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Keeping the Peace

SINCE NOVEMBER 11, 1918, the digger's outlook on many things, including war, has undergone considerable transformation, which is only natural in a section of the community whose average age is now almost middle age. When the Great Ground Arms was sounded, most of us felt like a reprimed man in the condemned cell, and the one thought of each was to get back home to those we had left behind us. We heard much vague talk of lands fit for heroes to live in and a world safe for democracy, against everything except but democracy; and those of us who had enlisted long before it had become necessary for politicians and others to ring the verbal changes at recruiting meetings were agreeably surprised to learn that we had been fighting in a war to end war. Like Galileo, the average digger cared for none of these things. He was glad to be home, well content to forget the war, and anxious to be back on the job of living for the country after showing he had been willing to die for it. But, if the war had done nothing else, it had developed into a cult that great Australian virtue of mateship which is the theme of so much of Henry Lawson's best work. Spiritually and physically, the change into trousers after years of puttees and breeches, gave a man a curious half-naked feeling, especially about the legs. The repatriated digger found that if he was not altogether out of sympathy with the rest of the community he was not yet quite in step with it. One frequently heard men wishing for another war. As a matter of fact, no man wanted any such thing; he missed the corporate life directed towards a definite purpose and he was homesick for the comradeship of the trenches.

The "never again" attitude towards war is something that has been invented for ex-service men, mainly by writers of war fiction. Evidence of this is to be found in the way diggers pestered the various District Headquarters in 1923 when there was a danger of a renewal of the war with the Turks. But time and the responsibilities that come with time have overlayed that fine careless rapture which sweeps a man into adventure. The digger is now absorbed into the community. In our zeal for public service we like to believe that he has an influence for good on the communal life and we are gratified when impartial observers assure us that on the whole he has. It is in the League, which stands for service in peace as in war, that the digger finds perpetuated the spirit of the trenches and the expression of the ideals for which he fought.

It is this ideal of service which prompts the League to take an interest in public questions, and to advise members to pull their weight in any organisation or society to which they may belong. In doing so, the League has never forgotten that the secret of its strength, the value of its influence, lies in its being non-sectarian and non-political in the party sense. In spite of all temptations to belong to this or that denomination, the League has preserved a character somewhat like the Elizabethan Compromise; it has remained an organisation to which every ex-service man may belong, irrespective of class, creed, political party, or even colour. The various efforts which are made from time to time to enlist the League's aid to various causes is evidence that the potential influence of our organisation is recognised outside the League itself. In the present troubled times, therefore, when men's minds are again centred upon war and all manner of suggestions are being put forward for its eradication, the question has frequently been asked, "Where does the League stand on this matter?"

That question has been sufficiently answered, one thinks, by resolutions carried by the State Congress, which met last month. Congress, a composite body of delegates from sub-branches in every part of the State, deplored the outbreak of the war in Africa, reaffirmed itself belief in the League of Nations as a factor for the securing of world peace, and, at the same time, reaffirmed its previous advocacy of an adequate defence force for Australia. The defence resolution was tantamount to a repudiation of the disarmament fallacy as far as present conditions are concerned. This attitude is by no means inconsistent with that expressed in the other resolutions; it is a recognition of realities, unpleasant realities if you will, but realities, none the less. Everything we have ever read in war histories, our own and those of former enemy countries, confirms us in the belief that the Kaiser would never have thrown down the gauntlet in 1914 had he not been convinced, largely through the outpourings of English pacifists, that the Empire was impotent in the military sense. In this very year of grace we have seen another dictator defying an Empire which misdirected idealism has again reduced to a state bordering upon military impotence.

This paper has no desire to take sides in the present misunderstanding between Mr. Hughes and the Federal Cabinet, but the statement attributed to Mr. Hughes in his book, that even economic sanctions can be nothing more than a
gesture without the force to make them effective, is one which the verdict of history will verify. We believe that the League of Nations is civilization's chief bulwark against another world war, but, unless the League is supported to the extent that it is able to enforce its decisions, it might as well disband, for it then becomes a dancing marsh-light leading the smaller nations, in whose interest mainly it was devised, to the muddy fate which seems to await Abyssinia.

We have seen war in all its stark horror, stripped of its romantic glamour, and ravening in its bestiality. We need no stay-at-home to tell us why we fought. We need no erudite professors, or other well-meaning civilians who have never seen a shot fired, to tell us what the next war will be like. That is a matter on which the various specialists of the fighting forces are by no means unanimous, and certainly the course of the present campaign is no corroboration of civilian prognostications. We are pacifists to the extent that we do not want another war and will do our best to prevent its outbreak; even though that best may mean another spell in khaki. Only those who have had experience of war know what they are talking about when they discuss war, but we see no need to become hysterical about it. Therefore, we have no faith in the faith that moves mountains for the prevention of war. We do not believe that conferences composed of well-meaning but relatively unimportant individuals will accomplish much beyond the achievement of a temporary newspaper publicity and, possibly, a holiday in Europe for someone at someone else's expense. Educate the public by all means, but in this there would seem to be a more legitimate field of endeavour in Italy, Germany and Japan, than in Australia. Many of the moonbeams from the larger lunacy which dazzle the extremist to-day are effective only in the wrong direction, and conducive to the possibility of future wars rather than to the promotion of peace. Attacks by noisy minorities on school textbooks, bright suggestions from academic persons, whose front line service was a matter of minutes rather than months, that we should be ashamed of our war service; and the cool effrontery of organisations, whose bonafides are open to question, in assuming that we should meet them on a plane of spiritual and intellectual equality by mucking in with them, as we used to say overseas, in the cause of peace, are not insulting as they are absurd. One sincerely hopes that the League will continue to preserve the sanity manifested in its aloofness from such things.

THE SUEZ CANAL POSITION

During the African crisis there have been many references to the Suez Canal and the possibility of closing it in the event of more drastic sanctions being imposed upon Italy. Italy's recent outbursts over the despatch of British naval and military reinforcements to the eastern Mediterranean suggest that only the prompt arrival of these forces prevented Italy from garrisoning the Canal as a means of forestalling whatever action the League of Nations might take. The Canal position, according to a writing in Our Empire, is somewhat complicated. No Government controls the Suez Canal, although just over 44 per cent. of the shares of the Suez Canal Company are held by the British Government. Despite this large British Government holding, the majority of the Board is, in fact, French, for it consists of 20 Frenchmen, 10 Englishmen and one Dutchman. The President and one of the Vice-Presidents are also Frenchmen, while the Company itself is Egyptian.

Under the constitution of the Company, no single shareholder is allowed more than 10 votes, and although British shareholding is over 167,000 shares, an ordinary shareholder of 250 shares possesses under the Company's statutes an equal voting power with the British Government. The shares are publicly dealt in, and, so far as is known, the balance of 56 per cent. or so are held by private individuals, mainly in France, but also in other countries. This limitation of the British Government's voting power, despite the fact that it is the holder of the largest single block of shares, has on many occasions been criticised, and it has been suggested that the Government should split up its shares into parcels of 250, which should be deposited with trustees, thus forming a voting block of 706 trustees with 10 votes each. One method proposed is that the various countries of the British Empire, which make use of the Suez Canal, should purchase blocks of shares from the British Government, so that the British Empire as a whole would be entitled to 7,060 votes, and thus have, although not a majority vote, an effective voting control over the company for all practical purposes.

The Canal has incidentally never been closed to traffic, and was, in fact, nomin-
ally open to enemy countries as well as to Allied countries throughout the war, although this freedom to all to use the Canal was, of course, theoretical only. The legality of closing the Canal has already been discussed extensively by eminent jurists. Many agreements between nations forbid this step, and the Canal was formally internationalised in 1888, by a convention declaring that it would always be open in peace and war without distinction of flag. At that time it was also laid down that the Canal could never be the object of a naval blockade.

IMITATION

Although the Italian Press is not at present enamoured of British methods, the Italian Army has accorded the British Army the sincere flattery of imitation, not in fighting, but in writing. Something similar to those letter cards that the troops used to call "whizz-bangs" have been adopted for the use of the Italian troops in East Africa and their relatives and friends on the home front. The only difference is that the Italians may telegraph their "whizzbangs" whereas the British soldier had to post his. Here are some samples of the pro forma, which include:

To the soldier: (1) "Your silence causing anxiety; send us news." (2) "Have received money order love and kisses." (3) "Money order not arrived." (This one may be sent at urgent rates.) (4) "Send money immediately urgently needed love." (5) "Baby boy arrived all well." (6) "Baby girl arrived all well.

Probably numbers five and six will be cut out if the conquest of Abyssinia proves a longer job than Mussolini first anticipated.

To the folks at home: (1) "Arrived safely and well love and kisses." (2) "Please acknowledge money order." (3) "I think, of you always, am well, love and kisses." (4) "Money order received best thanks."

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PENSIONS AND UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

The following reply has been received from the Minister for Employment:

Respecting yours of the 22nd instant advising of a resolution carried at your last Congress that soldiers' pensions be not taken into consideration in future when dealing with application for Government Relief, I desire to inform you that although there are now fewer persons a charge on the State than formerly, the problem of unemployment cannot be said to have been solved. The whole position is governed by funds that can be made available to this State, and as you probably noticed from the Honourable Premier's statement in Parliament yesterday, it is with difficulty that the Government is continuing to carry on the present relief works, and unless the loan monies we are seeking from the next Loan Council Meeting are made available, this difficulty will be aggravated, so that when determining the relief that a person shall receive we must, unfortunately, have regard to income from other sources. In this connection I might, however, point out that in considering soldiers' pensions, a more liberal view is taken than in the case of other citizens.

In view of the foregoing, I regret that at the present time we are unable to depart from the present policy.

RAILWAY FREIGHTS

Reply received from the Minister for Railways:

With reference to your letter of the 25th instant, conveying Resolution 51 passed at your recent Conference, I have to state that railway fares and freights in the metropolitan and suburban areas have been framed on a competitive basis and no adjustment can be made which would tend to raise the rates as that would mean the handing over of a large part of the business to competitors.

As regards a reduction of freight and fares on country lines, I would point out that freights have already been reduced recently to the extent of £105,000 per annum, which is as far as the Department can go at the present time.

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CRUISE TO GALLIPOLI

The Federal Secretary writes:

Hereunder is a copy of letter received from Mr. G. C. Martin, passenger representative, Cunard White Star, Limited, which is forwarded for your information:

Advice has been received by me from my principals regarding a cruise next year to Gallipoli, and it has occurred to me that possibly some of your members may be travelling to England next year and would be in a position to avail themselves of this unique opportunity to visit the battlefields and cemeteries on Gallipoli.

The R.M.S. Lancastria will sail from Liverpool on May 1 next year, and she will visit Malta, Salonika, Istanbul. She will stay two full days at Kelia Bay, Gallipoli and Salonika. Thus sufficient time will be afforded to give excellent opportunities for reunions and for visiting the familiar spots to such of your members who were in action over there. The Lancastria will return to Liverpool on the 23rd May, and the rates for this excellent twenty-three day cruise are from twenty-one guineas sterling.

It is fully anticipated that there will be heavy demand for the accommodation, and should any of your members be interested I should strongly recommend that early application for accommodation should be made, and I should be very glad to despatch a cable for reservations without any charge to the passenger.

AMENDMENT NATURALISATION ACT

The Federal Secretary advises as follows:

With reference to previous correspondence regarding the above resolution, which reads as follows:

That the Federal Executive be requested to approach the Federal Government for an amendment to the Naturalisation Act, 1930, exempting from the payment of the prescribed fee those who served in the A.I.F.

I now have pleasure in stating that the Commonwealth Government has advised that it has been decided to exempt from payment of the fee for a certificate of naturalisation any applicant who has served with a good record in the Australian Naval or Military Forces during the Great War of 1914-18, and action is being taken to give effect to the Government's decision.
A LETTER FROM DEVON

Bill Tracombe (late secretary Fremantle sub-branch), who left with his family for England a year ago, writes an interesting letter to us. He states:

Prior to my departure from the “Dear Old West,” I promised numerous diggers to write to them re my progress in England, but find it a monstrous task to fulfil. Therefore, I shall esteem it a personal favour if you will please find space in your valuable columns so that my promise may be fulfilled.

Every digger peruses your journal and will read my letter therein and receive the good wishes we extend to all.

We think of you continually and of the spirit of good fellowship which was ever prominent among you; the kindness and sympathy so readily given in times of adversity—that, we never shall forget.

I am particularly pleased to state that my “love” or I should say “our love” for Aussies is also manifested by numerous Devonians here, who recall their splendid carefree spirit and kindly mannerisms during the “chaotic days” of war. Exeter and surrounding districts know you all as well as we do, so that it is unnecessary for us to champion the digger.

It is a pleasure, also, to be able, as I have done on numerous occasions, to answer queries regarding questions of Australian pensions, or information on subjects which my previous experience as secretary Fremantle sub-branch enables me to supply. Even here, so many miles away from “the land of happiness,” I have a usefulness.

Now please allow me to offer a kindly word of advice to ex-Imperial who may be under the impression that England has plenty of work for them. Unless they have definite promises of jobs to come to, they are well advised to stay put. There is no “dole” for them, unless they have the required number of Unemployed Benefit Stamps affixed to their cards, which means they have to secure six months’ work before they become eligible for benefit. The crux of the difficulty is “where to get the work.” Unemployed men are as well provided for in the West as they are here, and they have the advantage of a splendid climate. Warm clothes and sturdy boots are essential here—we know. My advice is stay in the West!

The Deadwood Dick Complex

An irritating feature of modern democracy is the way one half of the world persists in interfering with the way the other half lives; yet this has its funny side in that the interference is always given a quasi-ethical direction. The reactions of man, capable of thinking for himself and looking at social problems with both eyes open, to the activities of well-meaning busybodies who go about doing good with malice aforethought are usually the smile of tolerance and the feeling that these activities are amiable futilities which, if they do little good, can, at least do little harm. But when propaganda distorts all sense of proportion, impelling all manner of persons who, to put it mildly, are not educational experts, to interfere with the work of those who are, the thing becomes a decided menace to that liberty of thought which is the seed of true democracy.

A few weeks before Armistice Day, two deputations descended upon the Director of Education to demand the deletion of portions of school textbooks which, according to the deputationists, glorify war, whatever that may mean, and encourage cruelty. One deputation was from the so-called Parents and Citizens’ Federation, the other, a bevy of loquacious ladies—representing various noisy minorities, one of which was recently banned by Labour and Trade Union organisations in Victoria as being definitely communist. The element of unconscious humour was also present in the knowledge that certain members of the latter deputation in favour of bordelising school books have also been prominent in the recent agitation against the Federal censorship of books. It would be interesting to know precisely how many parents of children attending State schools are represented by the Parents and Citizens’ Federation. Of the 900 schools administered by the Education Department only 220 have Parents and Citizens’ Associations, and the majority of these do not belong to the Federation. To cite three specific instances in the metropolitan area, Perth Boys, our senior State School, has no association, while Thomas Street and Claremont have large and active associations which are not members of the so-called Federation. This being so, one scents the nigger in the woodheap and wonders on whose behalf, or at whose command, this self-important minority within a minority is speaking.

The attitude of both deputations seems to us a recurrency of the Deadwood Dick complex manifested by parents and others in the dear long ago. In those days, the penny tales of adventure with the highly-coloured covers were the target of the unofficial censors. The writer well remembers the alarm and excursions in his family dove cote when he was caught with penny dreadfuls carefully camouflaged between the covers of dear old Todhunter’s Euclid, while, on the same day his sister was found revelling in the mild naughtiness of Ouida, and, horror of horrors, on a Sunday! Mid-Victorian parents feared we were both riding high, wide and handsome, along the primrose path which leads to destruction. After due admonishment, we were sent off to a session of the Pilgrim’s Progress. But, in one of his more re-

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children on Anzac Day in deference to persons of the very type composing these deputations. This being so, we should vigorously resist any attempt to subject our children to addresses from such people, however qualified they deem themselves as lecturers. In any case, teachers have quite enough to do in dealing with the prescribed curriculum without misguided enthusiasts making further inroads into their already restricted teaching time.

Early in 1916 the British Government decided to send a Mission to South Persia in order to combat German influence in that country, influence which the Persian authorities were unable to control. Inflamed by propaganda, many of the tribes were anti-British, and the Swedish gendarmerie was strongly pro-German. So powerful had the German element become that they had even closed the British Consulate, bank and telegraphs, and forced the British to flee from the city of Kermaq.

The Mission, headed by Brig-General Sir Percy Sykes, and consisting of a handful of British and Indian officers and N.C.O.s, landed at Bandar Abbas and commenced its task by raising a native force, subsequently called the South Persia Rifles, which was to assist the Persian Government in maintaining order.
In May, two months after the Mission arrived in Persia, an escort of Indian troops, comprising one squadron of lancers, two companies of infantry and a section of mountain artillery, was sent to Sir Percy Sykes, and as the South Persia Rifles had grown to considerable dimensions a move was made to Kerman, where the enemy subjects were seized and the British department re-opened.

After a short stay at this city the column moved on through the country effecting a junction with a Russian force, which was retiring before the Turks, at Isfahan, but the arrival of the British caused the Turks to abandon their intention of attacking that town.

After remaining long enough to assure himself that Isfahan was safe, Sir Percy Sykes continued his march. Shiraz was the next town reached, and here the British column received some welcome reinforcements from India. The position, however, was none too good, the principal weakness being the extreme length of the lines of communication; nevertheless, a great deal of work was done in opening roads for motor transport and in establishing posts—the total force now numbering some 2,000 Indian troops and 7,000 men in the South Persia Rifles.

In 1918 came the German break-through in France, and some of the more powerful tribes, incensed by the stoppage which had been put to their plundering forays and encouraged by German propaganda, thought the moment opportune for a declaration of war.

On May 26th a severe battle near Shiraz resulted in the tribes being badly defeated with heavy loss, but the arrival of strong reinforcements enabled them to lay siege to the British who withdrew, to a point nearer the city. Another action followed on June 16th, when the column again beat off the attackers, but withdrew still nearer Shiraz.

This being interpreted as a defeat, the city rose in revolt but was quickly taught that the British column was a long way from beaten, and as a result many of the tribesmen broke away from their allies and in the next action helped the column to utterly rout the enemy.

In the meantime some of the South Persia Rifles, believing that Shiraz had fallen, joined forces with the enemy tribes and attacked the post at Abadieh. The little garrison of Indian troops put up a fine defence and a relief column from Shiraz, making a magnificent forced march of 180 miles in seven days, soon settled that trouble.

There were a few more actions before the rebel tribes decided that it was not a paying proposition, and the South Persia Force ceased to exist as a separate body; it then co-operated with the Bushire Force in opening up the route between Bushire and Shiraz.

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November 1.—H.M. Torpedo-Boat No. 96 sunk in the Strait of Gibraltar, after being in collision with a mercantile fleet auxiliary.

November 2.—Serbians repulsed enemy attacks on the south-east bank of the Lepenitza with heavy loss.

November 3.—British cavalry in action in Serbia against Bulgarians advancing towards Prilep and Monastir. Austro-German forces captured Ushitz.

November 4.—Because of the defeat of his cabinet in Chamber by the party of M. Venizelos, the Greek Premier, M. Zaimis, resigned. French positions in Champagne round the Chausson Farm—tr. Krn7890/—0.0 were taken by the Germans, retaken by the French, and again violently attacked by the enemy.

November 5.—H.M. armed boarding-steamer Tara sunk by enemy submarine in the eastern Mediterranean. The Bulgarians entered Nish.

November 6.—On the Riga Front, the Russians successfully attacked the Germans near Oali. In Champagne, the French repulsed German attack on the Courtine earthworks.

November 7.—Italian liner Ancona torpedoed off Sardiniá, with 222 persons missing. German cruiser Undine sunk by submarine in the Baltic.

November 8.—Austro-German invaders of Serbia entered Krushevátz. French batteries demolished a German anti-aircraft gun to the north of St. Mihiel.

November 9.—Main line through Nish to Sofia and Constantinople reported in enemy hands.

November 10.—British transport Mercian attacked by gunfire from an enemy
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submarine in the Mediterranean, with 103 casualties. Near Kolki, on the River Syr, the Russians broke through the enemy line, capturing 50 officers, 7,000 other ranks, and 20 machine guns in the pursuit.

November 11.—New War Committee of the Cabinet announced. During the temporary absence of Lord Kitchener in the Near East, it consisted of five members, Messrs. Asquith, Lloyd George, Balfour, Bonar Law and McKenna.

November 12.—The Greek Parliament dissolved as the Government failed to come to any working arrangement with the Venizelist majority.

November 13.—Russian troops in the Schiloch region pursued the enemy, inflicting heavy losses, and advanced west of Kemnern.

November 14.—Germans penetrated French trenches in the Labyrinth but were dislodged by counter-attack. Three Austrian aeroplanes raided Verona, killing and injuring 78 persons.

November 15.—During a successful attack on Turkish trenches on Gallipoli, 160 yards on the east of the Krithia Nul-

lab, and 120 yards on the west were gained.

November 17.—Hospital ship Anglia struck a mine in the Channel and foundered with the loss of four officers, one nurse and 129 men.

November 19.—An attempted enemy air raid on Luneville, and German attempts to cross the Drina, north-east of Friedrichstadt both failed.

November 20.—Lord Kitchener had an audience with King Constantine of Greece.

November 21.—Artillery engagements around Loos and Hulluch.

November 22.—Battle of Ctesiphon, eighteen miles south-east of Bagdad, in which the Turkish positions, with 800 prisoners and war material were captured. The British losses were 2,000 killed and wounded.

November 24.—In Serbia, the plain of Kossovo carried by the enemy. The Entente Powers presented a note to Greece demanding the security of the Allied troops in Macedonia.

November 25.—In Galicia, near Siem-ikowice, on the Strypa, the Russians attacked the enemy, driving him into the river where many were drowned.

November 27.—A German poison gas attack between Forges and Bethincourt, to the west of the Meuse, failed.

November 28.—A British aeroplane destroyed a German submarine on Middlekerke.

November 29.—Arrival of Turkish reinforcements compelled the British to retire from Ctesiphon.

November 30.—Prisoners were taken by the Bulgarians. Lord Kitchener returned to London.

FEDERAL CONGRESS

The annual Federal Congress of the R.S.L. will be held in Sydney commencing on Wednesday, November 30, when it will be officially opened by the Governor-General (Sir Isaac Isaacs). The delegates from this State are Colonel Chas. Lamb and Mr. Fred Aberle and the State Secretary (Mr. Dave Benson) will be in attendance. During Mr. Benson's absence from the State, the assistant, Mr. Cari Ferguson, will be acting State Secretary.

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PERSONALITIES

Best wishes to A.H. Richardson, who is seeking re-election to the Albany Municipal Council. This councillor, who recently received the condolences of his fellow members of the Albany sub-branch on the death of his father, served overseas with the 16th Battalion, and is now a member of the local branch of Dalgety's.

Major Victor Louis Calero-Manning, V.C., of Davilak Estate, Spearwood, a member of an old Fremantle family, and a cousin of Colonel C. H. E. Manning, died on November 4. The deceased, who was 52 years of age, was educated in England and served with the 12th Lancers in India. After retiring from the British Army, he was engaged in farming at Morowa until the outbreak of the Great War, when he rejoined his regiment. Subsequently he was transferred to the Royal Munster Fusiliers and the 5th Royal Berkshires, with whom he served in France, gaining the Military Cross. He leaves a widow and two sons, one of whom is settled in Kenya, while the other has just completed his studies at Oxford.

A soldier succeeds a soldier as general manager of the Australian Broadcasting Commission. Mr. C. Moses, who follows Major Conder in this appointment, is well-known to radio listeners through his sporting broadcasts, but he is a man of many parts. He passed through Sandhurst into the Border Regiment in time to see the fighting on the Western Front in 1918, after which he served in Germany and Ireland. Mr. Moses became associated with broadcasting in Melbourne in 1930. In his spare time he has been an amateur heavy-weight boxer and has held several Army championships and the Victorian amateur heavy-weight championship. He has also held championships for putting the shot and throwing the discus, and has represented Victoria in rugby football.

MR. H. E. WELLS

Mr. Wells, who is a member of the State Executive, C.S.I., is a candidate for the South Perth seat at the forthcoming Legislative Assembly elections. He previously held this seat, but was defeated at the last elections. He served abroad with the 44th Battalion.

Memories of Australia's most important naval engagement were revived by the unveiling of a memorial tablet to the late Admiral Gossop in the naval dockyard church at Garden Island, Sydney. The tablet was presented by his widow, before marriage, was a Miss McPhail, of Kelso, near Bathurst, New South Wales. Admiral, then Captain, Gossop commanded H.M.A.S. Sydney when, on November 9, 1914, she sunk the German cruiser Emden. As a midshipman he served in H.M.S. Calliope, when that famous vessel escaped to the open sea from Apia Harbour, Samoa; in the teeth of a hurricane which wrecked the U.S. warship Trenton and the German ships Eber and Adler. H.M.S. Calliope was then a unit of the R.N. squadron stationed at Sydney. From 1917 to 1920, the Emden's conqueror was commodore in command of the naval establishments at Sydney. He died in England last December.

During the few years he has been with us, Brigadier A. M. Martyn has been, not only a popular District Commandant, but a tower of strength to the League and the rifle clubs movement in this State. Until recently he was president of the Claremont sub-branch. All who have had the privilege of being associated with him in the course of his many activities will therefore deeply regret his transfer as Commandant, 4th Military District, which takes effect at the end of next month. Perth's loss will be Adelaide's gain. Brigadier Martyn's first commission, as a subaltern in the Sydney University Scouts, in 1903, after which he became an officer of the Royal Australian Engineers. He was a captain on District Headquarters in Perth when the war broke out and went away with the 1st Divisional Engineers. During his services overseas he was mentioned in despatches four times and collected the C.M.G., the D.S.O., and the French Croix de Guerre. Brigadier Martyn has academic as well as service associations. Before he entered the permanent forces he graduated in engineering at the University of Sydney, and was one of the foundation members of Convocation of the University of Western Australia.

Brigadier Martyn will have a worthy successor in Brigadier P. M. McFarlane, who is a South Australian by birth, and is at present District Commandant in his native State. Brigadier McFarlane served throughout the South African War, 1899-1902, gaining the Queen's medal with five claps and the King's medal. He then became a lieutenant in the South African Constabulary with which force he served until 1908, when he returned to Australia. Brigadier McFarlane was granted a commission on the Administrative and Instructional Staff, now the Staff Corps, for distinguished services in the field and is the only officer who has been awarded this distinction.

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He went overseas with the 3rd Light Horse Brigade, was severely wounded on Gallipoli in July 1915, mentioned in despatches, and invalided back to Australia. He became brevet-major in 1917 and brevet-lieutenant-colonel in 1920.

Major-General J. G. Lavarack has paid his first official visit to this State since entering upon his new duties as Chief of the General Staff. He received his first commission in the Royal Australian Artillery in Brisbane in 1905 and, having graduated from the Staff College, Camberley, by the outbreak of the Great War, he was lent to the War Office as a general staff officer. He went to France as Brigade-Major of the 22nd Divisional Artillery, but was recalled to the A.I.F. in July, 1916. After commanding the 17th and the 104th Batteries, he was on headquarters of the 3rd, and finally the 4th Division. Before his recent promotion he was commandant of the Royal Military College, in which he had previously held two instructional appointments.

Our Empire reports the death of Trumpet-Major A. H. Imeson, late of the Royal Irish Dragoons, who died at Hillingdon, Middlesex, aged 59 years. The hill passes of India had heard his trumpet, and it rang on the battlefields of Gallipoli where he was wounded-in-action. For the past seven years he has sounded the “Last Post” at the Cenotaph in Whitehall and millions throughout the world have heard his trumpet notes broadcast on Armistice Day.

A distinguished visitor to Perth is William Caldwell, who is a former student of the Beaconsfield State School and of Scotch College. He was selected as Rhodes Scholar for W.A. in 1916 whilst a member of the A.I.F. in France. He went to Oxford after the war and after completing his studies there received an important appointment to the International Labour Office of the League of Nations. He has come home on furlough.

A true soldier, and a man was Bill Elferson, who passed away at Wooroloo Sanatorium during the month after a lingering illness borne with great courage. Bill was born at Gympie, Queensland, but spent most of his life on the eastern goldfields. He enlisted early in 1915 and served as a sergeant in the 28th Battalion. After the war he joined the staff of the Repatriation Department, where he remained until forced by ill-health to resign in 1932. He was a public spirited fellow, serving as a councillor of the Subiaco Municipality for eleven years and since his return from the war has been a good member of the League. Bill’s 6ft. 3in. of pleasing personality will be much missed by a host of friends, and the sympathy of his pals goes out to his widow and family.

Colonel Steve Roberts, the new Warden of the State War Memorial, is well known to most members of the Western Australian Branch of the League. He has had a long connection both with the State, of which he is Deputy Postmaster-General, and with the Australian Military Forces. He is an enthusiastic member of the Legacy Club and of the Subiaco sub-branch which will now co-operate with him in the capacity of sub-Wardens. He had distinguished war service with the 11th Battalion.

PERSONAL PARS OF R.S.L. CRICKETERS

At the last meeting of the R.S.L. Cricket Association a welcome guest in the person of the Association’s Patron, Bert Oldfield, the Australian XI player, and also of New South Wales. The president, Mr. H. Hoperton, in his usual breezy manner, welcomed Bert, and stated that he was the most popular digger playing cricket in Australia today. Several speakers, following the president and Mr. Oldfield in his reply, first of all congratulated the Association on their wonderful strides, and said it was certainly one of the things that was binding the digger together today. He gave a fine description of the last visit of the Australian XI to South Africa. He being the only member of the last team in the present visit. Later in the evening he made a presentation of an Auto-graph book to the Australian XI he used as the Association thought best. He was warmly thanked for this kindly gesture. He was then entertained at light refreshments by the delegates. Mr. Oldfield has since written Mr. Menkens and said he would not have gone away without paying the Association a visit.

Jim Smith, one of the Association’s official umpires, is one of our keenest umpires. On Saturday he does his duty with the metropolitan senior association, and has been on duty with the R.S.L. Association for the past two years. He and Arnold Evans did a good job in the last Town v. Country R.S.L. match. Jim is a very active member of the Perth sub-branch.

Jim Humphries is another umpire with good experience and is one of the latest of the entrants to join the R.S.L. Association. He is also an official umpire to the Mercantile Association where he is considered to be one of their ablest officials. He also umpires the annual matches between Incogniti v. the Secondary Schools in company with Bill Menkens, another one of our official umpires.
The Listening Post

Scabbards Off!

By Pip Tok

My barber is one of those rare individuals who can combine theory with practice. He does his headwork with his hands.

A country correspondent has weighed in with the information that the Agricultural Bank Commissioners would soon be visiting his district for the purpose of "outlining their policy." Of course, it was only a slip of the pen, but what a lovely fight the Editor would have wanted had he let it go at that.

A pal of mine who prides himself on his knowledge of French but who is a poor old mess secretary for all that is batching while his wife is away on a holiday. In answer to my inquiries as to how he is managing, he replied, "I had a Bayard of a breakfast, yesterday—sans beurre, et sans brioche."

Roman matrons no longer give their guests tea, because of that-cheering bev-

Margolin had made a special trip from Perth to be present, and by so doing showed the old comradeship of the 16th.

During the evening Mr. Yeates was called upon, as R.S.M., to drill the diggers, who formed an "O'Grady" Squad, causing much amusement and proving that many had not forgotten their drill.

Songs were given by R. Kendall, A. Yeates, T. Scott and A. Robinson, and Nutters' Orchestra provided the music. Jim Bedford was called upon to entertain the troops with his war-time experiences and the one that brought down the house was, where he sold an aerodrome in France, and for the diggers' inspection produced his authority in writing to do it. In his speech the colonel gave those present, a brief outline of the 16th Battalion Association workings, of which he is president, and this information was much appreciated by the diggers. Colonel Margolin recounted a few 16th yarns.

By midnight Geo. Mooney and his helpers, who had been a little sparing with the juice, were ordered to fill 'em up more regularly. Every digger being merry was then called up to either tell a story, sing, or do something humorous.

The mayor of Geraldton, Mr. Geo. Lester, thanked the members for the kind invitation to be present at the reunion, and mentioned that he was always ready to assist all returned men.

Erage's English associations. By way of reprisal, Smith Minor has sworn off ca-
tor oil.

When Mr. Baxter, M.L.C., moved an amendment to a Bill that had reached the committee stage in the Legislative Council, the digger's old friend, Mr. J. Franklin, criticised the amendment as not being sensible. "All amendments are sensible," was the ruling of the Chair-
man, the Hon. James Cornell, M.L.C. Congress delegates and others will agree that our Jimmy can speak with authority on amendments.

All the same, the ruling reminds me of one given in a local caravanserai the day an Eastern States brew made its first appearance at the bar of the house. "Not bad," was the verdict of one connoisseur, "but you're pretty hot charging sixpence for a small glass." All beer glasses are small, was the comment of a bleary-eyed individual at the other end of the bar.

Virgin is the intriguing name of the Swedish General who has been instructing the Abyssinians in the art of winning wars without fighting. The Editor directs me to warn readers that the next correspondent who tries to establish a connection between this Virgin and the story of the subaltern's nickname will be wheeled up before the bar of Anzac House.

On Italy's Armistice Day, Signor Mussolini referred to the campaign in Abyssinia, declaring, "Italy will smash into victory." So far the smash would appear to be a crawl-stroke.

Major-General Temperley, the military correspondent to the Daily Telegraph," points out that, as the result of a month's warfare, the Italians have advanced, practically unopposed, for sixty miles. This reminds me of that dear old sum of our schooldays: "If a snail, climbing a six-feet pole, climbs two inches and slips back one and three-quarters inches in an hour, how long will it take him to go over the top?"

Italian students assembled at the offices of Thomas Cook and Sons, shouting, "What does England do?" to which the crowds replied in chorus, "She stinks!" Courtesy compels us to refrain from mentioning what the heroes of Caporetto did in the Great War.

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TWO NEW WAR BOOKS


It has been said and oft times repeated that every man has in his experience of life sufficient material for at least one novel. Judged by the number of war books that have been published, and are still being published, that remark is especially true of the ex-service man. Again, judged by results, the war book would appear to be the easiest kind of book to write, that is for anyone who served in the Great War. There was, especially in the infantry, a community of experience, a community of suffering, even a community of sinning to such a degree that of few it can be said that his experience was unique. So definitely is this, so that the war book, like the detective story, or the cow-boy story, is now compounded of recognisable ingredients and moves within paths so well-defined as to be almost stereotyped. This is not necessary because of lack of originality on the part of the writers; rather must it be attributed to their funda-

mental honesty, for the experience of one man was the experience of so many thousands of others, so much so that the retailer of unusual experiences immediately becomes suspect. To be original in the sense meant a writer must become a Wilfred St. Mande who portrays himself as the hero of every unusual episode that was forged in the murky foundries of the lines of communication; a self-advertising Crozier, a carping egocentric like Robert Graves and the veracious author of "Rebreut," or a swimmer in the cesspools of introspection like the gifted author of "All Quiet."

To the everlasting credit of the digger author, and we speak from experience, having reviewed many war books, British, Australian and foreign, he employs no dubious devices in the making of his book. Acting on the principle that good wine needs no bush, the Australian writer tells a plain, unvarnished tale. Like his predecessors in literature who introduced the Australian bush to a wondering world, he reveals the truth, as it appears to him, whether that truth be pleasant or unpleasant. He is no hero worshipper, nor is he one who reveres established custom merely as custom. The man lifted out of civil life to become a cog in the military machine only too often finds the army ways irksome and possibly more than a little stupid, and he is not afraid to say so. At the same time, he has no malcontent feeding avaricious grudge against a system or those who administered it. The outstanding general characteristic of the Australian war book is its freedom from malice, its ability to criticise without unreasoning condemnation, and its passionate regard for the truth. War is not represented as a glamorous adventure, nor is it made the background of a spate of self-pity. The digger author can be realistic without becoming sadistic, and humorous without being nasty. He may not reach the high-water mark of literary excellence but his work is a refreshing change from much of the stuff that issues from English, American and Continental printing presses.

It is probably because of this restraint of imagination in the interest of the eternal verities that the great Australian war novel, as distinguished from the war book, has yet to be written, for notwithstanding Mr. J. P. McKinney's success with "Crucible," success from a literary as well as from a prize-winning standpoint, his book, though superior in every respect to most of its kind, is not a novel as this reviewer understands the term. Though it contains humorous passages, "Crucible" lacks the rollicking humour of "Hell's Bells," but that is in its favour rather than to its detriment, for the author of "Hell's Bells" sometimes strains after effect and writes what he believes the public thinks he should write, which the author of "Crucible" does not. "Crucible" is comparable with "Hell's Bells" in its commendable delineations of character and its stirring descriptions of incident. Mr. McKinney is both a scholar and a thinker. His philosophical reflections make good reading and he does not make of obstructing them to the interruption of the narrative. He is a psychologist enough to realise that character and temperament are not static, that they are

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modified by experience, and he is realistic enough to make his central character a plain, decent fellow, as was the average digger, who acted according to his lights and did his best as far as he was able. He has artistry enough to make Bain an excellent foil to his hero, Fairbain, and the minor characters are neatly sketched in. He is critical of army ways without being unduly resentful. His humour is all the keener, and his pathos all the more poignant for his commendable restraint. Added to this he writes wonderfully good English, and employs the short sentence without giving his narrative the staccato bark of the would-be impressionist.

One cannot help feeling that at times incidents weigh more with the writer than individuals, that the background submerges the protagonists. Fairbain's adventures might have been those of any platoon commander of the A.I.F. The story is straightforward and goes from point to point with all the rapidity of the picturesque novel, and there are no intricacies of plot. Except for the intrusive fears that even experience could not altogether still, and the sex reactions of a normal man thrown in the way of temptation after months of enforced celibacy, and here, it may be mentioned that Mr. McKinney handles this situation with a delicacy which is unusual among writers of war books, there are none of the mental conflicts, the interplay of emotions as they are influenced by incidents, which distinguish the novel from the narrative. This is an opinion, rather than a criticism and must not be considered in any way as a condemnation of an outstanding work. The book is one which every digger should read, and will read with enjoyment coupled with admiration, for its author is doubly, to be congratulated.

One closes "Crucible" with regret at having come to the end of a grand story; one closes "There and Back" with a sigh of relief not because of any literary deficiencies but at having finished one of the most poignant stories of human suffering, or fortitude in the face of suffering and of triumph over human frailty, that it has ever been our task to review. In last month's Listening Post a short biographical sketch was given of Rowland Edward Lording, who, under the pen name of "A Tiveychoc," has recorded his experiences in camp, battle and hospital in "There and Back."

He was a fifteen-years old youngster in short pants when the war broke out, yet he managed to get away with the 30th Battalion, the New South Wales battalion of Tivey's 8th Brigade, called Tivey's Choc because the men of other brigades associated their yellow brigade colour with the gold ribbons then found in chocolate boxes. Young Lording's story is told in diary form and retells his experiences in camp, on the troopship, in Egypt and in France, and on that bloody day at Fromelles when, he, at the ripe age of seventeen, was struck down with so many of his comrades. The book is none of the horrors of the hospital rather than of the battle-line, for neither the unparalleled skill of army surgeons nor the sublime devotion of army nurses could eliminate pain altogether nor shorten the weary months of helplessness.

The latter half of the book would not make pleasant reading, were it not relieved by the admiration one must render to Lording's fortitude and the irreligious humour which is characteristically Australian. We have space to quote but one sample. It is the story of his rebuff to one of those self-righteous busybodies, a conscientious objector at that, who, for some reason or other, were allowed to augment the agony of the cot case with inquiries about his soul. This individual work the patient up to ask:

"Do you know the Lord?"

"Yes," answered Ted (the story is told in the third person), "I was enjoying His blessing of sleep."

"Awaken unto the Lord... Come, pray with me for forgiveness."

"What for?" says Ted.

"The scripture sayeth, thou shalt not kill."

"And I say I'd like to kill you, you miserable swine. Go!"

Incidentally, he has nothing but respect for the true man of religion who did his best for the comfort of sufferers whether they were of his own denomination or not.

Even after his return to Australia, Lording's private war continued. In fifteen years he had 52 operations, and his sufferings were complicated by the struggle to overcome the morphia habit incurred in the course of hospital treatment. "There and Back is one of those rare slices of autobiography, fearlessly outspoken yet innocent of bravado or any parade of suffering which closes on a note of happiness which the reader hopes will be permanent, for Lording has suffered much and is entitled to all the happiness that life can hold."

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**The Late Charles Massey**

It came as a shock to his host of friends to learn of the sudden passing away, during the month, of Charlie Massey. He came to Perth to undergo a minor operation, but other disabilities caused his death. Charlie had a flourishing business at Kalgoolie and Boulder as a jobbing printer, being a dependable businessman and useful citizen. He left...
this State with the original 32nd Battalion, as Company Quartermaster and was later promoted to Battalion Q.M. He was an unassuming gentleman and was very popular in his unit. Since the war he has been prominent in League circles, being at one time president of the Boulder sub-branch. He was also a vice-president of the live 32nd Battalion Association. Although away from his home town the funeral was very largely attended by returned men, Messrs. and Druitts. Lou Lobascher, the secretary of the 32nd Battalion Association, received a telegram of condolence and a wreath from the 32nd Battalion Club of Adelaide, also many telegrams and letters from country members. Charlie Massey is survived by his widow to whom we add our condolences to the many received on the loss of such a sterling character.

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R.S.L. CRICKET ASSOCIATION NOTES

By W. L., Hon. Publicity Officer

Before commencing my notes this month for your paper, I would like to thank the Editor for the excellent publicity you have given to the above Association already this season.

Great interest is being shown by all clubs this season, the attendances have been somewhere in the vicinity of 400 spectators.

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The fifth round of matches was completed on Nov. 10. Cottesloe, under the able captainship of Billy Eddy, defeated the strong Nedlands “A” team by 12 runs. Bill, himself, put up a fine all-round performance, making 14, catching two and securing 7 wickets for 23.

Colin Watkins is to be congratulated on his score of 29 not out. Going in at a very critical period he played a fine knock. Both Eddy and Watkins are great enthusiasts on behalf of the Association, and it is certainly good to see them doing so well. Wallie Crain and Alex. Stone also bowled well for Nedlands No. 1.

The Midland team proved too strong for Mt. Hawthorn, the latter team only making 18 and 68. Marshall 25, Stockman 11 and Glidden 11, being top scorers. The bowling of Clayton, of Midland, was first class, securing 12 wickets for 32. Webster secured 4 wickets for 4 runs. Midland-Junction declared at 3 wickets for 101. Albert Watts, batting brilliantly for 46, including 6 fours and 1 six. Danny Byrne also showed good form in making 28 not out. Harry Blunt was Mt. Hawthorn’s best bowler, securing 3 for 18, and certainly had bad luck.

It is most pleasing to see the way the digger spirit is prevailing in this Association.

North Perth are very keen this season. They can be seen at practice at Woodville Square every Friday evening. Stan Dival is their skipper this season.

The Association is to be congratulated on their choice of umpires this season. They are now controlled by the R.S.L. Association, and all come from different matting associations, and have had good experience. All are diggers and their performances up to date have been first class. Keep it up.

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A clarion call to all who think Australia is still worth defending, notwithstanding the undue influence exercised on our private lives by the numerous societies for minding other people's business, is sounded by Mr. Hughes's book "Australia and War To-day," the publication of which has caused such a stir in the Federal Parliament. Without wishing to take sides in Mr. Hughes's quarrel with his fellow ministers, the reviewer fails to see anything in the book, or in the views expressed therein, either to justify his resignation being called for, or inconsistent with Mr. Hughes's subsequent attitude in voting with the Ministry on the question of the sanctions.

The book is a criticism of the League of Nations and of the diplomacy divorced from reality which insists on a League devitalised by "disarmament asserting itself in a moment of crisis. There is nothing brand new in this criticism, except that Mr. Hughes has made it with his characteristic forcefulness, and, one ventures to say, had the book been published three months ago, we should not have seen such a storm in the Federal teacup.

Starting with the premise that law and order, even in the piping times of peace, are based on force, Mr. Hughes contends that naval, military, and air forces are essential for the preservation of peace, whether from strangers without, or from the gates or enemies within. He has nothing but scorn—and our Billy's scorn can be very corrosive—for the dear exhibitionists who fondly imagine that they can meet in conference and banish war from a weary world by good resolutions. "The idea that war can be prevented by a number of people in one country—or in many countries—solemnly pledging themselves not to fight," he writes, "cannot be seriously entertained. It ignores human nature and the causes of war. As a means of preventing war, it is as effective as would be an attempt to irrigate the Sahara with a toy spurt." Here, he was referring to bellicose young pacifists at Oxford who, after pledging themselves never to fight for King or country, went out and used physical violence, to their own cost, against other undergraduates who wished to see a film dealing with life in the Navy. That, and the kindred brand of pacifism which would turn the other cheek to the invader in the hope of converting him, is as despicable as the inverted patriotism which would not lift a hand to help sister Dominions until Australia herself is invaded.

Neither has Mr. Hughes much faith in the possibility of a general strike preventing war. Trenchantly, he points out that even in peace, the working classes cannot unite for political ends. When unity in Labour circles cannot be achieved, and when the general strike has never been possible, much less successful when the nation is not at war, how, on earth can the workers of all countries unite for one increasing purpose? Gustave Herve, the famous French socialist, whose "My Country, Right or Wrong," was such a scathing indictment of nationalism before the Great War, was a Frenchman first and a socialist afterwards when France was invaded. Similarly, German socialists, who talked very glibly before the War about turning their guns on their officers instead of the French, were Germans first and socialists afterwards, even accepting portfolios in a war ministry and helping to vote credits for the prosecution of war. Yet, his criticism is not wholly destructive. In attacking the pacifist shibboleths, he considers that the workers who rail against the traffic in armaments would be more honest and more effective in their campaign against war if they refused to work for and take money from the armament firms who have been receiving such undesirable publicity of late.

The chapters on the League of Nations, German rearmament, and the endeavours of European statesmen to provide peace with security are very illuminating. The League Covenant, as he suggests, does not insist on disarmament, except so far as is consistent with national security. No member nation is obliged to sacrifice security for the ideal
which security alone can render possible of achievement. The League is a halfway house to universal peace, but what most people fail to recognise is that the League, so far, is an experiment and not an achievement. It is an attempt to establish universal peace, but, though it has accomplished much in minor affairs, it has consistently failed to attain its main-objective, that of preventing the outbreak of wars. The reason is that even the nations who compose the League will not agree to the establishment of a universal force capable of enforcing the League’s decisions, because such an agreement would be an abrogation of the individual nation’s sovereignty, nor will they keep up the establishments that would enable them to provide the quotas which would be available for this purpose. That is the crux of his statement that sanctions without the power to enforce them can never be anything more than a gesture.

The most the peace movement has secured yet is truce, as distinguished from permanent peace. The principle of international arbitration has gained, and is still gaining ground, but there are many questions which no self-respecting nation can submit to arbitration. Territorial integrity is one; our White Australia Policy, which Mr. Hughes, among others, helped to make a plank of the Australian Labour Party’s platform, is another. These are conceivable causes of a future war, as are the economic conditions which make so many producing countries competitors for world markets against others whose standards of living give them an advantage over our own producers. Questions relating to standards of living and the very certainty of the next day’s meal are not matters for arbitration, while self-preservation is still a fundamental law of human nature.

Admitting that the economic system is capable of amendment, no panacea for all or even the majority of our economic and social ills has yet been found general acceptance in any given country. The World Economic Conference a few years ago was as hideous a fiasco as the Disarmament Conference which drove Germany out of the League. Admitting this, it would be suicidal folly for Australia or any other country to cut down defence estimates in the present state of world affairs.

Mr. Hughes’s conclusion may lead one to believe that he has been a constant reader of The Listening Post for some time, for he says what we have often said ourselves though, possibly, he has written more forcibly and more convincingly. His ideas will find support from most people who have not allowed their earnest desire for peace to warp their sense of proportion and stifle judgment. He writes with all the force and fervour of an Old Testament prophet wedded to the judgment which is based on first-hand experience of war and diplomacy. All will not agree with his conclusions; nevertheless those conclusions will give all much food for thought, for, whether we agree with him or not, it is ‘high time that someone, in his position, has said what Mr. Hughes has said. His logical exposition of the possibilities and the limitations of the League of Nations will come as a welcome relief to the inept idealism which to-day is a greater menace to world pace than the most rabid jingoism.

PROMINENT LEAGUETTES

Herbert King, Hon. Secretary R.S.L. Cricket Association

Herbert King, ultimately known as “Kingie,” was born in London in 1890. He joined the Rifle Brigade in 1907, and transferred to the Indian Army in 1913. He went on active service with the 3rd Lahore Division of the original Indian Expeditionary Force in Aug., 1914, and served throughout the war in France, Mesopotamia, and Palestine. Whilst in the Rifle Brigade he represented his battalion at cricket, soccer and hockey.

We have received from Mrs. Hopper- ton a copy of the balance sheet of the Congress Ball organised by the State Executive Women’s Auxiliary. The receipts, including donations from sub-branch auxiliaries, amounted to £28 12s. 9d., and the expenditure to £8 10s., leaving a profit of £20 2s. 9d. which was donated to the Anzac House Building Fund. Congratulations, ladies, a splendid effort.
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A few weeks ago, a brief cable announced that Lance-Corporal Findlater of the Gordon Highlanders had returned to duty after special leave which had been granted him to gitter in his father's potato crop. The father was the Piper Findlater famous in another generation as a Victoria Cross winner during the charge of the Gordons on the Dargai Ridge, in the Tirah campaign, on October 30, 1897. Findlater, who was shot through both legs, propped himself against a rock and continued to play his pipes until the position had been carried. Tradition has it that Findlater played the "Cock of the North," an air long associated with the Gordons though it became their regimental march only recently, but it is more than probable that he played other airs as well. Of the three V.C.'s, awarded for Dargai, one other was gained by Private E. Lawson, also of the Gordons, and Lieutenant Penne!l, of the Sherwood Foresters, both for saving life under fire.

Among the Jubilee gifts presented to His Majesty the King, is a poppy-wreathed model of the Mons memorial belfry. The gift, which comes from the allied ex-service men residing in Mons, weighs eight pounds and contains consecrated earth from the graves of British soldiers.

HOME ON THE RANGE

Darling Range sub-branch's reunion dinner on November 9 was a most enjoyable and well conducted affair. President Bob Tanner and secretary Penrose welcomed a goodly throng of local diggers and visitors to the hall of the annexe of the Kalamunda Hotel. Visitors included the State President, Mr. Yeates, and a section of four from the State Executive (Messrs. Wells, Wilkins, Lovell and Collins), Major-General G. Barber and representatives of other sub-branches and unit associations. Apologies were received from Mr. R. S. Sampson, M.L.A., and Mr. R. Baker, who sent fraternal greetings to fellow diggers. After the attack in massed formation, literally shoulder to shoulder, upon the viands, these present settled down to enjoy a well-chosen and well-rehearsed programme. The sub-branch quartette party, comprising Messrs. Fox, Griffiths, Morris and Woods, were heard to advantage in harmonised versions of ballads of long ago which evoked well-merited applause. Sergeant Fox, a member of the quartette, was also good in his solo work. Evergreen Ted Scott brought the house down with his digger recitations, and his impersonation of Billy Hughes was warmly applauded, especially as it had a topical significance at this particular time. Bill Wilkins, with his fiddle, ably demonstrated that notwithstanding his recent accident his right hand has not lost its cunning.

Following out the good old digger rule the speeches were short and the drinks were long. The toast of the League and State Executive, proposed by Mr. Tanner, was responded to by the State President, who referred to the aims and objects of the R.S.L. as set forth in its constitution. These included the integrity of the British Empire, the White Australia Policy and an adequate defence force, which are interdependent, for without one of the three the other two could not be realised. When putting in a word for his proposed new sub-branch for sergeant-majors, Mr. Yeates had the moral support of Sergeant-Major Jock Nestor, a welcome guest, well known to the lads who passed through Blackboy Camp.

The tasteful decorations, which made the room fit for heroes to carouse in, was the work of the ladies of the women's auxiliary.

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MEMORIES: ANZAC DAY
BY J. P. McKinney
Author of the Prize-Winning War! Novel "Crucible"

You're sitting on the plow—the old three-furrow you bought second-hand for a tenner and will have to make do till the price of pigs or corn or butter or something goes up. The sods are turning over from the discs evenly and softly, the ground being in just nice plowing condition. The horses are in good heart and are going nice and steady, so there's really nothing for you to do except work the levers at the headlands and shout an occasional "Gee, Whaler, you old cripple," just to show that you are performing the appointed functions of a farmer and not just riding round for the sake of the sunlight and fresh air. And you fall into a sort of reverie, and you get thinking of...

You're thinking of last Anzac Day, and the chaps you met in the township, and the drink or two you had with them—the sergeant being a digger himself and not above a drink or two with the boys on the quiet. Yes, and the yarns you told and listened to, and laughed at—some of them, though one or two had a touch of tragedy in them.

And you remember, the sort of feeling it gave you to be with the old crowd again, and to recapture, even if it was only for a day, the ratting spirit. And you could see that the others felt the same, so you all had another drink on the strength of it. Yes, and you can remember now, sitting here on the old plow, how there gradually crept over you that expansive, to-hell-with-the-consequences attitude towards the world at large and things in general—you know, the sort of feeling that makes you want to pinch the barmaid's tiny ear, or dance round the bar, with the landlady when she comes in to say you're making too much noise and to be good boys and not give the "others" (Pro-Bono Publico, and the like) anything to complain about. (She's a good old dame with a soft spot for the diggers, having a boy of her own somewhere in France.)

Yes, the sort of feeling that is so wonderful while it lasts, but makes it damned awkward, next day, to explain to the wife what happened to the rest of the money after you'd paid for the apples and cauliflowers and some sweets for the kids.

Yes, last Anzac Day...

And then you get thinking of...

You're thinking of the twenty-fifth of April, 'eighteen—just after Fritz was bumped out of Villers Brett, and he did not like it—wasn't broadminded enough to enter into the spirit of that sort of Anzac Day celebration—and he took a mark on Corbie and started to put some rough stuff into her, just for spite. Which was a bit of a nuisance, because you and one or two others had decided to go into Corbie that day—Snowey said he knew a back way in, off the canal somewhere, where you could dodge the Jacks.

Not that you wanted to visit Corbie for any particular reason, but just out of idle curiosity, to see if it was true that there was still wine in some of the cellars. It was really Snowey's day—a hard case, Snow, and a dipkum cobber, one of the best. It wasn't, when you came to look back on it, that you really wanted the "booze"—not even Snow, for that matter. It was just that...

Well, anyway, Snowey knew the lay of the landscape all right and you got in through the outskirts of the town, and you found a house, not far from the church, with a decent wine cellar in it. But there was no wine in the cellar—probably the Jacks had got there first. So you came out and stood in the street arguing whether it was worth bothering about it or not—there was a bit of heavy stuff coming over at the time and Fritz seemed to be taking a derry on the church.

Snow thought you might as well turn it in. And you said, "Oh, damn it, let's get a few bottles while we're here," not because you wanted those few bottles—not even because you were a bit gamer than the rest—no, if you must be frank with yourself, it was because you were a bit more frightened than the others and wanted to show that you weren't. And Snow said, "All right, come on," and started off down the street. And...

Well, it just seemed to come from nowhere, all of a rush—one that was meant for the church but had a trifle too much elevation. And you peddled old Snow up after the dust and flying rubbish had cleared away, and you found that you weren't badly hurt but only dead scared—when you found poor old Snow, amongst a heap of broken bricks and lumps of mortar...

Well, never mind. It's all past and done with now. But it's made you that way since you've never wanted to play at being something you weren't. It's those little happenings...

...And you're thinking of...

Cripes, that little bint in the farmhouse at Sailly—that was the billet where you had your first Anzac Day in France. And what a peach she was! You discovered her one day, all by your little self, when you were out scouting for a feed of eggs and chips for the mob. But you didn't tell the mob about her. Bet your life you didn't.

You toddled round the next day, slipping away from the mob on the quiet; and the next day, too. And the old Froggy didn't seem to object—anyway he didn't take down the family gun to you. For that matter he seemed to take a bit of a fancy to you—perhaps because you could parley a bit of French—and you got to the stage of having dinner with the family a couple of times, yabbering away to the old man, just to please him.

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and putting in a bit of decent eye work with the little Sheila on the sly.

And as for her—well, you made pretty good progress, seeing you were badly out of practice. And one evening—it was one of those calm, moonlight nights when the air is full of romance and enemy aircraft—you went for a bit of a stroll with her—and a damned Fritz plane came over.

You were in a sunken lane, with a bit of a dry ditch on one side of it; deep in shadow. You crouched down together. She pressed close to you, and you can feel the poor little beggar trembling all over with fear—and you're not feeling too damned courageous yourself, but you have got to put up a show—so you slip your arm around her—doing the strong protective male—and that damned Fritz seems to hover right over the top of you, which isn't too bad in a way except that you've got the wind so well up that it cramps your style. And she snuggles a bit closer, and you can feel her little heart pounding, and—

_Hell! What was that?..._ Oh yes, of course, that same damned stump that gave you a buster last year, "Gee back, Whaler, you old blanket! Damned near staved your ribs in on the lever. That's what comes of letting your mind wander when you're plowing in new ground.

"Stand up to it, Whaler, or I'll trim the lazy hide off you!"

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**CREAM TESTING**

Resolution 37, which was passed by this year's State Congress, in connection with the grading and testing of cream at factories has been submitted to the Director of Agriculture (Mr. G. L. Sutton), who replies:

_I have to advise receipt of your letter dated 30th ultimo, setting out the contents of Resolution 37 which was passed at your Annual Congress regarding the grading and testing of cream at factories._

_I am advised by the Superintendent of Dairying that during the present flush season the work of check-testing, grading and weighing cream at factories has been carried out more intensively than in past years and it is believed that these three operations are now being conducted equitably and on a reasonable standard basis at all factories._

_It is intended to continue this work and in several instances it has been found necessary for an official to remain at a factory for as long as one week in order to standardise the grading._

Testing is checked on the occasion of inspector's visits to factories, as a regulation provides that a factory shall always have on hand the farmers' samples representing the last batch of tests that were put through the Badcock Testing Machine. In cases where discrepancies are found, a warning is issued and on the second occasion the firm is prosecuted and the Tester is required to show reasons why his testing certificate should not be cancelled.

_I was pleased to notice in your second paragraph that your delegates are so keenly interested in improving the quality of butter, and I am sure you will be pleased to hear that there has been a considerable uplift in quality during the present year, and that it is hoped the percentage of "choice" butter manufactured will be at least 25 per cent. of the total manufactured and 30-35 per cent. of butter exported or stored._

Regarding storage, the position last year was not exactly as outlined in the third paragraph of your letter. It is true that every pound of butter exported from Western Australia last year resulted in a loss to producers of approximately 7d. to 8d. per pound, and that the scheme which was suggested by the Hon. Minister for Agriculture, Mr. H. Millington, for storing the surplus butter, was not whole heartedly adopted by manufacturers.

Manufacturers, however, did store approximately 27,000 cases, which, after deducting the cost of storage, resulted in a saving of approximately £39,000 to producers.

Unfortunately, the percentage of "choice" butter manufactured was extremely low, being the figure mentioned in your letter. The statement of your delegate, however, that this low percentage of "choice" grade, in comparison
with that in New South Wales, was due to the fact that the New South Wales grading and testing are carried out by departmental officials, is not correct, as in that State the whole of the work of testing, grading, and weighing is carried out by factory operatives, and moreover, the regulation requiring the withholding of samples of cream that have passed through the testing machine, so as to enable an inspector to check-test, is only enforced in this State.

It is not considered practicable and would not be in the best interests of producers at the present stage of production, for the testers and graders to be Government officials, as during the slack period of the year, i.e., the summer months, there would be little work for them to do. Under present conditions the testers and graders being factory employees are required to carry out other duties such as renovating the factory, repairing equipment, painting, and various other duties in preparation for the ensuing flush season.

ALIENS IN MINES

In connection with Resolution 193, passed by the recent State Congress, the Minister for Mines (Mr. E. W. Munro) advises:

I am in receipt of yours of the 25th ultimo. re alien labour in the mining industry, and in reply have to inform you that the language test is strictly enforced, and should your members be able to quote specific instances where there has been failure to do so I shall be pleased to have such cases investigated and the offenders called to account.

With regard to restriction, I have already explained to you this matter. Restriction to the percentage suggested by your organisation on a previous occasion would open the way for employment of a higher percentage of foreign labour than exists throughout the State to-day. The only effect would be to limit the number on mines that are now employing a high percentage, but these would drift to other districts and might easily increase the total number now employed, while still keeping below the number prescribed. I think, in your own interests, it is much better to let this matter remain in abeyance until circumstances perhaps justify amended regulations.

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"REMEMBRANCE"

(MAX ARTHUR)

The city sleeps. Soon the first intruder breaks the silence of the quiet night and the hollow streets echo with the tramp of feet, the clang of vehicle.

The stream of humanity flows rapidly. From trains, trams, from bus and car it flows, spreading through the thoroughfares, the veins of the city.

Bareheaded, lithe limbed youth, men of mature years with greying hair and contemplative faces, radiant young girls, beautifully coiffured, their vivid lips giving their faces an added vitality.

Youth, with its healthy spirit, walking triumphantly, accepting its birth right of hope, achievement, love and life; stepping so joyously over life's stepping stones.

Maturity, with its broader vision of the seriousness of life, of its cruelties, its subtleties, visualising anxiously the future awaiting these young things who must bear the load.

Many of these men are the remnants, the debris, of a war whose fires have been lately quenched; the smouldering memories still remaining too vividly with them; and in the light-footed stream are their sons and daughters—the new generation.

Into office and shop they flow; the clerk, the shop assistant, the teacher, the artisan, taking up the threads which weave the great carpet. The music of the city moves in a mighty crescendo, the orchestra of rushing cars, clanging trams, the beat of pedestrians, the roar of machinery taking up their parts.

From his lofty tower the crinkled old face of the Time-Keeper looks down. His iron tongue will ring out the message that soon the eleventh hour-approaches, and it is Armistice Day and the hour of remembrance.

He watches the ever flowing stream. So long he has told the hours, so long he has watched. He has seen the boy emerge to manhood and mingle with the throng taking up his skein to be woven into the carpet of life.

He must raise his great voice. His tongue must speak.

Eleven o'clock! Remembrance! Remembrance!

Gradually the mighty orchestra with no visible conductor sinks into a diminuendo and dies away into silence. Every instrument is mute. The city lies breathless, mute.
Their sacrifice will bear fruit in the League of Nations and Christianity will emerge out of the chaos and triumph over greed and avarice of individual nations.

Statesmen of great nations will answer to their Creator for the decisions made, the spirit of sacrifice will triumph and another holocaust be prevented from slaughtering and mutilating human bodies and minds.

The “Reveille” will awaken-Christianity throughout the world bringing a lasting peace with honour to all nations and the intermingling of all races in peaceful and honourable understanding.

The great orchestra swells again in a mighty crescendo and youth and maturity mingle again in the sounds of a city “unmolested,” while the wise old Keeper of the Time looks down. Looks down:

WEMBLEY RETURNED SOLDIERS

A meeting of ex-service men residing in the suburb of Wembley will be held in the Church of England Hall, corner of Pangbourne and Bourvllle Streets, on Wednesday, December 4, at 8 p.m. The meeting is sponsored by the West Leederville sub-branch and will be attended by members of the State Executive. The object is to bring returned men in this growing district into the League, either in new sub-branch or as a section of the live West Leederville sub-branch.

DERBY NOTES

Armistice Day was duly honoured by the sub-branch at the Road Board Hall by the two minutes’ silence, followed by a service conducted by Rev. A. Bell. All available returned men attended, together with a large number of citizens, and the service was very impressive. Mrs. Dunstan kindly officiated at the piano.

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The sub-branch is maintaining its membership very well and the old comradely spirit is fully maintained when occasion arises to help one another over the difficult phases of life which occur more frequently as time rolls on.

Record Poppy Collections

NORTH PERTH SUB-BRANCH

Just as we were going to press, we received advice from our North Perth correspondent advising us that the sub-branch poppy collections this year amounted to over £185, beating their record last year of £160. Among the best sellers were Mrs. Hawkins, £11 2s.; Mrs. Kibby £10 13s.; Mrs. Wheeler £7 18s., and many others over 46. This is a wonderful achievement, and we heartily congratulate North Perth on their success.

A continental correspondent endeavours to describe the difference between clerks and managers as follows:

“A clerk is a man who knows a great deal about very little, and who goes on knowing more and more about less and less, until finally he knows everything about practically nothing.”

“Manager is a man who knows very little about a great deal and who goes on knowing less and less about more and much until finally he knows nothing about practically everything.”

Husband: “I say, Joan, why on earth must you feed every tramp that comes to the door? I didn’t know you were so generous.”

Wife: “You’ve no idea what a joy it is to see a man eat a meal without finding fault with the cooking.”

“H-h-h-how far is it t-t-to G-g-glasm-aw?” the gentleman asked a traveller in the dining car. The man stood up without a word and went back to his compartment. Another passenger answered the question, then sought out the unfriendly one.

“Why didn’t you answer his question just then?”

“D-d-d-do you want m-m-me to g-g-get my t-t-t-fool head kn-n-n-nocked off?” was the reply.

The young assistant in the boot shop smiled happily as his customer departed from the establishment.

“What are you looking so pleased about?” asked a fellow-shopper.

“I’ve had my revenge,” replied the other.

“Revenge for what?” queried his colleague, in surprise.

“That girl I’ve just finished serving was a telephone operator, and I gave her the wrong number in shoes,” came the reply.

The newlyweds were dining in the West End. In the middle of the meal a tall, slim young woman passed through the restaurant and smiled rather dangerously at Newlywed.

“George,” gasped his wife, “who was that woman?” And she watched the retreating figure with a suspicious frown.

Her husband held up his hand in protest. “Darling, for heavens sake don’t ask me who she is,” he replied. “As it is I shall have trouble enough explaining to her who you are.”

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PERTH-KALGOORLIE ROAD

The Commissioner Main Roads (Mr. E. Tindale) writes:

On the 25th ultimo you wrote to the Hon. Minister for Works conveying a resolution carried by the Goldfields delegates of the State Congress of your League, urging the Government to have the Perth-Kalgoorlie Road declared a Main Road.

This matter has had the consideration of the Hon. Minister who has now passed the papers on to me with the request that I explain the position to you.

As you are probably aware, this road, as far as Merredin, has been declared a Main Road, likewise the section between Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie.

In the Main Roads Act it is incumbent on me, as Commissioner, before making any recommendation as to the declaration of a Main Road, to be satisfied we have sufficient funds in hand or in sight to provide for its construction and permanent maintenance.

At the present time we have so many miles of Main Roads for which we are responsible, that I have been obliged to withhold any further recommendation for an extension of mileage.

In regard to the road to which you refer we have made funds available from time to time for its improvement, and I think it can be said that the road at the present time is in very much a better condition than it has been previously.

MOTOR COACHES

The Secretary for Railways (Mr. J. Tomlinson) advises:-

With reference to your letter of the 5th instant, conveying a copy of a resolution passed by the Annual State Congress of your League regarding motor coaches for use on country lines, I am directed by the Commissioner to inform you that the purchase of six self-propelled rail coaches is now receiving consideration, and in the event of approval being given to the acquisition it is proposed to utilise them on some of the country lines at present served only by "mixed" trains.

Hilary Hubbard went to the cupboard
A cocktail to give an adorer,
But when she got there
The cupboard was bare—
Her Granny had been there before her!

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DARLING RANGE

The Deadly Darlings were raided by the storm troops of the Terrible Tramlines on October 19. Despite transport troubles on the line of march, the raiders arrived safely, took their first objective, and were greeted with the Continental salute, "Alo!" Games contributed largely to the evening's enjoyment, particularly indoor bowls, for which the visitors brought their own gear. In addition to the games, the piano was played skilfully by a new associate member, Brother Betts. He was a valuable acquisition when the community singing was given a burst.

CLAREMONT

The usual satisfactory number of members was in attendance at the meeting on November 7.

On October 14 a number of members journeyed to West Leederville to engage in friendly games which comprised the A.R.M.S. Competition, and a most enjoyable evening was spent, particularly with the parlour bowls.

The meeting on December 5 is timed to commence at 7.30 p.m. in order that the business may be disposed of as soon as possible after which the evening will take the form of a Farewell Smoke Social to Brigadier Martyn, who did so much for the sub-branch during his term as president. Will members

"Have you had any experience of acting without an audience?" asked the director.

A flicker of sadness appeared for a moment in the expressive eyes of the actor.

"Acting without audiences," he replied, "is what brought me here!"

He was a beginner and after having fooled many attempts to hit the ball he said to his caddie: "Do you know anything about golf?"

The caddie sighed. "No," he said, "I'm just noted for patience."

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in the rooms, Roeby Road, on Thursday, November 28, to decide as to which is the worst team. This should be the best match of the whole series.

The sub-branch regrets to report the passing of Councilor (Subiaco) William Herbert Eltiserson, who was a member of the Nedlands sub-branch. His decease took place on the 4th November. The sub-branch tend its deepest sympathy to his bereaved family.

Referring to the duties involved in looking after the State Memorial in King's Park, many eulogistic remarks were heard concerning the efficient manner in which our predecessors carried out their duties, and the Subiaco sub-branch is determined to do their best to emulate the example set.

For the information of members the following are listed for a week's duty for week ending November 17, Messrs. B. Congdon and Fraser; November 24, Messrs. W. A. Wilkins and F. Shand; December 1, Messrs. P. J. Olegg and Bennett; December 8, Messrs. Wearne and Robertson; December 15, Messrs. E. Congdon and Kelly; December 22, Messrs. J. E. Mitchell and Underwood.

LAKE GRACE

On October 19 members invited their wives and families to a social evening which was most successful, it being the first of its kind to be held in Lake Grace. There were a few songs, dancing and competitions for all. The kiddies were kept going with ice creams, lollies, apples and oranges, and, needless to say, thoroughly enjoyed themselves. While supper was in progress our new president, Harry Pelham, presented our past president, Mr. Callimen, with a certificate of service. Harry spoke briefly on the good work accomplished, and Jack responded in his usual abrading manner. There were many soldiers and families disappointed at not being able to attend, owing to the rain which fell all day long; nevertheless, with such conditions against our favour, over 100 adults sat down to supper and everyone voted the evening a great success. Our sub-branch has picked up in a wonderful manner. We have 48 financial members, which goes to show how hard our new secretary, Mr. Woods, has been working. He is a real fighter for the sub-branch, nothing being too much trouble for him. Keep it up, Ernie. The sub-branch intends to have a go for the Newdegate Cup this year and I feel sure we will not be far behind. The soldiers' wives held an Armistice Ball, which was also a success.

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COLONEL OLSEN reported to the State Committee—A companioned by the assistant State Secretary (Mr. Ferguson), the No. 3 District on Saturday, October 19 last. We left Perth early on Saturday morning and arrived at Three Springs in late afternoon. During the journey we called on the sub-branch's secretary of Mr. New- ton (Bullbrook) and Mr. Gloster (Moora).

The country traversed could not be described as looking at its best for this time of the year, and there was abundant evidence of the unfortunate setback to crops and pastures caused by the long dry spell. It may be said, however, that the Midland districts generally have not suffered in this respect to anything like the same extent as many other portions of the State, although these areas urgently require to develop late crops and for the replenishment of water supplies. It would be indeed pleasant news to hear that the rain-fall of the past few days had extended to this districts.

On the evening of the 19th we attended the Fourth Annual Reunion Dinner of the No. 3 District (North Midlands). On this occasion the dinner was held at Three Springs under the auspices of the Three Springs sub-branch of the League, and was very largely attended, about 150 sitting down to an excellent repast.

Representatives present from Carnamah, Moora, Yandanoona, Dongarra, Morawa, Mullewa, Geraldon, many of these being well-known personalities in League activities in this particular zone.

The gathering was presided over by Mr. A. R. Styrington, the president of the Three Springs-Artonno sub-branch, who was ably assisted by the secretary, Mr. T. R. Sizer, and a strong committee. A comprehensive toast list was carried out, that of "The League" being enthusiastically received. The proceedings were enlivened by a programme of highly entertaining items, for which Mr. Billy Edwards, of Perth, and Mr. R. Swan were mainly responsible.

Special appeals were made by several speakers for an increase in membership throughout the district. In regard to this, I can do no better than quote that of the Three Springs sub-branch, which expressed the views of the membership on the occasion:

The officers and members of the Three Springs-Artonno sub-branch of the R.S.L. welcome you to the Fourth Annual Reunion Dinner at which, in arriving there, we hope that you will be here, as we are, to enjoy the circle, and have a good time. During the evening we have to keep alive the good comradeship in our zone and increase the numerical strength and importance of the Branch. Those members concerned are to be congratulated on their fine efforts and I have little doubt that their hopes as to increased membership and prestige will be realized as a result.

CARLISLE

(By "MacTootle")

My notes this month must commence with an apology to all those good diggers and friends who paid me the compliment of having noted from my page last month. However, Congress made considerable inroads on my time, and, by all appearances, on the space of "The Listening Post," so I am willing to make good the defalcation and leave it to the Editor to do likewise.

With the improved weather conditions a number of our members, who are unable to brave the elements, have emerged from their winter dug-outs to add their weight and interest to the many activities of the sub-branch. New members are also coming along and the committee extend a very cordial invitation to all ex-service men to attend our meetings which are held on the first Thursday in every month at 8 p.m. at the Soldiers' Memorial Hall, just opposite to the Carlisle railway station.

Will your comrades working in the country please note that the visit to the Mundaring sub-branch, arranged for December 21, has been advanced a week to the 14th. Send in your name to "Crosby" or Les Gilsean if you are desirous of making the trip. Whether you go or don't go is up to you.

A rather voluminous—but nevertheless, interesting—report on the 19th R.S.L. Annual Conference was presented by our delegate, and the president and members were most generous in speaking their appreciation of the thorough manner in which he had done his job. Commenting upon his impressions of this "Diggers' Parliament," he was particularly struck by the lack of what might (for the want of a better word) be termed "suspicion," and a preponderance of the true spirit of comradeship, which, born of the battlefield, has sustained the League through the vicissitudes of civilian existence.

The Carlisle sub-branch feel justly proud of their effort in collecting books for the Repatriation Ward library scheme, and Wilson's great achievement in combing Welshpool, Queen's Park, Cannington, etc., is worthy of special mention. Thanks are gratefully expressed to "The Sunday Times" for assisting our appeal through their "Sailors and Soldiers" column.

Members turned up in force to answer an invitation from the Rev. Ian Ross to attend the Anzac Service at the Presbyterian Church, Main Street, on Sunday, November 10. This young Padre is very popular with the Carlisle diggers, irrespective of their particular denomination, and his elo-
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Newer debates were quickly disposed of. A vociferous welcome was given to our esteemed and former president, Fred White, upon his return to health and the sub-branch. Congratulations were showered upon him for the miraculous manner in which he had recovered from what might easily have been a fatal accident. The most important business of the meeting was a reaction to the attitude of the Prime Minister in connection with the Minister for Repatriation, Mr. Wm. Hughes, and expressed that the members of the Carlisle sub-branch request the State President to inform Mr. Lyons that we have every confidence in Mr. Wm. Hughes, and sincerely ask that he he reinstated to the position of Minister for Repatriation.

The thoroughly enjoyable smoke-in which followed caused all and sundry much regret that "it would be a whole month" before another is forthcoming! Which reminds me, the next meeting is listed for December 5, and nominations are required for all executive and committee positions for 1936, so come along and make the most of it.

We desire to extend the sympathy of all his comrades to our president, Les. Gilseman, and sincerely trust that his good wife will be out of hospital and well on the road to recovery long before these notes appear in print.

MAYLANDS

On Sunday, November 10, a simple but fine ceremony was conducted at the Memorial Park in commemoration of Armistice Day. The laying of wreaths on the memorial took place. The ceremony was performed by the president (Mr. W. J. Lovell). There was a large attendance, which included Mr. R. E. Clothier, M.L.A., and Mr. H. V. Shearn, chairman of Perth Road Board, who laid a wreath on behalf of the Board.

The sub-branch stand on Poppy Day was at the Wellington Street entrance to Perth station. The women’s auxiliary did yeoman service and are to be congratulated on their fine effort.

Subiaco sub-branch, being at the bottom of their zone in the Archbishop Riley Memorial Shield Competition, issued a challenge to Maylands, which happened to be at the bottom of their zone. The challenge was accepted. The contest occurred in the Council Chambers, Subiaco, on Thursday, October 24. Subiaco won quite easily in all games. It was a very enjoyable evening, and Maylands thanked Subiaco for their hospitality.

A return match is booked for Thursday, November 28, in the Maylands Town Hall. A word of thanks is due to vice-president Kanain, who was responsible for the organisation of the event.

An adult’s dance was held in the Maylands Town Hall on Friday, November 11, under the auspices of the sub-branch in aid of the children’s Christmas Tree Fund. Between 70-80 couples were present, which was very satisfactory. It was decided to hold a carnival dance on Friday, November 15. A feature is the music supplied by Mrs. Goldberg’s orchestra. Roll up, and help this worthy cause!

Up to date the sub-branch cricket club has not done very well. So far matches have been played against Perth and Fremantle sub-branches, and on both occasions Maylands has been defeated. Quite a number of our best men have not yet taken the field. Our next match will be against North Perth. It will take North Perth’s best team to beat our combination.

The sub-branch is very grateful to Mr. E. Drake Brockman, of Surrey Chambers, who recently presented a handsome cup to be competed for by members of the cricket club. Members wish to thank Mr. Drake Brockman for his kindly gesture.

Meetings of late have been very well attended. Quite a good sprinkling of new members has been noticed. The president, Mr. Lovell, always gives them a hearty welcome. At all meetings games are played. Refreshments are provided under the supervision of Bill Petersen.

Meetings are held fortnightly in the lesser Maylands Town Hall. The next meeting will be on Thursday, November 21, at 7.30 p.m.

ALBANY

The monthly meeting was held on October 15, with Mr. E. Y. Butler, R.M., in the chair. It was decided to request ladies, who were willing to volunteer their services in the Poppy Day appeal to give their names to sub-branch officials. The Secretary for Railways advised that a 7 years’ lease was being prepared for the whole of the Institute buildings and grounds, and that all materials for necessary renovations would be forwarded. Applications for the position of resident caretaker are being called for. The following sub-committees were appointed:—Annual Childrens’ Christmas Tree, Messrs. Bell, Vincent, Lawson and Lanchester, Goose Club Messrs. Lawson, Hahne, Pryor, Page and Adams, Poppy Day Appeal, Messrs. Barrow, Bell and Job; Proposed Sub-Branch Paper, Messrs. L. S. Barnett, Vincent and Coles.

It was resolved to request the Municipal Council to remove the names on the local war memorial. The secretary was instructed to forward letters of condolence to Messrs. A. H. Richardson and W. Hyde, expressing our sympathy in the loss of their fathers. Mr. J. Page undertook to replace certain trees in the Avenue of Honour. Following the first social and dance of the season fresh ground was broken on October 23 by taking on the local Toc H in a debate. The subject chosen was “Is Australia justified in taking an active part in the present Abyssinian dispute?” Being both topical and interesting, a fairly large crowd turned up. The R.S.L., which took the affirmative, lost on points. Mr. R. Merrifield was adjudicator. It is hoped that this debate will lead to a much closer union between the two units, and further debates are looked forward to.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Merrifield. “Busy bees are the order of the day in renovating the Institute and grounds which it is hoped will be one of the spots in Albany worth visiting. Anyone feeling inclined to donate some rose trees may send them to Mr. Jack Page, O.C. Gardens.

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At 7 a.m. I receive my box and poppies at Headquarters and take up a position in one of the city's busiest streets. Business is brisk until 10 a.m. and the cry of "Poppies?" meets with a splendid response.

The morning slips by and eleven o'clock finds a city hushed in reverence as a tribute to its glorious dead.

After the silence the selling of poppies continues, but meets with no response from certain dour citizens who forge along with heads bowed, looking neither to right nor left—pursuing their purposeful way.

A procession of faces ... tell-tale faces ... some happy, some showing lines of care, others disappointed, disillusioned. Signs that all may read. What a fascinating study for the onlooker.

A little old man approaches with lagging feet. Scrupulously clean and neat, his shiny old suit well brushed and his beard snowy white, I do not accost him. He comes abreast of me and I give him a smile. His faded blue eyes look appealingly into mine. He speaks: "I would so like to buy a poppy, my dear ... but you understand ... my Old Age Pension is all I have got. I sent three boys to the war—only one returned." I sense the tragedy behind those words and take a poppy from my bunch and pin it in his coat, surreptiously placing a shilling in the box. "There you are, Sir; you are indeed entitled to it." He wears the little emblem as proudly as a V.C. would his medal.

Time passes ... my box is getting heavy ... a youth saunters by, face dirty, hair awry, wearing engineer's overalls. I tender a poppy. He smiles. "No money Miss (an unknown compliment). See you at 5 o'clock." After a hurried lunch I am again at my post. The pavements are thronged with hurrying feet. A much happier sound to my ears than the tramp, tramp, tramp I had so often listened to in France.

A tall, elderly man approaches, who leans heavily on a stick (a sufferer from gout or I am much mistaken).

I timidly tender a poppy. "Indeed, no, madam," he barks, "Let the Government keep the soldiers. I never asked them to fight for me, did I? Why should I then help to keep them? Taxed out of existence now without buying poppies!" I bodily suggest if the Government took on this added responsibility, he would be taxed more than a ls; a year—the price of a poppy. He limps off in high disdain. "Poppies, Sir? Poppy, Madam?" Excuses, apologies, acceptances, smiles and frowns, all go to make the day of a poppy seller of human interest.

The Town Hall clock chimes the hour of five. A few minutes later the boy mechanic redeems his pledge. So to Headquarters. My box emptied and

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S.S.I.

ALBANY

The monthly meeting was held on October 1. Mr. G. L. Field, vice-president, opened with the S.S.I. Ceremony of Silence. An account paid by the secretary for a doll for a child seriously ill in hospital was approved. This organisation runs a fund known as the Children's Hospital Fund, to provide toys for children in the local hospital. It is kept entirely by voluntary subscriptions from the members of the S.S.I. Correspondence from various institutions in Perth for disabled ex-service men thanking us for boxes of boronia, etc., were read and received. Attention was directed to the fact that firework classes were being held each Thursday evening. A dance, in aid of S.S.I. funds, was held on October 26. A large number attended. It is hoped on future occasions that better support will be given by the parent sub-branch. Dancing, with an interval for supper, was kept up till 11 p.m., when the evening closed. Thanks are tendered to all who assisted to make the evening the enjoyable one it turned out to be. Members of the firework class are now making small toys for distribution at Christmas.

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So, happy in the knowledge I have done “my bit,” I return home to my husband and children, the former “carrying on” in the capacity as cook with the same dogged determination as he did as a gunner in those far-off fields where grow the memory poppies, seeming at a distance when wavin in the breeze, to be one field of blood, the precious blood of the flower of Australian manhood.

EXHIBITION FINAL MEETING

On the afternoon of the 5th November, a representative meeting of metropolitan auxiliaries was held at Anzac House to receive the reports of the Third Annual Exhibition. Mrs. Pike was accorded a vote of thanks for her onerous work as secretary; Miss Hawtin also received cordial appreciation for her duties as treasurer. She reported that the profit from the exhibition was £22.

Each steward in charge read a report upon her section and several notes were made for future reference.

Next year in the flower section the judges wish to pick the champion bloom from any of the blooms exhibited. Miss Yewers had commended the cookery section exhibits. The stewards advised more careful labelling of the jams. The judges for both needlework and woollens had also expressed pleasure at the high standard of sewing and knitting. There were fewer exhibits in the sea-grass section this year; as other handicrafts are becoming more popular it will be necessary to include these in this section.

The judge in the photographic section said that only one scenic view be exhibited for competition instead of six which would make judging easier. At the close of the reports it was announced that Mr. Hawthorn auxiliary had won the Auxiliary Trophy both on the number of entries in proportion to membership and on the number of points gained in prizes. Pingrup came a close second and South Perth was highly commended for their 129 entries. Members expressed appreciation of the willing work that was put into the exhibition by committee, stewards and stall holders, everyone seemingly finding it a pleasure. It was also agreed that Anzac House was ideal for such an exhibition.

NORTH PERTH

Our last meeting was not quite as well attended as usual, about 29 members being present. We must cordially thank those ladies who volunteered to help us on Poppy Day, and for attending the meeting, and so made it easier for our executive to make arrangements for positions, etc. The final results are not yet published for Poppy Day, but we think that North Perth has again broken its own record by collecting the wonderful amount of £15. The excitement was tense over the count of collectors' boxes and there was much mirth and hilarity at the announcement of the result.

MUNDARING AND DISTRICTS

On Friday, November 8, at a meeting held in the Mundaring Hall for the purpose of forming the above, it was duly resolved to form a women’s auxiliary.

Mr. R. H. Rutherford, president of the Mundaring sub-branch, presided. After the president’s opening remarks in welcoming the State President of the Women’s Auxiliary (Mrs. J. McKlinlay), he vacated the chair and Mrs. McKlinlay then took charge of the meeting.

After fully explaining the objects, etc., of the auxiliary, it was resolved to proceed with the formation and the following ladies were duly elected to office:—President, Mrs. R. H. Bailey; vice-presidents, Mesdames R. H. Rutherford and T. Luck; hon. secretary, Mrs. Letchford; treasurer, Mrs. Dunn; treasurers, Mesdames Hardwick, Patten and Scanlon.

At the close of the meeting supper was served and Mrs. Bailey presided at the piano.
At the meeting of the State Executive on October 10, there were present: Messrs. Yeates, Riley, Olden, Philp, Denton, Hunt, Friedman, Cornell, James, Wilkins, Mitchell, Pady, Ross, Wells and Nicholas.

Leaves of absence were granted to Messrs. Sten, Collett, Panton, Aberle, Margolin, Warner, Watt, Lovell, Lamb, Mellor and Collins.

No. 2 Entitlement Tribunal: Nominations for this tribunal had been called for from each State, and Colonel Olden's name had been submitted by the W.A. Branch. This action was endorsed. The ballot for a panel of three names resulted in the following being appointed: Messrs. Jackson (Federal Capital Territory), Hadfield (N.S.W.) and Day (Victoria). The ballot was carried out by telegram.

No. 1 Assessment Tribunal: Advice was received from the Federal Office that the Government would probably call for a successor to Mr.-N. Mighell, as chairman of the No. 1 Assessment Tribunal. A paragraph had been inserted in the Press asking ex-A.I.P. barristers and solicitors to get in touch with the State Secretary.

Federal Secretaryship: Advice was received that a meeting of the Federal Executive would take place on the 26th October to appoint a successor to Mr. J. Webster. Mr. A. Yeates was appointed to represent W.A. and was given a free hand as far as voting was concerned. The Federal President had sought confirmation of action in advertising the position at a salary of £600 per annum. This had been endorsed. Action was confirmed.

Appointment of sub-committees: The following sub-committees were appointed:

The State President, Mr. Yeates (chairman), Past President (Colonel Collett), two vice-presidents (Archdeacon Riley and Colonel Olden), with the chairman of the Finance Committee, Trustees House Committee, Pensions Committee and Land Committee.


This committee also to undertake the inauguration of a fund to provide funerals for indigent Imperial ex-service men.


Mining and Prospecting Committee: Messrs. Olden, Watt and Cornell.

Empire and Local Trading Committee: Messrs. Watt, Lovell, Pady, Mitchell, Wells and Nicholas.

Poppy Day and Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Relief Fund: Messrs. Hunt, Lovell, Wells, Lamb, Ross, Friedman, Mellor and Nicholas.

Anzac Day: Management Committee with Messrs. Mellor, Friedman and Mitchell.

Hospital Visiting: Messrs. Friedman, Mellor, Panton and Pady.

Sons of Soldiers' League Committee: Messrs. Riley, Lovell, Mellor, Philp, Friedman and Nicholas.

War Service Homes Committee: Messrs. Cornwall, Aberle and Wilkins.


Raffle: Karlgar. This sub-branch has applied for permission to conduct a raffle. It was decided that the sub-branch be informed that if permission is granted by the Lotteries Commission the matter can be referred to the Executive for approval.

Federal Congress: The recommendation that the State Secretary attend the Federal Congress was approved.

Visits: Reports of visits as follows were received: Brunswick Junction, State President; South Peril, State President; Air Pageant, Colonel Olden; 11th Battalion Association, Colonel Olden; Three Springs sub-branch, Archdeacon Riley.

"Listening Post." The Claremont sub-branch submitted a suggestion that a list of Repatriation Local Medical Officers be published in the "Listening Post." The request was referred to the Pensions Committee.

New Secretary: The appointment of a new secretary as advised by the Maylands sub-branch was approved.

Donation—Anzac House. The Press women's auxiliary had donated £22 14s. as the result of a dance held on August 10th.

Archbishop Riley Memorial Shield. An application for inclusion in this competition by the R.M. and L.M.A. had been referred to the donors of the Shield, the Nedlands Park sub-branch, for an opinion. They recommended as the donors that the competition be restricted to sub-branches of the League and suggested that the R.M. and L.M.A. should be permitted to form itself into a sub-

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branch of the League when they could then participate. It was agreed that the Association be informed of the action taken by the Executive and that it be supplied with a copy of the letter received from the Nedlands Park sub-branch.

Poppy Day.—It was agreed that this year in the metropolitan area the selling of poppies take place on Friday, November 8, and that the usual observances be held on November 11.

It was decided that a meeting of the metropolitan sub-branches be called on Monday, October 21, at 7.30 p.m.

Leave of Absence.—Leave for two meetings was granted to the State President and Archdeacon C. L. Riley.

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At the meeting on October 23, 1935, there were present: Colonel Olden; who acted as chairman in the absence of the State President and the Senior Vice-President, and Messrs. Philip, Aberle, Hunt, Freedman, Magglin, Watt, James, Lovell, Wilkins, Mitchell, Pady, Ross, Wells, Millor, and Nicholas. Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Yeates, Riley, Sten, Collett, Pantion, Denton, Cornell, Warner and Lamb.

Condolence.—At the instance of Mr. Hunt, sympathy was extended to the relatives of the late J. E. H. Swain, and a vote of condolence was carried with all delegates standing.

Management Committee.—The report of the Management Committee indicated that the Federal President had called for nominations for the successor to Mr. Norman Mighell, chairman of the No. 1 Assessment Tribunal, and the name of Mr. Keith Burton of Kalgoorlie had been submitted by this State Branch. This action was endorsed.

S.S.L. Committee.—The report of the meeting held on October 22, which recommended that the committee be allowed to consent to new members and that a banner be provided for the organisation, was adopted.

Relief.—The Trustees of the Relief Fund reported that during the month of September, 72 applications for relief had been approved, the cost involved being £287 3s. 8d.

Poppy Day.—In adopting a report submitted by Mr. Hunt as a result of a meeting of metropolitan sub-branches, it was agreed that the sales be held on November 11, and not on November 8, as previously agreed to by the Executive.

Visits.—The following visits were reported:
- Kelmscott, Colonel Olden; No. 3 D.C.
- Three Springs, Colonel Olden; Mr. Lawley, Mr. G. H. Philip; Opening Dogs’ Home, Colonel Mitchell.
- Machine Gunners’ Association, Mr. F. J. Aberle.

On the motion of Mr. Philip, seconded by Mr. Lovell, it was agreed that the attention of all sub-branches be again drawn to Congress resolution which asked that adjacent sub-branches co-operate in arranging their functions in order that a number may be covered by one visit.

Naturalisation.—The Federal Office advised that exemption from fees for a certificate of naturalisation for any member of the R.A.N. or the A.I.F. who had served with a good record in the Great War, 1914-1918, has been granted in terms of an amendment to the Naturalisation Act.

South Africa.—Advice was received that the annual memorial service, sponsored by the South African and Imperial Veterans’ Association, would be held on November 17. The request for the loan of chairs was referred to the House Committee.

Sub-Branches.—A request from the Interstate and New Zealand sub-branch for donations towards amelioration was received. It was agreed that the State Secretary reply and that a copy of the correspondence be forwarded to the Queensland State Branch.

Kalgoorlie-Hyden Rock sub-branch requested that permission be obtained from the Agricultural Bank Commissioners for members to donate two bags of wheat to cover their subscription to the League. It was pointed out that this would be illegal and the reply was left to the State Secretary.

General.—Colonel S. R. Roberts advised his acceptance of the office of Warden of the State War Memorial for the ensuing year.

The ex-Machine Gunners’ Association thanked the Executive for being represented at the annual meeting of the association and expressed appreciation of Mr. Aberle’s attendance.

Retirement.—The case of an official of the Agricultural Bank, who had been retired, was explained, and it was stated that the Public Service Commissioner would not secure him another appointment in the Public Service. It was agreed that further representations be made to the Agricultural Bank through the Pensions and Employment Committee.

Repatriation Department.—Boulder sub-branch wrote in appreciation of the services of a medical officer of the Repatriation Department who, it was stated, would be transferred to Sydney in the near future. The sub-branch asked if the League could do anything to have the doctor’s services retained in this State. The matter was referred to the Pensions Committee.

Efficiency Trophy.—Advice was received from Headquarters, 5th Military District, that the following was the result of the competition for the Efficiency Trophy for infantry units presented by the League:—1st. 28th Battalion; 2nd. 44th Battalion; 3rd. 11/16th Battalion. The question of the presentation of the trophy will be brought forward at a suitable date.

It was agreed that congratulations be forwarded to the winners.

Donation.—The Press sub-branch forwarded a donation to League funds in response to the appeal made in the annual report of the Finance Committee. It was agreed that the sub-branch be thanked and that this matter be referred to in the State Secretary’s next circular.

Congress Resolution.—A list of resolutions referred to the State Executive by the State Congress was presented and referred to the Management Committee for disposal.

6/11/35

At the meeting on November 6, there were present Messrs. Yeates, Riley, Olden, Philip, Denton; Aberle, Freedman, Hunt, Magglin, Warner, Watt, James, Lovell, Wilkins, Mitchell, Pady, Wells, Collin, Nicholas and Hendry. Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Sten, Collett, Pantion, Cornell and Lamb.

Armistice Day.—It was agreed that medals should be worn at the change-over ceremony of the State War Memorial on Armistice Day.

Condolence.—It was agreed that a message of sympathy be conveyed to the relatives of the late Charles Massey, and an expression of regret to the Kalgoorlie and Boulder sub-branches at the loss of a valuable member.

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<td>H. Grieve, Shkelton St, Basseendean</td>
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<td>BUNBURY</td>
<td>R.S.L. Hall</td>
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<td>H. E. Gibson, Bank St, Bunbury</td>
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<td>BAYSWATER</td>
<td>Town Hall, Bayswater</td>
<td>Alt. Wednesdays, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>J. Batey, Railway Crescent, Bayswater</td>
<td>A. Spencer, 10 Francis Street, Bayswater</td>
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<td>BUSSELTON</td>
<td>Soldiers' Institute</td>
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<td>BUCKLAND HILL</td>
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<td>B. T. Goadby, 40 Harvey St, Buckland Hill</td>
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<td>CARLISLE</td>
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<td>J. Stirling, c/o. Power House, Collie</td>
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<td>COTTESLOE</td>
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<td>A. G. Cook, &quot;Lilydale,&quot; 14 Kean St., Peppermint Grove</td>
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<td>CLAREMONT</td>
<td>Parish Hall, Claremont</td>
<td>First Thursday in each month</td>
<td>G. H. Briggs, 4 Brae Road, Claremont</td>
<td>W. Ford, 51 First Avenue, Claremont</td>
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<td>DARLING RANGE</td>
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<td>R. I. Tanner, Kalamunda</td>
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<td>DUMBLEYUNG</td>
<td>Dumbleyung</td>
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<td>Tom Towers, Dumbleyung</td>
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<td>Soldiers' Institute</td>
<td>Every 2nd Tuesday in month at 8 p.m.; Executive alt. Fridays</td>
<td>R. R. Gibbs, Bank of N.S.W., Hannan St.</td>
<td>T. C. Fairley, 49 Campbell St., Kal. Tel 290</td>
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<td>MAYLANDS</td>
<td>Supper Room, Town Hall, Maylands</td>
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<td>T. G. Sounness, Merryup, Mt. Barker</td>
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<td>Town Hall Committee Room</td>
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<td>W. J. Lovell, 98 Sixth Ave., Maylands</td>
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<td>Wallish Hall, Grovenor Road, Mt. Lawley</td>
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<td>Railway Hotel, Northam</td>
<td>3rd Saturday, 9 p.m.</td>
<td>Lieut-Colonel G. P. W.</td>
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<td>Meredith, Artillery Barracks</td>
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<td>NORTH PERTH</td>
<td>St. Hilda’s Hall, Glebe - St. (off View Street)</td>
<td>1st and 3rd Monday at 8 p.m.</td>
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<td>PERTH</td>
<td>Anzac House, Perth</td>
<td>2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>Court House, Northam</td>
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<td>PRESS</td>
<td>At Luncheon, Anzac House</td>
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<td>S. Dival, 453 Fitzgerald St.,</td>
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<td>PITHARA</td>
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<td>J. R. T. Keast, Quairading</td>
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<td>SOUTH PERTH</td>
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<td>4th Thursday</td>
<td>Street, South Perth</td>
<td>70 Douglas St,</td>
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<td>SUBIACO</td>
<td>Branch Rooms, Rokeby Road, Subiaco</td>
<td>2nd Wednesday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>B. Gongdon, 75 Glaster</td>
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<td>TOODYAY</td>
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<td>R. F. Hamper, Railway</td>
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<td>K. Somers, Toodyay</td>
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<td>WEST PERTH</td>
<td>Anzac House, Perth</td>
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<td>A. W. Walker, Yelbeni</td>
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<td>WUBIN, BUNTING,</td>
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<td>1st Sunday, 3 p.m.</td>
<td>Jas. Cox, 201 Washington</td>
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<td>JIBBERING WEST</td>
<td>Town Hall, Cambridge Street, Leederville</td>
<td>2nd Monday, 7.30 p.m.</td>
<td>Street, Victoria Park</td>
<td>21 Esperance St,</td>
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<td>YEALERING</td>
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<td>WYALKATCHEM</td>
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<td>3rd Saturday, Quarterly June,</td>
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<td>WARIOONA</td>
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**R.S.L. Sub-Branch Women’s Auxiliaries**

**VICTORIA PARK**
- R.S.L. Memorial Hall, Albany Road
- 4th Friday, 7.30 p.m.
- Mrs. B. Tolmie, 88 Teague Street, Victoria Park
- Mrs. C. B. Howard, 225 Berwick Street, Victoria Park
## Associations of Ex-Service Men

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<td>Anzac House, Perth</td>
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<td>D. M. Benson, Anzac House, Perth</td>
<td>Mrs. W. James, 19 Marion St., Leederville</td>
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<td>11th BATTALION ASSOCIATION</td>
<td>Anzac House, Perth</td>
<td>Monthly Luncheon, 1 p.m. on 11th of month</td>
<td>W. Kruger, 79 St. Leonard's Ave., Leederville</td>
<td>C. P. Philip, c/o, Vetter &amp; Co., Murray St., Perth</td>
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<td>FORTY-FOURTH ASSOCIATION</td>
<td>As advertised</td>
<td>Annual Reunion, Tuesday of Show Week</td>
<td>Col. C. H. Lamb, Victoria House, St. George's Terrace, Perth</td>
<td>E. C. Rogers, 65 Fairfield St., Mt. Hawthorn</td>
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<td>TWENTY-EIGHTH BATTALION ASSN.</td>
<td>Committee, as arranged</td>
<td>2nd Monday</td>
<td>Lt.-Col. J. E. Dunkley, 89 Anglov St., North Perth</td>
<td>W. C. Armstrong, 2 Rusilp St., West Leederville</td>
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<td>10th LIGHT HORSE ASSOCIATION</td>
<td>Anzac House, Perth</td>
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<td>Tom Kidd, Kitchen Ave., West Subiaco</td>
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No. 1 District Committee.—Advice was received that Mr. C. Henning had been appointed the representative of the No. 1 District Committee on the State Executive.

Inquiries and Visits.—The following arrangements were made for the representation of the State Executive at various functions:

- **Horne Hill, November 29, the State President and Mr. Philip, Mockering. November 8, Mr. Hunt, is possible.**
- **Tirninghill, November 11, Captain E. Y. Butler, of Albany sub-branch; Northam, November 12, Colonel Olden; Beverley, November 12, President and Assistant State Secretary; Flying Corps, November 20, State President; Dunblying, November 21, Mr. T. Sten, if possible; Carlisle, Presbyterian Service, Mr. F. Ablet.**

The following visits were reported:

- **Murray and Corrigin, Mr. Wilkins; 16th Battalion Association, Bruce Rock and Mundaggin, Archdeacon Riley.**

Royal Wedding.—The following cable was sent to H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester:

> "Western Australian Branch, Returned Soldiers and Soldiers' Imperial League of Australia recall with the greatest sympathy the occasion of the marriage of your Royal Highness to Lady Alice Scott."

Federal Congress.—It was decided that our representatives at Federal Congress, support the resolutions submitted by this State and use their own discretion in matters submitted by other branches.

Sir William Campion.—It was agreed that a complimentary luncheon be tendered to Sir William Campion.

Office Routine.—While the State Secretary is on his annual leave from November 11 to December 16, his duties will be administered by Mr. C. G. Ferguson, who has been appointed Acting State Secretary for the period.

S.S.I.—Resulting from a report of a combined meeting of S.S.I. branches, held on November 4, Messrs. Oscar Bader and F. W. Batey were appointed members of the S.S.I. Executive Committee.

Mr. Scollars reported that the children from Mending-Bedding had been successfully entertained by the Press sub-branch.

House Committee.—The recommendation of the House Committee, that a tender be accepted for immediate improvements to the supper room be accepted, was adopted.

Federal Executive.—Reporting back from the Federal Executive meeting held on October 26, Mr. Yeates, as W.A. delegate, advised that Mr. E. V. Raymont had been appointed Federal Secretary. It was agreed that congratulations be sent to Mr. Raymont and that the State President communicate with each member of the retiring Repatriation Commission, extending thanks for past services and courtesies shown.

Inquiries.—Further inquiries were accepted as follows:

- **West Leederville, December 9, Mr. Ablet, ex-Naval Men’s Association, November 16, Colonel Olden; dance, Bullbrook sub-branch, November 9, S.A. and Imperial Veterans Memorial Service, King’s Park, November 17.**

Services.—Advice was received that a service would be held in St. George’s Cathedral at 10.45 a.m. on November 11.

Maylands sub-branch advised that a short service would be held at the Maylands Memorial on Sunday, November 10, at 11 a.m.

Sub-Branches.—The appointment of officials as advised by the Tinglegale sub-branch was confirmed.

On the motion of Messrs. Wilkins and Philip it was agreed that the Management Committee consider the advisability of instituting a form of ritual for sub-branch meetings and report back to the State Executive.

Premier Inspection Depots.—No. 1 District Committee protested against the proposed closure of meat inspection depots, pointing out the adverse effects on farmers in the South-West. Mr. Henning addressed delegates on this matter which was referred to the Land Committee for immediate action.

Marketing of Potatoes.—Mr. Henning asked the result of the resolution carried at the recent State Congress on the marketing of potatoes. No reply had been received from the Minister in this respect, and it was agreed that the State Secretary take immediate action to expedite a reply from the Minister and refer the matter to the Land Committee.

School Textbooks.—Mr. C. R. Collins gave notice of his intention to move at the next meeting, "That this Executive congratulates the Education Department of Western Australia on the official reply to recent criticisms of school textbooks, and hopes that the Department will never sanction the intrusion of social and economic propaganda into State Schools."

Leave of Absence.—Leave of absence was granted to Archdeacon C. J. Riley from the next meeting, and to Mr. F. J. Abele, for the next two months.

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