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One hears frequently of late that the League is a gradually dying institution, that it must eventually expire by effluxion of time. There is an old saying, "You'll be a long time dead," but despite the dismal recognitions of reality it will be a long time before we are dead. In fact, at present, we are very much alive. Even, in depression, membership has fallen off relatively very little. Sub-branches, in the true digger spirit, have contrived to keep members who have fallen on evil days still on the financial membership roll. Osborne Park diggers, we feel sure, will not feel hurt if we reveal the secret that there are no millionaires living in the Park, yet that sub-branch has just paid off the debt on a hall, raising the funds to do so by hard work in the way of individual and cooperative effort. We mention Osborne Park as it is the most recent achievement of the kind to come under our notice. But it is by no means an isolated one. Narrogin and Collie can also point to proud records of self-help and public spirit, and so can many other sub-branches. In the matter of getting things done, of putting up buildings and caring for war memorials, of public service on local governing and other public bodies, the sub-branches and their individual members are commanding the respect of the residents of the districts in which they are situated. It is just this commanding of respect from people outside the League which is the most valuable propaganda that could be launched on the League's behalf. That it is bearing fruit seen in the numerous letters the State Executive receives from various organisations requesting the League's co-operation in the furthering of their aims.

But far too many are still outside the fold, many who could without inconvenience to their pockets become financial members. The monthly postings of the LISTENING POST show that the increase of membership is very largely counteracted by a corresponding decrease through fellows dropping out. This should not be. Sub-branches are doing their best to hold their members and gain new ones; therefore, the fault is that of individuals. It should not be necessary, at this stage, to emphasise the duty of every ex-service man to join the League and remain in it. The prestige which the digger won in the field, and which the League has gained since the war, has been of benefit, direct or indirect, to every ex-service man in the State. Surely, then, men in important positions, and of influence in their own districts, should join up and play a more active part. Basking in the reflected glory of others is hardly consistent with the League's ideals of serving the country in peace as we did in war.

The attitude of some of those who neglect to play the better and bigger part has been irritating the sub-branches. Torbay has discussed a suggestion that no further admissions to the League be made after a certain date, and from what we know of the feeling in other sub-branches, the suggestion is likely to receive considerable support. Before so drastic a course is taken, there is room and time for much work in the way of consolidation. We refer readers to the sub-branch notes to see what steps individual sub-branches are taking to secure 100 per cent membership. A glance through those notes will also show what is being done to make meetings attractive. Some sub-branches are developing into regular social clubs, and their periodical meetings are pleasant oases in this desert of depression.

Every member can make himself a publicist on behalf of the League, explain its purpose and ideals, canvass eligibles, and generally do his best to help bring about that 100 per cent membership which will strengthen the League's position when acting on behalf of less fortunate diggers. After all, there's nothing like the personal touch in these matters.

Sergeant-Major: Why do you want to go on sick parade?

Private Wangler: It's these 'ere shooting pains in me 'ead. I think I must have what they call musketry rheumatism.'
ful invention, the radio, has made it possible, and sub-branch members, their relatives and friends, in fact, every one who is within listening distance of a wireless set, are asked to make themselves comfortable and listen in. On that night the State Executive and representatives from the metropolitan sub-branches will meet at 6WF and form themselves for the occasion into the Radio Sub-branch, and through the courtesy of the Australian Broadcasting Commission, the proceedings will be broadcast throughout the State. Provision has also been made for the interchange of greetings between individual sub-branches. The first part of the programme is devoted to a panorama of the war, in which every aspect of that stupendous struggle—recruiting, training, fighting, feasting, bits, billets, and hospitalities, and so on—will be dealt with. The panorama will be followed by a model smoke special. The LISTENING POST's old friend, Jack Tozer, will be given another opportunity to finish his little story about Yvonne, and there will be other entertaining and diverting items. Every digger is asked to park himself near a wireless set that night and feel that he is present at a reunion of the whole W.A. Branch of the League.

Anzac House

At the last meeting of the State Executive, Colonel Olden reported that negotiations with the National Bank of Australasia had been finalised, and that the Directors of the Bank had approved of an overdraft up to £13,000 to assist the Committee in the erection and completion of Anzac House, Perth. The project, including furniture, was estimated to cost £23,000. It was suggested that Life Policies up to a premium value of £100 be lodged with the Bank as collateral security. The Committee was now in a position to go straight ahead with the call of tenders when the necessary plans and working drawings were completed. The Architect, Colonel A. R. B. Cox, had been authorised by the Committee to appoint a Quantity Surveyor, and Mr. H. Holmes, of Nedlands, secured the position. The Committee was pleased to notice that quite a number of sub-branches had launched entertainments and carnivals to assist the Committee, and everyone would be appreciated. A list has been prepared to obtain Foundation Members, and everyone of these would receive circulars signed by the State President, Colonel Collett.

subscription of £1 would be fixed for Foundation Membership, and a souvenir certificate would be issued by the Committee. It had been suggested that sub-branches operating in the Wheat Belt could arrange for donations of wheat, and as every evening had a digger operating for some buying agency, there could be an Anzac House trick provided for, and afterwards sold to aid the Building Fund. Colonel Olden said that he was confident that there were hundreds of diggers who would be only too pleased to donate a bag of wheat for Anzac House.

Referring to the discussion on Anzac House at the No. 4 District Committee Meeting, which appeared in the West Australian, of Tuesday, July 23, just before this issue was printed, the State Secretary (Mr. Benson) said that evidently the discussion of the committee centred on safeguarding the League's general funds in any security given to the Bank. The Anzac House Building Committee had negotiated with the Bank on the basis of funds set apart for building purposes, plus the break-up value of the present Institution building, and the estimated contributions of sub-branches. The Amelioration and General Funds of the League could not be offered as security by the Committee, and as the succeeding Congresses of the last seven years had consistently approved of securing permanent League premises, so the approaching Congress of the League would be asked to confirm the progress made in this great objective since the last annual meeting.

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At the last State Congress a resolution was carried, at the instance of the Darling Range Sub-branch, urging that a reduction of charges on the sales of all primary products be made. For a long time the question was under discussion with the Market Trust, and recently Messrs. A. Yeates, F. Warner, M.L.A., and the State Secretary interviewed representatives of the W.A. Fruit and Produce Auctioneers' Association, and the following reply has been received from Mr. W. Mc Manus, the Secretary of the Association:

"The Account Sale Fee was originally imposed in 1920, as a compromise in order to avoid an increase in commission charges. It was not intended specifically to cover the cost of issuing the Account Sales, etc. Apart from this item, the produce auctioneers' revenue necessarily fluctuates to the same extent as gross value of the produce they sell. During the difficult years since 1929 this has automatically resulted in reduction of charges, and it may be mentioned that 7½ per cent. on values to-day is equivalent to about 5 per cent. on values of 1929. It was pointed out that the cost of selling is not reduced by any reduction in the realisation. Produce auctioneers have, therefore, not only borne this reduction in revenue, but have also suffered several increases in their costs during this period. Amongst those mentioned were:

Rent.—These were automatically raised by the compulsory transfer of business to the Metropolitan Markets in June, 1929. We realise that the Metropolitan Market Trust cannot seriously mitigate this increase without the assistance of the Government by way of a reduction of interest charges. It is unfortunate that the buildings were constructed at a peak period of costs, and even a reduction of interest as mentioned would not be really effective, as information examined indicates that current rentals of premises suitable for the conduct of this trade are approximately only half of those paid in these buildings.

Wages.—Although the reduction in revenue is estimated at about 30 per cent., reduction in wages approximate 18 per cent.

Stationery.—This constitutes a big item of expense in this business, and although printing costs have come down, we understand that paper is subject to primage duty, and also stationery and printing are subject to the addition of sales tax on nominal cost.

Postages.—The rate of letter postage has been increased by 50 per cent. since 1929.

Duty Stamps.—The rate of cheque duty has been increased by 100 per cent. since 1929.

It was pointed out that the cost for auctioneers of dealing with low priced produce is just as great as that of dealing with lines selling at much higher rates, and it is pertinent that the low priced lines could not be handled at the rates charged if it were not for revenue received in respect of lines with higher realisations.

In so far as the Account Sale Fee may be regarded as in the nature of a minimum charge it may be pointed out that the sale even of one case of fruit usually involves the following out-of-pocket expenses alone:

Postage on Account Sale 1d.
Duty on cheques 2d.
Postage on cheque 2d.

These are quite apart from such costs as stationery, etc., and rental, wages and general expenses which go to make up selling costs.

It is further pointed out that but for the re-organisation of this Association permitting some control of credit, thus reducing the cost of bad-debts, etc., and in the absence of a very thorough endeavour to prune expenses wherever possible, and to run the trade on a basis of maximum efficiency, some increase in commission rates to adjust the decrease of revenue mentioned would have been inevitable during this period.

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Members of the trade have every appreciation of the difficulties of the section of primary producers with which they are concerned, and have felt that their duty to the industry could best be carried out by the improvements in efficiency, and the degree of economy ensured during the last four years, largely through this Association. I feel sure that the members of your Deputation appreciate these circumstances, and we join with you in the hope that some improvement of general conditions, particularly through the wheat belt, may soon be evident. It is felt that when this occurs, it will rapidly be reflected in the price of the lines we handle to the benefit of all concerned.

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- Perth Modern School
- District High School
- Secondary School
- Narrogin School of Agriculture

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Applications forms and all particulars may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary of the Soldiers' Children's Scholarship Trust, Mr. J. R. Fitzpatrick, G.P.O. Box K765, Perth, and must be returned before August 18, 1933.

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**FRIENDLY UNION OF SOLDIERS' WIVES, DAUGHTERS AND SONS**

Mr. W. C. Angwin, former Agent-General for W.A. in London, was the speaker at the meeting held in the Town Hall on July 6. Members listened with much interest to his informal talk. Savoy House, the official London home of Western Australia, is excellent situated in the Strand, where the thousands of passers-by can view the W.A. products displayed in the windows. It is still difficult to make the people "Empire-minded" enough to give preference to Colonial goods over foreign in.

On Armistice Day, there are poppies for sale for whatever amount is given, with the result that practically no one is without one and the sight is most impressive. The scenery in Great Britain compared more than favourably with that on the Continent, was Mr. Angwin's opinion, and the British need not cross the Channel to find ideal holiday resorts.

Mrs. Elsie Clear and Mrs. Lewis rendered delightful music and Mrs. Pendlebury's character sketches were highly entertaining. During afternoon tea, the raffle organised by Mrs. L. Jones was drawn, many of the lucky winners being present. The funds benefited by £9 from this effort.

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**Perth Legacy Club**

**Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting was held at the Soldiers' Institute, on July 18. The retiring president, Mr. E. S. Watt, presented to members a comprehensive report of the year's activities. He stated that 146 positions were obtained during the year for wards of the Club. The Junior Legacy Club work had been most successful, the most important departure being the inauguration of the Intermediate Legacy Club. Under the new family adviser scheme members were in direct contact with 300 families, comprising 600 wards. The shorthand and the dress-making and millinery classes continued to function satisfactorily, the latter class had co-operated with the Women's Auxiliary of the R.S.L. in making up garments from material supplied by that body, and a result hundred of garments had been made for use in the amelioration work of the R.S.L.

In concluding his address, Mr. Watt stated: "One of the most pleasing features of my year of office has been the wonderful brotherhood that has been evident amongst members of the Club. Not a jarring note has been struck—all has been harmony and concord. The spirit of Legacy is service, but it is also comradeship. It is difficult to single out Legatees for my thanks when so many have given such yeoman service, but I feel sure that Legatees will not mind me paying a special tribute to our Secretary, Legatee Harry Hocking, and the secretary of both the Employment and Advisory Committees, Legatee Chas. Pearson, for their invaluable help. The necessary liaison between our Club and the Repatriation Department is perfect, for which we have largely to thank the Deputy Commission, Legatee Chas. Taylor. We have also worked in complete harmony with the Returned Soldiers' League, to whom we are indebted for placing this room at our disposal for our luncheons, without charge. Gratitude has already been expressed to those splendid organisations, the Y.M.C.A. and the Y.W.C.A., for their most valuable assistance. We are also grateful to the Press and the Broadcasting Stations for assisting our cause. I also desire on your behalf to express gratitude to many friends outside the club who have given us such valuable assistance, particularly in placing so many of our wards in employment. Others have generously assisted with donations, and it may not be out of place to state here that it is gratifying to see the manner in which the general public, year by year, is arriving at a fuller recognition of the debt we owe to those who made the supreme sacrifice, and of the fact that their dependants are the legacy they have left us. This is an aspect of national consciousness which did not manifest itself after previous wars. After the old wars it was a common sight to see maimed soldiers, and even fit discharged soldiers, begging their bread in the streets to the eternal shame of the country they had served so well. Even after the Boer war it was not unusual to see discharged soldiers, still in uniform, looking for work. The last war, being a war of the people and not an isolated adventure of the army, saw a great change in the national outlook, and in the national sense of responsibility. Much has been done for our soldiers. We are all familiar with the pensions and the various repatriation schemes. It was the country's duty to make such provision for the returned soldier, the deceased soldier's widow and dependents. But duty, after all, marches only at the regulation pace. It is practical sympathy which wags the marathons of life. In the army it was often a crime to exceed the regulations; in our Legacy work it is worse than a crime not to. That is why we make the children of our deceased comrades our own especial charge, why we look after their physical, social and spiritual welfare; why we constantly endeavour to make them happy, contented and useful citizens of the Great Commonwealth for which their fathers gave so much, so that they, in their turn, might make our glorious Commonwealth the ideal fatherland of which their fathers dreamed—and may still dream."

Mr. Watt was presented with the gold badge of Legacy by the incoming presi-
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Old Nick, of Njookenbroom, writes that the annual meeting of the Osborne Park Sub-branch was the first he has attended where no beer was served. It was afternoon tea and coffee in the evening, with a whiff of local pinky, and he lamentably asserts that it was transformation from the "sublimey to the gob-blimey."

An incident in connection with the State War Memorial might interest readers. Last Sunday, one of the voluntary supervisors of the Memorial observed a German ex-soldier who fought against us in the war approach the Memorial. At a distance of about a hundred yards he removed his hat. Then he walked regally to the plinth of the obelisk and stood there reverently for a while. This action of an ex-enemy subject should surely be an object lesson to the flappers of both sexes and others who are old enough to know 'better, who frequently have to be reminded of the reverence due to the Memorial.

Our empty North has been the concern of patriots for two generations, but one has to go to dear old England to learn how simply the matter might be settled. The Dean of Canterbury has just suggested that it would be a grand British gesture if this portion of Australia were handed over to the Japanese. The audience who listened to him loudly cheered the suggestion. Of course, the fact that we Australians who own the place might object was not taken into consideration. Let us hope that no four of our Australian knights will cross the seas and canonise—or Lewis-gunise—a new martyr on the altar steps of Canterbury Cathedral.

Another bright suggestion has arrived all the way from America. A Washington doctor wants members of the Royal Society of Western Australia to take measurements of our legislators for scientific purposes. The idea is that the scientist has taken anthropological measurements of delinquents, deficients, and so on, so why not measure our brainy, efficient men. And as usual, the poor old politician is picked. The League, in the interests of national service might do its bit in this matter. How about the State Executive putting the callipers on Jimmie Cornell and Alex Panton? Perhaps Mr. Speakey Panton might be induced to wear his wig as a measure of weight for age. This suggestion so impressed our office boy that he burst the metre:

Weird are the ways of scientists,
Unfathomable, quaint, and mystic.
They'd make of life a thing of lists,
Of measurement and of chilled statistic.
Now, one emits a bright idea,

Flashing like flames that leap from embers
When winds caress a fire. I hear
He wants to measure all our Members,
Suggesting lads who make our laws
Best illustrate our national flaws.

We'll know what-sized man, small or big,
Best hunts success, and dexterously seizes it.
The size of Mr. Speaker's wig
(assuming Mr. Speaker wears it);
And, when Phil. Collier takes a ride
Out hunting, on his milk-white charger,
Whether his saddle's just as wide
As other men's—or wider, larger.
Measures of genius we'll clinch
Down to the fraction of an inch.

Where will this notion lead? Will it
Cause us to make Procrustean gauges
Into which Ministers must fit
Or else be barred from history's pages?
Sabina, I'm glad these tests apply
Only to high-grade politicians,
While medium folks, like you and I,
Still dodge these metric inquisitions;
And that your eyes, a-brim with mirth,
Can still assess my meed of worth.

It strikes us now as something illusory, that glamour of war we knew in the early days of the great massacre; like colour on distant hills which, fading, leaves all cold and hard and merciless. No lure so disastrous to youth and happiness was ever known. As that glamour we called "the romance of war."—The Spectator.

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(By M.H.M.)

"Brigadier, your brigade on the march is disgraceful. It reminds me of nothing less than a travelling circus, sir!"

All day the —th Brigade of the A.I.F. had plodded along the hard cobble-stone road. Leaves in the line at "Plugstreet" had earned a spell in the rest area. From "Plugstreet" to St. Omer was a long march—but what of that? Night of undisturbed sleep, regular meals, and sport in plenty would compensate for the drawbacks of the march. Little thought or care was given to march discipline on this, the last stretch of the monotonous journey. It was "march easy" in excelsis. Rifles were carried at all angles, haversacks slung any old fashion; some hats on, some off, tunic buttons were undone, and sleeves rolled up, with here and there a handkerchief knotted round a perspiring neck. Limbers were like unto a city pawnshop, and the marching fours had lost their arithmetic correctness.

The long day’s march was ending. A last steep hill faced the weary diggers. As the vanguard reached the crest, a small knot of staff officers was noticed by the roadside, and in the centre a familiar figure with white moustache and eyeglass complete—General Plumer, G.O.C., 2nd Army, waiting to inspect the marching brigade.

At a conference of unit officers held that night, a very irate brigadier-general informed the unit commanders that the G.O.C. regarded the brigade as "a travelling circus."

The same long, cobble-stoned road. The same brigade of marching diggers. Faces—and thoughts—turned once more to the horrors of front line duties. A scout was imminent, surpassing anything previously known in battle history. From General Plumer, 2nd Army, Headquarters, instructions were received that the —th Brigade should act as storm troops in the attack on Messines Ridge.

The stunt is over. The broken fragments of the valiant units are relieved to retire to the rear and re-form.

At a conference of the surviving unit officers that night, a proud brigadier-general announced that the G.O.C., 2nd Army, considered the results of the stunt to surpass all expectations, and beyond praise was the conduct of all troops of the —th Brigade.

A travelling circus?

Pozieres Night

48th BattalHon Commemoration

The 48th Battalion Association (12th Brigade Units) has selected Pozieres for its annual battle anniversary, and the first commemoration will be held on Saturday, August 5. It is expected that this event will attract a particularly large muster of members of the 48th and other units of the 12th Brigade, because it was at Pozieres that the battalion (and the 4th Division) laid the foundation of its fine war record. Even those who did not see the Western Front for long after Pozieres are proud to have been associated with a unit which served with distinction in such a famous engagement.

The programme for Saturday, August 5, includes the laying of a wreath at the State War Memorial and a smoke social. The ceremony of laying the wreath will be performed by the President of the Association (Mr. Gordon E. L. Young) at 6 p.m. All members are urged to be present to pay tribute to the memory of old comrades. The lighter side of the commemoration will be held at the Soldiers' Institute at 8 p.m. A good programme has been arranged and will include reminiscences of the battalion, music and choruses, and the usual toasts. Representatives of kindred associations and the State Executive of the R.S.L. will be present.

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(By T.Y.T.)

"Is that you?" "Yes; who am I speaking to?" "Dr. —" was the reply. "Right! go ahead, I'm listening." "You are attending Mrs. —?" "Yes, but she did not keep her last appointment." "No, I know that; but she is coming to-day. Can you take her?" "Yes, send her along." "Very well; and when you get her, make her cry, if you can!" "As bad as that, is it? What is the matter?" "Suffering. During last week she received notices from the War Office that her husband and four sons had been killed in action, and for nine days she has not spoken. She is mentally crushed, and unless we can get the tears flowing she will go insane. I've tried everything I know of, to no effect." That lady cried, (so did I). Later she visited the "Gardens of Rest," where poppies blow and roses bloom. To-day she is sweet, and has joy in service for those who are maimed and helpless, and lives in the hope — in the certainty — of "a glorious to-morrow." (But she is not rich in this world's goods.)

"He was a pale, weak-looking youngster, lying on his plain bed in Windsworthy Gaol. He was a 'Conscientious Objector' and therefore was not allowed bedding, except two thin blankets. "What is the matter with you?" I asked. He turned, and I saw his face was very swollen. I examined him, and as a 'local' was impossible, I sounded him for a general anaesthetic. "Why, man!" I said, "you have no need to be here." (He had V.D.H. very pronounced.) "I know that," he said, "but my principles — I will not go to the barracks to be examined for enlistment." I eased his pain and sent in my report. Three weeks later we had an air raid. They dropped three bombs within a radius of 500 square feet. A house was demolished; it was the house of a butcher, who had an invalid wife and four young children. He was "exempted" for 'business reasons.' When I got there the wife and children were being taken to a neighbour's house. Stretched out on the pavement was a man—clothes torn and hands tightly clenched. I examined him—he had "passed on." "Poor fellow!" said a bystander; "he deserved a better fate. He's a hero. Into that house he went and brought out the woman and her kids. Three times he climbed in, with bricks and mortar and beams just tumbling down." "And the husband?" I asked, "where is he? Is he alright?" "Alright?" replied a woman; "of course he's alright. Catch him being at home in an air-raid—he'll be safe in the subway under the station!" The man lying on the pavement was the C.O. I had seen three weeks previously. He had been released after my report went in. "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for a stranger." Nor was that man a coward.

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What Did I Gain from My War Service?
(By R.C.F.)

I have been interested in reading the views of others under the above heading, and as I understand the editor desires further contributions, I append some of my own conclusions. The view point of a chaplain is perhaps a little different from that of the average digger, but the editor doubtless desires to be all things to all men, hence this may see the light of day.

The first thing I learned from the war was that I was physically stronger than I had hitherto realised. There were times in France, especially in the period of the great advance following August 8, 1918, when our particular battalion would march twenty miles or so in a day, and after we had arrived in our new quarters, we would go for a stroll around the nearest village, which proved at least that we were in good fettle physically. Another thing I learned was the excellence of Australian manufactured goods. I had no idea till I went to the war that Australian productions compared so favourably with those of other countries. My experience was that troops of other nations were generally more that willing to exchange possessions with Australians, and that they had a particular admiration for our overcoats and boots. Although the high quality of Australian manufactured goods is well known to those who were in the A.I.F., it is a truth which is not adequately recognised by those who stayed at home.

Futher, I learned the value of comradeship, kindness and courage — almost every digger did. One need not here dilate upon the excellence of these qualities, which have been amply referred to by previous contributors under this heading.

Other things I learned were: (1) To love and appreciate my fellowmen more, and not to be worried unduly by their superfluous sins. For instance, the matter of the diggers' language was a very sore trial to some chaplains at first — myself included. While I was never prepared to
like it, and never used it or condoned it in any way, I learned that much of it was sheer habit, and that in any case a distinction ought to be made between ordinary swearing and the filthy and disgusting obscenity in which some were wont to indulge under the plea of "there are no ladies present." In such cases I used frequently to retort, "But there are gentlemen present." Yet one could greatly admire the good qualities of the average digger and forgive him for his swearing, as long as it was not indecent or obscene or blasphemous.

(2) Another thing I learned, and to me the most important, i.e., to simplify my creed, or rather to simplify the expression of it. All our diggers were repelled by theological technicalities, but one could always get them to listen to an address on spiritual things if it were couched in simple language. I never found any great difficulty in getting our men to attend a voluntary church parade once they discovered that the sermon was short, and not full of the technical terms of our Theological Hall days. Moreover, I learned that our denominational agreements were much greater than our denominational differences, and this is a truth which was worth going thousands of miles to learn.

(3) Lastly, I learned that when we were voyaging homeward we were not to regard our job for Australia as being finished, but that we would all have to play an important part in the work of national reconstruction after the war. However, it seemed to occur to most of us that anything we could do in this way was the kind of tribute we would like to pay to the memory of our fallen comrades. Much more could be written, but neither my time nor the editor's space, nor the reader's patience will permit.

Personal

The many friends of Mr. H. L. Ball, a Vice-President of the Claremont Sub-branch, will be pleased to hear that he is now in the convalescent stage, after a long and trying illness. Since linking up with Claremont, he has been an untiring worker for the sub-branch, and his genial personality and keen business ability have been sadly missed both from executive and general meetings. The thirty-one members of the sub-branch are looking forward to seeing him once more in his old place at meetings.

Mundaring and Districts is almost an Eggs-a-cook sub-branch. The new President and the two Vice-Presidents belonged originally to "A" Company of the 44th. As the President and Publicity Officer, D.H. Rutherford, remarked, "Sid. Longmore will grin when he reads this." The President is second engineer at No. 2 Pump Station. Billy Mayne, the senior vice-president, is station master at Mt. Helena, while his deputy, Jim Wilshusen, is an overseer in the Forestry Department.

The Osborne Park Hotel has now been taken over by Mr. E. Harrington, who joined the 8th Light Horse in Victoria, and served at Tel-el Kebr, Ismailia, and France. He migrated to Western Australia seven years ago, and now having settled in the kitchen garden of Perth, he has become a member of the local sub-branch.

Mr. F. Gillett has weekly duties to fulfil in the control of the S.O.S. League at Osborne Park, and every Friday night sounds of revelry are heard in the hall, where athletic exercises are promoted. Boxing gloves have been provided and wrestling taught. Let us hope it is the old fashioned Cumberland-style, and not the present system as practised in Perth. Our old friend, "Dug" Foreman, is librarian, and has a range of over 300 volumes for selection. He also conducts a course of first-aid amongst the juniors.

Congratulations to Lieutenant H. L. Harris, president of the B.U.S.A., and vice-president of the Norwood Sub-branch, on his new appointment as manager of the Brooklands Tyre Depot.

H. L. Harris is a soldier of pre-war vintage. He served under Colonel Collett in the old 11th A.I.R., and had attained the rank of colour-sergeant before he left for England in 1910. He joined King Edward's Horse in 1912, and served with this unit at the front till the end of 1916. Then he obtained a commission in the Northumberland Fusiliers, being seconded afterwards to the R.E. Signals. Returning to Australia at the end of the war, he took up farming, after which he entered the Lands Department, in which service he remained until he received his new appointment this month.

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One of the members who took the oath for the first time at the opening of the 15th Parliament of Western Australia, was that good, energetic digger, Fred Warner, M.I.A. The last time he attended an opening was when he rode to Harvest Terrace as a member of the Governor's escort. The Past President's Certificate, issued by the League, will be presented to him at the No. 2 District Committee meeting at Trayning, on Sunday, July 30.

Jack Pocklington, the new president of the Perth Legacy Club, was born in England, but came to Australia over twenty years ago. He enlisted for active service in 1915, and served with the 3rd Divisional Ammunition Column, with the rank of sergeant. He is warehouse manager for Harris, Scarfe & Sandovers, and served for two years as president of the W.A. Institute of Advertising. He is a fluent and witty speaker, and has enthusiasm and energy. Jack is a member of the Press Sub-branch, and it is of interest to note that five of the six presidents of Perth Legacy are members of this sub-branch in the persons of Col. Chas. Lamb, C. P. Smith, I. T. Birtwistle, E. S. Watt, and J. S. Pocklington. Frank Edmondson, who was president two years ago, is a member of the Perth Sub-branch.

Mr. J. S. Pocklington

Ren Sholl, the social secretary of the Nannup Sub-branch for the past three years, has been transferred. Nannup's membership will still remain on the 45 mark, as his successor, Constable Ford, is an ex-R.N. man, and as such will be cordially welcomed to the fold.

Mick, the popular steward of the Nannup Sub-branch, suffered a sad bereavement in the loss of his little stepdaughter, Agnes. The sub-branch extends to him and his wife its heartfelt sympathy, to which the condolence of this paper is added.

Brigadier Martyn, at the West Perth "Smoko," on Thursday night, made reference to the confusion that arises on occasions in regard to himself and Brigadier-General E. F. Martin.

He said that during the early part of the war they were both in hospital, and in the same ward, both were majors, so that confusion arose immediately, but after a few days this was remedied by the sisters and others designating them as I and Y respectively. The Brig. said he would not have minded if I was Y, as at the time Y was due for two "bougies."

The confusion lessened after leaving hospital, as they were in different divisions, but it did not end, for now it has become more confused through one being the president and the other secretary of the N. & M. Club, and now both are sergeants-at-arms, one in the Legislative Assembly, and the other in the Perth Legacy Club.

Doctor John S. Yule, of the Repatriation Department is on the eve of a transfer to Melbourne. During his sojourn in this State, Dr. Yule has made a host of friends, who will greatly regret his departure. He has rendered yeoman service to the R.S.L. as an individual member, and during his term of office as president of the Darling Range Sub-branch. Dr. Yule has also been a very active member of the Perth-Legacy Club. We wish the Doctor and Mrs. Yule all happiness in the new appointment.

A welcome visitor at the meeting of the State Executive, on July 19, was Major "Dick" Geddes, who makes a point of coming to town once a year, at least, to attend the 32nd Battalion Reunion. "Dick" is looking well and fit, and shows signs of a return to the normal avoirdupois. While in the big, wicked city he rejuvenated a number of old friendships, and, no doubt, will be able to issue much of the "good oil" when he reports back to the sub-branch.

To Sub-Branch Publicity Officers

Publication has been frequently delayed in order to include reports of sub-branch activities which occur in the latter end of the month. It has been decided that after this issue matter received after the fifteenth of the month will be deferred until the following month's issue. This will enable us to make a better apportioning of the space for official matters, and though sub-branches may be inconvenienced as far as the August issue is concerned, they will obtain their usual space in succeeding issues. We again remind our contributors that our news space is limited, and that brevity is the soul of wit.

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All members of the 8th Battery and Old Artillery, Comrades' Association and also members of the 10th Light Horse Regiment are reminded that Sunday, August 6, has been set aside as the day on which we honour our fallen comrades, most of whom received their initial A.I.F. training at Guildford. The annual march and church service will be held at Guildford. The parade, headed by the R.S.I. band, will move off from Guildford station at 3.15 p.m., march through the Memory gates to the church where a service will be held, after which the parade will move off to the Memorial where wreaths will be placed. The parade will then march back to the station and dismiss. In view of the increasing attendance on Anzac Day, it is hoped that all old gunners and light horsemen will make a special effort to attend this parade; decorations and medals to be worn. All those desiring to travel from Perth by train must do so by train leaving at 3.15 p.m. and returning at 5.10 p.m., or by charabanc leaving the old G.P.O. at 2.10, 2.45 and 3 p.m.

It is anticipated that the 3rd Field Artillery Brigade, A.M.F. and the 10th Light Horse Regiment, A.M.F., will attend the parade. Artillery men are further reminded that the annual smoke will be held at the Soldiers' Institute, Perth, on Friday, August 18, at 8 p.m., where calibration and smoke manoeuvres will be carried out. All gunners who have set fuses will not be considered correct (or) unless they attend this function. Tickets 2/-, obtainable from all members of the committee or on day of parade.

B.U.S.A.

The annual general meeting of the British United Services Association, held at Headquarters, Perth, on July 17, showed the Association to be in a very sound and healthy position, both numerically and financially. £20 was disbursed from the Aid Fund during the year, and a credit balance carried forward of £9/14/- is not to be despised in these times. Lieutenant H. L. Harris is again President; Vice-President, Captain A. E. Clark; Treasurer, Hal. J. Ferris, D.C.M.; and once again Pommy Geo. E. Cattermole is Secretary, Mr. Craze Committee others to be appointed later.

The Honorary Secretary's address is 229 Charles Street, North Perth. The Association will meet at 8 p.m. every third Monday each month, at R.S.I. Headquarters, Perth.

Mons Sunday

Every digger knows what is owed to the old Regular Army whose non-commissioned officers came out here in the old days and laid the foundations of the Australian Military Forces. It was the old Regular Army which held the line until the New Armies were ready to take the field, and the day selected by ex-Imperials in Australia as the special day of the British soldier is Mons Sunday. This year the official celebration will be on Sunday, August 20, and the ceremony will be carried out under the auspices of the various British Imperial organisations. There should be no need to stress the importance of the occasion and it is up to all diggers to rally behind the Imperials, and make the annual commemoration an outstanding success.

Troops will muster in Forrest Place, at 2.30 p.m., and step off at 2.45 p.m., led by the R.S.I. Band. Padre Riley will give the address at Hoyts Regent Theatre.

All who have served are requested to come along and a very special invitation is tendered to A.I.F. veterans and the Naval and Military Forces.

Travellers' Tales

Twelve Years in the Foreign Legion, by ex-Sergeant A. R. Cooper. Angus & Robertson, Sydney. Price, 6/-

Try Anything Once, by Frank Clune. Angus & Robertson, Sydney. Price 6/-

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The man who lives and loves in Leederville may be a commonplace fellow enough, but when he does the same things in Lagos or Lahore his story immediately becomes invested with glamour. That is why the narratives of A. R. Cooper and Frank Clune cannot fail to interest readers of every class. Their experiences have been so different from our own. Since the centenary of the Foreign Legion was celebrated two years ago, so much has been written about that famous corps that London publishers employ huge commissionaires with huge axes to interview people who come trying to sell them Legion stories. In Twelve Years in the Foreign Legion, A. R. Cooper draws attention to the many false impressions concerning the Legion disseminated by romanticists, disgruntled legionnaires, and novelists like P. C. Wren, who pick up a little local colour during a hurried visit to Northern Africa and weave interesting fiction around it. Cooper, who, on his own showing, was an uncontrollable child, joined the Legion at the age of fifteen, fought with it on Gallipoli, where he was both wounded and decorated. He rejoined the Legion after the war and served through the operations of Abdel Krim in Morocco. On Gallipoli, he met Mr. Ashmead Bartlett, and if Ashmead Bartlett made a practice of wandering round carrying on indiscr´et conversation with privates in foreign armies, like that recorded by Cooper, one can hardly wonder at him falling foul of the Higher Command. Though his history is faulty at times, Cooper gives an interesting account of the Legion as at present constituted, and of the French methods of "peaceful" penetration in Morocco.

Frank Clune, our other author, is an Australian who decided that he would "Try Anything Once," and the book so-named is the record of his travels and trials. After running away to sea, he became a cowboy, a trooper in the American cavalry, a clown in a circus ( cynics may refuse to recognise any difference between the two), jumberjack, linesman, fireman, librarian, and opera singer. In his crowded life he found time to enlist in the A.I.F. and serve on Gallipoli. In-

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Sub-Branch History

The annual meeting of the Osborne Park sub-branch was held last month with the following items of interest: the retiring president (Mr. J. Nicoll) reviewed the year's activities, which included a successful fundraising drive and the completion of a new building. The incoming president, Mr. Corlett, outlined plans for future events and initiatives. The branch also honored its members for their contributions and service.

Purchase of Colours

The following additional donations have been received by the Secretary of the 16th Battalion and 4th Brigade Association for the purchase of Regimental and King's Colours:

Previously acknowledged, £1/4/4; Bridge evening, £4/17/3; Raffle of book presented by Mr. F. Clune, N.S.W., £1/14/-; P. Fox, £2; Collected by Mr. Timms (Tramways), £1/8/6; Col. Tinney (Vic.), £1/-; Chas. Taylor (Deputy Commissioner of Repatriation, W.A.), £1/-; Mrs. Waterman, £1/-; Mr. L. Goldie, £1; H.W., £10/-; Canon Wray (Victoria), £10/-; R. Hornsby, £5/-; G. 3. Bullcote, s/-; T. Reardon, 5/-; S. Weatherall, 5/-; F. Packham, 5/-; Mrs. Guthrie, 4/-; W. McGIlvray, 2/-; W. A. Sly, 2/6; "D" Coy., 2/-; Mrs. Wright, 2/-; P. McDowald, 2/-; W. Newick, 2/-; Eric Knight, 2/-; G. Warren, 2/-; W. McCarrery, 2/-; P. O'Reilly, 1/-; M. Gedley, 1/-; Darcy Tester, 1/-.
Total, £48/18/1.

Medals and Decorations

THE D.C.M.

Like most of our higher decorations, the D.C.M. dates from the Crimean War period. A Medal for Meritorious Service was instituted in 1846. It was awarded on the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief only to sergeants while serving or after discharge, with or without a pension. The Distinguished Conduct Medal, to give it its full designation, is issued only to non-commissioned officers and men of the Army. It was sanctioned in 1854 to replace the old Meritorious Service Medal for gallantry in action.

The date of the action for which the medal is given is sometimes engraved on it, while bars, bearing the date of any subsequent gallant actions may be awarded. A soldier who has been awarded the D.C.M., and who subsequently attains commissioned rank is entitled to a gratuity of twenty-five pounds. Non-commissioned officers and men who have been awarded this medal either receive a gratuity of twenty pounds on discharge from the Army, or an increase in pension of sixpence a day.

The Union Jack

The Union Jack dates from the accession of James VI. of Scotland to the English throne, but it was not adopted in heraldry until 1707, when the legislative union between the two countries took place.

This was the first Union Jack, prior to the entry of Ireland into the United Kingdom, and it consisted solely of the cross of St. George and the salitaire of St. Andrew, a white diagonal cross on a blue ground.

There was considerable jealousy between the two countries at the time, each being anxious to have their full share of recognition in the common flag, and it was decided to lay the English cross on the flag of Scotland as the easiest method of combination.

In order to obey a law of heraldry which forbids colour to be laid directly upon colour, the cross of St. George was fimbriated, that is to say, it was bordered by a thin white border separating it from the blue of St. Andrew.

Every ship belonging to the two countries had to fly the Union Jack, but a ship might, if it wished, also fly the flag of its country of origin, whether England or Scotland. So that it is evident there was some feeling of rivalry between the countries.

With the advent of Ireland into the Union the salitaire of St. Patrick, a red diagonal cross on a white ground, was added to the emblem, and this was laid upon the cross of St. Andrew and narrowly fimbriated with white to separate it from the blue field. It will be noticed that the salitaires are not made straight across the flag, but that in each diagonal the white and red are respectively above and below in turn on each side of the other diagonal.

By what is believed to be an error, the fimbriation that should have merely served to separate the cross of St. George from the rest of the flag was widened so that it became a definite white cross on which was superimposed the cross of St. George.

However, it is the opinion of some that this is intended to represent the white cross of France, over which country English Kings had been wont to claim sovereignty, while others maintain that it is merely a white ground taken from the field of St. George's emblem.

been promoted to O.C. he finds everything in the garden lovely.
State Executive Meetings

June 21, 1933

At the meeting of the State Executive, held on June 21, 1933, there were present Messrs. Riley, Yeates, Panton, Philp, Olden, Watt, Lovell, Tozer, Margolin, Edmonds, Mellor, Cornell, Fairquharson, Aberle, McDowell, Collins, and Ross.

Sir William Birdwood.—The State President forwarded a communication he had received from Sir William Birdwood, thanking the State Executive for their congratulations on his appointment as Honorary Colonel of the Royal Horse Guards (The Blues).

Rabbi Freedman.—A cheery letter, written en route to England, was received from Rabbi Freedman.

Reports.—The State Secretary reported on a visit, accompanied by Mr. Wilkins, to the East Fremantle Sub-branch. This sub-branch has been revived and is now definitely functioning. He also reported on a visit to Dalwallinu on June 17, in company with Messrs. Panton and Warner, when the sub-branch was present at a meeting of No. 9 District Committee.

Presentation of Certificates.—The Acting President presented a Certificate of Service to Mr. L. W. Brockway, formerly secretary of the Num-}

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Abel, McDowell, Wilkins, Collins, and Ross. Leave of absence was granted to Colonel Collett, T. G. Fairley, and Rabbi D. T. Freedman.

Special Meetings: The membership held a special meeting, which was held on July 2, and which was called for the purpose of meeting. The committee consist of three members, and that it function forthwith on appointment.

State Secretary's Report.—The State Secretary's report, which was received and adopted, dealt with ex-soldiers in receipt of pensions being included in the pension categories. The report stated that individual cases would receive consideration on their merits.

Land Committee.—Mr. Yeates reported on behalf of the Land Committee and stated that members had met with the Auctioneers' Association to discuss Congress items dealing with the reduction of market charges. The Association had pointed out that the various costs precluded any reduction.

Pensions Committee.—The report of the Pensions Committee meeting held on June 26, was read and adopted. Mr. Watt, in delivering this report, advised that the Federal Secretary had replied to a letter from the Committee, stating that the Repatriation Commission was giving serious consideration to the matters raised by the W.A. Branch of the League. A general discussion ensued, and Executive delegates were satisfied with the action taken to date, and agreed that nothing further could be done at the present meeting.

National Safety Council.—Mr. Collins reported having attended two meetings of the National Safety Council, and that funds were requested. He moved, and Colonel Margolin seconded, that the League identify itself with the Council, and that the membership fee of two guineas be paid. The motion was lost in favour of an amendment moved by Mr. Panton, and seconded by Mr. Yeates, that the matter be deferred pending further investigation.

Visitor.—The Acting President welcomed Mr. Stutchbury, secretary of the Collie sub-branch. Mr. Stutchbury briefly addressed delegates.

State President.—The Acting President read a letter he had received from the State President, Colonel Olden, that there had been several interviews with Mr. Kirke, of the Australian Broadcasting Commission, and that arrangements were well in hand for the Broadcasts on August 4. Further information would be submitted at the next meeting.

Weekly Broadcast.—Mr. Watt advised that Mr. Kirke had offered to allow the League to speak for seven minutes each week on League matters. It was agreed that the State Secretary be requested to prepare the talks.

Employment Bureau.—The report of the Employment Officer for the month of June was received. The report showed that 51 positions had been filled during the month, and that there were 1,930 men registered for employment.

Visits.—The following visits were reported: Cottesloe Beach, Mr. Pady; Osborne Park, Mr. Panton; Baden, Mr. Pady; Herd. The Acting President reported having visited a meeting of the Sons of Soldiers' League at Midland Junction.

Invitations from No. 4 District Committee, Kalgoorlie and Coolgardie Sub-branches were referred to the Management Committee. Other functions will be attended by the following: Mr. Wilkins (Carlisle); 48th Battalion (Capt. Collins and State Secretary).

Sub-branches.—Approval was granted for the appointment of a secretary as advised by the Koorda Sub-branch. Approval was granted for the formation of the Cossie-Esbourne Sub-branch.

A communication from the Gutha Sub-branch, concerning a previous letter from the Moora Sub-branch, was received. The sub-branch considered that its members had not been fairly treated. It was agreed that the matter be deferred pending further communication for the sub-branch after its next meeting.

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Surveyors had been appointed. The National Bank had approved of an overdraft with a limit of £10,000. It was decided that life policies of a few members specially taken out should be lodged with the Bank as collateral security, and that the League accounts should be transferred to the National Bank when deemed necessary. The report was referred to the Executive for adoption.

Visits.—The following visits were reported: Fremantle and North-East Fremantle (the Acting President); Wongan Hills (Mr. Yeates and State Secretary); Carlisle (Mr. Wilkins). lemon Board of Victoria.—Colonel E. L. Margetson in his report stated that a compensation claim on behalf of a patient at Lennox, had been successful.

Broadcast Smoke Social.—Colonel Olden reported that further meetings had been held, and that arrangements were well in hand for the Broadcast Smoke-Social, to be held on August 4. Metropolitan sub-branches had been requested to send two representatives each.

National Safety Council.—Captain Collins reported on a special meeting of this Council, to the executive of which, he was elected at the last general meeting. After discussion it was agreed that, subject to the State Executive being committed to no further expenditure, the donation of two guineas be made to the Council.

Visitor.—Major R. A. Geddes was welcomed by the Acting President and he suitably responded.

Invitations.—The question of visiting Esperance, Kondinin on August 11, and Barndee on July 26, was referred to the Management Committee. Representation at other functions was arranged as follows: Gunners' Day, August 6, Mr. Yeates; 32nd Battalion Association, July 22, Mr. Yeates; West Perth, July 20, Mr. Wilkins; Subicico Local Product Exhibition, July 24, the State Secretary.

Sub-branch Officials.—Appointments of officials were reported, as follows: North-East Fremantle, Narrogin, South Perth, Cottesloe and Wiluna, Osborne Park.

Sub-branch Reports.—Several reports were received from sub-branches showing the excellent financial position they had attained. It was suggested that the financial position of sub-branches might be brought to the attention of Congress. The matter was left in the hands of the State Secretary.

New Sub-branch.—Approval was given for the formation of a new sub-branch, the Kalgargi-Hyden Sub-branch.

Nomination, State President.—The North-East Fremantle Sub-branch forwarded the nomination of Archdeacon Riley for State President. The Archdeacon informed delegates that he found that business of other duties might prevent him from accepting the nomination.

R.S.I. Memorial Hall, Claremont.—The proposals submitted by the Claremont Sub-branch in connection with a Memorial Hall to be used by sub-branch in conjunction with other bodies after being considered by the Executive was referred to the League's solicitor. He advised that there were insurmountable legal difficulties, and that he thought the whole scheme unworkable. He agreed that a copy of his letter be forwarded to the Claremont Sub-branch.

Collie Sub-branch.—A letter of appreciation for the courtesy extended to delegates while visiting the State Executive was received from the Collie Sub-branch. The Acting State President reported that Messrs. Yeates, Cornell, and Panton had been appointed to deal with the Collie Sub-branch.
Sub-Branch Notes

NANNUP

The annual general meeting was held on June 19, there being a good muster of members. The secretary’s report disclosed a healthy state of affairs, the sub-branch being stronger now than ever it has been. Membership has risen to 43, with others to come, thanks largely to the work of Yoe” Frei, who for his efforts has been promoted to the rank of Acting Blank Fills. To the new members the heartiest of welcomes is extended, with the hope that they will continue to uphold the reputation of the sub-branch in future years. Assistance has been rendered in various ways to the service men of the district, and to the public generally. We look back on the past year with the thought of good work done.

A feature of the year was the harmony existing among the members. The following were elected as officials for the coming year: President, F. Clayton; vice-presidents, R. V. Sholl and L. Eldie; secretary; Dr. Clayton; treasurer, G. H. Walker; committee, A. Hutchins, A. Struthers, M. Higgins, and W. Blythe; mess orderlies, M. Higgins and G. Hummerton.

Arrangements for the annual smoke-o on June 24 are well in hand, and a good night is assured. For meritocracy in the commissariat department during the past year, Mack and Snook have been promoted to full corporals. Each night they have brought along the coffee and haven’s drunk a drop. As the mess orderlies sometimes get lost en route, a suggestion has been made that a tape line be laid down from the hall to the cookhouse. Mack, however, wants to see the man who can walk a tape line at 9.20 a.m. When ex-service men see “Yoe” approach they now go “bush.” Vice-President and Social Secretary, R. Sholl has received notice of transfer. Our loss is another’s gain, for he has been a staunch worker for the sub-branch during his sojourn in Nannup. “Bill” Blythe, treasurer for some years past, has been forced to relinquish that office owing to pressure of business.

ARMADALE

In spite of the inclement weather, there was an excellent turn out of members and visitors at the Armadale sub-branch meeting held in the

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On Jun: 28 this sub-branch co-operated with the local Parents' and Citizens' Association in the organisation of Arbor Day functions at the Government School. Before the ceremony of actual planting, the large gathering was addressed by Messrs. A. Martyn (President R.S.L.), J. H. Lawton (President R.S.L.) and E. L. Elegood (R.S.L.). Each speaker dealt with an appropriate phase of the subject. Eighteen pine trees were purchased by the sub-branch and planted by officers of the local_soldiers who fell in the Great War. It is hoped to extend the scheme in future years.

Already the financial list of members, allowing for departures, has equalled that of last year. It is expected that another half dozen will be received in the near future.

NORWOOD

Norwood (British Imperial Services) Sub-branch held a highly successful annual meeting on July 4, a very creditable balance being shown on both general and membership accounts. Everyone present renewed his subscription or joined up. Confidence in the president, Capt. A. L. Clark, was shown by his re-election. Taking over a few months ago with a bank balance of $2/4 and a debt of $3, he closed the year with a bank balance of $10/2/6. Good leadership, good results! Other officers elected were: vice-presidents, Maj. E. A. Hughes and Lt. H. L. Harris; treasurer, Maj. H. J. Ferds, D.C.M.; auditors, Messrs. Thomson and White; committee, Messrs. Noble, Webb and Bailey; and hon. sec., "Ponmmy" Cattermole. He decided to meet monthly at R.S.L. Headquarters at 8 p.m. on the first Tuesday, and to support and co-operate with the B.U.S.A. on Monday, August 20, to ensure a successful parade and service.

VICTORIA PARK

As the sub-branch has now a grandfather as president, a bumper attendance is expected at the next general meeting, when members will hope to witness Bob Alexander perform the ceremony of "wetting the baby's head." The sub-branch will miss the services of genial Tom Healy, who has left the district to go gold prospecting. Tom was always a tower of strength in social affairs. All members joined in the good wishes that another Larkinville will be found by one of our members. A successful day and social was held at the Library Hall in aid of Mrs. Smith's campaign for the popular ladies' competition. The proceeds will eventually go to swell the funds of the Memorial Hall building fund. This sub-branch held its usual monthly meeting at the Library Hall. President Bob Alexander was in the chair. Mr. J. Cox, who is a well-known and popular tram conductor, was elected to the office of vice-president, rendered vacant by the resignation of Mr. Nicoll. Permission was given by the Library Hall Committee for the sub-branch to have their grand nights on one of the windows facing Albany Road. The individual small-bote shooting competition to be held by the North Perth Sub-branch was explained by Mr. James, a member of that sub-branch. Secretary T. Chandler would be pleased to furnish particulars to any members who were absent from the meeting. Members were invited to a lecture on the economic system of the Douglas Credit scheme. A letter was received from the Mrs. Lawley sub-branch inviting members to the "All-Whipper-in" function to be held on August 4 at the premises next to the Library Hall.

The next general meeting will be held at the Library Hall on 7th August.

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CLAREMONT

The monthly meeting took place in the Parish Hall on June 25, the President, Brigadier A. M. Martyn, C.M.G., D.S.O., warmly welcomed visitors Mr. C. Longmore and Col. Lamb and half-dozen new members. A sub-committee was formed for the purpose of raising a donation for the Anzac House Building Fund, members feeling that they should be identified in a practical way with the State Executive in providing a permanent home for the League. In connection with this a "Picture Night" (by courtesy of Mr. Stewart) will be held in the Princess Hall, Claremont, on July 26, the profits of which will go towards a grand concert to take place, in the same theatre on August 11. This will be a musical festival unique in the annals of Claremont. The R.G.A. orchestra have generously offered their services for the occasion. A reception for all members will also be held in the supper room of their own building. After the president had welcomed them and another visitor from Midland Junction (Mr. G. Kennedy), Mr. Rosen addressed the meeting on details of the utmost importance to the sub-branch, including pension matters and attendance.

The Claremont Council has kindly given permission to the sub-branch to hold bridge evenings twice monthly in the Lesser Hall. The first of these will be on July 28, and arrangements are in the hands of the social committee. Any member wishing to take part in these evenings can get full information from Mr. F. Copelin, 13 Chatsworth-terrace.

At the conclusion of the business of the evening, Mr. C. Longmore entertained the gathering with anecdotes and reminiscences which were much appreciated.

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OSBORNE PARK

At the annual meeting held on Wednesday, June 28, there was a record attendance of members. The president, Jas. J. Nicoll, in his address referred to the great progress of the sub-branch. The membership was the highest in the history of the branch, the income for the year was also a record and there were 211 on hand and expenses to be met. The greatest achievement had been paying off the debt on the hall last November and leaving the sub-branch with £600 assets. The president thanked the members and the secretary, J. Garner, for their support during the time he had occupied the chair and as he wanted to retire at this time he hoped the members would support their new president.

Mr. A. Paton, M.L.A., of the Executive, took charge of the meeting and complimented the members on the wonderful balance sheet and said he could not think of another sub-branch that could show such a record. He gave credit to the officials, members and ladies' committee who had done so much to bring the sub-branch to such a unique position.

The following office-bearers were elected: President, R. Corlet; vice-presidents, Rev. Jacobs and C. Garner; secretary, J. Garner; treasurer, L. Langan; assistant secretary, D. Millar; financial, L. Blair, R. Lawrence, A. Dau, R. Whyte, J. Runcden, J. Lebman, H. Flere; librarian, J. Duncan, J. Finlay, J. Nicoll; auditors, H. Cameron, J. Beale.

The next dance will be Saturday, August 5, when it is hoped members and friends will roll up.

COLLIE

In spite of the inclement weather a good roll up of members was welcomed. The State Secretary (Mr. D. M. Benson) and a member of the Executive (Mr. J. Tozer) were also present held in the main hall of the Collie Masonic Hall. Mr. Benson addressed the meeting on details of the utmost importance to the sub-branch, including pension matters and attendance.

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The Collie sub-branch holds that welfare payments should be sacred and take the form of payment for services rendered to the nation in days gone by. To this end, the matter was the inclusion of Friendly Society sick payments as income when ex-service men are treated in hospital. It was contended that Friendly Society benefits are the result of insurance premia paid by members and that it is illogical for the Commonwealth Government to penalize any man for his Friendly Society payments. The sub-branch intends to push this matter again in the next State Congress of the League.

Mr. Trotter spoke on matters relating to Anzac House.

A letter was received from the Collie Municipal Council with relation to an item of a best garden competition and if such competition was held—a donation of £1/1/- towards the prizes would be made. It was decided to accept the donation on that understanding.

Reports were submitted with relation to the census returns and on an interview with reference to the employment of local sleeper hewers.

The visitors were entertained at supper, and later many a hard fought battle was fought as Doc's.

A meeting of the committee of the flower show was held on the Saturday following and chief among the items was a letter from the secretary of the West Arthur-Collie Districts Agricultural Society (Mr. W. J. Bridson) regarding assistance in any manner and also if so desired to organise the Darkan district for assistance. The offer was accepted with thanks and Mr. Bridson was invited to attend the next meeting of the committee.

The Collie Road Board also desired to make a donation of £1/1/- towards the prize for the best garden competition to be held in conjunction with the flower show.

The last meeting of the sub-branch was very well attended and items of business were large and varied.

The correspondence included inquiries regarding a member in hospital, circular from State secretary with relation to the nominations for the State presidency and items for the agenda paper for congress were also discussed.

The items brought forward ranged from pensions and sustenance to the economic conditions of Australia.

A letter was also discussed regarding compensation for a soldier whose property was destroyed by fire.

A report was received from sub-branch delegates to the Collie Economic and Employment Committee and an item arising from this committee was discussed and forwarded for the agenda paper.

The executive visited the local hospital and found that four members of the sub-branch were inmates. Help was granted where needed. Pension inquiries and requirements still occupy a large amount of the business of the sub-branch. In many cases it is necessary for the committee to travel many miles in which to get the required information. Three amelioration cases were also dealt with and all unemployed returned soldiers who have been asked to register with the sub-branch were assisted.

MUNDARING AND DISTRICTS

The annual meeting of this sub-branch was held at Mt. Helena on June 16. The principal business, of course, being the receiving of annual reports and the election of officers. The retiring president, Mr. Harry Walker, in making his report for the past year, concluded by expressing keen appreciation of loyal support and services of his officers, and congratulated the editor of the official organ "Straight to the Point" (Aubrey Bastian) for valuable efforts which have been reflected by the increased size and capacity of this journal. The chancellor of the ex-chancellor, Arthur Dorritt, in presenting the true position of the treasury, revealed a very creditable state of affairs, despite the lean times. General fund account showed an increase of credit by nearly 10 per cent. while the amelioration fund stands at almost 100 per cent. over previous year's credit balance, despite the fact that expenditure from this fund amounted to £33. At this point it is as well for us to realise the fact that for the excellent efforts of the women's auxiliary, this latter account would be in a very low condition. Their contribution amounts to well over 80 per cent. of total income. Hilary Pattem, and secretary, reported that all the activities of such a comprehensive manner that there was little left to ponder over. Before the election of officers, Mr. H. Walker explained very obvious reasons why he would be unable to continue as an active member of the sub-branch, having left the district. Arthur Dorritt, retiring treasurer, also declined, owing to business reasons, to allow his name to go to ballot. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, R. H. Rutherford; vice-presidents, W. Mayne and J. Wilhusen; honorary secretary, H. Pattem (unopposed); honorary treasurer, Geo. Simcox (unopposed); management committee, W. McGillivray, E. H. Shepherd, R. Strong, L. Serosier and C. Boyes (all unopposed). The office of publicity officer had only one nominee. The newly-elected president consented to carry on until such time as further appointment is made. At the conclusion of the meeting, James Wilhusen very feelingly conveyed to Harry Walker the very keen regret felt in losing him from our midst, the loss of his excellent leadership and valued service. Billy Mayne very ably supported the remarks of his colleague. The usual jollification carried out in characteristic custom closed in eventful night.

TOODYAY

The July meeting was held in a large room at the new agency. After the necessary business had been disposed of those present gathered round the fire for bridge. Unfortunately, on account of other bodies in Toodyay having meetings on the same night, the attendance was not as good as usual.

Occasion was taken during the evening to welcome W. Stewart, late of Katanning, who proved himself an able exponent of bridge, though luck was against him.

Very good support has been received for the scheme of laying out the Memorial Park in rose. Most of the roses have been planted and are well established. The plants have been chosen by Gordon Wrench with the idea of having them all in bloom on Anzac Day. The membership this year is fairly satisfactory, and is a distinct improvement on previous figures.

It was decided unanimously to hold a smoke night on August 4 at the Newcastle Hotel, so that advantage might be taken of the broadcast smoke night.

LAKE KING

At the annual meeting held on Sunday, July 9, the following officials were elected for the coming year: President, Mr. R. D. Allen; vice-president, Mr. W. Hastings; treasurer, Mr. G. Johnstone; auditor, Mr. A. Watt; honorary secretary, Mr. C. Verden. With the exception of auditor the other officials were re-elected. As the settlers here have to rely for medical attention on the Lake Grace Hospital, and it is understood that the hospital is badly in need of funds, it was decided at the above meeting to donate 75 cent. of the profits obtained from the dance taking place on July 29 to that institution, and the balance of 25 cent. to be placed with the sub-branch amelioration fund. To those concerned in trying to cause a split between Imperial ex-service men and the League the
The annual meeting was the best attended meeting for many years, and the most enthusiastic, and promises a revival for the small sub-branch. Diggers let themselves go, perhaps this was due to the leniency of President "Buckie", or because he did not have time to change from his working clothes.

Business started when the "Marquis" proposed an item for the Congress, "That no new members be accepted after December, 1933." All speakers started off in the orthodox manner, and finished up in the digger manner. The Davie, Billy Sutherland, and Benny Morris all got on their toes. Benny's little sermonette, with the text, "What the — do I get out of it?" was a gem.

Paul Buckeridge was elected President for the twelfth term; W. Brambridge treasurer for the tenth time.

WesT SwAn

The annual meeting was held on July 13, when a good attendance resulted in all business being dispatched speedily. Election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mr. W. Day (a good selection, and one which augurs well for the future); Vice-Presidents, Mr. H. Thomas and Mr. Mainie (more fresh blood); Treasurer and Secretary (two old stalwarts re-elected unopposed); Mr. F. Proctor and Mr. G. Tanner. A Relief Committee of five to administer the Amelioration Fund was also elected. Publicity Officer, Mr. E. C. Francis.

The retiring President, Mr. J. Wood, V.C., thanked the members of the report, and gave them his best wishes, and also his best wishes to the future President, Mr. W. Day. He had given him the confidence of the members of the Committee.

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NORTH-PERTh

A Digger's Diary

(With profound apologies to the Shades of Samuel Pepys.)

Tuesday, June 15th. — This morning I was saluted with news that North Perth did lose at football last night. The news was not unexpected, but it gave us all a little heartache. We have little chance of winning the Archibald Trophy, but the news is a bitter blow to those who hoped for a better result.

Surprises were expressed at receiving a debit balance sheet, "Colonel Carte's social." It was decided to pay the account rendered by the Perth Sub-branch.

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WAROONA

At the monthly meeting of the sub-branch, held on July 7, it was decided to form a Sons of Soldiers' League. Badges were issued to the fourteen foundation members. The members will attend meetings of the sub-branch, and thus become familiar with the problems confronting the League.

Arrangements are being made for a local products exhibition to be held in September. Joe Brearley and Frank Nie were the winners of the highest score and booby prizes in the last bridge tournament. They have to attend a meeting of the stewards, as in the previous series the prizes were reversed.

To fall in line with the State Executive's suggestion, a smoke-ooh is being held on August 4, and endeavours are being made to have a wireless installed to listen in to other gatherings. On this night the ordinary meeting will commence at 7 p.m., and the smoke-ooh at 8 p.m. Seven items have been forwarded for discussion at Congress. A library for members has been started, and Frank Nie appointed librarian.

MAYLANDS

Table tennis and-ridge teams from the Maylands Sub-branch visited Bayswater on July 3, in connection with the competition for the Archbishop Riley Shield. The Bayswater digger proved far superior in the tennis, the Maylands team plainly showing want of practice. In the shooting competition, both teams that very consistently, and after the last round was fired, the scores were equal. The captives then agreed for each man to fire one round, the best card to count. Bayswater again proved good marksmen, and won by one point. The members of the Bayswater Sub-branch returned the visit last Thursday for quots and draughts, and carried off both games.

The members of the Maylands Sub-branch have arranged a big night for Thursday, August 10, when they will entertain diggers from Carlisle, North Perth, Bayswater, and Tramway Sub-branches in the Maylands Town Hall.

Maylands Sub-branch members will pay a visit to White Leafer Hall on August 14. Captain James (North Perth) was present at the last meeting to explain details in connection with the proposed small bore championship, to be conducted by his sub-branch, to raise funds for the Anzac House. Mr. Bill Cleaver (President) promised a trophy for the best Maylands winner, in the event of twenty members competing.

Mr. Herb King reported on the visit to Bayswater, and it was also reported that two members, Harold Toovey and A. Cooper, were in hospital, and diggers were asked to pay them a visit. Delegate to State Congress will be elected at next meeting, and all members are requested to make an effort to attend.

CORRIGIN

Unusual activity has been evident for some time, and preparations have already commenced for a strong offensive against our old enemy—the hall debt.

With the advent of D. P. Taylor, erstwhile of South Perth Sub-branch, a suggestion former club members, and inspired amongst the more daring, took shape, and the sub-branch became an established fact. The enthusiasm is such that great things are predicted for the opening concert on September 6. As though realising that they had been neglecting Corrigin, the gods sent us along another "gift" in the person of Dr. Steen, whose work for the R.S.L. in Wonga Hills is well known to diggers. He has thrown his weight behind "D.P." wholeheartedly. With diggers of his calibre, backed up by other officers, all imbued with the one idea—to do the R.S.L. a good turn—while displaying their own, previously latent, histrionic abilities, the show must, and will be, a success, and the sub-branch takes this opportunity of wishing "D.P." and his followers a packed house, and an appreciative audience, which will be only what is due to their efforts. We all know that the organisation of such a show is no sinecure, so we trust that all diggers in the district will turn up and show their interest and appreciation.

There must be a term connected with the R.S.L., because Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Taylor, and Mrs. Connolly, wife of "Con," our indefatigable Secretary, have caught the desire to help the R.S.L., the practical result of which is a Ladies' Auxiliary, which, believing that actions speak louder than words, has settled down to organise functions calculated to improve the lot of the local diggers, and to them, we extend the sub-branch's grateful appreciation of their efforts, and trust that they will derive pleasure and benefit from the work, which is doing it to others.

Corrigin Sub-branch has decided to be "on parade" for the "Military Tattoo" on the night of August 4, and we confidently anticipate a "dinkum" evening.

By next issue our "Spring offensive" will be sprouting, as the performances of the performers (toilet), so we may require a little more space please, Mr. Editor, to tell the world of our efforts to emulate the good deeds of Big Brother—South Perth. And may their "takings" be emulated, too!

MT. LAWLEY

The Mt. Lawley Sub-branch held its monthly meeting on July 4, fifty-two members being present. A feature of our meetings of late has been the welcoming of new members, and this one proved no exception to the rule. A suggestion was put forward to hold two meetings in future, and after discussion it was decided to adopt it. The meeting then decided that the meetings would be the first Thursday for dinner, and the next Thursday for business (if necessary) and sports. It is hoped that by having more practice at the various games we will be in a better position to pick our teams for the Shield Competitions in future.

It was decided to form an Executive Board showing the past presidents' names and services, and that a roster be made out for mess orderlies at meetings. The All Nations Fair was reported on, and progress to date would appear to be satisfactory. But the organisers have still a considerable amount to do before they can set back and "look on." In fact, every Sunday the Committee controlling this may be seen sending their way to church (? to discuss various ways and means of gaining excess to the Public's purse string. The Executive request that if they are meeting success in their canvass for prizes for the prize packet distribution, so this is another bit of work waiting for attention. To wrap 1,000 parcels is going to take up a fair bit of time.

Members are reminded that August 12 has been decided on by the Auxiliary, as the night for the children's ball, and they are looking forward to a big "roll up" of both members and assistants. All members and their families are invited; the admission will be as usual, one shilling in for men and a plate of cakes from the ladies. Both these events are to be held in St. Albans Hall.

If you know of any in the district who should be members and who require a call from some of the committee to wake them up to their duty, please let the Secretary have their names and addresses on a piece of paper, and they will arrange for them to go and see them. It is by every one making himself a vigilance officer that the sub-branch will in the near future be able to claim 100 per cent. membership in the district.

WEST PERTH

The annual general meeting was held in the Soldiers' Institute on Thursday, July 20. There was a large attendance, and amongst those present at the smoke social were the Lord Mayor (Mr. J. T. Franklin, M.L.C.), the State Commandant (Brigadier Sir M. M. Gregory, M.H.R., Mr. J. H. Gregory, M.H.R., Mr. F. L. Warbur, M.L.A.; and representatives from several metropolitan and country sub-branches. Mr. W. A. Wilkins represented the Acting State President (Rev. C. L. Riley). The newly elected President (Mr. G. Miller) was in the chair. The Secretary presented by the retiring president (Mr. H. B. Hayes) showed the branch to be in a good position both numerically and financially. A large number of
necesithous cases due to unemployment, etc. including soldiers' widows, had been assisted from the Amelioration Funds during the year. A number of matters affecting both Commonwealth and State servants had received the attention of the Committee; and although complete satisfaction had not been reached in every instance, a large measure of success had been achieved. The policy of preference to returned soldiers was being watched closely by the committee, and recently the branch had definitely asked the State Executive to give an expression of their future intention in this regard.

The treasurer's report shows that the membership of the branch has decreased by seventeen over the previous year to 210. The surplus of income over expenditure was £10/16/-. After providing £2 for capitation fees, and £1/8/- for commissions, there was £76 in hand to meet these charges. The Amelioration Fund shows a balance of £140. During the year £18 was donated to the Honour Avenue Fund, of which £33 was expended on upkeep and maintenance. £21 was donated by the branch to the Aged Sailors' and Soldiers' Fund from the Poppy Day Appeal, this bringing the total to £97 donated by the branch to date.

At the close of the meeting a smoke social was held, at which toasts were honoured, and an enjoyable programme of musical and recitation items was given by the "Big Four" and other artists. During the evening past presidents' certificates were presented to Messrs. R. E. Tyler, G. Philp, and H. B. Haylen. Officials for the ensuing year were elected as follows: - President, Mr. P. G. Miller; Vice-presidents, Messrs. E. C. Knight and M. J. O'Connor; Secretary, Mr. P. L. Ross; Treasurer, Mr. W. L. Boyd; Minute Secretary, Mr. G. W. Gard: Auditors, Messrs. G. H. Cooper and W. Greenwood; Publicity Officer, Mr. A. Stewart; Committee, Messrs. J. W. Earnshaw, J. V. Farrell, L. A. Robertson, A. E. Smith, R. E. Tyler, A. V. Barrington, W. Davidson, P. E. Dyndum, N. Frugland, and T. Grant.

The new committee will meet on the third Thursday in each month; a social evening will follow. The president requests that departmental secretaries will endeavour to attend committee meetings.

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**Women's Auxiliaries**

**STATE EXECUTIVE**

At the Executive meeting held on July 17, Mrs. Williams, of Mt. Lawley, was welcomed as a new member of the committee.

The State secretary reported a busy month's activities. The trustees had dispatched six layettes and attended to the needs of 15 women and 40 children. Maylands Auxiliary had entertained Lemnos patients to tea at the institute, after an outing to National Park.

Mrs. Wilson hopes to visit Narragin, Wagin and Katanning early in August.

An auxiliary has been formed at Meckering with Mrs. Webster as president, Mrs. Shaw as secretary and Mrs. Hogan as treasurer.

Auxiliaries are urged to send in motions for conference as soon as possible to facilitate the compiling of the agenda.

Mrs. Hopper and Mrs. Orgill are the Women's Auxiliary R.S.L. representatives on the recently formed Women's Economic Council.

The schedules which contain all information regarding the exhibition are now in the hands of the printers and will be forwarded to the secretaries as soon as they come to hand.

**GERALDTON**

The annual meeting was held on June 8, at which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: - President, Mrs. E. M. McGillivray; vice-president, Medamases C. O'Meall and M. Gershon; treasurer, Mrs. E. A. Morris; secretary, Mrs. E. A. Moor, assistant secretary, Miss C. Wright; trustees, Medamases P. Briers, M. Gershen, and Thompson; committees, Medamases Freeman, Ward, Hanah, Thompson, and Miss Bradly. The financial statement submitted to the meeting by the retiring secretary (Mrs. E. M. McGillivray) disclosed a healthy credit balance, while the report indicated that officers and members had been particularly active during the past year. Those present displayed keen interest in the business of the meeting, which dealt mainly with the future welfare of the sub-branch.

There were several new members in attendance to whom a welcome was extended by the retiring president (Mrs. E. Morris), and before the close of the meeting the newly-elected president (Mrs. E. M. McGillivray) made an appeal to all members to continue the good work they had commenced and maintain that wonderful reputation that women's organisations of a similar nature had gained during the war period. On the motion of the new secretary (Mrs. E. A. Moor), it was decided to form a sewing circle to make clothing, bed coverings, etc., for distress cases. The first meeting is to be held prior to the next meeting.

During the past month a very successful evening was held at the residence of Mrs. C. O'Neill, vice-president, to which members and friends were invited. The time was passed pleasantly with bridge, musical items and competitions, following which a dainty supper was served.

**NEDLANDS PARK**

At the annual meeting held on June 6 the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: - President, Mrs. V. Ketterer; vice-presidents, (1) Mrs. G. W. Randall, (2) Mrs. Larconde; secretary, Mrs. E. R. Teeling; assistant secretary, Mrs. H. Lewis; treasurer, Mrs. R. Perry; trustees, (1) Mrs. Greenshields, (2) Mrs. Stewart, (3) Mrs. Nicholas; publicity officer, Mrs. Bolton.

**NORTH PERTH**

At the annual meeting held on July 12, thirty-five members were present. Following are the officers elected for the ensuing year: - President, Mrs. E. Jones; vice-presidents, Mrs. K. Hetherington; treasurer, Mrs. Hawkins; secretary, Mrs. Middleton; assistant-secretary, M. Mellwall; committee, Medamases Rigg, Rendle and Cliff.

During the month the auxiliary played tennis, badminton with South Perth and Mount Hawthorn. A motor outing has been arranged for Lemnos patients at the Soldiers' Institute on Sunday, August 6, at 10 a.m.

Clothing is still being distributed by the secretary, so if you have any spare garments they will be gratefully received by the auxiliary.

**VICTORIA PARK**

The monthly general meeting of Women's Auxiliary was held in Library Hall on June 29. Nomination for six new members were taken and various other business was done. The meeting then resolved itself into a social, dancing and supper terminated a very pleasant evening.

A cooking competition was held in the town hall. There were a number of entries. Mrs. O'Brien and friend acted as judges and Miss Stewart gave a very interesting address on Empire products.

The factor popular ladies keep the members busy with their different entertainments. The raffle class is proving very popular and much fine work is being done there, while the tennis club is making good progress.

**BAYSWATER**

A meeting of Bayswater R.S.L. Women's Auxiliary was held in the Lesser Hall on June 29, the election of officers being the main business. Three members of Bayswater sub-branch
of R.S.L., including the president and secretary, were present.

Mrs. Power was re-elected as president for the third year in succession and Mrs. Henderson as secretary and treasurer for the second year.

Words of appreciation for their splendid work were spoken by Madame Stokel and Stone and were suitably responded to. Other officers elected were: Senior vice-president, Mrs. Thair, second Mrs. Hutchins; committee, Madame Lyons, Dunning, Revell, Sinclair, Clough, Henry, Blackford and Stanwell; amelioration, Madame Lyons and Ganges; publicity officer, Mr. Stanwell. A song contributed by Mrs. Huggett was well received. Games and ‘dancing brought a pleasant evening to a close; prizes were won by Msses Smith, Thompson and Bramwell.

NARROGIN

The annual meeting was held at the Rest Rooms, Soldiers’ Memorial Hall, on June 29. There was a large number of members present. The usual monthly business was discussed and passed. The balance sheet was read and showed a big improvement as it stood for 1 month’s work. The total receipts amounted to £49/18/11, expenditure being £45/18/8, leaving a balance of £4/1/8. The building fund received £38/10/.

Various other expenditures were: the Soldiers’ Scholarship Trust Fund, £16 6s. 8d.; the Edith Cowan Memorial, the X-Ray appeal, the C.W.A. and several others.

Election of officers then followed, with Mrs. F. Wald, president; Madame East and Alston, vice-presidents; Mrs. Job, elected unopposed as secretary; Mrs. C. Williams, treasurer. Owing to the splendid work of the secretary, Mrs. Job, many new members had been enrolled. Afternoon tea was enjoyed by all and the ladies left quite satisfied with their year’s work.

WAGIN

At the annual meeting and social gathering on June 30, the President, Mrs. Holland, welcomed forty ladies, and also two R.S.L. representatives. The secretary’s report showed a very satisfactory year; receipts amounted to £67/4/21, expenditure £61/16/7, showing a credit balance of £11/4/7. Many cases of distress were relieved during the year, although the need for assistance showed a great improvement over the previous year. The year’s activities included twenty-six euchre parties, which augmented the funds to a great extent; fourteen meetings, and the supper arrangements for the R.S.L. ball.

The Listening Post

July 28, 1933

Digger Sporting Recollections

(By M.H.M.)

In most sports there is generally to be found one outstanding personality, who is either a play ro an administrator. As far as Australian sport is concerned, returned soldiers claiming allegiance to the great A.I.F., have played their part in both capacities, in almost every game played.

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This was a promising start, and presaged a notable sporting career. In 1910, whilst at Scotch College; this promise was further increased by the gaining of "colours" for football and rifle shooting.

He was a member of the shooting team which won the Cuming Cup and Sargent Shield with a record score in each competition.

We now find the Doctor displaying an early interest in military training. In 1913, as a corporal in the Melbourne University Rifles, he won the mile open in full marching order, time 6 1½ minutes. He also played in the Univer-
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<td><strong>ALBANY</strong></td>
<td>Soldiers’ Institute</td>
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<td>R. E. Potts, State School, Albany</td>
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<td>Council Chambers</td>
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<td>A. Ratcliffe, 22 Slade St., Bayswater</td>
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<td>C. Nixon, View St., Peppermint Grove</td>
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<td><strong>COWARAMUP</strong></td>
<td>Cowaramup Institute, Parish Hall</td>
<td>2nd Sunday, 2 p.m.</td>
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<td>Claremont</td>
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<td>D.S.O., Swan Barracks, Perth</td>
<td>W. Ford, 11 First Avenue, Claremont</td>
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<td>Quarterly, last Sunday in Jan., April, July, Oct., 3rd Friday</td>
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<td><strong>DOWAK</strong></td>
<td>Salmon Gums</td>
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<td>J. E. W. Harding, Donnybrook, Phone 87</td>
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<td><strong>DONNYBROOK</strong></td>
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<td><strong>MOUNT MARSHALL</strong></td>
<td>Road Board Hall, Bencubbin, Supper Room, Town Hall, Maylands</td>
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<td>H. Walker, Mt. Helena</td>
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<td>L. G. R. Challen, 49 4th Ave., Mt. Lawley</td>
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<td>Alan Shilling</td>
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<td>NORTH PERTH</td>
<td>St. Hilda's Hall, Glebe St. (Off View Street)</td>
<td>1st and 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>C. Sadler, 13 Knutsford St., North Perth</td>
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<td>PRESS</td>
<td>At Luncheon, Soldiers' Institute</td>
<td>1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 1 p.m.</td>
<td>C. Longmore, c/o West Australian, Perth</td>
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<td>TOODYAY</td>
<td>Toodyay Newsagency</td>
<td>1st Wednesday in each month, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>R. Alexander, 82 Shepparton Rd., Victoria Park</td>
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<td>TRAYNING-YELBENI</td>
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<td>H. B. Hayles, Police Court, Perth</td>
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<td>WUBIN, BUNTING, JIBBERING WEST LEDERVILLE</td>
<td>Each place alt. commencing Bunting, March 1</td>
<td>1st Sunday, 3 p.m.</td>
<td>J. Day, Bunting</td>
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<td>V. E. Troode, 30 Harbourne St., Wembley Park</td>
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<td>A. Paterson, Yandil Station, Wiluna</td>
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<td>T. Sten, York</td>
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sity football eighteen in the metropolitan grade. Hockey, the game which he has adorned so gracefully, claimed him in earnest when he was a member of the Melbourne University in 1912 and 1913. Also in 1913 he was a member of the Inter-Varsity Hockey team which won the Inter-Varsity contest.

His prowess in this sport eventually gained him a University Half Blue. It was some years afterwards that Full Blues were awarded for hockey.

WAR PERIOD

The eventful year 1914, brought with it the call to action, and the Doctor responded in August, by enlisting with the 1st Light Horse Field Ambulance. He arrived in Egypt in December, 1914, and went to Gallipoli per the S.S. Galeka, arriving there on May 1, 1915. At this stage he was promoted to acting sergeant.

Here let us relate a good one, which actually came under the Doctor's notice whilst at Helippolis, where his ambulance had a small field hospital.

A digger was brought in one night on a stretcher, supposed to be paralysed in his legs. One of the M.O.'s, a Sydney man with a strong Yankee accent, which he had recently acquired on a visit to the U.S.A., looked him well over, and then hailed off and said: "Say, Bo—don't you know that this is the land where the miracles of Jesus Christ are being performed every day? Take up your b—y bed and walk out of here."

The digger walked. The cosy little hospital had appealed to him, and he thought he would try and swing it, but the M.O. was too shrewd for him.

As Doctor Tregonning was in his final year when he enlisted, he was recalled from the front to complete his medical course. He returned by the S.S. Ballarat, and was discharged in May, 1916.

Spanning the years to 1922, we are with the Doctor in the Claremont Baths, watching him participate in swimming contests. He gained first place in a 100 yards handicap, and formed one of a team of four which won a team's race, the other members being Messrs. Hewby, Howson, and Ion.

By way of variety, in the same year, he was placed second in the Royal Automobile Club's Hill Climbing Contest.

HOCKEY

As a winter sport the Doctor now gave the whole of his attention, to Hockey. He commenced with the Suburban Club, which secured the premiership in 1922. The following year he was appointed captain, and has held this position ever since. This club won the premiership in 1922-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30, and was runner-up in 1929 and 1931—surely an imposing record!

In the Interstate Contests of 1928-1929, Dr. Tregonning was captain of W.A. This State won the Alcock Shield in 1929, and played a draw with the winning team (Queensland) in 1932.

The crowning honour of the Doctor's hockey career came with his appointment as captain of the Australian Hockey XI, which played New Zealand in 1932, the latter country winning the match.

SUMMER SPORT

In 1929 the Doctor took up yacht racing as a summer pastime, and with his 22ft. cruiser, Roma, won the Sir William Campbell Cup in 1932, and the Governor's Cup in 1939. Surely everything he touched in the sporting line turned to success!

The foregoing is a sporting record of which the Doctor can be justifiably proud, and his ex-service comrades take pleasure in the long list of successes which have come his way.

ADMINISTRATOR

Since 1926, he has been President of the W.A. Hockey Association, and in 1929 was President of the All Australia Hockey Association.

In yachting circles he was Rear-commodore of the Royal Perth Yacht Club in the present year, and last, but not least, in 1932, was President of the Claremont Sub-branch of the R.S.I.

Dr. Tregonning is recognised as a good sport, and is particularly popular with hockey enthusiasts.

It is evident that he has, devoted a great deal of time to furthering the interests of the game which takes first place in his sporting affections.
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