself to the good condition of Commissioner at W.A. Scout Headquarters. The meeting over, so the boys to games and supper of coffee and good things to eat.

14th—Meet with Mr. David James, who told me how the sub-branch sports club will conduct a grand card evening come this Nov. 1st. To be in St. Hilda's Hall, Globe St, North Perth. A fine supper and handsome prizes will be given, said he.
MOORINE ROCK

The monthly meeting on October 7 attracted a good attendance. In the absence of the President (Mr. C. A. Marsden) at Congress, the chair was taken by the Vice-president, Mr. W. Pickworth.

It was decided to hold the annual sports, races and trotting meeting on January 1, 1934, and a voluntary committee was formed to arrange the programme. Will secretaries of sub-branches within a reasonable distance please inform our members of the event, as the support of all R.S.I. men and their friends is needed.

The publicity officer reported what arrangements had been made with regard to the visit of Mr. Law to lecture on the proposals of the Douglas Credit Scheme. This was held on October 11, and attracted a large and interested audience. Mr. Law receiving an ovation at the conclusion of his speech.

Estimates for timber for the construction of five trestle tables were considered by the meeting, and since funds are not plentiful it was decided to obtain timber for two tables only for the time being. The committee dealing with the annual reunion, to be held on October 25, submitted a list of guests, received the approval of members.

Mr. Marshall thanked members for their efforts on his behalf with regard to his bounty cheque.

WEST SWAN

The monthly meeting was well attended as usual. The district Progress Association, which controls the local Memorial Hall, gave us the use of a smaller room for a reduced rental. This is appreciated, and we are looking forward to the time when we will have the use of the hall free for all our functions. The generosity of the district Association in allowing the sub-branch room to run a few "stunts" in the grounds during their recent horticultural show was greatly appreciated. A few shillings profit resulted.

Our District Congress reported on recent events and by his account most items were well thrashed out. It is anticipated this much good will result.

A donation from Cuming, Smith and Co., which will augment the sub-branch's funds, was most acceptable.

It was decided to run a "dinkum" Goose Club and make the prizes worth, while all prizes are being donated by members.

A social, dance and impromptu evening is to be held at the trestle packing shed of one of our members, Mr. Knappan, who has graciously offered his services. With the help of his good wife, he has assured the sub-branch of a nice little night out.

A letter of congratulation was sent to the new State President, Mr. Y. Yeats.

Middle Swan is desirous of co-operating with Upper Swan and Herne Hill sub-branches in organising something to raise funds for Anzac House.

MAYLANDS

At the fortnightly meeting on September 7, Mr. Bill Clowes, the popular President, tendered his resignation on account of his leaving the district. Members have always appreciated the good work done by "Bill" on behalf of the digger, and on this occasion asked Col. Collett, the State President, to present him with an illuminated address and a past-president's certificate of service. Mr. Arthur Flittetts, past-president, supported the Colonel, and feelingly referred to the good work done by Bill. A presentation of a certificate of service was also made to Mr. Joe Kemp, Vice-president, who has resigned owing to ill-health. Both Bill and Joe, in replying, promised to still do their bit for Maylands.

For the position of President a very popular choice was made, when Mr. Phil Allen was elected. Phil was one of the original 28th Battalion, and is the right man in the right place. He is one of the hardest workers in the branch, and all his old digger pals will be pleased to hear of his selection as leader of Maylands. Two new Vice-presidents in Messrs. Ted Corby and Wally Power were elected.

At the meeting held on October 5, several new members were enrolled, and two new ones were personally welcomed, Rev. Saunder from Boulder, and Mr. E. Riley, both suitably responding to the toast of their welcome. Mr. Riley, who has taken over the Maylands Hotel, promised the cricket team a dinner in the event of their winning the competition. It has been decided to hold a monster Atcham House Fair in the next district the week in December, and all members are asked to put their shoulder to the wheel and make this a huge success. Mr. Bill Lovell, our energetic secretary, has again been elected to the State Executive, and their appointment will be welcomed.

The next meeting held on Sunday, October 11, when Maylands met North Perth. Wally Stookle, the president of the National Football League, who is now a full member of Maylands Sub-branch, led the team into action, but a heavy downpour of rain prevented only half-an-hour's play, during which North Perth lost four wickets for 16. Leo Comish, being right on the spot, secured three for nil off four overs.

Further evidence of what the R.S.I. is doing for the returned soldier was given at the last meeting of the sub-branch, when a letter was received from an ex-serviceman expressing gratitude for what had been done to help him to secure a fairly good pension, after he had tried unsuccessfully himself.

COLLIE

After a very fine lecture given on "The Psychology of the Peace-Movement," it was decided to hold more of a similar nature in the near future. Collie was represented at the No. 1 District Council meeting which was held at Bunbury, and will be well taken. Congress being over, the sub-branch has settled down to routine business once more, and what a lot of work is in hand!

It was decided to forward congratulations to a past-president of the Collie Sub-branch, now President of the Geraldton Sub-branch (Mr. A. E. Anderson), on his election as Country Vice-President for the next twelve months. Mr. Anderson has worked hard and long in the interests of the League, and this honour is thoroughly deserved. It was also decided to congratulate the Narrogin Sub-branch on gaining that coveted trophy, the Newdegate Cup. The Sub-branch hopes to play a picnic cricket match with the Brunswick Sub-branch in the near future.

A report was received that a pension increase had been granted to a member on the case being presented by the sub-branch.

Arrangements are well in hand for this year's Poppy Day.

The annual Scientific Exhibition is to be held on our oval on November 16 and 17 and is already assured of a large amount of support.

More new members are being enrolled, and the numbers are gradually increasing, and a lot

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STATE EXECUTIVE

First Annual Exhibition

Last year the Exhibition was only an idea, now it is an accomplished fact. During the last two days of September, by the courtesy of the R.S.L., all available space at the Institute was given over to stalls and exhibits. There was a splendid display of needlework, knitting, handicrafts, cookery, flowers and photography. The most interesting, perhaps, was the thrift section. Patience, ingenuity, and skill had transformed masses of flowers for sale, and on exhibition. On the verandahs, the stalls, furnished and manned by certain metropolitan auxiliaries, did brisk business with their tempting wares. There were 190 exhibits from 24 Auxiliaries. The country entries showed some very fine work and many had a prize card affixed. In performing the opening ceremony, Archdeacon Rilley congratulated the auxiliaries on the striking success of this, their first effort, and commended them for the idea. Country members, in town for the Conference, spent an enjoyable time at the exhibition, not only in viewing the display, but in meeting many of the metropolitan members. The balance sheet is not yet quite complete, but a substantial sum will be handed to general funds.

The Carnival, on the Saturday evening, was very successful, the organisations going to no end of trouble to make the evening merry and bright. It was a fitting finish to the first exhibition.

We wish to acknowledge our indebtedness to all who interested themselves in the effort, to those who sent entries, to those who assisted and to the many who came to admire and buy. For donations we thank the Ladies Auxiliary, Cosgrove, Bushells, Foy & Gibson, Mrs. E. A. Eves, Mrs. Pierce, Mr. Lawley and Nedlands Auxiliaries.

SIXTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Proceeding the opening of Conference this year, the delegates met around the State War Memorial, Mrs. T. C. Wilson placing a wreath. In spite of the wet, dismal morning, a large number attended. Sixty-seven delegates were present at the Institute when Mrs. Wilson opened Conference with the reading of her presidential address. In it she touched upon the many projects of work set out by the auxiliaries and their Executive members. The secretary's report showed the great amount of business now transacted by the Executive throughout the year. Professor Ross voiced the appreciation of the soldiers Scholarship Trust Fund for the support given by the auxiliaries. Mr. Panton, M.L.A., thanked the trustees on behalf of the R.S.L. trustees. Greetings were received from the Friendly Union of Soldiers' Wives, the 44th Battalion Auxiliary and the Maiden and Limbsless Men's Association by their representatives, were present. Certificates of Service were presented to Mrs. T. Marshall, of Kelmscott; Mrs. Tereshkev, of Nedlands; and Mrs. Waymouth, of Spearwood. The country cup for the best work for the year was won by Wagin Auxiliary. The reading of the branch reports concluded the first part of the Conference proceedings.

The fifty-two items on the agenda were dealt with on Monday afternoon and on Tuesday. Meanwhile, nominations and voting for the new membership proceeded with Mr. Cornell, M.L.A., as returning officer, and Mesdames Coleman and Marshall scrutineers. There was an enthusiastic scene when the delegates, led by Mrs. Jones, of Meredith, persuaded Mrs. Wilson to be re-elected for another year “to take us all to Anzac House.”

The following officers were elected:—Mrs. T. C. Wilson, President; Mrs. J. L. McKinlay and Mrs. V. Stockmin, Vice-presidents; Mesdames V. Ketterer, A. Kirby and H. Taylor, Trustees; Mrs. H. Hopperton, Secretary; Mrs. H. Pike, Assistant Secretary; Mesdames Stockfield, Sque, Power, Randall, Downes, Keegan, Middleton, Hawkins, Turnbull and Oggill Committee.

On the first evening of Conference, delegates were entertained by the auxiliaries at St. George's Hall. The South Perth R.S.L. orchestra played for the dancing. There was a pleasing variation to the usual programmes at the entertainment given by the Digger Darkies from Nedlands R.S.L. Two little girls from Mr. Hawthorn gave a charming balloon dance. During the evening Mr. Power was presented with a handbag as a token of appreciation for her services at the piano at so many of our united specials.

On Wednesday evening a number of the delegates attended the Lunar Theatre at the invitation of the management.

F.U.S.W.

There was a large attendance of members at St. George's Hall on October 3 to hear the speakers from the National Safety Council of W.A., Mrs. V. Pearson, Mayor (Mr. J. T. Franklin, M.L.C.) explained the objects of the Council. It was inaugurated in an endeavour to lessen the number of accidents in the State. The idea of “Safety First” had already taken root. Many accidents could be prevented by a little forethought and commonsense. One might take a little longer to cross a road, but it would be done on “Safety First” principles. Jay walkers in New South Wales were called to order by the police. Members could do much in training their children to be careful, not only on roads, but amongst all sorts of machinery. Mr. J. W. Tyson, chairman of the Council, in supporting the Lord Mayor, remarked on the great interest taken in the activities of the “Safety First” campaign. They were trying to create a safety sense and to enlist the co-operation of insurance companies, local authorities and the Government. Recently the Council had been represented at a conference to discuss the widening of the Gannawarra Bridge, which was the danger spot on one of the finest highways in the State.

The musical part of the programme was arranged by, Mrs. Henderson, L.T.G.L., and comprised piano solos by Miss Thelma Perry, songs by Mrs. Fred Poore and Mrs. Glen, and recitations by Miss Edna L. Leach and Mr. C. H. Manning was in the chair. Members were pleased to see Mrs. H. Dean again after her recent serious illness.

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<td>V. E. Troodo, 10 Harbourne St.,</td>
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| DONNYBROOK    | Memorial Hall                          | First Saturday, monthly                  | Mrs. Harding                       |                                 |
| VICTORIA PARK | Library Hall, Albany Road              | Fourth Friday, 7.30 p.m.                 | Mrs. O. Taylor, 54 State Street,   |                                 |
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CARLISLE

The socials which follow the monthly meetings are always appreciated. The jumble sale, held in September, was a huge success. In the absence of the State President, Mrs. T. C. Wilson, Mrs. Stockman presided. Members were glad of the opportunity of entertaining Mrs. Stockman and a few of the Congress delegates at the last social afternoon. Congratulations were extended to Mesdames Wilson and Hopperon on their re-election to office. Carlisle now occupies the proud position of standing second in the State in finance. A house party will be held at the Star Street residence of the president, Mrs. Monkhouse, on November 3.

MT. LAWLEY

The Mt. Lawley Women’s Auxiliary met in the Congregational Hall, William Street, on Tuesday, October 10. One new member was welcomed. The Secretary, Miss Hawtin, was heartily thanked for her splendid reports at Congress and all were delighted to hear that she was elected a member of the State Executive Committee. The news that Mrs. T. C. Wilson had consented to stand as State President for another year gave each and every one a feeling of happiness and well-being.

A Sale of Work will be officially opened in the Congregational Hall, corner Raglan Road and William Street, on Saturday, December 16, at 2 p.m. Admission, free in the afternoon, but in the evening adults, 6d. and children free. Social items and numerous entertainments should make the evening an enjoyable one and all readers are cordially invited. A committee has been formed to arrange the Christmas Tree entertainment for the children which will be held sometime in December.

COTTESLOE

The monthly meeting took place at 68 Forrest St., Cottesloe, on Tuesday, October 10. The President, Mrs. May, presided over a very good attendance. The most important business was making preliminary arrangements to raise funds for the annual Xmas tree. It was decided to hold several bridge evenings, the first to be conducted by the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. A. G. Cook, at the residence of Mrs. Bruce Allen, of 16 Napier St., Cottesloe, on Tuesday, November 14, at 8 p.m. Admission 2/-. It is hoped that the Cottesloe R.S.L. will support these functions.

A very enjoyable card evening was held, also at the residence of Mrs. Bruce Allen, on Sept. 21. During supper the draw for a box of chocolates took place. It was won by Mr. E. P. O. 19 Brighton St., Cottesloe.

SOUTH PERTH

Our annual general meeting was held on Sept. 15. Mrs. Philip, the retiring president, did not seek re-election. Officers elected were: President, Mrs. H. T. See; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames J. Goss and H. E. Prendergast; Secretary, Mrs. H. K. H. Kahan; Assistant Secretary, Mrs. T. P. Home; Treasurer, Mrs. R. W. Beece; Committee: Mesdames Board; G. Braweld, H. Day, Cullen and Smith. After the meeting an exhibition of members’ work was held.

Members of the outgoing committee held a very pleasant little function at the residence of Mrs. See on September 26, when they entertained and made a presentation to Mrs. Philip, the retiring president, who had held office for two years. The wonderful progress made by the Auxiliary during that period and the measure of service attained are due in no small measure to the energy, thoughtfulness and time expended by Mrs. Philip.

The Children’s Ball held on September 22 was most successful, the costumes being both varied and beautiful. The judges, Mesdames Abjohnson, Slater and Mitchell, had a very hard task to select them in awarding the prizes.

Our members succeeded in gaining about a dozen prizes at the combined auxiliaries’ exhibition.

NORTH PERTH

The sub-branch annual Sweet Pea Show was held on September 21. The section for Auxiliary members—Best Decorated Table—was won by Mrs. Mellor, Mrs. Blight carrying off second prize.

The Auxiliary took charge of the cake and sweet stall at the R.S.L. Auxiliary Exhibition. The takings amounted to $4 15s. The Auxiliary also provided the supper at the local Congress delegates which was held in St. George’s Hall on October 2.

North Perth members had 64 entries in the recent exhibition. Of these 27 gained prizes. We are very proud of this record.

Poppy Day is coming so let us see if we cannot beat our effort of last year.

Please send your children to the fancy dress ball, which is being held on October 21, in the North Perth Town Hall.

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