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Defence or Debility?

We are not of those who think that university students should be caned and stood in corners every time they open their mouths or kick over the traces in public. On the contrary, at such times we are more inclined to heave a sigh for our own lost youth, that period of glowing idealism, generous enthusiasm, and high endeavour. Our universities, if they are to be of use to the community, and not mere graduate factories, should give a degree of direction to public thought; therefore the young people who are passing through them should be encouraged to study and to discuss public questions. Unfortunately, no one recognises this more clearly than the intriguing communists.

Last year, Mr. C. Latham, who, besides being a good digger, is Leader of the Opposition in the State Parliament, had occasion to say he had been told there was a school of communism within the local University. Mr. Latham's statement evoked disclaimers, but these were decidedly unconvincing. The evidence in a recent libel action against the Melbourne Argus, revealed the methods employed to infect Australian universities with the communist virus. The fact that the Argus was mulcted in damages proves only that that paper was shooting on the wrong target and not that its general contentions were untrue. The very week this action was being tried, the West Australian published an informative article in which the writer showed that much of the anti-war blither one reads nowadays is simply Russian culture, slopped about in other countries to induce them to disarm while Holy Russia remains armed to the teeth. The article ended by warning readers not to allow their worship of peace to make them the dupes of Soviet agents. The same issue of the West Australian contained the report of an anti-war meeting at which the principal speakers were avowed communists and admirers of Soviet methods.

This being so, one cannot be blamed for scenting an odour of communism in the resolutions condemning the Commonwealth Government's proposed expenditure on defence which the Students' Guild of the University of Western Australia forwarded to the Prime Minister; and in the resolution of a quasi-religious body in an Eastern State, which protested against the sending of army officers to India to complete their professional training. The spirited reply of Mr. Lyons to both sets of resolutions leaves nothing to be desired, and will be welcomed by all whose heads are clear enough to differentiate between a determination to defend what we have and a desire for war.

The faith that moves motions has a curious habit of sublimating fact into frenzied fiction. Apart from the dubious logic of the students' resolutions, the letter to Mr. Lyons contained palpable errors in fact which render the rest of their contentions suspect. To cite a couple of instances, these experienced young men of the world declared that Australia cannot defend herself, and that the guns used in the last war were obsolete before the war started. The University's gunnery expert, whoever he, or she, is should be put back for further instruction. Those of us who had to face those guns certainly found them modern enough, and if our own guns, at the beginning of the war, were of the wrong type, that was the fault of those well-meaning English pacifists who, throughout the first decade of the century, encouraged Germany by preaching that the British Navy should be scrapped because it was inferior to the German, and who thought that the best way to preserve peace was to hamstring the fighting services.

As Mr. Lyons pointed out, history has shown that Australia is decidedly able to defend herself. Months before the first shot was fired on Gallipoli, an Australian expeditionary force had taken the German colony of New Guinea, and the young Australian Navy had cleared Australian water of German warships, incidentally sinking the raiding cruiser Emden. This was possible only because, in 1911, the Commonwealth Government had seriously tackled the problem of defence as it appears to be doing now. Similarly, in South Africa, the Boers, who had the advantage of greater preparedness and were operating on interior lines in their own country, were able to hold the British Empire at bay for nearly three years. The defeat of the Boers was certainly only a matter of time, but if such circumstances were to arise in Australia, we should have the comfort of knowing that we were holding the fort until such time as the Mother Country could come to our assistance; provided, of course, our well-meaning pacifists do not send us into battle blindfolded and with our hands handcuffed behind us.

The students' letter has, at least, served one-useful purpose. It has given the Prime Minister the opportunity of showing the general public that the Australian defence policy is dictated by world conditions, that it emanates from a desire not to go to war but to prevent war.
Heil Hindenburg!

The passing of Field Marshal Paul von Hindenburg closes down another page in German history, for, since Bismarck, Germany has produced no greater man. During his long life, the grand old warrior has been intimately associated with all the decisive events of his country's story, the reconstruction of Prussia after the Napoleonic wars, the establishment, at the expense of Austria, of Prussia's hegemony of the German States, the unification of Germany under the Imperial Crown worn by the King of Prussia, the World War, and Germany's subsequent troubles.

Paul von Hindenburg was the typical Prussian Junker of the more enlightened type. A member of an old Junker family, he was born in the Prussian province of Posen on October 2, 1847. Educated for the Army, he commenced his military service in 1865. In the following year, he saw active service in the Seven Weeks War which Prussia waged so successfully against Austria and her south-German allies. The young Hindenburg acquitted himself gallantly in the decisive battle of Sadowa. His next service was in the Franco-German War of 1870-71. He took part in the stubbornly-contested battle-smoke of Sedan, and served throughout the Siege of Paris. Like his compatriot, Blücher, he took part in a triumphal march through the streets of the French capital.

It was while serving on the staff of the 1st Army Corps at Königsberg that he obtained his extensive knowledge of the topography of the Masurian Lakes, and formulated those plans for the defence of East Prussia that, he was one day to put into practice. He rose through the various grades of the service, was a general of infantry, an army corps commander, and finally retired in 1911. He did not long enjoy the comforts of leisure. At the age of 68, just a year older than Lord Roberts was when he went out to South Africa, Hindenburg was called from his retirement in Hanover to repel the Russian invasion of East Prussia in August, 1914. On August 23, he established his headquarters at Marienburg, and on the last day of the month he commenced the vigorous offensive which ended in the disastrous defeat of the Russians at Tannenberg. It was his special knowledge of the terrain which enabled him to gain such a sweeping victory.

Fortunately for the Allied cause, the defence of East Prussia had always been the pet baby of von Hindenburg. When people have pet babies they love to nurse them. Hindenburg had the satisfaction of seeing the plans he had prepared so long and so carefully in peace time carried to a successful fruition; but, in winning the battle of Tannenberg, he lost the war for Germany and her Allies. The wisdom which comes after the event has shown that the Germans should have employed every available man on the Western Front. The Russians, throughout the course of history, have been notoriously slow at mobilisation. The correct strategy would have been to use a much smaller force to occupy their attention until a knock-out had been secured on the Western Front. That was the strategy of Frederick the Great, employed so effectively during the Seven Years' War. On one occasion he allowed the Russians actually to commence the investment of Berlin before he turned from threshing his western foes to drive them to their steppes. Had the same strategy been employed in 1914 the war would have ended sooner and more disastrously from our point of view. As it was, Hindenburg pursued the Russians to the Niemen and was, then compelled to withdraw before superior forces into East Prussia. Towards the end of September, 1914, Hindenburg commanded the Austro-German forces which unsuccessfully attempted the capture of Warsaw. That was in October. Then November, 1915, during the course of another drive to-
Principal Amendments of the Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act and Regulations

Both Labour and National Governments promised the League that when the economic condition of the country justified it, privileges taken from soldiers and their dependants under the Financial Emergency Act would be restored to them. Just prior to the closing of the Federal Parliament the Government passed amendments to the Repatriation Act granting this restoration. Briefly summarised, the amendments were as follows:

Section 22 has been amended to provide for a pension to be paid to a wife married after 1/10/31, who subsequently becomes a widow and her husband's death is due to war service.

Under the old Act, a wife married after 1/10/31 was not entitled to a pension in any case afterwards.

Section 27 B has been amended to provide for payment of a pension of at least four guineas per fortnight to any member of the Forces in respect of incapacity caused by Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

This is anything new, but was previously paid on a Cabinet instruction. The effect of this section is to give it legal effect.

Section 40 of the Act is repealed. Under the old Act Section 40 debarred a pension being paid in respect of the death of an ex-soldier who died after the expiration of seven years from the date of his discharge, except to the widow and children and unless death was due to war service.

This Section was previously got over by a Regulation which allowed these cases and provided for payment of a Living Allowance at the same rate as pension. This has now been converted to pension as from 23/8/34 and the effect is only to transfer from Regulation to the Act.

Appeal Tribunals.—The following new sections have been inserted in the new Act, to take effect from 4/8/34:

"(1) An Appeal Tribunal shall not give to any decision in respect of a pension retrospective operation for any period prior to—(a) the date of lodgment with the Commission of a claim for pension which the Commission rejects, or the date of termination of a pension by the Commission, which rejection or termination (as the case may be) has been appealed from to the Tribunal; or (b) the date of commencement of the period of three months immediately preceding the date of lodgment of the appeal to the Tribunal, whichever is the later date.

"(2) An Assessment Appeal Tribunal shall not give to any decision retrospective operation—(a) in any case where an appeal has been made to an Appeal Tribunal and the appeal has been upheld—

and it remains to be seen whether Hitler in his dual role of President and Chancellor, will be strong enough to hold the rens. One thing, however, is certain. His own countrymen and his former enemies alike will regret the passing of one of the greatest figures of current history, and who knows what legends future generations will weave round that lonely mausoleum where the old warrior sleeps on the scene of his crowning victory.

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Mr. ALLAN N. MACDONALD

Mr. Allan N. MacDonald, one of the Senate team, brings with him into public life a personal geniality and an administrative ability that should stand him in good stead. Although not in the public eye as much as legislators, he has been intimately associated with public matters for the past ten years.

A close personal friendship with the late T. A. L. Davy resulted in Mr. MacDonald first interesting himself in politics in 1924. A native organising ability attracted the attention of members of the party, and since 1927 Mr. MacDonald has been campaign director for the party in all the State and Federal elections. He became secretary of the National Party in 1929.

"Like Colonel Collie, his Nationalist colleague, Mr. MacDonald is a returned soldier, having joined the original 8th Battery, A.F.A., at Blackboy in August, 1914, and he was with the battery at the Gallipoli Landing, and later served with the Desert Mounted Corps in Palestine. After the war he also served returned soldiers' organisations in executive positions. He was twice President of the Mt.

Financial Relief Act, 1934.—The effect of the Financial Relief Act is to restore the 10 per cent. cut in wives' pensions. On 30/7/31, under the Financial Emergency Act, 1931, the effect of this amendment or conversion to pension is to restore the cut in the allowance as from 4/8/34. In the cases affected (152) all have been advised and the arrears will be paid on 23/8/34.

Sustenance.—Regulation 113 has been amended to provide that the only source of income to be taken into account when computing the amount of sustenance are—(i) War pension payable to an ex-soldier and his dependants, and (ii) a pension payable by any Government—Imperial or Dominion—in respect of a disability resulting from service in the Great War. This arrangement operates on and from 9/8/34.
For some time friends of Mr. MacDonald have attempted to influence him to enter politics, but Mr. MacDonald, although extremely interested in both State and Federal affairs, believed that he was best serving the party in a secretarial post. The fact that he was successful in securing the endorsement for the Senate on the first occasion that he submitted his name, is an indication of the high esteem and regard with which he is regarded by those who know him best. Nor have Mr. MacDonald's political interests been entirely confined to the central secretarial position, because he has gained a great deal of knowledge of the problems of agriculturalists in all parts of the State through information gleaned by many visits to country centres and important contacts with city organisations.

F. A. ("DICK") LAW

Genial Dick Law, who contested the Avon seat in the State elections last year, and was defeated by about only 60 votes, is again carrying the banner for Labour, this time for the Federal seat of Swan. In opposing the sitting Member, Mr. Gregory, Dick is taking on a big contract, but the size of the contract never deterred this versatile and vigorous young personality. He is a native of the north of England, who left school in September, 1914, at the age of sixteen years, and joined up with the Northamptonshire Yeomanry, after which he was transferred to the Machine Gun Corps. He went to France in 1915, and at the early age of eighteen was already senior sergeant of his section, having accepted promotion for distinguished service in preference to a decoration. He arrived in Western Australia after the Armistice, and has filled several positions in various parts of the State. Ever an ardent member of the League, he was secretary of the Merredin Sub-branch when it succeeded in winning the Newdegate Cup. For the past nine years he has been accountant to the Merredin Road Board. During his residence in Merredin, Dick has won the respect and affection of the whole district. His breezy personality and his love of music have made him deservedly popular, in addition to which he has been personally responsible for the raising of large sums of money for the local charities and churches, principally by the production of plays and musical comedies of his own composition. He has made a profound study of economics and sociology. Delegates at last Congress will remember his speech on the new economics, which was the outstanding speech of Congress. Dick is the very type of man required in the public life of Australia.

DR. ALFRED JACOBS

Dr. Alfred Jacobs, one of the Douglas Social Credit candidates for the Senate election, was born in Victoria and educated at Scotch College, Melbourne, and Ormond College, Melbourne University. He commenced his war service as a stretcher bearer with the 17th Field Ambulance. Those of us who know the excellent and enterprising work done by stretcher-bearers in the field will not be surprised to learn that Dr. Jacobs was awarded the Military Medal for gallantry in action. He is now practising in Harvey, where he holds the Commission of the Peace, and is president of the Harvey Tennis Association and of the Harvey Tennis Club. All who met the Doctor at last year's Congress, which he attended as delegate of the Harvey sub-branch, were struck by his profound knowledge of contemporary economic questions. Among his other activities, he is a vice-president of the Douglas Social Credit Movement of W.A. He is a clear and incisive speaker and embodies the happy combination of idealism with realism which should take him far in politics.

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Colonel Collett needs no introduction to ex-service men in Western Australia. The "old man" of the 28th Battalion, A.I.F., and for eight successive years President of the W.A. Branch of the R.S.L., few men in Australia can claim a more meritorious record of service.

Born in Guernsey, Channel Islands, in 1877, Colonel Collett arrived in Western Australia in 1884. He joined the Metropolitan Rifle Volunteers at the age of 16 years, and was for five years in the ranks. He gradually rose in the volunteers, and at the age of 31 was the youngest lieutenant-colonel serving in the Empire.

Soon after war broke out, he raised, organised, and trained the 28th Battalion. His distinguished service with this unit during the war is too well-known to bear repetition here.

But however distinguished the Colonel was as a soldier, he distinguished himself more as a leader in the R.S.L. He joined the League a fortnight after he returned from the war, and in 1923 was elected to the State Executive, and two years later to the State Presidency. During the eight years in which he held this position he brought to bear on the grave problems that arose during his leadership, all the accumulated knowledge of men and matters that came his way. The progress of the League in this State during his leadership was remarkable, for which he is largely responsible.

Last year the Colonel was appointed by the State Government to fill a vacancy in the Senate. This appointment was entirely unsought, and was accepted by the Colonel as an honour to the League.

Unfortunately he was not long in this position before having to undergo the rigours of an election campaign.

It is a pity that there are not more gentlemen of Colonel Collett’s type offering their services to their country, as he has done throughout the whole of his vital manhood.

MR. C. L. ELSEGOOD

Mr. Cecil-Leslie Elsegood is contesting the Forrest seat at the forthcoming Federal elections. He is a practical farmer of long experience in the Yeading district, and an active member of the local sub-branch. Added to this, he was Australian representative of large British mills in Victoria, South Australia, and Western Australia for many years after the Great War. Consequently his association with business pursuits has given him a wide experience which should be useful in politics. He is greatly esteemed by those who know him and is confidently recommended as being a fit and proper person to come before the electors of Forrest Division. He informs us that he intends to visit as many centres as possible in the limited time at his disposal before September 15, or otherwise make his views known to the electors through the agency of the postal service. Meanwhile he respectfully asks the elector not to pledge their votes until they have heard his views.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL R. F. FITZGERALD, D.S.O.

Another returned soldier for the Senate in this State is Lieutenant-Colonel R. F. Fitzgerald, D.S.O., who is standing as an independent Nationalist. Colonel Fitzgerald, who rose from the rank of lieutenant to that of lieutenant-colonel in the war, went from New South Wales with a light horse regiment, after which he served with various infantry units. He has always taken a keen interest in politics, and is at present Agricultural Editor of the Perth Sunday Times, and a member of the Press Sub-branch.

“Buy a Brick” Appeal

The organising secretary of the above appeal reports satisfactory results from all parts of the State. Many of the country sub-branches, and quite a few of the metropolitan sub-branches have sent in repeat orders. A circular is being issued requesting information regarding the appeal, and sub-branch secretaries are requested to respond immediately with the information, so that an indication can be published in the Listening Post of the relative position of sub-branches in regard to the winning of the big prizes. At the moment of writing a Women’s Auxiliary in the Great Southern District appears to be the probable winner. But that remains to be seen. With the active co-operation of sub-branches, the appeal should be a great success.
The Archbishop Riley Memorial Shield Competition

The results in the A.R.M.S. Competitions as far as the fourth round are as follows:

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Cricket Notes

The annual meeting of the R.S.L. Cricket Association was held on Friday, August 10, when delegates from the following sub-branches were present:—Midland, Maylands, North Perth, Perth, Tramways, Nedlands, Claremont, Cottesloe and Fremantle.

The President and Secretary presented their annual reports, which were received with acclamation and adopted. The balance sheet, with a credit balance in the bank, showed a satisfactory state of affairs financially. Appreciation of the untiring efforts of the executive officers was shown by their being returned unopposed. Messrs. Watkins and Harrison were elected auditors for the ensuing year. Many items were discussed and the following motions were carried:

- Rule re forfeits.—5 points to be deducted and to read 3 points.
- Rule re Registration of Players.—Players to be registered with the Secretary at least 24 hours before the commencement of match.

The first match of the season to be held on October 14, 1934.

The secretary to endeavour to arrange a match between country diggers and metropolitan diggers during Country Week Cricket.

Messrs. Bell, Harrison and Scott were elected a social committee, to attend to the social activities of the Association.

It was decided to hold the next meeting on August 31, 1934.

Reception to Sir William Birdwood

Field Marshal Sir William Birdwood is to be tendered a dinner by the State Executive on Thursday, August 30, and afterwards there will be a suitable welcome to the distinguished visitor at one of the city theatres. Wives of sailors and soldiers will be invited and there will be reserved space for representatives of the Women's Auxiliaries and the S.S.L. Further particulars will be published in the daily press.

And these days the merchants are complaining that you can get everything on the wireless except the last ten payments.

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Diggers attending the annual Congress of the League in the last week of September will find that Anzac House Club, situated on the second floor of Anzac House, Perth, is a going concern, provided that everything is satisfactory when the Licensing Board hears the application during its September sittings. The committee has done everything possible to ensure that the Diggers' Club is acceptable to the Licensing Board. Already 150 club members have been enrolled at one guinea each, including about sixty members who paid a subscription of £5 each. In accordance with the Licensing Act, the subscription to the club has been fixed at one guinea.

Further donations to the fund include:

- North Perth Women's Auxiliary, £76/14/9;
- Victoria Park Auxiliary, £2/10/-;
- Yalgoring sub-branch, £5;
- J. N. Fitzgerald, Perth, £5;
- Kirup sub-branch, £2/2/-;
- F. W. Roberts, Bunbury, £5;
- Colonel A. R. B. Cox, £5;
- Fremantle Women's Auxiliary, £28.

The club membership list is still open and until the first members' meeting, the Anzac House Committee will carry on as the Club Committee.

THE OPENING CEREMONY

Most of the details for the guard of honour, parade of returned sailors and soldiers and the opening ceremony of Anzac House have been completed. His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester will visit the Repatriation Ward on the morning of October 5, and will journey direct from the hospital to Anzac House, arriving there at 11.30 a.m. He will inspect a guard of honour of 100 men formed from representatives of all units, and will be conducted through the lines of ex-service men by the State President, Mr. A. Yeates, and General Sir Talbot Hobbs. A short address of welcome will be delivered by Mr. Yeates and the Duke is expected to reply. The Royal visitor will then be asked to open the building with a gold key presented by the architect, Colonel Cox. There will be a short inspection of the building by the Royal visitor and other distinguished people and proceedings are expected to terminate at 12.45 p.m. Colonel Margolin, D.S.O., will act as Chief Marshal of the parade and have the same assistant marshals as those connected with the Anzac Day parade. The committee is to give special attention to finding accommodation for all donors to the Building Fund and for representatives of Allied Associations, together with hospital patients and seriously disabled soldiers.

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Mons Sunday

The golden sunshine of an early spring afternoon greeted the Old Contemptibles and other British and Australian ex-service men as they marched through the streets in their way to commemorate Mons Sunday. In the absence of Colonel Burt, the parade was commanded by Colonel Byron, with Major R. H. A. Grabham (Tank Corps) as his adjutant, while Captain A. H. O'Toole (Prince of Wales Volunteers, S. Lancs. Regt.) acted as marshal, assisted by Captain J. H. Tozer (28th Battalion, A.I.F.) and Lieut. Harris.—represented the District Naval Officer.

The parade state was as follows:—Old Contemptibles, 86; ex-Naval and Marines, 20; other ex-Imperial men, 82; Maimed and Limbless Men's Association, 14; A.I.F., 58; South African and Imperial Veterans, 26; R.A.N.R., 8; Militia Forces, 64; Sons of Soldiers' League, 37; Boy Scouts, 26; total, 421. The bands assisting were the R.S.I. Memorial Band and the 44th Battalion.

The service in Hoyts Theatre was conducted by the Rev. C. A. Jenkins, and Archedeacon C. L. Riley, the address being delivered by the Rev. J. Bell, M.M. Among those who attended in an official capacity were His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir James Mitchell, who took the salute, attended by Colonel C. H. E. Manning, Lieutenant-General Sir J. Talbot Hobbs and Lady Hobbs, the District Commandant (Brigadier A. M. Martyn) and Mrs. Martyn, Mr. H. E. Wells (representing the State Executive, R.S.I.), the Mayor (Mr. R. Calder-Crowther) and councillors of Guildford.
The Listening Post

Our Special Anzac House Number

The September number of the Listening Post will be considerably enlarged to contain a section of special articles and photographs of Anzac House. The old Soldiers’ Institute, which is to be vacated, will not be overlooked. Many of the patriotic citizens who helped to build these premises, which have been the Headquarters of the League in this State for so long, have since passed over the border, but their good deeds have not been forgotten.

We will be pleased if readers can assist with the compilation of this special number, particularly with history or anecdote connected with the Institute.

Employment of Youth

The matter of finding employment for youths was the subject of several questions asked by Colonel Collett, in his capacity of Senator, early in the month. Replying to these questions, the Prime Minister stated that the problem of absorbing industry the youth of Australia between the ages of 14 and 21 years is still a serious one, many thousands of them being still out of work with little prospect of obtaining employment. According to figures supplied by the Commonwealth Statistician, the percentage of unemployment amongst reporting trade unions was: in the second quarter of 1932, 30 per cent.; in the second quarter of 1934, 20.9 per cent. Despite the satisfactory reduction in the percentage of unemployment, there still exists the problem of juvenile unemployment to which the Government is giving close attention.

The Commonwealth Government has been in consultation with the several State Governments for the purpose of improving conditions. During this financial year, both Commonwealth and State Governments are increasing their expenditure on public works which will materially assist in the relief of unemployment. In addition, the Commonwealth is arranging for a special grant of £2,000,000 to be made to the States, portion of which, it is anticipated, will be used by the State Governments directly for the relief of unemployment.

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PERSONALITIES

Died while on a holiday trip to visit his relatives in Western Australia, Fred Welshman, who came to these shores from Scotland, and left for the Great War as a member of the original 32nd. He was severely wounded at Fleurbaix, in 1916. Latterly he was a railway official in India.

The wedding of Miss Betty Smith, daughter of Mr. C. P. Smith, of The West Australian, to Mr. Carl Knapp, brought her uncle, Captain Cyril Smith, to Perth. Like the inimitable C.P., Cyril is the possessor of a dynamic personality, and is a born leader of men. He commenced his soldiering with an artillery unit in Victoria, many moons ago, after which he was transferred to the permanent military forces. During the war he soldiered with the Light Horse, and is now Secretary to the Repatriation Commission.

Mr. H. K. Maclean, who served as a warrant officer in the 44th, is a very busy man at present, having been appointed Campaign Secretary to the Joint Campaign Council of the official National and Country parties. A Scotsman by birth, he was educated in England, and when he has any time to spare he devotes it to reading and advancing the cause of good music.

Big genial Dick Bond, who was mainly responsible for the formation of the W.A. branch of the Old Contemptibles’ Association, is a man’s man as well as a Mons man. While serving with the Royal Garrison Artillery he took part in the first clash and the famous retreat, and three stars adorned each of his broad shoulders by the time the war had finished.

Coming to Australia after the Armistice, he engaged in business in South Australia, during the course of which he paid perio-

dical visits to Perth. Eventually he decided to make Perth his headquarters and we sincerely hope he has benefited as much by the change as ex-service men in this State have from his cheery bonhomie and the active and sympathetic interest he has always taken in ex-service men’s affairs. Because of a recent accident he headed the Old Contemptibles’ on Mon. Sunday with his arm in a sling. Another hefty Old Contemptible was similarly arrayed and this gave a touch of grim reality to the march.

We join all diggers throughout the State in extending condolence to our worthy State Secretary, Mr. D. M. Benson, on the recent death of his mother. Among Dave’s many good qualities, he is a good family man and, knowing him as we do, we can realise the depth of his sorrow. We can assure him that his many friends and well-wishers feel with him in his bereavement.

Brigadier-General Royston, a distinguished South African soldier, who served with distinction at the South African War, and who was attached to the A.I.F. in Egypt and Palestine, will arrive in W.A. on August 30. He will be given a welcome by the 10th Light Horse Association and the South African Veterans’ Association.

Bill Halvorsen, the well-known bandmaster, has been transferred to Kalgoorlie, where he is holding down a senior position in the telephone branch of the post office. Bill had a commission in the 51st Battalion, but early in the war in France he was severely wounded and taken prisoner. He spent over two years in internment camps in Germany.

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Nedlands Sub-branch members change their presidents annually, and at the recent annual smoke social a speaker drew attention to the fact that five of the seven past presidents were present in the persons of Colonel Jim Denton, Harry Ottewell, Jack Tozer, Claude Langsford, and Dick Dean. Colonel Margolin, the foundation president, was absent from Brisbane, where he was a delegate from this State at the Federal Congress of the League. The only other absentee was the late Gordon Thomson, who, it was felt, was present in spirit. The memory of Gordon is evergreen in the hearts of his friends of the Nedlands Sub-branch.

Clive Newman, the new President of the Nedlands Sub-branch, has a fine record of service in the R.S.I. Prior to coming to W.A. about eighteen months ago, he was president of the Clarence Park Sub-branch in Adelaide. He was also president of the 9th Light Horse Association, and a member of the Adelaide Legacy Club. Clive was an original 9th Light Horseman, and has the distinction of being the only man of his regiment who served through Gallipoli from the landing to the last night of the evacuation. He was wounded at the second battle of Gaza, and was operated on at Cairo on his 21st birthday, after which he was invalided home. He keeps the big, bad wolf from the door as accountant and senior clerk of the local office of the Department of the Interior. He is a valued member of the Perth Legacy Club. Nedlands has made a wise choice.

Reg Wood, who was re-elected as hon. secretary of the Nedlands Sub-branch, was at the annual meeting, held on the 14th inst., presented by the members with a handsome clock as a token of appreciation for splendid services rendered the League. Reg. is everything that a good secretary should be, and is possessed of more than the average ability. He left W.A. with the rank of lieutenant as 2nd Reinforcements, 11th Battalion, after going through Duntroon. He was wounded at Domart on August 4, 1918, but returned to his unit and was with them when the Armistice was signed. Alf Yeates went away with him as his senior sерж., and afterwards went to the 44th Battalion. In civil life he is Clerk-in-Charge and Inspector of Factories, and at present is acting Chief Inspector.

Last month in our note regarding members of Osborne Park Sub-branch having lucrative positions in the district, we omitted to mention Jack Cranstown, late 16th, who for some time was the local newsagent and custodian of the Agricultural Hall. He is now a commercial traveller, and known as the "Rawleigh Dealer," and distributes all sorts of cures for common ailments, of course, for a monetary consideration. With his motor he is going to be great on the fly menace, and as a "talkie," he is not often excelled. He is still attached to the local societies. Another member, "Old Nick of Njookenbooroo," who, since his discharge from the Edward Millen Home, has been on the water-wagon, has been appointed to look after the rain gauge of the district and to manipulate the machinery for checking the rain god's distribution. Since then he has resigned the presidency of the Slate Club, of which he was a foundation member.

Mr. Cecil L. Elsegood, President of the Yealering Sub-branch, is contesting Forrest seat for the National Parliament at the forthcoming Federal Election. During the "Big Affair," he served with the 11th Battalion, and was wounded in the heavy fighting in the "Salient" in 1917. On his return from the war he joined a large British company with extensive mills as their accountant, and later represented the company throughout Victoria, South Australia, and his native State of W.A. He is now farming at Yealering. At the last meeting of the Yealering Sub-branch, members enthusiastically drank the candidate's health, wished him the best of luck, and hoped that he would attend the September meeting as President, M.H.R.

There is joy in the camp of the Carlisle Sub-branch. That versatile member, Curly McCrone, formerly of the famous 11th Battalion, has been appointed "leader of the sub-branch's glee party." The singing of this party has been much appreciated by the various sub-branches that have been favoured with a visit from the Carlisle boys. It may be mentioned that Curly's masterpiece is the well-known ditty, "My Girl's a Cow." Some days ago Curly met an old comrade who had just been discharged from hospital. "Hallo, Sapper," Curly greeted him. "How are you getting on?" Sapper replied: "No good, I'm..."
Fred McInerney, of the Albion Hotel, Boulder, died on August 8. The deceased was a stalwart supporter of the Boulder Sub-branch, and a good friend to every digger. His loss will be keenly felt on the fields.

Cliff Nixon, who has been re-elected President of Buckland Hill Sub-branch, has now recovered from a long and serious illness, during which the chair of the sub-branch was ably filled by George Ashworth. Cliff’s many friends are glad to see him in the saddle of office once more. Rumours has it that he is again touching the thirteen stone mark.

At the monthly meeting of the Armadale sub-branch on August 9, members carried a resolution of condolence with the sub-branch’s popular vice-president, Mr. A. Clout; in his recent double bereavement. His wife died on August 2, and his son earlier in the week. Both funerals were attended by many sub-branch members.

At the Kulin reunion held during the month was George Stewart, who was taken prisoner at Bullecourt when serving with the 16th Battalion. He was interned in the Black Hole of Lille, and, afterwards, with a party of British prisoners, he was sent to work behind the lines as an act of reprisal for alleged treatment accorded to German prisoners by the British authorities. Eventually George was successful with one other in escaping back to the British lines and, incidentally, is a fund of information in connection with his experiences.

“Varia”

“A Geraldton Rigger” writes:—“Bob Shingle” is evidently an aristocrat of the army, for he has knowledge of M.Ms., D.C.Ms., and M.C.s., and would not doubt bow in reverence to them. And yet it was not given to all of us to achieve distinction, so if the humble digger who plodded his way through the piece playing the game as he saw the game, takes a quiet pride in his General Service and Victory Medals. What good service is Bob doing by attempting to cast a slur on them? With all the force I am capable of, I deny that a big percentage of soldiers stand on the line of march and gape, for in or out of the line of march soldiers’ memories are too full to allow of idle gaping.

The Secretary of the Boulder Sub-branch desires us to warn secretaries of other sub-branches lest they be victimised as he has been. Two ex-service men waited on him with a hard-luck story, and, having obtained money from him, left the district, possibly with the intention of playing this prank elsewhere. Several others have done the same kind of thing. The action was all the more contemptible in view of the fact that the Secretary of the Boulder Sub-branch has found jobs for them. Not only was the Sub-branch victimised, but the work of finding employment for genuine ex-service working men has been rendered harder than ever by such actions.

We are in a position to deny the rumour that a pashometer—one of those gadgets for measuring sex appeal—is to be installed in Anzac House. Neither is it true that in certain preliminary tests of the instrument on members of the State Executive, the affair became absolutely frozen and refused to work.

As announced elsewhere in these columns, the 51st Battalion (A.I.F.) reunion smoke social will be held on Friday of Show Week (October 5), at the Soldiers’ Institute, Perth. As His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester will be opening Anzac House on that day, it is anticipated that a record crowd will roll up to this year’s function.

Tickets at 2/6 each are obtainable from the hon. secretary, and Mr. Geo. Mellor, Soldiers’ Institute, Perth.

We are in receipt of the first two issues of Mutii, a new publication, now the official organ of the Victorian Branch of the R.S.S.I.L.A. Published on the first of each month, Mutii is sold at sixpence a copy. It is illustrated with photographs and cartoons, and contains reading matter which will interest soldier and civilian alike.

“Quarantine-Sept.” vouches for the following:

The recent death of our old friend von Hindenburg reminds me of a conversation I overheard while undergoing running repairs in a dressing station after our part of the attack on the Hindenburg Line. A digger who had been shot through the forearm, which he was nursing for all the world like a kid who has had the cane at school, looked up at a burly German prisoner of war who had been doing a bit of stretcher-bearing.

“Compree English, Fritz?” asked the digger.

“Ja, Ja, I compree English, but I do not it much speak,” Fritz replied diffidently.

“Compree Hindenburg?” was the next question.

“Ja, Ja,” Fritz admitted with great enthusiasm. “I compree Hindenburg.”

“Well, —— him,” said the digger, evidently blaming Hindenburg for the pain he was suffering.

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Mrs. Digger: Whatever kept you out to this hour.
Mr. Digger: 'S all ri', my dear, I've just been helping a copula-Pommies celebrate the Battle of Mans.

The Listening Post is not interested in party politics. Our only concern is for candidates of all parties who are eligible to wear the R.S.L. badge and we always counsel members of the League who are not tied to the party chariot to give all decent returned candidates their preference. We have read with considerable disgust the unwarranted sniping at returned soldier Allan MacDonald, by our Sunday paper. We are in a position to state that Allan's Senate selection was perfectly in order, and that it was obtained without a semblance of intrigue. What is the reason for the attack on Allan? The axe is being ground very low. He was a good digger, is an excellent public-spirited citizen and possesses intelligence above the average. He is also a good speaker, and made a splendid impression at the public meeting opening the Senate campaign. In the words that meant so much in the A.I.F., we say to the Sunday Times, "Fair go, Aussie."

Private citizens and business institutions have been extremely generous in their donations to the Anzac House fund. This, in itself, shows clearly that the general public appreciates what the League is doing on behalf of the digger and his dependants. Among the most recent donations is that of the substantial sum of £500 by Mr. Harry Boan, while the Swan Brewery Company has made Anzac House the present of a complete refrigerating plant.

During the course of his address on Sunday, the Rev. J. Bell, of Claremont, who won the Military Medal as a front-line soldier in the War, paid a stirring tribute to the men who held the Hun at bay while the new armies were forming. "They had made sacrifices in the cause of peace," he said, "and none knew better than they the evils of war.
And yet, looking back, I cannot see what else they, as individuals, could have done. There are people today who ask why a firm stand for peace was not made in 1914, yet I am perfectly certain that if such critics had lived through such a perilous time they would not have acted otherwise. To-day, the returned soldiers' organisations are the greatest force for peace, because their members have seen war as it was and would never want their sons and daughters to go through it again."
And so say all of us. This attitude is certainly a noble and a manlier one than that of the namby-pambly intellectuals who profess to see emotional nationalism in these annual commemorations.

In a recent country edition of the Sunday Times a suggestion was made that Colonel Collett, at the last State Congress of the R.S.L., used his position as President to squash legitimate and justifiable criticism of the Repatriation Commission in respect to its actions in granting, cancelling or reducing pensions. Nothing of the kind occurred. What he did do was to convey that a strong personal attack upon the three Commissioners was coming from a prejudiced quarter—similar attacks, equally without justification, having been made on previous occasions. Colonel Collett was aware the Commissioners were all ex-soldiers and were not in a position to defend themselves. Delegates who were at Congress have expressed their indignation to us of the stupid and unwarranted attack on their leader.

What peeves some of our aggressive pacifists are a "Listener" from Leederville who has been condemning the National Station for broadcasting martial music and war plays, as these things tend to foster the "war spirit"—whatever that may be. All the local stations broadcast church services and sacred music, but so far there is little or no evidence that we are all becoming saints on that account. Soon we shall have some purblind ass dipping his pen in vitriol and demanding that 6WF change its name because "W" stands for "war," and "F" for "fighting."

At the annual meeting of the Nedlands sub-branch, Brigadier Martyn said that Claremont, in being situated between two such flourishing sub-branches as Neddlands and Cottesloe, was like the ham in the sandwich. Later in the evening Bernie Barnard capped the joke by hoping that the Commandant was not suggesting that the Claremont fellows are inbred.

When we read certain comments on the Fifth Test Match and say that they were attributed to a gentleman named Carr, we began to wonder if the compilers had not been mucking about with the vowels.

It is a fact that very few citizens have ever been heard to complain when their parachute didn't open.

"What is Australian bounded by?" asked the teacher.
And the small boy replied, "Kangaroos."

They're going to run a campaign in Brisbane called Boy Week. We understand that the idea is to decrease the number of unemployed boys. We have been asked, however, to deny the rumour that the committee's slogan will be "Eat More Boys."

The responsibility for all political articles appearing in this journal is taken by Edwin Stanley Watt, 397 Hay St, Perth.

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August on Gallipoli

When the landing on Gallipoli had been decided upon, it was hoped that by landing a force under the height of Sari Bahr, the Turkish communications to the southward would be cut, whether by land or sea, and the Navy thus enabled to clear the Narrows. By the end of July it became apparent that the original plan had failed. A numerically superior enemy was holding almost impregnable positions which had been prepared and sited under German guidance, while the attacking units were dwindling through the ordinary wastage of war. Nevertheless, there were good grounds for the hopes entertained on the morning of April 25, and this was clearly shown by the desperate and costly attacks the Turks had launched against our lines, since Australians and New Zealanders had rooted themselves in very near the vials of the enemy. By their tenacity and courage, they still held open the doorway from which one strong forward thrust might give us command of the Narrows.

Recognition of this, combined with the imminence of Bulgaria's entry into the war on the side of the Central Powers, necessitated the creation of a diversion by means of a new manoeuvre on Gallipoli. This, Sir Ian Hamilton proposed, would take the form of a vigorous offensive from Anzac, and a surprise landing to the north of it to win through to Maidaes, leaving behind a well-protected line of communications starting from Suvla Bay. Unfortunately, for seasons into which we need not enter here, the Suvla Bay landing was a fiasco, and the frontal attacks from Anzac, which were to have held the Turks to their trenches until Stopford pushed on towards Maidaes, became the main battle.

The forces at Anzac were reinforced by detachments which were landed, with the co-operation of the Navy, on the nights of August 4, August 5 and August 6. The reinforcements were landed with such skill and secrecy that the Turks, who had direct observation of Anzac Beach, while their aeroplanes could bring back information about any movements from Mudros or Imbros, were totally unaware of their arrival at the front. General Birdwood now had at his disposal 30,000 rifles, 72 guns, and naval support from two cruisers, four monitors and two destroyers. The role played by the Anzac Corps in the operations were the assaults on Lone Pine, entrusted to the 1st Australian Division, with the 1st and 3rd Light Horse Brigades, and two battalions of the 40th Brigade; and the attack on the Chunuk Bair ridge by the N.Z. and Australian Division, less the 1st and 3rd L.H. Brigades, the 29th Indian Infantry Brigade and the Indian Mountain Artillery Brigade. The 29th Brigade of the 10th Division; less one battalion, and the 38th Brigade, were in reserve.

LONE PINE

The operations were heralded by a slow bombardment of the positions on the enemy's left, during August 4, August 5 and August 6. Then, on the afternoon of August 6, the 1st Brigade attacked the formidable entrenchments at Lone Pine. The enemy's defences at this point formed a point d'appui on the southwestern end of a plateau, where it con-fronted, at distances varying from 60 to 120 yards, the salient of the line of our trenches, which the troops called "the Pimple." The Lone Pine works were strongly fortified, being provided with barbed-wire entanglements in front and an overhead cover of pine beams. At 3.30 p.m. on August 6, the attacking brigade charged over open ground, under a withering hail of shell and rifle fires directed from the front and both flanks. The barbed-wire entanglements were soon overcome, but the overhead cover gave considerable trouble, until parties of men heaved up the beams, thus enabling their comrades to leap down among the Turks in the semi-darkened galleries. By 6.20 p.m., after less than an hour's severe fighting, the whole position was captured.

Then, from 7.20 p.m. the victors were subjected to desperate and violent counter-attacks, during which the Australians, for the first time, faced-bombing on a large scale. The work of consolidating the captured position was greatly hindered by the presence of many Turkish prisoners, who hampered movement in the trenches and were generally a menace to the safety of their captors. There were many scenes of epic heroism during these days of desperate and hand-to-hand fighting, and though the Australians lost
heavily it is a tribute to their gallantry and tenacity that all the Turkish counter-attacks were bloodily repulsed. The Turks commenced their last attempt to recover the Lone Pine position at 5 a.m. on August 9, when they made a sudden attempt to storm it from the east and south-east, after a feint of fire attack from the north. After its repulse the battle settled down to a series of bombing attacks, which continued until August 12, when the enemy realized that Australia was there, and there to stay. To illustrate the desperate nature of the fighting, it may be stated that in one corner eight Turks and six Australians were found lying as they had bayoneted one another. During a lull in the counter-attacks, no fewer than 1,000 corpses, Turkish and our own, were dragged out from the trenches.

OTHER ATTACKS

Other frontal attacks were, unfortunately, less successful. The attack by the 2nd Brigade on German Officer's Trench, opposite the extreme right of our line, at midnight on August 6/7, was gallantly undertaken, but here, the attackers were not numerically equal to their task and self-sacrificing valour was unable to avert failure. Then followed the disastrous episode at the Nek. The Nek and Baby 700 trenches, which were opposite the centre of the original Anzac position, formed the objective of the 3rd Light Horse Brigade. The attack was delivered at 4.30 a.m. on August 7. The dismounted troopers went forward in three waves. The first was destroyed by enemy fire midway between the trenches. Exactly two minutes after the first wave had cleared the parapet, the second line went forward without hesitation. It, too, was butchered. For a minute,” says the account of an eyewitness, “the flag which the Light Horse had carried fluttered at the corner of the Turkish mountain fortress. A few men had got home. Then the flag vanished and with it one of the bravest bodies of fighting men the world has seen.” Ten minutes after the second wave had disappeared, the third, undismayed by what had happened, and knowing full well the overwhelming odds against success, went steadily into action, but it was stopped in time to save it from the fate of its predecessors. Meanwhile, another Light Horse detachment, advancing from Quinn's Post, though its first line was shattered by machine gun fire, took part of its objective, but had to retire afterwards with heavy loss. These attacks were failures, but glorious failures which chained the Turks to their trenches and prevented them from throwing their weight into the scale at Lone Pine and elsewhere.

The surprise attack at Table Top and the Chunuk Bair ridge, in which the 4th Brigade co-operated with New Zealand, British and Indian troops, and in which the 2nd Australian Division, as reserve troops, came into action for the first time, was a success as brilliant, if not as costly, as that of Lone Pine. The dictates of space compel us to reserve the story for another occasion.

Except for minor operations which occurred later in the month, there was no further fighting on the grand scale on Gallipoli. During August, no fewer than seven V.C.'s were won by Australian soldiers. The last Anzac to win the V.C. on Gallipoli was the late Captain Hugo Throssell (then a Lieutenant), of the 10th Light Horse. The exploit for which the award was made was performed during the capture of Hill 60 on August 29/30.

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Hospital-ities
(By W. Anderson, Osborne Park)

It has been suggested the Listening Post offer a prize for the best yarn on "how to swing the lead." It would be a bit of a change from the numerous anecdotes we read about regarding life in the AIF. Hospital patients ought to give us some tough stories of dodging the doctors.

I remember one day at the No. 1 A.A.H., the celebrated Dr. Ryan was engaged on board cases. I was on duty in one of the wards when the medico came up to me and said, "I remember your face; where have I seen you before to-day?" "Oh, I used to help you at the boarding of patients in Heliopolis Hospital," I replied. "And how did you help me at medical boards?" he enquired. I replied "Oh, I used to stand at the board room door and call out the names of patients for you." The doctor quickly walked away.

An incident of the war that has never been published is worth recording. A resident of Osborne Park well over the military age, enlisted, and with three sons went over the sea and were distributed in various centres. One day, one of the sons in an ambulance corps, who had heard of his father's enlistment, was engaged in carrying the dead and wounded on a certain battlefield, picked up a mess-tin and on it found his father's name, regimental number, &c. His astonishment and consternation at this discovery can be imagined. Enquiries were immediately made, and it was subsequently ascertained that the father was very much alive and still on the medical staff (at Larkhill; Salisbury Plain) of the 60th Battalion, recently arrived from Egypt. It was also ascertained that the mess-tin in question was purloined from the old man's kit by a member of a draft for France, who was unable to complete his outfit owing to his having lost a mess-tin. Such is an army episode. The old man replaced his mess-tin by "pinching" another.

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And, when next I stop a shell,
When next charging Jerry's line,
The last words I'll remember are,
"Just paint with Iodine."
I remember once in a certain hospital in the Old Country an Anzac poet gave utterance to the following (he was known as "Bendic")—

FAREWELL TO THE SOMME

Good-bye, you spot of mud and rot,
Of slush and snow and gerrms, what not,
Your sour beer—bad water, too,
You louse-bound spot! To hell with you.
He was registering at the Repat. Office of the Perth Public, and Jimmy, the scribe, was as usual entering up the card preliminaries. "Now, Bill, how are you keeping now?" asked James.
"Oh, I feel very good at times, but I'm still troubled with my breathing."
"Well, Bill," exclaimed Jimmie, "get the M.O. to give you something to stop it,"—very sympathetic.

Sam lay on his bed in No. XI, so ill that he thought his time had come. A friend from North Perth Sunday Afternoon Concerts called to see him, and after a few words of prayer, said, "Sam, sonny, are you afraid to meet your Maker." "No," faintly replied Sam, ex-Med. of 10th Light Horse, "No, it's the other—I'm frightened of."

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State Executive Meetings
1st August, 1934

At the meeting of the State Executive, on Wednesday, August 1, there were present Messrs. Yeates, Olden, Philip, Panton, Denton, Freedman, Hunt, Pady, Aberle, Margolin, Lovell, Collins, Ross, Mellor, Wilkins, Lamb, Farquhan, Warner, Wells, and McDowell. Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Riley, Anderson, Collett, Watt, Edmonds, and Bryan.

Condolence.—At the instance of the State President, a resolution of sympathy with the State Secretary in his recent sad bereavement was carried.

Poppy Day.—The tender of the R.M. & L.M.A. for 30,000 poppies at 54 a thousand, including the cost of fixing the "Last-we-forget" tab was accepted. It was also agreed that 100 "Last-we-forget" wreaths be ordered at the same rate at 7/3 each.

Federal Congress.—The State President desired to be relieved of his appointment as delegate to the Federal Congress, and recommended that Mr. Hunt be appointed instead. This was agreed to.

Brigadier-General Royston.—It was decided to extend some form of hospitality to Brigadier-General Royston when he arrives in Western Australia.

War Service Homes.—It was agreed that the League's desire, to amend Section 37 of the War Service Homes Act dealing with transfers be submitted to this year's Congress.

Anzac House.—It was agreed that the Federal President and the State Presidents be invited to the opening ceremony of Anzac House.

It was agreed that a scale of charges for rent and accommodation be adopted as a temporary schedule subject to alteration at the discretion of the Anzac House Committee; ex-service men's organisations to receive a 23 per cent. reduction on all charges laid down except for the use of the ballroom.

Mr. Panton stated that when inspecting the building with the Executive recently, he was surprised to find that the Administration offices were in the basement of the building. He considered that from a health standpoint this should not be so. On the motion of Messrs. Panton and Wilkins, it was resolved that the Anzac House Committee be requested to go further into the matter of allocating better accommodation to the staff.

It was agreed that a copy of the mortgage be obtained.

Colonel Olden reported that Mr. Harry Boan had donated £300 towards the Anzac House Fund and a suitable acknowledgment had been sent. He reported also that the Swan Brewery had agreed to install an "Amat-Ice" Refrigerator as a further donation to that previously received. Suitable acknowledgment had also been sent in this case. Executive delegates expressed their appreciation of both instances of generosity.

Pensions.—The report of the Pensions Committee indicated that legislation was now before the Federal Parliament to restore powers to the Assessment Tribunal to restore arrears of pension, and that the restoration of certain cuts under the Financial Emergency Act was being made.

Visits.—The following visits to sub-branches, unit associations, etc., were made: Fremantle, West Perth and 32nd Battalion (the State President), Wyalongtech and No. 2 D.C. (Mr. F. Warner), Osborne Park (Mr. Wilkins).

Sir William Birdwood.—The State President moved and Colonel Olden seconded, a motion that on behalf of the W.A. Branch of the R.S.S.I.A., this Executive extends a hearty welcome to Field Marshal Sir William Birdwood and Lady Birdwood on the occasion of their present visit to Western Australia.

Funerals, Ex-Imperial Men.—In connection with a communication from the Clairemont sub-branch, it was agreed that delegates to the Federal Congress should take up the matter of funerals of ex-Imperial men with the Federal President.

General.—Election of officers, as advised by the following sub-branches, was confirmed: West Perth, Kellerberrin, Albany, Bayswater and Narrogin. The State President and Mr. Pady have accepted an invitation from the Buckland Hill sub-branch for August 30.

Annual reports from Northcliffe and Narrogin sub-branches were received. Information concerning the W.A. Travel and Publicity League was received. The request of the R.S.L. Cricket Association for the donation of a shield in addition to the pennant already provided for competitions was referred to the Management Committee.

Agenda Committee, State Congress.—Messrs. Riley, Freedman and Watt were appointed to the Agenda Committee for the State Congress.

Mons Sunday.—Details of the arrangements for the parade and service on Mons Sunday were received from the Old Contemptibles' Association. It was agreed that Mr. Tozer, with Mr. Wilkins as assistant, be asked to act as Marshal of A.I.F. units on this parade.

It was agreed to assist to the request from the Old Contemptibles' Association that the Sons of Soldiers' League also join in the parade.

Street Appeal.—It was decided to inform the Old Contemptibles' Association that the executive regrets its inability to assist in their street appeal on August 17, because it is against the League's general policy, which confines the League's activity to one street appeal a year, namely, that conducted on Poppy Day.

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Colonel Lamb was granted six weeks leave of absence from Executive meetings and the State President leave of absence from the next meeting.

August 15, 1934

At the meeting on August 15, there were present Messrs. Riley, Olden, Philip, Freedman, Watt, Pady, Aberle, Collins, Ross, Mellor, Wilkins, Farquharson, Wells and McDowell.

Sir William Birdwood.—It was decided on the motion of Messrs. Watt and Philip, that Sir William Birdwood should be entertained at dinner by the State Executive on Thursday, August 30, special guests to be invited, and that further entertainment of the distinguished visitor be referred to a committee with power to act. The following were appointed to the committee, Raffles Freedman, General Hobbs, and Messrs. Collins and Wilkins.

Agricultural Bank.—A reference in the State Secretary's report to the Agricultural Bank Royal Commission was referred to the Land Committee.

Anzac House.—The following resolutions arising out of the report of the Anzac House Committee were carried:

Club Rules.—Fresh rules have been drawn up by the League's solicitor for submission to the Licensing Bench, and it was pointed out that the application for a Club licence must be lodged on Friday, August 17, in order that the case will be formally before the Court on September 5. The rules had been printed for this purpose. The Committee's action was endorsed and Executive delegates were urged to make every effort to complete the required number of 100 club members for the purpose of obtaining a licence.

Club Licence.—It was decided that the State Executive of the W.A. Branch of the R.S.L.I.A. agrees to lease that portion of Anzac House, St. George's Terrace, Perth, set apart, and furnished by the R.S.L.I.A. for club purposes, and situated on the second floor, and consisting of lounge, bar, two billiard tables, visitors' rooms, reading rooms, commercial room, card room, and manager's office, to a club committee for a term of five years commencing on September 1, 1934, subject to the right of renewal for a further term of five years, the conditions of licence, such as rent, maintenance, cleaning, etc., to be subject to an agreement to be prepared by the League's Honorary Solicitor. The State Secretary will arrange with the League's Solicitor to complete the necessary documents in connection with the lease. It was pointed out that the club premises must be occupied before approval can be issued by the Licensing Bench, and suggested that formal occupation should be entered into on or about September 20.

Furniture.—Authority was granted for a further expenditure of £300 on furniture on the same terms as previously.

Visits and Invitations.—The following reports of visits were submitted: Archdeacon Riley (York, Ararat and Muntadgin), Mr. H. E. Wells (Gunners' Day,), Mr. Pady (Cottesloe), the State Secretary (Kulin and Condinin), Mr. Farquharson (Fremantle).

It was regretted that representation at Wubin on September 15, and Bruce Rock on August 29 could not be arranged.

W.A. Trotting Association.—Delegates were informed that the W.A.T.C. had agreed to give the R.S.L. the proceeds of a trotting meeting to be held on October 6, when H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester would be present. This donation will be applied to the liquidation of the Anzac House debt. On the motion of Colonel Olden and Mr. Philip, it was resolved that the members of the League throughout the State give practical effect to their gratitude to the W.A.T.C. by doing everything in their power to ensure a record attendance on the night of October 6.

Congress Agreed.—It was decided that several congress agenda items were out of order, or not suitable for inclusion in the agenda paper, and that the sub-branches which had submitted them be informed accordingly. In the case of items submitted by Darling Range and Norwood, the State Secretary was instructed to point out the position of individual cases being submitted to Congress. If the sub-branches still desire to submit these items, they are asked to include them in the supplementary agenda.

Further information was desired about Morella's item on the Royal Commission on the Agricultural Bank.

Another item submitted by Darling Range in connection with the Anzac House Foundation Stone ceremony, was referred to the Management Committee for a reply.

Kalgoorlie's item, on the question of secession, was left in the State Secretary's hands to point out the diversity of opinion among League members on this question and the attitude of previous Congresses towards it.

It was agreed to point out to a number of sub-branches which had submitted Douglas Credit items that this matter had now come within the realm of party politics and could not, therefore, be discussed by Congress.

General Royce.—The 10th L.H. Association requested the League to advise sub-branches that General Royce would be entertained by the Association during his visit to Australia.

State Congress.—A suggestion from the Yandanooka sub-branch, that a cricket-match be arranged between metropolitan and country delegates to the next State Congress, was referred to the R.S.L. Cricket Association. Mr. Watt undertook to make the necessary arrangements in connection with a similar suggestion for a tennis match.

Fremantle sub-branch asked that Congress delegates visit the Fremantle War Memorial before the opening of Congress. It was agreed to point out that the arrangements already made left no time available to accept this invitation.

State School Teachers.—A communication was received from the president of the State School Teachers' Union concerning teachers' disabilities. It was agreed to inform the Union that the Executive could take no action, but that the literature forwarded would be made available to members of the State Executive.

General.—Appointments of officers in the following sub-branches were confirmed: Nedlands, Donnybrook, North Perth and Press.

Approval was given for the formation of the W.A. Branch of the R.S.L.I.A.

The Old Contemporaries' Association advised that this organisation would lay a wreath on the State War Memorial on August 19, at 10.30 a.m.

A firm of local photographers asked to be appointed to cover all the photography during the opening ceremony of Anzac House. It was agreed to advise the firm, together with other returned soldier photographers, that every facility would be made available for this purpose, but that the exclusive rights could not be given to any one photographer.

The question of an entertainment on the night of the opening of Anzac House was referred to the Anzac House Committee.

The Rev. C. L. Riley was granted leave of absence from the next meeting.

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Sub-Branch Notes

LAKE KING

The annual meeting for election of officers took place in the hall on Sunday, July 6, resulting as follows:—President, Mr. R. D. Allen, re-elected; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. W. Abernethy, A. Watt, and N. Hetherington; Treasurer, Mr. M. G. Johnston, re-elected; Auditor, Mr. A. Watt, re-elected; Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. G. Verdon, re-elected. For the third year in succession Mr. R. D. Allen has been President of this sub-branch, and being so popular and enthusiastic we hope to see him in that office for many years to come.

In spite of the hard times and small size of this sub-branch, a very satisfactory balance sheet was produced. Consequently, it was moved and carried at the meeting that a donation be made to the Anzac House Building Fund.

Miss Lorna Harvey, the young daughter of Mr. R. C. Harvey, a foundation member of this sub-branch, is busily conducting a campaign for the “Buy a Brick for Anzac House Appeal,” and judging by the energy the young lady puts into anything she takes up, the campaign should be a huge success.

Members still patiently await a visit from the Minister for Lands, which he has promised them ever since he has been in office. This sub-branch intends to hold a sports meeting, to be followed by a dance, on Saturday, September 29 next.

ARMADALE

The monthly meeting was held in the Parish Hall on Thursday, July 12, with the President, Mr. Egan, in the chair. There was the usual fair attendance, despite bad weather, though some of the wireless wires were absent, probably getting a good supply of sleep in before the Fourth Test. The Secretary, Mr. Gummery, reported he had received a good supply of Anzac bricks, and hoped all diggers would help him to sell these as quickly as possible. Many of our members are finding the depression hitting them very hard, and are unable to help this worthy cause. We are doing our utmost to try and get new members, as there are still many diggers in this district who have not joined up. The meeting concluded at 10.30 p.m., and, as usual, the bill was bailed and all enjoyed a good cup of coffee before going home.

GREENBUSHES

A gloom was cast over the members of the sub-branch and district generally by the death of the President, Dr. Ronald Andrews, following, as it did, within a week of that of his wife. The Doctor was accorded a military funeral, there being many diggers from all local sub-branches at the cemetery, where the attendance was the largest seen for many years. Known to all as “The Doc,” he was ready at all hours of the day or night to travel any distance to ease the suffering of his fellow beings, although his own state of health was not good, and his chance of ever collecting his fees was a poor one. Always busy, he yet found time to attend the sub-branch meetings, and had always some scheme whereby the prestige of the local sub-branch might be strengthened. His position as President will be difficult to fill.

The monthly meeting of the sub-branch, which was also the annual election, was held on July 6. The Senior Vice-President, Charles Thompson, took the chair and opened with two minutes’ silence in memory of the late President. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:—President, Charles Thomp-
VICTORIA PARK

The monthly meeting was held in the Library Hall. Owing to the absence of the President, the Vice-President, Tom Fitzsimmons, occupied the chair. A letter from the President, Mr. Shadgett, announcing his resignation through inability to devote the necessary time to the office, was read and discussed. Several members spoke of the work the President had done during his few months of office. Apart from the usual routine work of the sub-branch there had been a Diggers’ Fair, mock wedding, smoke social, and arrangements made with the Sparklers’ Vaudeville concert party to give a concert in aid of the building fund, and the work entailed in the local Anzac service. In all these activities Mr. Shadgett had worked hard to make them a success. It was decided, on a motion of Bob Alexander, to ask Mr. Shadgett to re-consider his decision. At the subsequent committee meeting, Mr. Shadgett explained, that through ill-health he was under the impression he was not devoting the time he thought he should give to the sub-branch. On being assured that it was the wish of members that he should continue, he resumed the chair amidst applause. It is always a pleasure to see at every monthly meeting two Past Presidents, Messrs. Nicols and Alexander, taking a keen interest in the work. The latest member to be enrolled is Mr. Annakin, a weal laddie in his 88th year. Mr. Annakin served twenty-one years in the Imperial Army, and nearly eleven years with the Territorial forces, and had three sons enlist in the 16th Battalion. Despite his age, Mr. Annakin is well and hearty. A letter of thanks was sent to the Women’s Auxiliary for their generous donation of £16 to the Building Fund. A supply of bricks was received from the Perth Sub-branch and handed to Mr. Fitzsimmons, who has undertaken to dispose of them. Following the success of the mock wedding, arrangements have been made to hold a mock divorce towards the end of this month. The programme is being arranged by Archie Jennings. Members will be interested to know that Harry Taylor will be starting a boot-repairing business at the corner of Albany Road and State Street. The two prizes donated by the sub-branch for the best essay on “Local Products,” to be competed for by the children of the Victoria Park school, were won by D. Smith and H. Johnson.

GOOMALLING

The annual meeting was held in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday, August 7, when a fair attendance was recorded; inclement weather keeping some of the members away. The balance-sheet was adopted and showed a healthy state of affairs. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mr. C. G. Ross (re-elected); vice-presidents, Messrs. E. F. Waterhouse and H. Bennet; Secretary, Mr. G. B. Todd (re-elected); treasurer, Mr. H. W. Daglish (re-elected); auditor, Mr. A. Chapman. The election of the committee was deferred to next meeting. Mr. E. J. Waterhouse was elected as delegate to the annual Conference. It was resolved to convey the sympathy of the members to our ex-President (Mr. A. J. Matthews) in his recent bereavement.

We are shortly to lose the “teller of tall ones,” who is leaving the district to search for the elusive metal. Best of luck, Jack. The social function which followed the annual meeting revealed a change in the “status quo” of at least three of our members, and in future they will be accorded the deference due to such status. Please 40 see “Slip” and the “Wild Scotchman” at the meeting—keep it up and you may secure a place in the championship for the tallest one told.

BUCKLAND HILL

At the meeting held on June 28, the election of officers took place and Mr. Cliff Nixon was again elected president, this being his third term of office. Mr. L. Avery was again elected as secretary and the sub-branch should certainly make headway with such an able secretary. An energetic committee was also formed and there should be great doings in Buckland Hill this year. The Ladies’ Committee is still working hard and on June 14 a Jumble Sale, in aid of the Building Fund, was held, realising nearly £20.

At last, the much-talked of Memorial Park appears to be a thing of reality. A strong committee has been formed, consisting of delegates from the Buckland Hill Roads Board, the Horticultural Society and this sub-branch, with Colonel B. T. Goodby as secretary. The Social Sesquicent and Friendly Societies of the district have been circularised enlisting their support and interest. Functions are being arranged to raise funds for beautifying the park. The first of these, a Children’s Ball, will be held in the Buckland Hill Town Hall on Monday, August 26. Permission has also been obtained to hold a...

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lottery, which we sincerely hope will be well supported.

The Ladies' Committee already has the funds available for the erection of the main gates of the park and, judging from the designs they will be very attractive indeed.

Saturday, August 23, is Anzac Day at the Fremantle Naval Memorial and the committee has arranged an entertainment for the afternoon in the vicinity. Refreshments and music will be available throughout the day.

BOULDER

The President, Jack Sheridan, was present at the meeting of the Boulder Sub-branch, held on Thursday, August 23. The President gave a very instructive address on the question of the distribution of the special smoke funds. The members were reminded that the funds are being used to purchase that which is most needed for the comfort and health of ex-soldiers. The number of applications for assistance is increasing and the funds are running low.

BOYANUP

On Sunday, August 24, a special meeting was held in the Boyanup Memorial Hall. The President, Mr. E. P. Eccleston, presented the annual report, which showed a deficit of £13/8/6 for the year. The Treasurer, Mr. A. E. Green, explained that the deficit was due to a decrease in the number of members and a reduction in the funds from other sources.

The secretary, Mr. A. W. Philips, read the minutes of the previous meeting and reported that the committee had been successful in obtaining additional funds. The members were reminded that the funds were being used to purchase that which is most needed for the comfort and health of ex-soldiers.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the committee for their hard work and dedication.
He expected to get some backshish butter for his toast from the new member, whose factory, 100 yards distant, had tons of it stored, but Arthur slipped; he had to use his own grease.

Our head waiter, Digger Trigwell, forgot the lemonade bottle opener, and his crude attempts at opening the goods made the Padre seek comfort and safety with a cup of tea at the fireside. The president (Digger Joe) was very happy that night; he thanked us for the honour conferred and deeply appreciated it. And then, as an afterthought, he added: "But, boys; you won't put it over me again next year."

CLAREMONT

A very satisfactory attendance was recorded at the general meeting on August 2, when, owing to the unavoidable absence of the president, Captain H. L. Ball, the senior vice-president occupied the chair.

The membership of the sub-branch is still on the increase, and at present numbers 110 financial members. This must be very gratifying to all concerned, especially in view of the fact that less than three years ago the numbers were just over 50.

It is pleasing to note the growing keenness amongst the members of the A.R.M.S. Competition, as shown by the number who made the journey to South Perth on July 31, when South Perth won by 9 points to 4. Claremont lost the shoot by one point, and we congratulate the last member of South Perth's team who had to score a possible win. The home teams also proved too strong in both bridge and table tennis. However, many thanks to our hosts of the evening for a most enjoyable time.

On Thursday, September 29, a games evening is being arranged by the Social Committee to take place in the Parish Hall, the gathering to comprise the Women's Auxiliary, together with members of the sub-branch and their wives and families. Kindly keep this date free, in order that the evening may be a success, when it is hoped that the Auxiliary will have an opportunity to enrol a number of new members.

NARROGIN

The annual meeting was held on July 19, with 54 members present. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year—President, T. Mordell; vice-presidents, J. Steen, H. A. Devanish; treasurer, F. French (re-elected); secretary, T. Hogg (re-elected, sixth year of office); executive, V. Durkin, R. Ewing, J. Stone, H. Prider, H. Hansen, J. Causebrook, A. Dewar, H. Smith, J. W. Holdon, S. Dixon; auditors, H. Haslam, E. Gray (re-elected).

The secretary's report dealt fully with the activities of the sub-branch during the year. Receipts amounted to £170/14/11. The expenditure of £410 included amortisation throughout the year and supplying men passing through the town with meals, and £114, which was transferred to the building fund. The surplus of assets over liabilities amounted to £1,700, and at present only £114 is owing on the Soldiers' Memorial Institute, which is a wonderful achievement by the hon. secretary. The Narrogin sub-branch is fortunate in having such a fine secretary in T. Hogg. It was rumoured before the meeting that the sub-branch was giving up the work. But all were pleased to see him remain in office. His place would be hard to fill. Arrangements have been finalised for the visit of Field Marshal Sir William Birdwood and Lady Birdwood on Sunday, August 19. The Sons of Soldiers will form the guard of honour at the Soldiers' Memorial Institute.

FREMANTLE CITY

(By "Iodine")

Progress is our watchword, and quite a number of new faces are to be seen in the ranks lately. This is what we want, and a hearty welcome awaits all newcomers. A regular feature of our meetings is the supper adjournment, which is regarded as a great success by all members.

We have had visits from several of the heads and other notables, and we have appreciated and enjoyed their words of wisdom. These visits are a great stimulus to our efforts.

Fremantle branch of Toc H has challenged us to a friendly games competition, in order to promote a greater spirit of fellowship among our associations. The events will be held on Tuesday, August 2, at 8 p.m., and will consist of quoits, ping pong, parlour bowls and rifle shooting. For those who are unskilled in any of these games, skittles will be provided. Both sides like their chances.

A social committee has formed a party of entertainers, who hope to put on some tip-top concerts to swell sub-branch funds.

Bill Smith, our organiser, states his "Coons" are putting in some good solid work at rehearsals and should give a splendid account of themselves when the time comes.

Our Sons of Soldiers' League is making good progress and now has a membership of 70-odd. There are several classes running and all are very enthusiastic. Members of the sub-branch who are the instructors are gratified with the results of their efforts.

OSBORNE PARK

The monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, August 1, Mr. C. Garner in the chair, the president; Mr. H. Nugent, being indisposed. There were 24 members present.

At a special meeting of the Social Committee, held in the secretary's house on August 8, it was decided to hold a fancy dress ball in the Agricultural Hall on September 22. The price of admission will be: Ladies, 1/2; gentlemen, 1/9.

As this is in aid of general funds, it was decided to engage special musicians. Members and friends please keep this date in mind.

MOUNT LAWLEY

More A.R.M.S. news! Since the July issue of the Listening Post appeared, we have played the 2nd and 3rd rounds, meeting Osborne Park at home, and Mt. Hawthorn away. In our home match with the Park we won the shooting, table tennis, quoits and draughts, losing the bridge. This victory gave us a total of 2½ points for the first three rounds, and consequently we looked forward with confidence to our match with Hawthorn. But, alas! we suffered a severe set-back, and so, while our hopes of winning our zone are not entirely

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gone, they are rather faint at present. The first event, the shooting, was very closely contested, a quarter-stirring struggle all the way, with Hawthorn just two points ahead at the finish. 1st blood to our opponents. While the bridge "figs" and draughts "fans" were battling away in an adjoining room, the table tennis and quartet teams were doing their stuff in the main hall.

Tacking the quoits first, this event needs little description; Hawthorn led all the way and won hands down. They must have the finest team of any sub-branch, and although our team threw well enough to beat most teams, the final score tells the tale—Hawthorn 51, Mr. Lawley 274.

So Hawthorn were 4 points up in the table tennis, was won by Mr. Lawley, 10 games to 2. Congrats. to our "ping-pong" artists, who have won all their matches in the first four rounds. Our bridge team was in a minority of 400 points at "stumps," while the draughts team only managed to win one game. So Mr. Hawthorn scored a well-earned victory by 8-2, quite deserving the congratulations our Secretary, Ken Craze, tendered at the close of the evening. A jolly good supper ended a most enjoyable evening. We hope, later on, to challenge them to another. We expect that their quartet team will have found jobs up the bush! There is no doubt that the system prevailing this year, of playing each team, has been a huge success, and has put new life into the A.R.M.S. Competition. Those visits to other sub-branches, and the social feeling that ensues are great, and must surely be the means of welding the League members still closer together.

The monthly meeting took place on Tuesday, August 9, when a goodly muster turned up. An informal meeting was, after the minutes and correspondence had been read, followed by a lecture (or lecture-t) by Les Robinson, his subject being "A Trip to Java." Time allowed was 30 minutes, and the amount of entertaining talk he crammed into the half hour was a revelation. He made us believe that Java was paradise.

The next visit was to Sumatra, etc., and sundry other places (chiefly pubs), with a running commentary on customs and sights, etc., was well worth listening to, and all members hope that this short feature will be the first of many. On behalf of the sub-branch, Mr. Radford moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Robinson, which was carried in the usual way.

At the September meeting, Dr. Cyril Bryan is due to give us his views on "London from the Inside," and by all accounts, members are in for a real treat, as Dr. Bryan is a speaker one could listen to for hours—that is, of course, away from his surgery! During the meeting, our President (Colonel Flintoff) feelingly referred to the loss the branch had sustained in the death of our late Assistant Secretary, Mr. Woods, and members stood for a moment's silence as a mark of respect to our departed comrade.

The sub-branch socials, which proved so popular in the past, will be re-commenced on August 24, and as a fine programme of games, etc., has been arranged by the Committee, a good roll-up of members is required. If the Asters win the toss in the last Test, and are still batting on the 24th, the latest scores will be announced during the evening.

NORTH PERTH
A Digger's Diary

(Wi)h profound apologies to the shades of Pemks)

July 20.—While walking in Fitzgerald Street, Tennyson, Mr. Tom Brown, was seen to stagger, and it was said that he walk stiff and very slow. At my inquiring the reason, he did tell me he do

have a torn muscle in his back, got of pushing a wheel-barrow, which did slip and do him hurt, at his place of work. His back now in plaster, by doctor's orders, and mighty sore, and

Poor Tom, I very sorry at hearing of his injury and his discomfort at it. This night I to St. Hilda's Hall, there watch our sub-branch sporting teams play Bayswater Sub-branch team at Archbishop Riley Shield games. A mighty win for North Perth, our team winning all five games, so gaining ten points. This put our players in merry cheer, and some to prancing like cock-sparrows. I, although secretly pleased at our victory, ask the reason of such showing of sport when the like could not be done with Darling Range Sub-branch who defeat them down to but two points, a short while past. Lord! the voracious bits I get at this, would, methinks, gladden the heart of any fisherman. This tickle me mightily, but, I contain myself from saying more, lest I put them to ire beyond control, and so away to the kitchen. Here I did give myself good content to see, the manner of preparing supper by Mr. Harry Rowles and young Master Warren Middleton of our S.S.L., who assist him, for a most extraordinary thing that all this work be left to but one man and a boy. Mesh, said he, this gentleman and lad very worthy of much praise and thanks at giving them time to work, whilst others might play at games of pleasure. Home, after a pilfered supper and discourse with the Bayswater gentlemen.

25.—Up and abroad, it being a promising fine sunny day. Saw Mr. "Mintie" Treasurer who is now better of the flu, and again to his duty of guarding His Majesty's mint, which I am pleased at. Here news that Mr. Harold Massey and Mr. Charlie Western did have the flu also, but now recovering, which is good news. This afternoon, with my wife to collect my war pension. We met Mrs. Sadlier, who told us how her young son, Terrence, did get a nasty hurt to his head, got of other boys flinging stones. A dangerous practice, which all parents should discourage their children in. Bye and bye I, in a huff, take leave of my wife, the wretch giving me but sixpence from my pension, saying "That be enough to pour down your neck," This vexes me, when I know for a truth she would layout a shilling to powder for her nose. I visit Mr. Stan Dival at his grocer shop and fund him suffering pain of an old war wound in his belly. The poor man walk with difficulty, and all bent up, which I was sorry to see, and did express my hope that the spasm would soon pass. Lord! after before, methinks, in one day, did I hear of and see so much illness.

August 8.—To Perth City and there met Mr. George White of Moora town. He a brother by law to my wife, and come to city on business of review to his war pension. I accompany him while he purchase many articles, which I help him carry. When done, we both packed up like bargain-hunting housewives, take electric tram coach to my home, where we enjoy a fine fish dinner and much merry discourse. Mr. White giving me much news of Moora Sub-branch to our League.

12.—To general committee meeting. Mr. Tom Brown in attendance, he now much better of the hurt to his back. Much business and correspondence. Mr. Riggs report how Mr. R. Hamilton be now out of No. 11 Ward and better in health, which is very good news. Much discourse of preparation to our sub-branch flower show this next month of September come. And our Women's Auxiliary Flower Queen Ball, which is to be in the North Perth Town Hall, the 29th of that same month. Sub-committees formed, they being: S.S.L. Advisory, L. Hetherington, T. Brown, E. Bass, H. Riggs, C. Jago, A. Hawkins, and W. James; Membership, L. McDowell, W. James, L. Hetherington, A. Hawkins, T. Brown, J. Lang, and H. Riggs; Social, O. Newmarch, C. Jago, C. Sadlier, R. Alderson, and myself, and talk of adding Mr. J. Middleton, which we have the power to do. Here news of Mr. W. H. Archibald, of the constabulary, being...
promoted to sergeant, which I am pleased at, but worry, we will lose him by being transferred from our district. Home to dinner, late as usual, as it always be from this committee, which vex me.

--13. This night, with my son, to the North Perth S.S.L. meeting. There hear a fine lecture with lantern pictures of A.M.C. work in the late war, given by Mr. H. M. Carpenter. An interesting talk which was enjoyed by many members of our sub-branch and the S.S.L. boys. In a back room to this meeting I find the sub-branch sports committee at meeting. They discussing coming cricket season and ways and means to new material for the cricket team, which I hope they will be successful in. Home in good content at a pleasant evening being spent.

COLLIE

The usual quota of items have been forwarded for inclusion on the agenda paper for the State Congress, which include; as usual, pension matters. Pensions have always occupied a foremost part in the work of the Collie Sub-branch, and many cases are pending at the present time. The appointment of delegates have been left over for a future meeting, but Messrs. May, Vice-President, and Stuckbury, Secretary, have formed a good team at previous Congresses, so they will most likely represent the sub-branch once again. Since last report the half-yearly balance sheet has been presented, and the sub-branch now has some considerable property assets as apart from their hall they have six grass tennis courts and two electrically lit hard courts, and, furthermore, more land has been acquired on which two more courts can be placed, and also a bowling green. Members expressed satisfaction at the progress of the sub-branch. The hospital committee reported that six members were in hospital, and that hospital comforts had been provided when needed. The pension report included some twelve applications involving a large amount of work on Harry May.

The delegates also intimated their desire of reforming the Women's Auxiliary, and for this purpose the State President of the Women's Auxiliary will be present at a function arranged for August 22. It is hoped to have a bumper evening on that date. The hall has been used to some extent by an unemployment committee, and a working bee, comprising a goodly number of the members of the R.S.L. The annual flower show and exhibition will be held again this year, and a strong committee has been appointed, and all points to this show exceeding past efforts. A garden competition, inaugurated last year, will again be held.

Members are taking a very keen interest in the shunings of the sub-branch meetings, which are being very well attended, in spite of the counter attraction of the Test Matches, which have always managed to include our meeting night in every match. Our new President has taken hold of things with a good grip. All wish they could attend more of these and the past president. We haven't heard from him for quite a while now; he is too far out for us to see him until the weather brightens and the twins are grown.

NEDLANDS

At the annual meeting and social held on August 14, there was such a large roll-up of members that the last few teats were drunk, with lemonade, the solid refreshments having run out. President H. N. Dean submitted an excellent report on the year's activity, and Treasurer J. C. Hutchison was able to show an increased bank balance. Amongst the visitors were Padre Riley and E. S. Wart, representing the State Executive, Mr. Norbert Keenan, M.L.A., Mr. A. H. Bidley, the Chairman of the Nedlands Road Board, Brigadier Martyn, Mr. Chas. Taylor, Deputy Commissioner of Repatriation, Mr. Lou Brigatti, and friend of the sub-branch, and Mr. Barney Barnard, from Three Springs Sub-branch. During the evening presentations were made to Mr. Reg. Wood, the Hon. Secretary; Mr. J. C. Hutchison, the retiring Treasurer, and Mr. C. N. Langford, on his retirement as editor of Splitters, the sub-branch official organ. A most enjoyable function finished on the right side of midnight.

The election of officers resulted as follows:-

- President, Mr. H. N. Newman;
- Vice-Presidents, Messrs. H. Lewis, V. Keteterer, J. Riley, Commander R. Griffiths-Bowen; 
- Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. L. Dent; 
- Hon. Auditors, Messrs. P. J. Barlett and J. C. Hutchinson; 
- General Committee, Messrs. N. Attrey, J. Anderson, C. Chappell, F. Kendall, G. Kenny, W. Longley, T. McEwan, G. Moore, G. Randall, F. Rogers, T. Veitch; Games Director, Mr. G. Sharp! Co-Editors of Splitters, Messrs. H. C. Newman and R. A. Wood; Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. A. Wood; Hon. Membership Secretary, Mr. M. Ryan.

PERT

Attentions at the last two meetings have been anything but large, but perhaps it is better to sit along the fire these nights. Despite the small attendances, however, the business has been pushed on, and many and varied are the resolutions dealt with. Of the large number of motions submitted for the Congress Agenda only four weathered the storm. This, I think, is a sub-branch record.

The sub-branch has again decided to try for the cricket pennant. The cricket captain (a staunch Austin) says, "If we could only get some of the 'pommies' luck we would be good things." So here's hoping for the "luck." Our A.R.M.S. teams are still going good, our latest pointless victims being Subiaco and Darling Range. The latter was a social game played at the Institute on August 4. This game nearly ended in a tragedy of the worst kind. Someone had forgotten the "cold" refreshments, but A.G.E., with his usual instinctive intuition, sensed the appalling state of affairs, and after a short gallop of approximately one hundred yards, arrived at the "dispensary" a tick before nine, and saved the night. What a man! What a night! What a lot of booby! (pinched from a popular record.)

At the last meeting Alf Yeates received the unanimous endorsement of members for the position of State President. (Delegates nominated for the forthcoming Conference are H. Hopperston, W. Hunt, J. Mulqueeney, P. F. N. Taylor, W. Holder, A. G. Emmott, and G. S. Mellor.)

BULLFINCH

Bullfinch returned men held a social and dance in the local hall on August 18, in aid of Anzac House. Mr. G. Yule (President) is now back at the "front" and has resumed active service, after being unavoidably detained in

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Federal Elections

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Pethor some considerable time. At the monthly meeting "Was Geordie", "fabbergeddy" the secretary by demanding one pound's worth of Anzac House badges, after receiving which the president ran amok and sold the lot within five minutes. Returning, he grabbed the balance of the badges and quickly sold these. Diggers afterwards sat in "conclave" and unanimously decided to send an S.O.S. to H.Q. for another 110 badges, which order was supplied in time for the dance on the 18th.

The local sub-branch meets at 11.30 a.m. on the first Saturday of every month, in the commercial room of the Exchange Hotel. Returned men who are not already enrolled are cordially invited to join our happy sub-branch.

Personal

An enjoyable night was held in the Bullfinch Public Hall on June 30, when the local sub-branch of the R.S.L. and citizens of Bullfinch assembled to participate in the golden wedding celebration of Mr. and Mrs. W. Orr. Owing to inclement weather, the clergyman failed to arrive from Southern Cross. However, Mr. F. J. Mann, J.P., very ably officiated at the service. Mr. and Mrs. Orr arrived in Western Australia from Scotland nineteen years ago, to rejoin two of their sons, who migrated here a few years earlier. During the Great War five sons served with Scottish regiments and it was felt that Bullfinch diggers could not let the occasion pass without giving the homely old couple some tangible proof of the esteem in which they are held. Mr. F. Berry, vice-president (Mr. Yule, president, being unavoidably absent in Perth) did the honours and presented Mr. and Mrs. Orr with a handsome eight-day clock suitably inscribed on a gold plate. Mr. Orr also received a gold-mounted pipe, while Mrs. Orr received a valuable travelling rug. Mr. Jock Orr briefly replied on behalf of his-parents and expressed his appreciation of gifts received and the spirit which prompted their presentation. Brothors Jock and Dave are enthusiastic members of the local sub-branch and have won the respect of their inception. Jock, who has been supplying a "glutted" market with wheat for many years back, now realises "it dura pays," and has turned his efforts to gold-mining. At present Jock is sub-branch auditor and when weather permits, journeys to Southern Cross, where he is Chieftain in the recently-formed Caledonian Society. Local returned men are to be congratulated on the manner in which they worked together and which brought a very fine night to a happy conclusion with Auld Lang Syne.

REPORT ON VISIT TO KULIN AND KONDININ

The Secretary submitted the following report at the last meeting of the State Executive:

In the absence of Mr. Yestes, I have to report that in his company and that of Major Ross-How ard, we journeyed to Kulin on August 8 for the purpose of attending the annual sub-branch re-union. There was a good attendance. The re-union took the form of a social and was held on the stage of the local Memorial Hall. Mr. Dave Honey, ex-3rd Machine Gun Corps, presided, and in addition to the President, there was the Chairman of the Road Board, Mr. R. McGuiness, Capt. Sykes, President of Kondinin, Mr. Ken Young, Secretary of Kondinin, Mr. Geo. White, President of Corrigin sub-branch, and many others with distinguished records both in the A.I.F. and the League.

During the evening the usual toasts were proposed and enthusiastically honoured. and before proceedings closed Mr. Yestes, on behalf of the sub-branch, presented to the Secretary, Mr. W. A. Tumber, a Certificate of Service and a gold wristlet watch as tokens of esteem and appreciation for services rendered. Mr. Peter Meikle, well-known 18th Battalion identity, sang his usual songs and, judging by his reception, was a pronounced favourite.

On the morning of August 9, Mr. Honey was good enough to take us for a long drive through portions of the district, during which we were pleased to note the excellent state of the fences, the apparent absence of rabbits and the uniform and forward condition of the crops.

Arriving at Kondinin on Thursday, August 9, we were cordially welcomed by the President, Mr. Bert Sykes, Secretary, Mr. Ken Young, and shortly after were conducted to the new Road Board Hall, where Mr. W. N. Trenbath, Chairman, Mr. McDonald, the Secretary, and other members of the Board, stated how pleased they were to have the opportunity of welcoming the State President and those of the League and local members were held in the esteem by the members of the Board. Mr. Trenbath referred to the fact that in our aspirations, we had the similarity, particularly in building at a time of economic stress, and he was pleased to say that his local hall committee had adopted the same seating accommodation as was being provided for in the Anzac Hall concert hall. The Kondinin Road Board Hall, when completed and furnished, would cost little less than £4,000, and would certainly be a credit to the district.

In the evening about 70 members of the League crowded into the dining-room of the local hotel, where Mrs. McDonald, wife of the licensee, had gone to considerable trouble in the decoration of the room and in the delicate savoury dishes which I have seldom seen equalled anywhere. Mrs. McDonald displayed a keen personal interest, probably on account of the fact that she had lost a brother in the War. Amongst those at the well-laden tables were the Chairmanship of the Road Board, Mr. Trenbath, the Secretary, Mr. McDonald, Major A. N. Phillips (11th Battalion) and a strong delegation from Kalgan-in-Hyde Rock sub-branch, including the President, Mr. S. Steinbridge (ex-Royal Engineers) and the Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. Want.

We were informed that Kondinin had 30 financial members and Kalgan-in 48 financial members.

In was a delight to hear the sympathetic references to the League and its members by Mr. Trenbath, the local Road Board chairmanship, and the usual speeches were excellently received. The evening's proceedings concluded with the full attendance singing "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

Kondinin took credit to itself for suggesting the "Buy-a-Brick" scheme for Anzac House Building Fund. Kalgan-in representatives also reported that they were doing everything possible and asked me to order another 100 bricks for their use.

At this and the previous function we were assured that representatives would be attending the opening of Anzac House. We returned via Corrigin and Quairading, thus making a round trip through the Great Southern districts.

There was hardly one bad crop seen and particularly between Kondinin and Corrigin, the excellent condition of the crops indicated that so far the season had been everything that could be desired. Your representatives deeply appreciated the hospitality accorded them everywhere.
Women's Auxiliaries

Ourselves

Conference time approaches, and it is eagerly looked forward to by all who can attend, whether as delegates or visitors. In these two days members gain a fuller understanding of the general work of the auxiliaries, while town and country delegates exchange ideas and experiences. It is the memories of war-time that bind them together and their common aim is to make things a little brighter and easier for those whom war and its aftermath have hurt so grievously.

When the auxiliaries were first formed after the war their main purpose was to assist in the social activities of their sub-branches and to sell poppies on Armistice Day. But the women were quick to see other needs around them, and hospital visiting was organised by several auxiliaries. The formation of the State Executive was a great impetus to the movement. Just after the first annual conference the clouds of the depression began to gather. Instead of weakening the auxiliaries, the depression strengthened them for there arose the sincere desire to help their less fortunate comrades.

In some cases the money for this assistance was provided by the sub-branch, but in most the auxiliaries raised their own funds and stretched them to the utmost in the careful purchase and shaping of materials into garments. No record could ever be kept of what the auxiliaries did in those hard years for the returned men and their families. But the memory of the many deeds of kindness done in the name of an auxiliary will live long in grateful hearts. Their friendliness meant much to many a despairing woman.

The sphere of auxiliary work has widened with the passing years. Soldier patients in hospital are not only visited now, but are entertained to outings during the summer months. The Soldiers' Scholarship Trust Fund and the Local and Empire Trading campaign have been royally supported. A magnificent sum has been raised by individual auxiliaries to assist the building fund of Anzac House. Others have been associated with their sub-branches in successful enterprises for the same fund.

In the country the auxiliaries have helped their own districts with rest-houses, hospital wards and war memorials. The metropolitan branches have been assisting lately the Red Cross Hospital Auxiliary, serving on the various councils for the promotion of local products and interesting themselves in the Infant Correspondence Nursing Scheme. These and other activities all represent some feature of the policy of the R.S.L.

Are our auxiliaries worth while? To answer that question let us imagine the R.S.L. without them!

We regret that owing to a mishap in our July issue portion of the annual meeting of the Wagin Auxiliary was included in that of Karrup. We express our regret to both Auxiliaries.

THE SECOND ANNUAL EXHIBITION

Plans for the exhibition are nearing completion. The Town Hall should provide ample space for all the exhibits to be seen to their best advantage. Stall-holders are already contemplating how attractive they can make their stalls. Subiaco and Bayswater Auxiliaries have volunteered to serve the afternoon tea on both Thursday and Friday, the other metropolitan auxiliaries supplying the scones and cakes.

In the flower section the decorated table is a new feature, and it is expected that a small trophy will be procured for the winner. During the exhibition demonstrations by members in rug and quilt making will be held. The exact time of those, and possibly other demonstrations will be duly advertised.

Mrs. T. C. Wilson is donating a prize for the member who has the greatest number of entries, and another will be given in the auxiliary section to the branch gaining the most points.

The exhibition will remain open on Thursday evening, September 20, but Friday evening will be devoted to a carnival dance organised by the Press Auxiliary. It is hoped that many of the country delegates will be in town by then so that they can attend the exhibition and carnival as well as the Congress.

MT. HELENA

The Mr. Helena sub-branch R.S.L. Women's Auxiliary held a most enjoyable and successful ball on July 21, the next proceeds being handed over to the Amelioration Fund of the sub-branch. In spite of very wet weather, there was a splendid attendance, which included visitors from the Hills Districts, Midland Junction, and Perth.

A sale of novelties helped to swell the funds and add to the fun of the evening. Two lovely boxes of chocolates were donated by Boose for prizes. Harry Vivian, Jun., held the lucky number in novelties, and Miss Witten won the spot prize. An apron worked by Miss Mayne was won by Miss Jessie Hoffman, Mr. Helena. Mr. Porritt, a member, donated a cake, which was won by Master Robinson. Excellent music was supplied by the "Peacock" Hills Orchestra.

After supper, Mr. W. Mayne, president of the Mr. Helena Sub-branch, in a kindly speech, presented Miss M. W. Boose with her service certificate, she having held the position of hon. secretary since January, 1930. It was a proud moment in the secretary's life and one she will never forget.

The membership roll is again slowly mounting up. Meetings, which open with afternoon tea, are held on the third Thursday of each month in the Mr. Helena Hall.

VICTORIA PARK

The monthly meeting, held on July 27, was well attended. Mrs. Barnett reported that there was a large number of patients in the Edward Millen Home, and the sum of 17/- was passed for payment in this connection for lollies and cigarettes. It has been the custom for some time now to provide each patient with a packet of lollies and cigarettes each month, which are provided out of Auxiliary funds. Members are thanked for the literature provided, all of which is greatly appreciated by the inmates.

At the social that followed, Mr. Pike won the game in partnership with Miss Vickers, and the raffle (doll) was won by L. Coleman. This is travelling very shortly to England, to a small
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SOUTH PERTH
The July meeting of the South Perth branch of
the Women's Auxiliary was held on Friday, 20th.
Mrs. Pendergrass, the president, in the
chair. Mrs. Pendergrass, the winning competitor
in the Queen Competition, and Mrs. Day,
were heartily congratulated on their splendid efforts
which raised over £41.

There has been a re-organisation in connection
with the dances and new musicians have been
engaged. They are proving very popular and the
crowd is now a great success. The
fortnightly bridge afternoons are happy functions
and fairly well attended. Preparations are well
in hand for the Auxiliary birthday party on
September 7, and members are promised a very
jolly night by the organisers, Mesdames Kahan
and Richardson. A local exhibition of work, in
conjunction with a fete, is being organised,
the date of which will be announced later.

It is with great regret that we have to
report Mrs. Philip six months' leave of absence.
Mrs. Philip has done wonderful work as Intermediary
Officer, and our thanks are due to her for
her untiring efforts and her unfailing tact and
kindness. Calls on the Intermediary Fund are
heavy at present, and two officers have been
appointed to carry on the work.

Dr. Ethel Stoneham, the psychologist, has been
invited to address the next meeting on August
17, and members are assured of a very interesting
evening.

It has been arranged to run a bridge evening in
aid of the sub-branch orchestra on a date to
be arranged at next meeting. Mesdames Pendergrass
and Aberle have been appointed delegates to
conference.

NORTH PERTH
Five new members were welcomed at the meet-
ing on August 8, at which 37 members were present.
The Queen of the Flowers will be crowned at the
Auxiliary children's ball, which will be held in
North Perth Town Hall on September 29.
(Tickets 1/-.)

Mrs. Stockdale, who has been on a visit to
Geraldton, attended on her trip and the hospi-
tality that had been shown to her by the
president (Mrs. McGilvary), of the Geraldton
Auxiliary.

At this meeting a small presentation was
made to our president (Mrs. James) in recogni-
tion of her services to the Auxiliary for the
past year.

MAYLANDS
The Auxiliary held its monthly visit to Lemnos
Hospital on Friday, August 17. Dancing inter-
spersed with musical items made it a very enjoy-
able evening. A children's plain and fancy dress
ball will be held in the Maylands Town Hall on
August 24 (Tickets, 6d. each), and a record attendance is desired.

GUILDFORD-BASSENN'AN
On the afternoon of August 9, a very success-
ful jumble and gift sale was held in the basement
of the Bassenhead Town Hall, Mrs. McDonald,
wife of the chairman of the Bassenhead Roads
Board opened the sale and wished the auxiliary
every success. Each stall was well stocked with
goods and wattle blossom brightened up the sur-
rounding. Baskets made of a popular jumble stall
there were others with produce and jams, surpris-
packet and handwork, the work on the last-
mentioned being entirely that of auxiliary mem-
bers. The afternoon teas were well patronised.
As this sale constituted the sole effort of the
Auxiliary during the present month, it was grati-
fying to find, at the end of the afternoon,
that a sum in the vicinity of £10 had been realised.

Mrs. Griev, our Past President, is still con-
finned to bed, after the regrettable accident in
April, but she hopes to have her entrance ready for
the exhibition, in which she is keenly inter-
ested.

BAYWATER
Our fourth birthday party was held in the
Town Hall on July 12. Members invited their
family and friends. Among the many guests
were Mrs. Hegney, Member for the district. Mr.
Mr. Vincent, old and esteemed friends of our auxiliary and Mrs. Winn, from Mr.
Mawthorn and the State Executive. The Roads
Board was represented by the Chairman and his
wife, Mr. and Mrs. Baty.

Songs sung by Mesdames West and Doering and
Miss Hess were much appreciated, also a violin
solo by Mr. Baty. After our President, Mrs.
Power, had said a few words of welcome, coffee
and a dainty supper was served, pieces of birth-
day cake being handed round. Dancing and the
singing of "Auld Lang Syne" brought a most
enjoyable evening to a close.

The usual monthly meeting was held in the
Lesser Hall, on July 26. Mrs. Power presided
over a gathering of 27 members; some business
was discussed, also the jumble sale to be held
early in September. A nice evening's entertain-
ment was arranged by Mrs. Blackford, Sin-
clear, and Clough. All joined in the games,
competitions, and dancing, enjoying the evening
immensely.

NARROGIN
The annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary
took place on Tuesday, June 26, when five new
members were welcomed. Through the influenza
epidemic, which has been very bad here, a great
many members were absent. The balance-sheet
was read and the report of the year's work was
very pleasing. The officers elected for the fol-
lowing year were—President, Miss. J. Alston;
vice-presidents, Mesdames Stone and Hansen; hon.
secretary, Mrs. V. Durkin; assistant secretary,
and treasurer, Mrs. A. Dewar.

CARLISLE
The last monthly meeting was largely attended
and members had much pleasure in welcoming
the State Secretary, Mrs. Hopperton.

The monthly dance took the form of a novelty
street dance, which was thoroughly enjoyed by
the large crowd present. The chocolates that were
given out to the dancers came as rather a novelty,
being the first time done in Carlisle, and were
kindly donated by Mrs. Hopperton. The raffle
for jumper made by Mrs. Hutchinson realised £11/6, and was won by Miss E. Tush.

The new scheme to raise funds is proving a
success. Each member on her birthday raffles
something and the proceeds go to the funds. The
sub-branches gives us their usual valued assistance.
We had much pleasure in visiting Edward Millen
Home and giving out cigarettes and sweets.
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<td>War Memorial Hall</td>
<td>Last Tuesday</td>
<td>B. H. Lifthouse, Wokalup Phone Harvey 100M</td>
<td>T. C. Fairley, 49 Campbell St., Kalgooilie Tel. 290</td>
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<td><strong>KALGOORLIE</strong></td>
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<td>R. R. Gibbs, Bank of N.S.W., Hannan St.</td>
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<td><strong>MOUNT BARKER</strong></td>
<td>Supper Room, Town Hall, Maylands</td>
<td>Alt. Thursdays, 7.30 p.m. (pension week)</td>
<td>P. R. Allen, 20 Coode St., Mt. Lawley</td>
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<td>Town Hall Committee Rm.</td>
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<td>Major G. E. W. Meredith,</td>
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<td>J. F. Robertson, 0/o Court</td>
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<td>C. Longmore, 0/o West</td>
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<td>F. J. Aberle, 10 Rose Ave,</td>
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<td>TOODYAY</td>
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<td>W. A. Wilkins,</td>
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<td>M. Collins, Tambellup</td>
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<td>R. A. Johnstone, Toodyay</td>
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<td>January 10, 1934</td>
<td>R. V. Walker, Yelbeni</td>
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<td>VICTORIA PARK</td>
<td>Library Hall, Albany Road, Victoria Park</td>
<td>3rd Friday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>G. J. Robertson</td>
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<td>WEST PERTH</td>
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<td>A. C. Shadgett,</td>
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<td>WESTERN BURIN, LEEDEVERE</td>
<td>Each place alt., commencing Bunting, March 1</td>
<td>1st Sunday, 3 p.m.</td>
<td>13 Gallipoli Street,</td>
<td>Box 41, Toodyay</td>
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<td>WEST LEEDERVILLE</td>
<td>Town Hall, Cambridge St., Leederville</td>
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<td>Victoria Park</td>
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<td>YEALERING</td>
<td>Commercial Hotel, Yealering</td>
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<td>P. G. Miller,</td>
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<td>YORK</td>
<td>Town Hall</td>
<td>2nd Tuesday alt. months</td>
<td>Taxation Dept., Perth</td>
<td>546 Albany Road,</td>
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<td>WYALKATECHEM</td>
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<td>H. Peters, 57 Woolwich St,</td>
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**R.S.L. Sub-Branch Women’s Auxiliaries**

| DONNYBROOK               | Memorial Hall                                        | First Saturday, monthly         | Mrs. Harding,        | Mrs. V. T. Miller,          |
|                         |                                                      |                                  | Donnybrook           | Donnybrook              |
| VICTORIA PARK           | Library Hall, Albany Road                            | Fourth Friday, 7.30 p.m.         | Mrs. O. Taylor, 54 State Street, | Mrs. D. Pike, 38 State St.,|
|                         |                                                      |                                  | Victoria Park        | Victoria Park           |
ASSOCIATIONS OF EX-SERVICE MEN

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<td>Blinded Soldiers' Association</td>
<td>Soldiers' Institute,</td>
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<td>D. M. Benson, Soldiers Inst., Perth</td>
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<td>Eleventh Battalion Association</td>
<td>Soldiers' Institute,</td>
<td>Monthly Luncheon, 1 p.m. on</td>
<td>W. Kruger, 79 St. Leonard's Avenue, Leederville</td>
<td>R. A. Blair, 79 William St.,</td>
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<td>Ex-Naval Men; Fremantle Sub-Section</td>
<td>His Majesty's Hotel</td>
<td>2nd and last Wednesdays</td>
<td>J. A. Main, 10 Wray Ave., Fremantle</td>
<td>A. J. Rate, Royal Oak, 223</td>
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<td>Col. C. H. Lamb, Victoria House, St. George's Ter.,</td>
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<td>Medical Services Association</td>
<td>Soldiers' Institute,</td>
<td>Third Thursday, quarterly</td>
<td>Col. D. M. McWhae (Chairman, A. H. Hood,</td>
<td>J. H. Gratwick, G.P.O. Box</td>
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<td>Twenty-Eighth Battalion Assn.</td>
<td>Committee, as arranged</td>
<td>2nd Monday</td>
<td>39 Tate St., W. Leederville</td>
<td>G441, 99 St. George's Ter.,</td>
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<td>Thirty-Second Battalion Assn.</td>
<td>Soldiers' Institute,</td>
<td>Annual Re-union, July</td>
<td>Lt.-Col. A. E. Dunkley, 86 Angove St., Nth. Perth</td>
<td>H. W. Rigg, 26 Elizabeth St.,</td>
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<td>16th Light Horse Association</td>
<td>Soldiers' Institute,</td>
<td>21st, 1934</td>
<td>G. Abjornson, 19 Esplanade, South Perth</td>
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<td>Perth</td>
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<td>J. A. B. Philp, Agricultural Bank, Hay Street, Perth</td>
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A Splash of Humour

News Item.—An organisation has been started in Tokio to find wives for unmarried men.
It is not clear as to whether this means a promise or a threat.

It is proposed to abolish, in Victoria, capital punishment in the case of murder.
May we suggest that capital punishment should be certainly ruled out. But the first move should be made by the murderers.

A report from America announces that a man has recently sat on the top-most bough of a tree for 60 hours.
His wife must have been spring-cleaning.

G. B. Shaw states that he wrote three plays during his recent visit to New Zealand.
This should be a warning to those who want him to visit Australia.

Turkish women are about to discard their veils so that they may appear more like Western women.
But what is a mere veil?

A member of one of our sub-branches boasts of fourteen children.

So here's another here who fought and bled for his country.

Said a diner in one of our local restaurants, "Once upon a time"
Said the waitress, "I haven't time for stories."
Said the diner, "This isn't a story, this is about the order I gave you." (Has it ever occurred to you?)

There is a plea afoot for really sound-proof telephone boxes.
Isn't this a matter for the Safety First Council?

Doctors who have more than one patient in a block of flats would do well to be careful of their speech. Here is a remark passed by one such. "I have another patient to see in these flats, so I might as well kill two birds with one stone!"

The angry customer was complaining to the dairy inspector. "My milkman is always drunk. I've seen him drinking spirits in between serving customers. I tell you it should be stopped. Several times lately the milk has tasted of rum and whisky. And last night my cat couldn't walk the house-top straight, and he was outdone in the bowling competition because he hic-coughed too much."

It would appear to some of the diggers that prosperity has given up turning those corners that have been so often referred to. They are beginning to think this self-same prosperity has turned a plurry somersault.

A lizard was caught in Barrack Street, Perth, last week.
Well, that's nothing new. There's lots of them leaning up against the posts in that same street any time.

In Hollywood it's a modern marriage if he begins paying alimony before the last instalment on the engagement ring is paid.
The Diggers' Business Directory

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(late 32nd Batt.)
Sells QUALITY FRUIT at CHEAP-
EST PRICES at his
Fruit Barrow
WILLIAM STREET, PERTH
(opposite Wesley Church)

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