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Palestine and its Problems

Palestine is a land with sacred associations not only for Christians and Jews, but also for the Arabs who, like the Jews claim descent from the patriarch Abraham. When Britain received a mandate over the country from the League of Nations she was already pledged to do her utmost to aid the realisation of the Zionist dream of establishing in Palestine a national home for the Jewish people. That is why the Palestine mandate has been separated from that of Transjordan, the purely Arab State east of the Jordan whose Emir is the brother of the late King Feisal of Iraq, and whose Government, like those of the Feudatory States of India, is advised by a British Resident. Transjordan is now in a fair way towards achieving complete independence and forms an important link in the overland route from Europe to India. The Arabs in Palestine have demanded the independence which is to be accorded to their brethren across the river and which they will no doubt achieve when and if Palestine is sufficiently settled and developed. That, in effect, is the aim of the type of mandate which Britain holds over Palestine, namely, the preparation of a people for independence but the issue is not as simple as all that.

Numerically the Arabs constitute four-fifths of the population of Palestine, which, at a recent census, was given as 1,035,000. In addition to the 759,000 Moslems, there are 175,000 Jews and 90,000 Christians. On the democratic basis of majority rule, the Arabs should predominate politically, but they have stultified their position somewhat by declaring that it is impossible for Arabs and Jews to live side by side in peace and harmony. That assertion has not been substantiated in history. In Mediaeval Spain, the Moors treated Jews far more tolerantly than the Christian Spaniards. In more recent times, Jews have been tolerated and are being tolerated in countries which still remain Moslem. The cause of the animosity against Jews which has flared out into outrage and murder is more than religious bigotry. As in other places it is jealousy of the Jew's virtues rather than antipathy towards his religion which has attracted the violence of the mob. Among the Arabs' demands is the cry that further Jewish migration into the country must cease, and that is one demand with which the British Government will certainly not comply.

From the Arab point of view, the influx of Jews since the Great War, an influx which has been somewhat accelerated by recent events in Germany, will eventually reduce the Arabs to the status of a subordinate race in what they regard as their own country. The British Government now has the thankless task of balancing the scales of justice and seeing that the Arabs obtain a fair deal while honouring pledges already given to Zionism. Since the War, the Jews have done much for the development of the country. In 1909, for instance, Tel-Aviv was a mere suburb of Jaffa, sprawling squalidly over uninviting sand dunes. To-day it is a flourishing city with a population of 40,000. It has been well said that "Jaffa is to Tel-Aviv what the camel is to the motor car." Notwithstanding their long divorce from the land, the Jews have successfully cultivated the difficult soil of Palestine. They have established secondary industries, brought the principles of sanitation and hygiene into localities where these had been notoriously ignored, and by establishing a University at Jerusalem and schools
throughout the country, have instituted a revival of learning in the old home of Jewish culture. Apart from all historical claims to possession, the Jews have justified their right to live in a country that was formerly theirs. The first of Britain’s problems will be that of reconciling opposing claims which each have a basis of history; the second, and more difficult one will be that of grafting a new civilization on to a more primitive one, for the main difference between Arab and Jew is not so much that of religious faith, but of widely diverging economical, social and educational standards. Whatever may be the outcome of the Royal Commission’s deliberations, it is gratifying to see that Britain has passed the stage of making concessions to violence.

**THIS YEAR’S CONGRESS**

The agenda of the Twentieth Annual State Congress appeared in the August Listening Post, so that sub-branches will have ample time to instruct their delegates in advance. In all, there are 192 items for consideration, 39 of which will be dealt with at the Soldier Settlers’ Congress which precedes the General Congress. Naturally, with so many country sub-branches, land matters loom largely in the politics of the League. The Digger’s interest in the interior economy of his own organisation is shown in the number of items dealing with administration and policy, and the constitution. Pensions and repatriation, employment, youth and education, are also matters which will be discussed at length.

The observance of Anzac Day, which has been the subject of plebiscites in other States and much discussion in our own, is responsible for 19 items of the agenda. Fremantle desires a full-dress debate which will traverse the whole position. North Perth opposes celebrating the day on any other date than April 27. Three sub-branches favour the present mode of commemoration, while three others would make the morning observance sufficient, leaving the afternoon free for sports. Two others desire a plebiscite of League members on the subject. The resulting debates should prove of interest both to Diggers and the general public. Other Anzac Day items are concerned with the order of march, and the endeavour to obtain equality of treatment in the matter of “time off” for Diggers and ex-Imperials. Basselton suggests inviting Sir William Birdwood to lead a monster parade in Melbourne next year. The suggestion is worthy of consideration, but one difficulty seems to present itself at the outset. After His Majesty the King and H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, Sir William Birdwood is the senior Field-Marshall of the British Army and, as such, it may be necessary for him to be at the Coronation.

Several years ago, The Bulletin stated that the public and the Federal Government look to ex-service men for a lead in defence matters. That lead should certainly be indicated at the forthcoming Congress which from this point of view is a Defence Congress. Seven sub-branches have declared outright for the reinstatement of compulsory training, to use the term popularly applied to universal service. Other items are sufficient evidence of the interest League members are taking, both as individuals and through their sub-branches, in the problems of defence and training. The Press sub-branch’s advocacy of the formation of an advisory council to coordinate the three arms of Australia’s defence is both timely and instructive.

Looking through the agenda, one misses many of the hearty annuals which have been discussed at Congress after Congress. In many cases the reasons for their regular recurrence have disappeared by efflux of time. The absence of others, one imagines, is due to recognition of the futility of tilting at windmills. In any case, there are sufficient items to provide material for interesting discussion and the spirit underlying most of them is highly credible to the proposers. In conclusion, may we extend a hearty welcome to country delegates, both from the sub-branches and the auxiliaries, with the wish that their visit to the city will be profitable and enjoyable.

**R.S.L. CRICKET ASSN.**

The annual meeting of the R.S.L. Cricket Association was held in Anzac House on August 14, with the president (Mr. Harold Hoppeton) in the chair. There was a full attendance of delegates, who were thanked for making the 1935-1936 season such an outstanding success. In presenting his report, the president mentioned that in future only members of the League would be eligible to play in association matches. He paid a special tribute to the services rendered the association by the secretary (Mr. H. King) and the publicity officer (Mr. W. L. Menkens). Mr. H. King, in his report as secretary and treasurer, stated that over 1,200 spectators had witnessed the Town v. Country match this year, and that the average daily attendance at the finals had been 1,000. The following office-bearers were elected:—Patrons, Messrs. W. A. Oldfield (N.S.W.), and W. L. Menkens; president, Mr. H. Hoppeton (unopposed); vice-president, Mr. Phil Allen; secretary and treasurer, Mr. H. King (unopposed). At the conclusion of the business, delegates were entertained at a social evening by the newly-elected patron, Mr. W. L. Menkens. Replying to the president’s toast of his health, Mr. Menkens said he appreciated holding the office of patron in cooperation with his old friend, Mr. Bert Oldfield, the veteran Test player. He eulogised the services of Messrs. Hoppeton, King, P. Allen and D. James. Mr. H. King was the recipient of an honorarium for services rendered. Musical and other items were contributed by Messrs. H. Purling, O. Taylor, Ted Scott and Guy Devenish.

Applications for the appointment of cricket umpires, who must be ex-service men, should reach the secretary (Mr. H. King, at 18 Rankin Road, Shenton Park), by the end of September.

At the meeting of the Maylands sub-branch on September 3, there were many cricketers present, and an apology was received from Mr. W. L. Menkens. Trophies won during the 1935-1936 season were presented to the following: Best all-round player, trophy presented by Mr. W. L. Menkens, Leo McComish; most improved player, trophy presented by Mr. K. E. Drake-Brockman, Wallie Stooke. Phil N. Allen was warmly congratulated on his recent election to the office of vice-president of the association.
COLONEL COLLETT SHIELD COMPETITION

The results of the Colonel Collett Shield Competition among sub-branches of the Sons of Soldiers' League for 1936 were as follows:

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MILITIA FORCES

At a recent meeting of the State Executive, delegates unanimously resolved that the officers and other ranks be congratulated on the service they have rendered and are continuing to render to the cause of Australian Defence. The resolution was forwarded to Headquarters, 5th Military District, and the following reply has been received from the District Commandant (Brigadier P. M. McFarlane):

I am in receipt of your letter of August 29, 1936, conveying a resolution unanimously carried by your State Executive regarding the service rendered by the officers and other ranks of the Militia to the cause of Australian Defence. I am taking steps to cause the personnel concerned to be duly informed of your Executive's interest in the Forces, and your appreciation of their services. On their behalf, I tender to your Executive the sincere thanks of all concerned. As Military Commandant, I wish to state that this resolution has caused me much satisfaction in that it is so pleasing to find an organisation such as the League appreciating the service and time which the volunteer of to-day puts in to qualify to defend his country. I am sure that the members of the Militia will greatly appreciate the recognition by your Executive of their service, and may I add that if the general community similarly recognised the amount of time and activity which the volunteer soldier cheerfully gives to his country without reward, the Forces would greatly benefit thereby.

I thank your Executive for its patriotic thought and action which is very helpful.

The late Victor Ketterer (right of group) at the last Anzac Service on the Esplanade, Vic. led the 16th Battalion during the march. Others in the group are (left to right): Captain Algy Collins, Colonel Margolin and Charlie Taylor. Photo by H. Hart.

BATTLEFIELDS & WAR MEMORIALS PILGRIMAGE

A Battlefields and War Memorials Pilgrimage has been organised by the Melbourne sub-branch of the Returned Sailors and Soldiers' League to tour Egypt, Palestine, Gallipoli, France and Belgium, finally completing this tour by arriving in London in time for the Coronation of King Edward VIII.

The party will leave by the s.s. Orontes on March 16, 1937. Ample time will be allowed for a thorough tour of the places in Palestine and Gallipoli Peninsula, made famous by the Australian Imperial Forces. The party will disembark at Suez and proceed to Cairo. After several days' sight-seeing, the journey will be continued to Alexandria, where the party will embark on a steamer, calling at Port Said where ample time will be allowed to visit the Australian Memorial. On arrival at Jaffa, the party will disembark for a tour through Palestine and Syria. En route to Jerusalem, Tel Arar and Ramleh Cemetery will be visited. On arrival at Jerusalem all places of interest will be visited, including the British War Memorial Cemetery on the Mount of Olives. The party will leave Jerusalem for Damascus, visiting on route Dead Sea, River Jordan, Jericho, Nazareth and Tiberias. Capernaum will be visited after lunch at Tiberus. On arrival at Damascus, a visit will be made to the War Cemetery.

From Damascus the party will proceed to Baal-Beck to visit the wonderful ruins. On arrival at Beyrout, the party will join the steamer. On arrival at Kelia Bay (Dardanelles) the party will disembark and be taken by motor car across the narrow peninsula to Anzac, Lone Pine, Suvla Bay, and other places that will be forever linked with Australian nationhood. The Turkish authorities have promised their full co-operation. Con-
TWENTY YEARS AGO

War Anniversaries of September, 1916

September 1.—Allied naval demonstration at Athens. Twenty-three warships, with seven transports, anchor four miles outside the port of Piraeus. A revolt of Greek troops in Salonika results in the surrender of the garrison to General Sarrail. Insurrection breaks out in various parts of Macedonia, and a “Committee of National Defence” is appointed.

Rumanian victory at Orsova, on the Danube.

September 2.—Russians capture Ploska Height, just north of the Jablonica Pass.

Allied warships enter the port of Piraeus and seize three German vessels. The Allied Governments demand control of posts and telegraphs, the banishment of enemy agents, and the punishment of Greek subjects in collusion with the Germans.

September 3.—British capture Guillaumant and part of Ginchy. French capture the village of Forest and Clery. Hostile airship, one of 13 raiding the eastern counties, attempting to approach the London area, brought down by Lieutenant W. L. Robinson, R.F.C., at Cuffley, near Enfield.

September 4.—South of the Somme, the French attack over a front of 12 miles, from Barieux to the district south of Chauny. Surrender of Dares-Salaam to British naval forces.

September 5.—British air raid on El Arish.

September 6.—British capture whole of Leuze Wood.

September 7.—Russians capture bridgehead at Halicz.

French gain at Verdun. Attacking the German line of the Vaux Chapitre Wood Le Chenois Front, they carry it to a length of 1,600 yards.

Rumanians sustain a reverse at Turtucai on the south bank of the Danube.

British naval forces and Marine, with military landing parties, occupy the East African ports of Kilwa, Kivijne, and Kilwa Kisswani.

British naval aeroplanes raid enemy aerodrome at St. Denis Westren.

September 9.—On the Euphrates, a mixed British force from Nasiriyeh drove Turkish irregulars northward, killing 200.

September 11.—The British, operating on the Salonika front, cross the Struma and drive Bulgarians out of villages east of the river.

September 12.—French carry Hill 145, the village of Bouchavesnes, the woods of Marieres, and all the enemy trench system to the Baraque-Pere-nne Road, capturing 1,500 prisoners.

Austrian air raid on Venice.

September 13.—French carry by assault the farm of L’Albe Wood, 600 yards east of the Bethune Road, and hold the German third line.

September 14.—French increase their gains south-east of Comoës by storming the Priez farm. South of the Somme, they progress by the use of grenades to the east of Beloyen-Santerre.

Serbians push forward towards Markiszten, taking Garniceiro and most of the Maka Nide ridge.

September 15.—Tanks were used for the first time in action in a British attack on a front from a point north of the Albert-Bapaume Road to Bouleaux Wood, a distance of six miles. They advanced at various places some 3,000 yards, taking Floria, Martinpuy and Coulouette, with most of Bouleaux Wood and the whole of High Wood.

September 16.—Russian victory north of Halicz.

Russo-Rumanian forces in the Dobruja retire to strong positions between Rastova and Tuzla.

Allied forces in Macedonia drive the Bulgarians before them and capture the heights overlooking Florina.

Italians capture the height of San Grado.

September 17.—Counter attacks on Moutet Farm beaten off.

French advance south of the Somme.
and capture the villages of Vermandovillers and Berny.
In Macedonia, French troops take Florina by storm.
A mobile column, composed of Anzac mounted troops, camel corps and artillery, surprises Turks at Bir-el-Mazar, 65 miles from the Canal, penetrating their trenches and inflicting considerable casualties.
September 18.—French troops carry the whole of the village of Dernicourt.
September 19.—Heavy fighting in the defile of Merisov, in Transylvania. The Rumanians are moving towards Hatszeg.
September 20.—Great German attacks upon the French lines in the salient which cuts the Bethune-Peronne Road between Le Priez farm and the farm of L’Abbe Wood repulsed with very heavy losses.
Allies declare a blockade of the Greek coast from the mouth of the Struma to the mouth of the Mesto.
September 21.—Enemy makes strong counter attacks south of the Ancr against the New Zealanders, all of which are beaten off with severe loss to the enemy.
East of Gorizia, the Italians occupy a new position near Santa Caterina.
September 22.—Seaplane attack on Dover; three bombs dropped without causing any damage.
September 23.—British continuing their offensive on the Somme; advance to the east of Courselette, where a strongly fortified system of trenches is captured.
September 23.—Great Zeppelin raid on London and the eastern, south-eastern and midland counties. Two Zeppelins brought down, one in south Essex, the crew being destroyed. The crew of the other set fire to their craft and surrendered.
Italians take the summit of the Cardinal, south of the Avisio.
September 24.—Two French airmen, Captain de Beauchamps and Lieutenant Daucourt, drop bombs on Krupps at Essen.
September 25.—The British and French, after a long and violent bombardment, resume their offensive. British troops take Morval and Lesboeufs on the Somme, and practically sever the enemy’s communications with Combes. M. Venizelos leaves Athens with a number of highly placed officers and many supporters.

Zeppelin raid on northern and north-eastern counties; 36 killed, 27 injured.
September 26.—The British take Thiepval and, in conjunction with the French, Combes.
September 27.—North of Flers, on a 2,000 yards front, British advance to the eastern side of Eaucourt L’Abbey. North-east of Thiepval, they capture the Staff redoubt.
September 28.—Greek provisional government proclaimed by M. Venizelos and Admiral Condouriotis.
September 29.—British gains south-west of Le Sars, on the Bapaume Road.
September 30.—Completion of the three months’ battle of the Somme.

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Chapter IV
To Gallipoli

FROM March 10 to April 27, 1915, the Regiment went into intensive training in the desert round Mena. “C” Squadron personnel and horses, under Major J. B. Scott, arrived at Suez on the 22nd, after a very fine voyage aboard the s.s. Surada (A59); disembarked at Suez, and marched into Mena Camp the following day. Thus the Regiment was again complete; and troop, squadron and regimental tactical exercises proceeded without hindrance, the horses, after their month’s spell, being brought into use.

As Easter approached, a general speeding up, particularly of the Infantry and Artillery, was noticeable at Mena, and on Good Friday, the First Division began to move out on their great adventure, trained, equipped, eager and full of sympathy—some of it derisory—with the Light Horse at being left behind.

Information as to movements of our troops at this time was naturally scant, but it was evident that an offensive was about to take place in which mounted troops could not, at the outset, participate. The High Command, however, had announced that it was hoped that mounted troops would soon be required, and we had to console ourselves with that. By Easter Monday, the move of the First Infantry Division was complete, leaving the Third Light Horse Brigade and the Fourth Light Horse Regiment in sole possession of the Camp. They did not remain long in possession, for on April 27 orders came for the Third Light Horse Brigade to move to Heliopolis. The 10th Regiment, as part of the Third Brigade, accordingly left Mena early on April 29, and marched into camp at Heliopolis racecourse the same day. Training was immediately re-commenced, and tactical exercises in the surrounding country were carried out.

News of the landing at Gallipoli was now filtering through, and hospital trains, laden with wounded, began to arrive at the great Heliopolis Palace Hotel, which had meanwhile been converted into the First Australian General Hospital. Friends were sought out at the Hospital, and varying stories of the Landing, and opinions of the situation generally, were listened to; but as day after day passed, bringing its stream of wounded into Heliopolis, until all the hospitals and auxiliary hospitals gradually were filled, it became evident that our gallant comrades in Gallipoli were being hard pressed and that speedy reinforcement was necessary.

A spontaneous desire on the part of the Australian Light Horse and New Zealand Mounted Rifles to volunteer for dismounted service culminated in each unit being asked for its opinion. Colonel Brazier, addressing the Regiment, placed the situation before officers and men and the idea met with such a burst of enthusiasm that he was in the proud position of

Bellevue Rest Camp and Dysentery Hospital, Gallipoli, 1915.
being able to report to the Brigadier (General Hughes) that the Tenth had volunteered "to a man."

Machine gunners had already been asked for, and the Machine Gun Section, under Lieutenant H. C. H. Robertson, was quickly despatched. Of course the horses had to be considered, and the order came that twenty-five per cent. of the personnel would remain behind to attend to them. Naturally a lot of heartburning was caused, but the position was reluctantly accepted by the officers and men detailed for this work when the great importance of keeping the horses fit was impressed upon them.

The first four drafts of reinforcements were now with the Regiment, and the greater part of these were absorbed, so that the Regiment was brought up to strength on moving out. The bandolier, leggings and spurs of the Light Horseman were discarded, and the pack and web equipment and puttees of the Infantryman assumed.

The men, anxious to preserve their identity as Light Horsemen, parted very sorrowfully with their leggings and spurs, though they cheerfully donned the balance of the Infantry equipment.

On May 15, at ten o'clock in the night, the Regiment, under the command of Major A. J. Love, marched out of the Heloplos Camp to Helmein, where it entrained for Alexandria. The railway journey was marked by a sad accident in which Sergeant Hubert Hall lost an arm, the result of being caught by the wheels of a passing carriage as the train was leaving Benha.

Alexandra was reached at five o'clock in the morning of the 16th, and at midday the Regiment embarked on the captured North-German Lloyd steamer Lutzow (A23), along with the whole of the Second Light Horse Brigade (General Ryan) and one squadron of the Fourth Light Horse Regiment. The Lutzow was not a very large ship, but on this voyage she carried—in addition to the ship's company—106 officers and 2,250 men.

Needless to say, she was overcrowded and in a terribly insanitary condition, having already made several hasty trips with very little opportunity of "cleaning up," but the shortness of the voyage combined with the eagerness of the men to get into action caused these details to be overlooked.

Submarine stations were with great difficulty allotted to the various units, and, with the meal parades, constituted the Regiment's first routine. One incident, which lasted the whole voyage to Gallipoli, and caused endless amusement, was the appearance of numerous small rotary grindstones in every nook and corner of the crowded decks. The men utilised them for sharpening their bayonets, and they were unceasingly in motion from early morning till late at night. Many were the arguments round each wheel as to the best method of sharpening a bayonet, and each man put on the edge what he considered the most serviceable.

Before going ashore a church service was held, to which, of course, only a portion of the troops could gain access, but the bayonets sharpening was continued by the remainder, and the old hymn "O God, our Help in Ages Past" was thus accompanied by the hiss of revolving grindstones.

The Agcan Islands were passed on 17th and 18th, and at seven o'clock in the evening of the 18th, when a few miles north of Tenedos, we heard the first shot of battle fired. Two warships were bombarding a high point on the sky line, which had just become visible, and which we knew later to be Achi Baba. Seaplane reconnaissance was also observed in this sector. Rapidly Cape Helles rose up into view, and at a quarter to nine, the Lutzow dropped anchor about a mile off shore.

The following morning (May 19) we had our first view of the southern portion of Gallipoli Peninsula, and the small holding of the Twenty-ninth Division with the Turkish defences on the looming heights were plainly visible from the sea. The day was marked by a desultory bombardment of the Turkish positions by our Fleet with reciprocal artillery fire by the enemy, though most of it was directed against the Cape Helles beaches.

At half past six in the evening the Lutzow steamed north and again anchored off Anzac, about one and a half hours later. The great Turkish counter-attack of May 19 and 20 had just been launched, and from the decks of the Lutzow the Regiment anxiously watched its progress the whole night through. The rifle and machine gun fire was intense and the artillery duel continuous.

It was a thrilling, though disappointing, first experience for the Regiment, to watch this night battle and not be permitted to have a hand in it, and our hearts went out to our people ashore as we realised how hard they were being pressed and how gallantly they were fighting. Never in any part of their tiny

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When day broke the fire had slackened considerably, and cheers went up from the Lutzen as word came through that our line was unshaken, though the situation was still critical, as the Turks were apparently being heavily reinforced.

At half-past two in the afternoon of May 20 the Second Light Horse Brigade commenced to disembark, and were all away from the ship before dusk. Orders came that the Tenth Regiment would go ashore the following day, as the balance of the Third Brigade would then be up. The battle, which had died down considerably during the day, was fiercely renewed at seven o'clock in the evening and carried on through the night.

So much has already been written regarding this famous Turkish attempt to "drive us into the sea" that it is needless to dwell upon it in these pages. Suffice it to say that the next morning when the Regiment took its place in the Line, the sight of seven thousand enemy dead in front of the Anzac trenches, told its own tale.

On May 21 the Regiment received orders to disembark at five o'clock in the afternoon. The Turkish gunners during the day had directed their attention to the Lutzen, and shrapnel had been bursting uncomfortably close. At the first salvo, the men realising that they were under direct fire for the first time, promptly climbed the masts and rigging to get a better view of it! Such was the spirit they were in as they descended from the troopship's side and went ashore for the first taste of the "Real Thing."

At five o'clock the destroyers Chelmer and Rattlesnake were alongside, and into these the Regiment moved under a moderate shrapnel fire. The destroyers steamed quickly inshore, and from them the troops were taken to the beach in barges and pinneys. Only one casualty occurred in the landing—No. 722, Trooper D. Doran, receiving a bullet wound. The Regiment formed up on the beach in the dusk, marched to its first Gallipoli home—a broken piece of ground near Plugge's Plateau—and dug in for the night.

(To be continued)

**THE LISTENING POST**
18th September, 1936

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**Scabbards Off!**

By "Pip Tok"

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Thought for the month: A thing of beauty gets joy rides for ever.

In the agreement to be signed by members of the women's cricket team that will tour England next year, smoking, drinking and gambling are banned. Apparently other hobbies may be indulged.

A writer in *The West Australian* said, "What is wanted in Australia is fearless statesmen whose main object would be to keep the cradles full." Mr. Lyons has certainly done his best in this respect. When he broke into double figures, a few years ago, one Eastern States paper dubbed him "Our Prem. Minister."

Newspaper heading: "Fruit in China." Mandarin, we presume.

Addressing a gaggle of pacifists recently, Professor Beasley hinted that even a defence force is unnecessary if we are not told specifically whom we are to defend ourselves against. On that line of unreason, a young man entering upon a law course should be provided in advance with the names of all his prospective clients.

Dumb Dora's little brother thought that Irwin—he pronounced it "I Run"—was the place where they train the Portuguese army.

A Fremantle worker has twice been awarded compensation for injuries to the same arm. The Digger usually got P.F. when he chanced his arm.

When T. J. Hughes, M.L.A., was castigating the Government during the debate on the Address in Reply, a Digger member of Parliament interjected with the question, "Where was your courage in 1914?" The member for East Perth who was not at the War explained that he was one of the stalwarts who fought against conscription on the Home Front.

In the eyes of certain pacifists, there seems to have been some special degree of courage in opposing conscription away from the risks of battle, and the importance of the campaign at the hustings has been vastly overestimated. Opposition to conscription did not in itself keep a man out of the firing line. Many Diggers in France were anti-conscriptionists and this is enough to make thinking men laugh when some special brand of courage is claimed on behalf of the anti who stayed at home.

Most Diggers will applaud the action of the State Executive in refusing indignantly to take part in an alleged peace procession on Armistice Day at the behests of an organisation, or agglomeration of organisations, which calls itself "The Consultative Council Against War." Anyone who can scent the Binghi in the kindling will realise that the project is part of a general plan for white-anting the annual commemoration of Anzac Day and Armistice Day and depriving these occasions of all the significance they hold for decent citizens.

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About three weeks ago, there appeared a letter in The West Australian, signed by six clergymen who jointly and severally repudiated war. Now, if six medical men were to write to The West Australian repudiating disease, we should all live for ever.

Fred Emery, a very active supporter of the Osborne Park sub-branch, has been in indifferent health of late, but we are pleased to report that he is now on the road to recovery.

Memories of Bairsfather were revived by the information, “We are staying at a farm,” conveyed in a letter from our Maylands contributor (W. L. Menkens). But the farm where Bill is now convalescing with Mrs. Menkens and their young son is very different from those we used to see in France and Flanders. It is a delightful property, originally owned by the late Peter O’Loughlin, and now carried on by his brother, who is a very old family friend of his guests. The visitors are already feeling much better for the change.

probably Hitler and Stalin will sit up and take notice when virile, hot blooded men like Mr. Mercer tell them all about the horrors of the war they experienced in absentia.

A pleasant feature of the first meeting held by the Perth sub-branch in the new quarters at King Street was the presentation of a Certificate of Service to Mr. A. J. Matthews, a former president of the Goomalling sub-branch and now a member of Perth. The presentation was made by Mr. G. Mellor, secretary of the Perth sub-branch, on behalf of the Goomalling sub-branch. In a particularly fine speech, Mr. Matthews expressed his pleasure at the unexpected honour. He briefly outlined his associations with the Goomalling sub-branch and, later in the evening, demonstrated his uncanny skill with the small bore rifle. Guiding the destinies of a sub-branch and oratory are not Mr. Matthew’s only accomplishments. Visitors to the social room of the Perth sub-branch will find a target put up by the ex-president of Goomalling, and secretary George Mellor thinks so highly of it that he has promised two shillings to the first marksman who can better it.

Subiaco sub-branch will tender a complimentary social evening to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Williamson on September 26. Ben was one of the most efficient of sub-branch secretaries until the indifferent health of a member of his family caused a change of domicile to the Hills. We
join his Subiaco friends in wishing him all the best for the future.

Subiaco sub-branch and the community in general suffered a severe loss through the sudden death of Mr. A. H. Jacobs. The deceased served with the artillery during the War and, besides being an active member of the sub-branch, had been town clerk of Subiaco for a number of years. The large number of citizens attending the funeral was a splendid tribute to his popularity and the general esteem in which he was held. The day was just about the wettest of the season, but the rain held off long enough for the officiating clergyman (the Rev. McEvoy) to conclude a touching burial service.

Buckland Hill sub-branch reports four casualties among members. The president (Mr. George Ashworth), a vice-president (Mr. C. Gibson), and a former secretary (Mr. A. Sills), have all been in cot cases. We regret to learn that Mr. W. Davies of the same sub-branch has been seriously ill, his name having been on the danger list for several days. One hopes that the patients will soon be restored to normal health.

Cupid has been very busy out Mount Hawthorn way lately. We offer our felicitations to Fred Charles, the secretary of the sub-branch, on the marriage of his daughter, Freda, to Mr. F. G. Grieves, of Wyalkatchem. When in Perth, Freda was an ardent worker in the women’s auxiliary and collected many a shilling on behalf of the Digger on Poppy Day.

Another Mount Hawthorn wedding was that of Arthur, eldest son of that hard-working member of the sub-branch, Herb. Stanton, to Miss Eileen Winch, a member of the auxiliary. The young people first met on the tennis courts some years ago, and now life is going to be one long love set for them.

It is with regret we learn that George Cooper, of the Mount Hawthorn-North Leederville sub-branch, who was to have been discharged from hospital, has had a relapse and is still in bed. We join his many friends in wishing him a speedy recovery.

On behalf of the New Zealand Returned Soldiers’ Association, the Federal Office is enquiring for the where-

abouts of Rifleman Alexander E. Sawers, N.Z.R.B. There is an Endowment Insurance Policy in favour of his wife which needs his personal attention. Any information as to his present address would be appreciated by Head Office.

On September 4 the Albany sub-branch tendered a farewell social to the former secretary, Mr. F. T. Evans, who has been transferred to Bunbury. The decorations for the occasion were arranged by Mesdames Day and Pearson.

The August meeting of the Bassendean sub-branch was the final appearance of Mr. H. Grieve in the presidential chair. Mr. J. E. Claughton took charge of the meeting while ordinary business was suspended to drink the health of the
retiring president, and to express regret that he has found it necessary to leave Bassendean. Speakers recalled the hectic days of 1914, when Mr. H. Grieve was the R.S.M. at Blackboy Hill, and complimentary references were made to his long association with the Bassendean sub-branch. Mr. Grieve, in reply, regretted having to leave so many old friends and presented the sub-branch with a handsome clock as a trophy to be won for the best attendance at meetings.

Another recipient of compliments from his sub-branch was Mr. McGregor, of Katanning. At the quarterly meeting of the sub-branch, the president (Mr. H. W. A. Tyler) referred to Mr. McGregor's impending departure from the district and regretted that his valued service would be lost to the sub-branch. Mr. McGregor would, however, still remain a member and pay an occasional visit when circumstances permitted. The president's remarks were supported by Mr. Old, and a resolution was passed wishing Mack the best of luck in his new venture.

Bert King is still in the field as secretary and treasurer of the R.S.L. Cricket Association. That body is fortunate in having the services of a man of Bert's calibre for another season.

That good old stalwart, Phil Allen, replaces Dave James as vice-president of the R.S.L. Cricket Association. He has made a splendid success of running the Maylands club, and the Association should now reap the benefit of his services in the higher sphere. Dave James has also rendered yeoman service, both in the Association and the North Perth sub-branch, where he is chairman of the sports committee.

Walter Noakes, who is Brunswick Junction's delegate to the Land Section of Congress this year, is the sub-branch's strong man on land and farming matters generally. He is a very active worker with a varied experience. He is the district's representative on the Whole Milk Board, a regular attendant at meetings of the sub-branch, and a delegate to the district committee meetings. His off-sider at Congress will be secretary Sid Chamberlain.

R. W. Menkens, one of the new patrons of the R.S.L. Cricket Association, was a well-known player with the Subiaco club before the War, but, for health reasons, had to take up the less strenuous and, perhaps, less thankful job of umpiring after he came home. In his capacity of State Umpire, one of his first decisions was giving Don Bradman out. For the past year he has thrown in his lot with the R.S.L. Cricket Association. He served in the War with the 4th Field Ambulance. Having been ordered away on a health trip, Bill intends to see the Tests in the Eastern States during the forthcoming season. At the annual meeting of the Association, delegates decided to present Mrs. Menkens with a travelling rug for being such a good backstop for her energetic husband.

Harold Hopperton, who has been elected for a fourth term as president of the R.S.L. Cricket Association, is a well-known Digger and former president of Perth sub-branch, to say nothing of being a prominent member of the 12th-

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 who passed through Perth on his way to 
 take up the duty of Agent-General in 
 London for the State of Victoria, is a 
 hefty, breezy personality, who has had 
 much experience in the field and the 
 forum. He served with the Light Horse 
 in Palestine, Syria and Sinai, and from 
 1921 to 1927 he commanded the 3rd 
 Cavalry Brigade, A.M.F. Since 1920 
 he represented Goulburn Valley in the 
 Victorian Parliament and was Minister 
 for Agriculture and Markets from 1924 
 to 1927.

The Commonwealth Treasurer (Mr. 
 R. G. Casey), who has just presented his 
 Budget, was a Major in the War and the 
 winner of the Military Cross. During the 
 latter months of the War, he was G.S.O. 
 3 on the Australian Corps Headquarters, 
 in which capacity he had much to do 
 with the organisation of training in the 
 A.I.F. and the Australian Corps School.

At the meeting of the State Executive 
 on September 9, delegates were informed 
 that Mr. G. C. Curlewis had again been 
 elected secretary of the Northam sub-
 branch. Mr. Curlewis has served continu-
 ingly in this capacity since March, 
 1920. The Executive agreed to place 
 on record an appreciation of the long and 
 valued service rendered by Mr. Curlewis.

Mr. Jack Webster, C.M.G., the 
 League's representative on the Repatria-
 tion Commission, was the guest of hon-
 our at a luncheon arranged by the State 
 Executive in the supper room at Anzac 
 House on September 17. He is a Tas-
 manian who went away in 1914 with 
 the original 12th Battalion. Mr. Web-
 ster commenced his League service in the 
 Tasmanian Branch, after which he was 
 general secretary.

The Bullbrook sub-branch is conducting 
 a gymkhana on the golf links at Bull-
 brook on Sunday, September 27, com-
 mencing at 10 a.m. All ex-service men 
 are invited to participate. Trophies will 
 be given for best 18 holes (bogey), best 
 9 holes (hidden), highest score (pin-hi 
 competition), longest drive in full marching 
 order, and best approach in gas mask. 
 Luncheon and refreshments have been 
 arranged for by the Bullbrook Hotel 
 and a most enjoyable day is assured. Ar-
 rangements are in the capable hands of 
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 partment, who will be pleased to advise 
 and assist intending competitors.

The offices of the Australian War 
 Memorial in Sydney and Melbourne have 
 now been transferred to Canberra.

Members of the 16th Battalion Associa-
 tion, and any other 4th Brigade men 
 taking up residence in Victoria, are ad-
 vised to get into touch with the secre-
 tary of the 14th Battalion Association, 
 whose address is Mr. E. S. Piper, 376 
 Nerrin Road, Murrumbeena, S.E.9. The 
 opportunity will then be afforded of 
 helping them to overcome the loneliness 
 of being in a strange city, away from former 
 comrades.

The State Secretary of the Victorian 
 Branch (Mr. G. W. Joyce) has advised 
 us that there were 240 delegates present 
 at the recent Victorian State Congress, 
 and that though the correct figures of 
 the voting on the question of Anzac Day 
 observance have not been published, they 
 were in the neighbourhood of 180 in fav-
 ours of retaining the present method and 
 25 against. It has been noticed that the 
 South Australian State Congress has de-
 clared decisively against the suggestion 
 of observing Anzac Day on the nearest 
 Sunday instead of the actual date.

The concessions, including the 40-hour 
 week, which the French workers wrung 
 from the Government as the result of 
 recent strikes, have already cost the 
 Australian Government £6,000. Through 
 the new conditions the Australian National 
 War Memorial at Villers-Bretonneux 
 will cost £6,000 more than was at first 
 estimated. The Federal Government has 
 agreed to make the additional amount 
 available.

Through a reporter's error, we stated 
 in our report of Gunners' Day at Guild-
 ford that Colonel Olden commanded the 
 ex-service men of the 10th Light Horse. 
 Colonel Olden was one of the representatives 
 of the State Executive on that occasion. 
 In the absence of the president of the 
 10th Light Horse Association (Mr. 
 C. E. Woodrow), the next immediate 
 past president on parade (Captain J. A. 
 B. Philp) was in charge of that section of 
 the parade.

The August statement of the R.S.L. 
 Relief Fund Trustees shows that 48 ap-
 plications, including 35 A.I.F., and 13 
 Imperial, were approved, the amount ex-
 pended in relief being £43/16/8. Of the 
 A.I.F. personnel assisted, 5 were widows, 
 3 were members of the R.S.L., and 27 
 non-members. One Imperial widow, 2 
 Imperial members and 10 non-members 
 were assisted. Sums amounting to £3/2/6 
 have been refunded during the month. 
 Other receipts were: Federal Executive, 
 £37/18/11. The following grants were 
 made:—Women's Auxiliary, £2/12/6, 
 and Kalgoorlie sub-branch, £12/9/6. The 
 total expenditure during the month was
Sons of Soldiers' League
MT. HAWTHORN-NTH. LEEKERVILLE

The sub-branch is flourishing and the lads are quickly learning to become good and well behaved citizens. Sports take up most of the time and an effort is being made to raise funds to purchase a set of parlour bowls so that members may be properly equipped for entering the Collett Shield Competition. The fireworkers, under Mr. Bruce, are turning out some good work. Visits will be interchanged with North Perth S.S.L. in the near future.

PERTH

The annual social on July 31 was an enjoyable function. The credit balance as disclosed at the meeting on July 7 was £67/7/9. The prizes in the annual raffle, for which the tickets are 3d. each, were fixed at £5, £7, and £1. Trophies won by members in sub-branch contests were presented by Mr. A. Etanou. They were: quizzes, R. Nugent, who was also first in draughts and table tennis; bowls, Ruger; and shooting, G. Millor. A letter has been sent to the Central Committee in connection with the matter of the financial crown. New members, Messrs. Etanou and Lester, were admitted. The cricket committee (Messrs. R. Nugent, Meiklejohn and Mann) are considering the problem of raising funds.

ALBANY

The monthly meeting on September 8 was well attended. There are now 65 members. The August dance was an outstanding success. Dance competitions were conducted and thanks are due to Messrs. Johnson and Westgate, and Mr. J. Page who donated the prizes. Boronia and other wild flowers have been collected and dispatched to various institutions in Perth, while toys have been donated to the Albany Hospital. Cricket and baseball practice are now being carried on.

REVIEWS

The Individual in Society


Most of our present discontent arise from ineffectual efforts to reconcile the rights of the individual with those of the other individuals who compose the society in which he lives. In these stormy days, one hears much of fascism and communism, two evil things which are really the same old evil in differently coloured shirts, and of the anarchy which is the other extreme and every bit as evil. Somewhere between lies the democracy which, like Christianity, has been found so hard that no one has really tried it. There have been attempts at national reconstruction in other lands, attempts which have resulted in the subordination of the individual to the totalitarian State. As is pointed out in the publishers' foreword to National Notes, by William Baylebridge, the idea of nationalism, as the world understands this to-day, had its origin, and its earliest exponent in Australia. Australia was a virile democracy and virtually a socialist State when the Russians, and their admirers who would hold them up to us as examples, were groaning under the heel of Tsardom.

Mr. Baylebridge, in his interesting Notes, suggests how Australian nationalism might be further improved still further. With the insight of the scholar and scientist, he expounds his New Nationalism and treats of morals, eugenics, marriage and the family, the State and politics, religion, laws and conduct, in a connected series of brief and interesting notes which bear the impress of profound thought, though their arrangement may suggest that they have been jotted down just as they occurred to the writer. It is a booklet that should be read and pondered by those who aspire to influence and direct the destinies of his fellow man. Many of the Notes are brilliant epigrams; others, reasoned statements compressed within the compass of a paragraph.

Space does not permit of detailed quotation, but two Notes dealing with peace and war are worthy of repetition:

"Peace," writes Mr. Baylebridge, "does not possess absolute value; it is not..."
something to be sought—as many pretend—entirely for its own sake; it can be good or evil according to the motive that urges men to seek it. If they seek and embrace it because they care more for ‘bondage with ease than strenuous liberty’—bondage, that is, to the mean, or the unjust, or similar obsessions—peace can be a scourge greater than war.”

On the same page he declares, “Every additional weapon, every new complication of the art of war, of whatever kind, intensifies the need for deliberate preparation, and darkens the outlook of a nation of amateurs.”

“Musings of a Diehard”
The Progress Publishing Co., Ltd., of 53 Grenfell Street, Adelaide, is issuing “The Musings of a Diehard,” in which the author, A. E. Speers, who served with the 2nd W.A. Mounted Infantry in the South African War of 1899-1902, has related a number of campaigning episodes, humourous and otherwise, in prose and verse. Captain E. D. Bagot, an A.I.F. officer, is the editor of the publication for which Major-General C. H. Brand and Colonel Butler, both of whom served in the South African and the Great Wars, have written favourable comments. Copies may be purchased at the rate of two shillings each, post free. The first edition will be limited to advanced bookings and a second edition will follow only if the demand warrants it.

EMPIRE SHOPPING WEEK
The State Secretary has received the following letter from Mr. Hastings C. Reid, the honorary organiser of the annual Empire Shopping Week:

Privileged as I am to be the honorary organiser on behalf of the R.S.L. of Empire Shopping Week in this State, I took it upon myself to forward to the Board of Trade a copy of my last annual report, addressed to my chairman, Mr. E. S. Watt, and presented to the League.

I have now received a despatch from the Board of Trade, dated August 4, asking me to convey to the League its sincere thanks and warm appreciation for the part played by the League in ensuring the success of the Week. It is with more than ordinary pleasure that I convey this message to the League because I have so keen an appreciation, from first-hand knowledge,

of the enthusiasm with which all component parts of the League throw themselves into this annual and increasingly important function.

SOLDIERS’ CHILDREN’S SCHOLARSHIP FUND
At the meeting of the State Executive on August 12, Colonel C. H. Lamb, M.C., submitted a report on behalf of the trustees of the Scholarship Fund for children of deceased sailors and soldiers of W.A. It will be remembered that the fund was created in August, 1921, out of the proceeds of Gratitude Bonds donated by returned men for the purpose of establishing a Scholarship Fund. The capital amount of the Fund is £2,671/1/10, and is invested in Commonwealth Government Inscribed Stock, bearing interest at 4 per cent. The income received enables us to pay an annual grant of £105 to the Soldier’s Children’s Scholarship Trust, the money being utilised by that Trust in the payment of school fees and grants for books and travelling expenses for children of deceased comrades who are being educated by means of scholarships. Since the establishment of the Fund, a total amount of £2,237/5/2 has been received as income from the Bonds, and £2,235/18/2 has been expended in the manner above mentioned.

A.R.M.S. COMPETITIONS
The competition has reached a most interesting stage, for last year’s finalists meet again this year in the final.

Teams from sub-branches have played very keenly this season, and the majority have performed most creditably.

Credit must be given to West Leederville for their most promising performance in Zone 2. To make a draw of 5 points each with Nedlands is a factor worth keeping in mind when games commence next season.

And now for the grand final! This will be played in Perth sub-branch rooms, 23 King Street (corner of King and Hay Streets), on Tuesday evening, September 22, at 8 p.m. The stage is all set, and we are looking forward to a ding-dong tussle between Mt. Hawthorn and Nedlands.

Below is the complete table of games up to the ninth round:

| Zone 1 | Mt. Hawthorn beat Perth  | 8-2 |
|        | Mt. Lawley beat Bassendean | 8-2 |
|        | Bayswater beat Maylands    | 8-2 |
|        | West Perth beat Osborne Park | 6-4 |
|        | North Perth, a bye         |     |
| Zone 2 | W. Leederville v. Nedlands (draw) | 5-5 |
|        | Subiaco beat South Perth    | 7-3 |
|        | Tramways beat Claremont     | 6-4 |
|        | Victoria Park beat Cottesloe | 6-4 |
|        | Fremantle, a bye            |     |

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ADVENTITIOUS RE-UNION

BY H.F.M.

An unusual, unprepared, and perhaps unique reunion of five men occurred one Monday morning at the Brighton Hotel, Mandurah.

Jock and I were on holidays. We wandered up to the Brighton, and, with one of the largest available for each, seated ourselves by the window. Presently in came Sammy Scott with a local resident and ordered his refreshment before looking about and seeking Jock and me. We exchanged casual greetings as we had already met Sammy a day or two before.

Sammy Scott is the man who bought a gold mine for a case of bitter beer and, later, sold it for thousands of good bank notes.

Just then there walked into the bar Charlie Heason, mine host of the Nannup Hotel. With him were Ted Weeks, a partner of Sammy Scott’s in mining ventures, extending over many years, and Ted’s father, L. A. (Len) Weeks. As soon as Charlie had given his order he looked around, and when he sighted Sammy and Jock and me he called greetings and an invitation. Jock knew them all and we joined them. I had known Charlie for several years since the War and had met Sammy Scott for the first time at Mundurah a few days before, but had not met the Weeks, father and son.

I found myself among five men, each of whom had worked in various capacities at Sandstone and known each other in the days before the War; each of whom, even the elder Weeks, now past seventy-two, had gone to the War; each of whom had returned from it; strange to say, four of the five had been wounded, and some of whom had not met one another since the Sandstone days.

So there in a little holiday resort hotel, 400 miles from Sandstone as the crow flies and about 700 miles by rail, these five old Diggers came upon their adventitious reunion.

I had time to observe that the oldest man (Mr. L. A. Weeks) used to conduct the Austral Cafe at Sandstone in pre-War days, and later the Burlington Cafe at Fremantle. His son Ted being already in the field old L.A.W., after several tries was accepted at Geraldton for active service, and at the age of 49 years was with the 2nd Pioneer Battalion in France. Quiet and reserved, and with a fine head of hair that Charlie Heason might envy, he looks very little older than his son, Ted. Ted has been called his brother before to-day.

Sammy Scott was a tool sharpener on the Oroya Mine at Sandstone in the old days. He served with the 114th Howitzer Battery overseas for a long time. After returning from the War, Sammy, with Ted Weeks as a partner, worked the old Oroya Mine at Sandstone.
for about four years; then Ted went farming. Very soon Sammy saw a show he fancied and he bought it for a case of Swan Bitter beer, as the holders wanted to get out. Sammy promptly named the show “The Swan Bitter,” and with a partner worked the show for two years and then called Ted Weeks back.

The romance of prospecting and gold-mining is typified in this. After working the mine on sound lines for about five years, Sammy and his mates sold out to the present owners and the mine is now being worked by the “Swan Bitter” Co. Sammy Scott bought some land just out of Manudurah on the Pinjarra Road, and is running a poultry farm there in his usual efficient manner. He is a vice-president of the Murray sub-branch of the R.S.L., the sub-branch that topped the list of sub-branches in the Youth and Motherhood Appeal.

E. S. (Ted) Weeks was a miner at Sandstone in pre-War days. Ted went away with the second reinforcements of the 28th Battalion, saw service at Anzac and in France, was wounded at Mouquet Farm, and invalided home late in 1917. He and his father are now located at Mundurah also, near Sammy’s place. Mrs. Sammy Scott is a sister of Ted Weeks.

Charlie Heason was well known as a good sportsman to old Murchison gold-fielders when barman for old John McManaway at Sandstone, and to the many city residents who knew him as the manager of the Alhambra Bars for some years. Charlie served at the War with the 16th Battalion, and is now the licensee of the Nannup Hotel, where he is always pleased to see old friends.

Last, but not least, is John J. Dow (Jock), the genial and obliging liftman of the T. & G. Insurance Buildings. Jock started work in the coal mines at his birthplace (Cowdenbeath, Scotland) at the mature age of 12 years, and although he has a grand-daughter about four years old, he still seems to be only about forty years young. Landing in Australia on 1/4/1912, Jock quickly went to Sandstone where he got himself a job on the old Oroya as a miner, but it was not long before the shift boss found out that Jock being a coal miner was also a timberman, so, after the first few months he was employed as a timberman on the mine, a better paid job than the miners’ and therefore more attractive to Jock.

Jock went to the War, with the original 44th Battalion, but while that Battalion was training in England reinforcements were badly needed for the line battalions, so a number of men (25 per cent. of each battalion of the 3rd Australian Division) were taken from the battalions training and sent to France as reinforcements. Jock went to the 51st Battalion with which he served until Fritz knocked him badly. He now has to wear an iron splint on one leg and his mining days are finished, but he still has plenty of ups and downs in life as he runs the T. & G. lift to the top and down again.

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"Red Marine" writes:—"In an article on Trade Treaties published in the May number of *The Listening Post*, reference is made to John Methuen, the British Ambassador to Portugal, and the part he played in arranging the Methuen Treaty. It is further stated that Methuen, recognising the strategic importance of Gibraltar, was instrumental in having the Rock retained by Great Britain, after the War of the Spanish Succession. In a more recent article, a writer in *The West Australian* contends that Gibraltar was captured on the spur of the moment and, when this was disputed, the writer without quoting references maintained that all reliable historians agree that the idea of Gibraltar as the key of the Mediterranean was a much later conception. There was also some difference of opinion as to the name of the Spanish Governor of Gibraltar. What promised to be an interesting controversy ceased suddenly, so perhaps, you can enlighten me further, for it is obvious that the writer in *The Listening Post* and the writer in *The West Australian* cannot both be right."

This is somewhat like appealing from Caesar to Caesar, but the regimental records of the Royal Marines, in common with a host of military historians, including Sir John Fortescue, who wrote the History of the British Army, agree with the critic of the writer in *The West Australian*. A later civilian authority on the subject is G. M. Trevelyan, Regius Professor of History at Cambridge. In his history of "England under Queen Anne," Trevelyan states definitely enough that the capture of Gibraltar by Admiral Rooke, in which the Royal Marines played such a distinguished part, was not the sudden inspiration of the hour. He supports the military historians in stating that Cromwell had had the idea of taking Gibraltar, nearly fifty years earlier, and converting it into an island by cutting a canal through the isthmus which joins the Rock to the mainland of Spain. William III, who was an able strategist, if a poor tactician, recognised that possession of Gibraltar would give England what Trevelyan calls a grip on the throat of the French power, and Marlborough, again according to Trevelyan, was heir to that policy. Godolphin, the great finance Minister of Anne's reign, recognised that the possession of Gibraltar was of profound importance from the strategic point of view, and in its bearing upon the English cloth trade with Mediterranean countries. Methuen, who was responsible for the retention of Gibraltar by Britain, was desirous of taking both Cadiz and Gibraltar. The circumstances leading to the capture of the fortress were briefly these: Rooke, having effected a junction with Sir Cloudesley Shovel's squadron, had disposed of the French fleet for the time being. A council of war discussed the alternatives of an attack on Cadiz, in deference to the wishes of the King of Portugal, and the Austrian claimant to the Spanish throne, or on Gibraltar which being nearer offered a more favourable objective for a surprise assault. Rooke's

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decision in favour of the latter alternative was not the haphazard choice of one bored by inaction, but a shrewd appreciation of the situation by the man on the spot. It may be mentioned that when Marlborough heard of it a month later he declared that the capture of Gibraltar was far more important than his own victory of Blenheim.

The writer in The West Australian would appear to have jumped at conclusions without taking the trouble to verify them. We know of no reliable historian who holds views contrary to those we have stated. "Red Marine" refers to a difference of opinion as to the name of the Spanish Governor of Gibraltar. The writer in The West Australian called him the Marquis de Saluces. James Grant, author of "British Battles on Land and Sea," calls him Marquis de Salines. Trevelyan describes him as Don Diego de Salinas, in accordance with the more modern spelling, for, obviously, Salines and Salinas are two forms of the one name. It is easy to imagine how careless handwriting could have transformed Salines into "Saluces," but the attitude of the writer in The West Australian in persisting in his error, and ending his reply to a criticism by asserting so glibly that the Marquis de Salines was a Frenchman, and that there is no record in history of his having served at Gibraltar or anywhere else in the War of the Spanish Succession, is truly astounding. The writer has apparently abused the privilege of the last word.—(Ed. L.P.)

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There are unmistakable signs that farming and grazing are in for a new deal. Dame Nature is the dealer, and the best card so far consists of the bounteous rains which have fallen at the most seasonable time to cause the soil to yield its abundance. At the same time, some other countries, unfortunately for them, have gone short of rain, as in Canada and the United States. Argentina, on the other hand, received abnormally heavy rains, but they came so early as to be a disadvantage, rather than otherwise, from the point of view of the agriculturist. They caused grievous delays in cropping operations in many sections, and the area put to wheat is likely to be lessened on that account. This combination of circumstances, together with the tense political situation in Europe, has sent up the price of wheat, and underlies the belief that it will stay up until our farmers reap their next harvest.

As encouraging as this new deal itself is the response thereto by the farmers. This is very well illustrated in the country lying westward of Melbourne, and not more than 15 to 20 miles from that city. Truganina is perhaps half-way between Rockbank and Werribee, and Robertson's old sheep watching tower has not, for many years, looked out upon such promising Spring pastures, nor upon such a wide extension of growing wheat and oats as may be seen to-day. The strike has been splendid, and in many paddocks sheep are busy eating off the over-growth. Rolling is a regular practice hereabouts, both immediately after sowing and again after the short, if “sheeping” cannot be arranged.

A good index to the farmer’s seasonal anticipations is his regard or disregard for Saturday afternoon. Fallow ploughing looks like a good bet this year, and so he is working all six days and plenty of hours per day. Between Truganina and Cobbledick Ford much ploughing is in progress, including the breaking up of a good deal which has not been ploughed before, or has been grazed for many years. Some of the new work has been done with disc ploughs with large diameter discs, and the resulting clods are enormous, averaging the size of a month-old lamb. Wind and rain and frost will weather these down, and later on the sundercut will slice and break and level them.

People who do not figure to cultivate large areas each year are not disposed to invest in new implements very often, and this accounts for the “Falstaff’s Army” of ploughs working in this region. Their owners have come to regard fencing wire as an integral part of each implement, as it has been the chief means of effecting repairs during the depression period. The Wheat Commission, in its report, commented upon the run-down state of farming equipment and the losses resulting therefrom. The new deal may permit of many farms being outfitted with new and up-to-date plant which will till more acres with less strain on the teams, and with less fatigue to the operators.

Share-farming is reviving in a small way, and this also is an indication of renewed hope for the future. In the past it has done much in the way of permanently improving lands for future pasturing, and will do so again. To quote Argentina again, it is there the practice, on immense areas, to crop new land for three years on end, sowing down lucerne as well as in the final year. It is then in good heart for producing alfalfa for a lengthy period. Most grain drills are, or may be, equipped with an attachment for sowing the lucerne seed at the same time as the wheat, but dropping it on the surface behind the hoes. A set of very light harrows effects the slight covering needed.

Some paddocks in this vicinity have been vastly improved in recent years by harrowing, the introduction of better grasses and clovers, and the judicious use of super.

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The Anzac Festival Committee, Sydney, New South Wales, arranges annually a series of competitions bearing upon St. George's Day, Anzac Day, and the landing of Captain Cook, the anniversaries of which all occur within the one week. The winning entries feature in the festival observances of Anzac Week. The competitions under the heading of Section A (literature and art) are:

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44th BATTALION ASSOCIATION

The annual dinner will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6, Show Week. The price of admission is 2/6, and no membership fees are now charged. Catering arrangements are in the capable hands of Mrs. Connell and a good musical programme has been arranged. It is hoped that members will come along and chat over old times. Those who intend to be present are requested to communicate with Bill Eddy, Customs, Fremantle, or Morris Lewis, R.S.I., Trading Coy., Hay Street, Perth, before September 25.

EX-MACHINE GUNNERS' ASSN.

The annual reunion will be held on Friday, October 29, at 3 p.m., the rendezvous being Gregory's, 32 King Street, Perth. The evening's festivities will be preceded by the annual general meeting, at which it will be necessary to elect the office-bearers for the forthcoming year. Following the formal business, which should be of short duration, members can look forward to one of the entertaining evenings which have been found so enjoyable in the past. A cordial invitation is extended to all machine gunners to be present. The honorary secretary (Mr. L. J. Parks, Forest Department, Perth) is always willing to supply information in connection with membership of the Association.

28th BATTALION ASSOCIATION

The next quarterly meeting will be held at Anzac House on Monday, October 12. These meetings were inaugurated in the hope that more interest would be displayed by members in the affairs of the Association, but the small attendance at the July meeting did not augur well for the success of the committee. The committee decided to make that in October a quarterly general meeting and then review the position. Refreshments will be provided. A request has been received from the widow of No. 41 Private George Gunman, who died in Victoria about four years ago, for corroboration of a statement made by him that whilst lying wounded at Pozieres on July 28, 1916, a member of the battalion assisted him to put on a gas helmet. Will anyone who remembers anything of the case communicate with the secretary, Mr. W. C. Armstrong, 40 Ruislip Street, West Leederville.

TENTH LIGHT HORSE

All men who served with the Mounted Forces in the Palestene Campaign and former officers and men of the Royal Tenth Hussars will be cordially welcomed to the annual reunion of the Tenth Light Horse Association which will take place in Anzac House on Show night (Wednesday, October 7), at 8 p.m. As this is the first time the reunion will be held in Anzac House, members are requested to make a special note of the place of meeting. A good programme has been arranged and a good muster is anticipated.

12th August, 1936

At the meeting of the State Executive on August 12, there were present Messrs. Yeates, Olden, Collett, Hunt, Freedman, Margolin, Watt, James, Wilkins, Mitchell, Pady, Wells, Keath, Collins and Newman. Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Ridley, Sten, Philp, Panton, Denton, Aberle, Cornell, Warner, Ross, Nicholas, Henning, Roche and Thorn.

Land Committee.—The Land Committee reported on a meeting held on August 11. The report included several individual cases, and advice that the Agricultural Bank had notified that the methods of revaluation for the Great Southern were being closely investigated. The report was adopted. It was resolved on the motion of Mr. Hunt, seconded by Mr. Wells, that where Group Settlers had been dispossessed because of physical disabilities through war service the cases be taken up with the Minister for Lands.

Visitors.—At this stage, the State President welcomed Colonel Ralston (chairman) and Colonel Dibdin (member) of the War Pensions Entitlement Tribunal. Other visitors to the meeting were Messrs. Tratham, of Tambellup, J. Day, of Wubin, H. Jay, of Yannam, and H. May, of Collie.

Anzac House.—The House Committee reported that a special community concert had been arranged for Friday, October 9, during Show Week, for the benefit of country patrons.

Aged Service Men's Homes.—Colonel Collett presented a long report on behalf of the Aged ex-Service Men's Home Committee, which traversed the committee's investigations and summarised the information obtained. It was resolved, on the motion of Rabbi Freedman, that the committee continue its work and submit a scheme for the consideration of the Executive.

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Unit Associations
the following sub-branches: Albany, Bunbury, Norwood and Three Springs. Appointment of officials as advised by Three Springs and Norwood sub-branches was confirmed.

A letter from the Cowaramup sub-branch on the plight of settlers and employment of settlers' sons was referred to the Land Committee.

The formation of a new sub-branch at Tuart Hill was approved.

Perth sub-branch reported its pending removal to new quarters and assured the Executive of the continued loyalty of its members. It was stated that the acquisition of new quarters was considered in the best interests of the sub-branch and of the League as a whole.

It was resolved, on the motion of Rabbi Freedman, seconded by Mr. Wells, that the letter be received and that good wishes be extended to the Perth sub-branch.

The State Secretary advised that the necessary action had been taken to call a meeting of the Darling Range sub-branch on August 15, and that all ex-service men in the district had been notified. It was agreed that Rabbi Freedman, Mr. Wilkins and the State Secretary attend this meeting.

It was resolved that the Kalgoorlie sub-branch be thanked for its donation of £10 to the Anzac House Redemption Fund.

Women's Auxiliary.—The following new rule for incorporation in the Women's Auxiliary Constitution was recommended to Congress for approval:

New Rule 3 (3):—For reasons which appear good and sufficient, a sub-branch may, by resolution, of which due notice has been given, suspend or disband a women's auxiliary sub-branch; provided that such resolution shall be effective only if carried by a three-fifths majority of the members of the sub-branch present and voting.

A report of the circumstances leading to such suspension or disbandment shall be made to the State Executive within 14 days of the resolution being declared carried.

Rule 10 (2):—The disposal of any lands or property acquired by, or vested in, a women's auxiliary shall, in the event of its suspension (as prescribed in Rule 3 (3)) be held in trust for the period of suspension by the sub-branch responsible for its formation; and in the event of disbandment, be at the direction of the said sub-branch.

Federal Congress.—The Hon. J. Cornell, M.L.C., and Colonel Denton were appointed delegates to the Federal Congress which will be held in Adelaide on November 18.

Bullsbrook Aerodrome.—Correspondence was read from the Subiaco sub-branch and lettergrams that had passed between the State President and the Federal President on the matter of changing the name of the aerodrome at Bullsbrook. The reply from the Federal Government had decided to call the aerodrome "Pearce." It was resolved that this information be conveyed to the Subiaco sub-branch.

Broadcasts.—Advice was received from the Northam Broadcasters that facilities were available for conducting an ex-service men's session once weekly. It was resolved that the offer be accepted and the Management Committee make the necessary arrangements.

On the motion of Messrs. Hunt and Wilkins, it was agreed that an endeavour be made to secure from the National State the facilities for a Diggers' Broadcast on November 11 and, if approved, to leave the details to the Management Committee.

Mons Day.—It was resolved that the State President and as many members of the Executive as possible should attend the parade and commemorative service on Mons Day, August 23.

Appreciation.—A letter of appreciation was received from the Legal Adviser to the Commissioner for Malta.

Sympathy.—Colonel Collett proposed that letters of sympathy be sent to Messrs. Cornell and Denton on their illnesses with the hope that they would speedily recover. This was agreed to unanimously.

Sir Charles McNess.—It was agreed that the fixing of the photograph of Sir Charles McNess be left with the Picture sub-Committee.

26th August, 1936

At the meeting on August 26, there were present Messrs. Yeates, Olden, Collett, Philip, Aberle, Hunt, Margolin, Watt, James, Wilkins, Pady, Ross, Lamb, Collins, Nicholas, Newman and Thorns. Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Riley, Sten, Panton, Denton, Freedman, Cornell, Warner, Mitchell, Wells, Henning and Rochford.

Broadcasts.—It was agreed that arrangements be made for broadcast talks from Station 6AM on Tuesday evenings, commencing at 6.15 p.m. for 15 minutes, the State President to give the first talk on August 29.

The Management Committee reported that the matter of the proposed Broadcast Reunion from the National Station was receiving consideration.

Year Book.—It was agreed that 20 copies of the New South Wales Year Book be

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Portraits.—A progress report indicated that $35,016.7 had been raised from 41 sub-branches, five unit associations, and the private persons, for the $10,000 to defray the cost of Mr. J. Buckmaster’s portrait of Lieut.- General Sir J. Talbot Hobbs.

State War Memorial.—The report of the State War Memorial Committee meeting held on August 21 stated that a Record Book would be provided to be signed by distinguished visitors to the Memorial. The matter of the R.S.L. Band’s annual pilgrimage to the Memorial was under consideration. A recommendation would be made to Congress that the Warden for the time being act as ex-officio as a member of the State War Memorial Committee during its term of office. The report was adopted.

R.S.L. Trading Coy.—Mr. A. H. Panton, M.L.A., as League representative, reported on the R.S.L. Trading Co., for the year ended June 30, 1936. The report stated that a profit of $1,000 had been made this year and that the general business had improved. Delagates expressed appreciation of the favourable report and agreed that it should be printed in the Annual report for submission to Congress.

Visits.—The following visits were reported: Mr. Wilson, President of the Australian Association; Mr. C. Kinloch, sub-branch; Mr. Watt, Maylands sub-branch; Mr. Wilkins, Darling Range sub-branch; Mr. Aheberle, Geraldton sub-branch; Mr. L. Thorn, M.L.A., Toodyay sub-branch; Mr. James, sub-branch; Mr. Olden, Boy Scouts’ Association.

Anzac Ball.—Delegates were advised that the Anzac Ball would be held on September 25, and that the proceeds would be donated to the R.S.L. Relief Fund.

Militia Forces.—Mr. Collins moved, and Colonel Lamb seconded, a motion, notice of which had been given at the previous meeting. That the Executive conveys its congratulations to the officers and men of the various Militia units on the splendid service which they had rendered and are still rendering to the cause of Australian defence. The motion was carried unanimously, and it was agreed that it be forwarded to the District Commandant.

Meeting Night.—It was moved by Mr. Hunt, and seconded by Mr. Collins, that in future Executive meetings be held on alternate Mondays instead of Wednesdays. The motion was lost.

Coronation Contingent.—The Federal President advised that it was the unanimous opinion of State Contingents that, for reasons that reduction in fares could not be obtained, and accommodation in one boat could not be made available, no good purpose would be served by proceeding with the organisations of the Contingent of ex-service men and women for the Coronation of His Majesty the King.

Photograph of His Majesty the King.—Requests had been made by Mr. Pady and Mr. G. H. G. Collett for autographed photographs of His Majesty King Edward VIII. On the motion of Colonel Lamb, seconded by Mr. Pady, it was resolved that “If the requests be acceded to it is the opinion of this Executive that all sub-branches would make similar requests, and it is obvious that it would be impossible to secure a compliance in each case.”

Apologies.—The annual appeal of the T.B. Sailors and Soldiers’ Association for funds was received. In discussion delegates referred to the provision of service pensions for T.B. members. It was agreed that the matter be referred back to the association.

Aerodrome.—Correspondence from the Malville and Mount Helena sub-branches over the naming of the aerodrome at Bullsbrook was received.

Sub-Branches.—In an effort to revive the Dalwallinu sub-branch, Wubin sub-branch arranged a meeting to be held on September 8. Colonel Olden and Messrs. Watt and James were appointed to attend this meeting.

Delegates were advised that the Midland Junction Council had granted the local sub-branch a lease of suitable premises. Appreciation of the Council’s action was expressed.

For the information of the Executive, it was stated that the lease of the premises now occupied by Perth sub-branch would, for the time being, be made in the name of the sub-branch trust.

A communication reporting recent activities of the Wyndham sub-branch was received.

The appointment of officials as advised by the Bassendean and Darling Range sub-branches was carried.

Leaves.—Colonel Collett was granted leave of absence while on Parliamentary duties at Canberra.

Mr. Yeates was granted leave of absence from the next meeting.

September 9, 1936

At the meeting of the State Executive on the 9th, Colonel Olden acted as chairman in the absence of the President. Others present were: Messrs. Philip, Denton, Aheberle, Hunt, Friedman, Cornell, Margolin, Watt, James, Wilkins, Mitchell, Pady, Wills, Lamb, Collins, New- man, and Thorn. Sten. Yeates was granted leave of absence. The meeting adjourned and the delegates attended the meeting of the Soldiers’ Settlers’ Conference at noon on Monday, September 28.

Portrait.—The State Secretary advised that the sister of Major-General E. A. Wood had a portrait of the General available, and desired to present it to Anzac House. It was agreed that the gift be accepted.

Pensions.—The Pensions Committee reported that Mr. Jack Webster, the League’s representative on the Repatriation Commission, arrived in Perth on September 14. On the suggestion of the Pensions Committee, it was agreed that Mr. Webster be tendered a luncheon on Thursday, September 17, at 1 p.m.

Functions.—The House Committee reported that arrangements were in hand for the Unit Associations’ Dinner to be held on September 24 and for the Congress smoke social on September 30.

The S.S.L. Committee reported that the proposed reorganisation of the Col. Collett Shield was to have been presented, had been abandoned. It was agreed that the shield be presented during the evening session of Congress on Friday, October 2, at 8 p.m.

Visits.—Mr. W. J. Hunt reported on having represented the Executive at the West Perth sub-branch smoke social, and Mr. F. J. Aheberle at the Carlisle sub-branch.

Invitations.—Advice was received that the final of the A.R.M.S. competition would be held in the Perth sub-branch rooms on Tuesday, September 22.

The appointment of a representative to attend the meeting of the No. 1 District Committee on September 26 was deferred.

Sub-Branches.—Perth sub-branch applied for a donation towards the cost of furnishing the sub-branch’s new quarters at 23 King Street, Perth. On the motion of Colonel Lamb and Mr. Wilkins, it was decided that, in view of the precedent that would be created, the Executive could not accede to this request.

The matter of arranging a date for the opening of the hall at Pingrup was left in the hands of Mr. Hunt and the State Secretary, who will discuss it with Pingrup sub-branch at the meeting of the No. 4 District Committee.

The appointment of officials as advised by the Cowaramup sub-branch was approved.

Empire Shoveling Week.—Mr. Hastings C. Reid advised that he had forwarded a copy of the annual report on Empire Shoveling Week to the British Board of Trade. In reply, the Board asked him to convey sincere thanks and warm appreciation of the part played by the League in ensuring the success of this Week. It was agreed that publicity be given to this reply.

Defence.—The District Commandant acknowledged the resolution carried at the previous meeting of the Executive and appreciated the Executive’s patriotic thought and action.

Appreciation.—The District Commandant conveyed his appreciation of the courtesies and hospitality extended to him by sub-branches in the North-West during his recent tour. It was agreed that the sub-branches concerned be supplied with copies of the Commandant’s letter.

General.—Approval was granted for the R.S.L. Band to institute an annual pilgrimage to the State War Memorial on Sunday, October 4, at 10.30 a.m.

Mount Lawley-Inglewood sub-branch suggested that identity discs be provided for Congress delegates. It was decided to defer consideration of the matter until before next Congress.

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GLOUCESTER PARK

The A.R.M.S. competition matches against Neldrands were exciting, the latter winning by 6 to 4. From both the sporting and the social points of view, the encounter was a most enjoyable one. The ladies' night on August 12 was also a great success. Various items by Misses Hall, Simpson, Hope and Hopperton, and Messrs. Begent and Hopperton were very well received. Dancing and several competitions added variety to the programme and a grand time was had by all.

DARLING RANGE

The meeting on August 15, arranged to revive flagging interest, was attended by Rabbi Freeman, Messrs. W. A. Wilkins and James (of the State Executive), the State Secretary (Mr. D. M. Benson) and Mr. Statham. President Bob Tanner explained the objects of the meeting to about 50 local Diggers and formally welcomed the visitors, all of whom spoke on the objects and aims of the League. The following officers were elected:

- President, Mr. Dudley North; vice-presidents, Messrs. Julius MacLeod and Walters; secretary, Mr. Bill Wright (unopposed); treasurer, Mr. Bert Dancer. The genial Jock King returned thanks to the visitors and stated that such an event at the meeting by the Executive had been a decided stimulating effect. Tribute was also paid to the services of Mr. Bill Wright, who had been a long-time auxiliary. Bob Tanner will again represent the sub-branch at Congress. Meetings, at which all ex-service men are welcome, are held on the third Saturday of each month.

LAKE KING

The annual meeting was held on July 12, when all retiring officers were re-elected for the ensuing year. On August 8, an outing was held which took the form of a farewell to "Old Bill" of the K.O.S.B. On July 31, settlers of the Lakes District sent a deputation to Perth to put the case for the district before the Premier. The petition consisted of the president of the sub-branch, an original and respected settler from Lake Valley, and another ex-service man from Lake Murray. For the past six years, Ministers of the Crown, members of Parliament, editors and heads of business firms have stated publicly what a fine type of settler there was in the Lakes District. They have carried on by sheer determination under very adverse conditions. The delegations received a most sympathetic hearing from the Ministers for Lands and Works, the Chairman of the Agricultural Bank Commission, and the Chairman of the Transport Board. Valuable assistance was also received from Messrs. Stubbs and Seaward, W.A.'s.L.A. The sub-branch regrets to learn of the illness of Jimmy Cornel and wishes him a speedy recovery.

MOORA

The annual general meeting was held on August 1. The annual report, presented by the President (Mr. W. H. Boyce) showed that a marked advance had been made in membership, there being now 72 financial members. The balance sheet showed a net profit of £6,35/2/6 and a credit balance of £5/2/7. The following officers were elected:

- President, Mr. W. H. Boyce; vice-presidents, Dr. W. S. Myles and Mr. J. S. Synnott; committee, Messrs. R. Ferguson, G. Monks, G. Read, W. White, L. Row, E. Mullet, and A. P. Scott; secretary, Mr. A. B. Glenister; treasurer, Mr. C. H. Davies. Appreciation was expressed of the work of Mr. A. D. Walker in securing new members. He was appointed honorary officer. It was decided to contribute towards defraying the cost of having a portrait of Lieut-General Sir T. Talbot Hobbs painted. In connection with the annual cricket match against Moora Rifle Club, it has been decided to present two cricket bats to the Moora Cricket Association in recognition of the many services that body has rendered the sub-branch. The reunion will be held on November 7. The Ballidu sub-branch's challenge to a game of golf has been accepted.

DOWERIN

Clen Smith, of Minnivale, will represent the sub-branch at this year's State Congress. The August meeting was held in Dowerrin. Ten members of the sub-branch crowded for the Soldiers Golf Cup at Wulka-ketchum, which was won by Sid Anderson and Tom Wanstall, second. Both are members of this sub-branch. The competition was a splendid affair, and the local Digger publican (George Wise) put on an excellent dinner that evening in his hostel. The small boro rifle club should be operating very shortly. Members are pleased at the sub-branch's success in having Dr. Wilson appointed a registered medical officer. At the September meeting in Wondi, the sub-branch delegate was instructed in the sub-branch's attitude towards motions on the Congress agenda paper.

WAGIN

Nine members attended the monthly meeting on September 2. Apologies were received from Claud Ainsworth and Jack Morris. Jack Wellard and Ted Walter were Rupert's in debate. Much of the business was in connection with the building scheme. The women's auxiliary held a successful baby show on September 4. The proceeds were donated to the building fund. Members have expressed their appreciation of the R.S.L. broadcasts from Station 6AM.

OSBORNE PARK

Bert Dalziel, the newly-elected vice-president of the sub-branch is to be congratulated on the good job he has made of the four large cupboards that have been installed in the hall. Though the sub-branch is now definitely out of the running for the A.R.M. Shield the competitions have been enjoyable and members have made up their minds to try again. The reception to a members' band for the lancy dress ball which will be held on November 21.

PETH

The sub-branch is now in possession of the new rooms at the corner of Hay and King Streets, of which the postal address is 23 King Street, Perth. The first meeting held in the new premises, which was well attended, and the rules and regulations for the coming year were read and agreed. A general welcome was extended in advance to all returned men. The sub-branch supported the idea of a fitting memorial to the late Sister Ruth V. Jones, and will obtain a suitable portrait for the reception of the memorial. The committee were delighted to receive from the R.S.L. Association a eulogy of last season's efforts of Perth's captain (George Thomas). The kindly references were passed on with acclamation.

CARLISLE

(By McTootle)

And so another moon hath come to pass. And a comet which portended great happenings upon earth, even unto Carlisle. For did not the comet wag the tail above the Soldiers' Memorial Hall? Aye, and very! Then, lo and behold, it waggeth again at the eighth hour of the third day of the ninth moon called September, whereupon the heavens searched the star, the comet, the moon and the boots and the newt. The comet reposed and were exceedingly glad—for had not the Gables arrived with the Bung! And did not Arthur of the Worcesters swear to make a new work of the many tasks which were necessary in this place whence gathered the lowly and the great? Yea, even unto the State Executive which was represented by ye old Fred Aberle, and ye not-so-old Dig Phil.

And it came to pass that bygone events cast their shadows after them! And he of the Curly Top excellent even unto himself. But there came a great tearing of hair and grasping of teeth when the order went forth to parakeet of a "Number 9" or "two fours and one one" in line! Yet these veterans did not disclose their skill and bring forth laughter at the handling of the weapons. And their "For inspection port arms" was good. The singing and the playing of harmonicas. Great were the joy and mirth, and how strong waxeth the talk when all standards were sincerely pressed! And the tables were piled high with good things the while the Diggers fell to. Verily, they were a noble band of ex-waddlers. Yet, there sat amongst these warriors one weary knave skilled in the science of numismatics, yet a brave fellow to

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wit. For had he not rung in a strange coin on “Marshall of Carlisle”? Never during their wanderings over the face of the land had the assembly seen its like—a silver King’s halfpenny on the one side, and the “tail of a Commonwealth penny on the other! And from the multitude arose fierce mutterings and strange words, which boded evil—and still bodes!—for the thrice plucky nonlinearist who is destined never to die of thirst! But his prowess was appreciated by those who are skilled in quills and dodges, and is not it written: “He that hath, let him have; and he that hath not, let him—” For, perchance, twas but the old custom of relieving Peter to pay Paul?

Now when these men had rested from their labours and quenched their thirsts, Harald, of the tribe Nicol, and the leader of the Carlisle Diggers, spake mighty words of wisdom, embracing “The King,” “Fallen Comrades,” and “A great welcome to all.” And when they had further partaken of the repast and sampled Ernie cum Bowkett’s “hot dogs,” Mac, of the clan McRoberts, weighed in with a mighty toast: “The R.S.L. which was great at the making of ye old Fred Aberle, of Anzac House fame.

Betimes, Carl Macaron became possessed of the cherished League “Certificate of Service,” and not-so-old Digger Philip added many and trite eulogies to the ceremony, which was good.

And there sat among the visitors many who desired to stay, but when the twenty-third hour of the third day was come, the gathering was dismissed, with Tom Comet’s tail indicated a good time on the twenty-first day of this same moon at the meeting place of the North Perth Diggers, whereupon a great peace swept the hall and night came down over the land.

BALLIUD

It has been decided to hold an entertainment entitled “In a Chinese Garden” in the Balliud Hall early in November. The unprecedented success of the sub-branch’s previous effort, which made a record attendance at the local hall, has encouraged members to make every effort to make the November show a great success.

VICTORIA PARK

President Fred Matthews is to be congratulated on his advertising posters which were responsible for a good attendance at the monthly meeting. J. Pow, who won the prize for the membership drive, was presented with the cheque for two guineas donated by Jim Johnson of the Broadway and Savoy Theatres. Membership now approaches the 150 mark. Fred Matthews and Bob Hewson, with Tom Chandler as proxy, will represent the sub-branch at this year’s Congress. Treasurer Jim Jennings reports that finances are improving. Eric Lloyd is organising a sports night, of which whipped racing and girls, will be features. After the A.R.M.S. games, Wally Tolmick provided an all-round issue of hot-dogs and coffee. All ex-service men are welcomed to monthly meetings which are held on the third Friday of each month and to all social evenings in the Municipal Hall at Salterford Street.

MANJIMUP

Membership of Manjimup sub-branch promises to pass the 80 mark in the near future. The best in any previous year was 62, and that was a long time ago.

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MOUNT LAWLEY-INGLEWOOD

There was an attendance of 49 at the September meeting. To the astonishment of the members, President Williams closed the meeting at 8.30 p.m. in favour of a night’s pleasure. In answer to a question a member asked that all the band’s business, etc., had been dealt with, there being nothing left outstanding. The committee were heartily thanked for the large amount of business got through in such a record time. The favourite games were indulged in, and the first shield for the monthly “scoop” was started. Seventeen members fired off. Results were nine possible, and a decision was reached by drawing the unbranded targets to a disinterested member, who promptly did “Captain.” Arthur Wood put off the chance of another spoon for twelve months or until the round is finished, as spoons may be won only once until everybody has had a fair go at one. The children’s ball was a great success numerically, but not financially, but better luck next time. The monthly social was responsible for an increased attendance, and the large crowd thoroughly enjoyed the diversified programme supplied. The next social will be on October 3. The sub-branch has issued an invitation to Congress delegates to attend the next monthly meeting, so members are urged to roll up when they will possibly meet old cobbers from the bush and elsewhere. Olly Williams and Ken Crouch are to be our delegates this year. The A.R.M.S. teams recorded a loss against West Perth, and a win against Bassendean, but we had 100 per cent. pleasure at both meetings, which is all that matters to us.

SUBIACO

The sub-branch has shown improved form in the A.R.M.S. competition games. In the last match of the season Subiaco, by beating South Perth 7 to 3, gained fourth place in Zone 2. At the general monthly meeting, Vice-President spoke of the changes made by the club. There was a good attendance and much business was dealt with. The meeting decided unanimously in favour of naming the R.A.F.

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CLAREMONT

Several new members were welcomed at the monthly meeting on August 3. Bob Dewar and Bill Ford will represent the sub-branch at Congress. Though beaten in the A.R.M.S. competition, Claremont won the last four games, thereby improving their position on last year. The members of the rifle team that were congratulated on finishing the season undefeated, the other teams and their supporters are also congratulated. Genial Charlie Bannister represented Claremont at Neldands on August 11. In two more meetings at the final of the A.R.M.S. trophy will be contested. It promises to be quite exciting. It has been agreed to purchase a set of indoor bowls. That good Digger, the Rev. John Bell, M.M., will soon be back from a well-earned vacation abroad.

BUCKLAND HILL

The annual smoke social held in Buckland Hill Town Hall on August 6 provided an enjoyable evening for the members and their guests. The atmosphere was very friendly, with the music provided by Mr. E. W. Edwards, a member of the Cottesloe sub-branch. The smoke was enjoyed by all, and the hostess, Mrs. R. Palmer, was congratulated on her efforts.

KATANNING

At the quarterly meeting correspondence was received from the Memorial to the late Sister Jones, and also the report of General Sir Talbot Hobbs. It was decided that the sub-branch identify itself with both these movements. A letter was received from the State Executive congratulating the sub-branch on its first anniversary last year. Votes of thanks were passed to Mrs. Peck, president, for the presentation to the sub-branch of a very handsome photograph of Major Percy Black, D.C.M., M.C., D.S.O., Cross de Guerre, and to Mr. Ted Barrett, for a picture of Admiral Beatty, which he had procured specially from "Blighty" for the club room. The treasurer (Arthur Crouch) presented the financial report which was considered satisfactory. The secretary (Mr. W. Bailey) explained that a voluntary levy had been struck by No. 4 District Council last year to provide travelling expenses for delegates and this had to be paid from sub-branch funds. It was decided that for the coming year the sixpenny levy be added to the annual subscription, making it 10/-.

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BY E. KEEGAN

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As in days of turmoil in 1788 the fateful words were "Liberty, Fraternity and Equality"; so Mrs. Delegate's are "Exhibition, Conference and Festivities." Jams have been prepared and fancy work executed under the supervision of the entire household.

The day of departure arrives and with last admonitions from her family to "have a good time, Mum," she is on her way. A spirit of adventure enters Mrs. D. For a while she can forget little Willie's pranks and flora's troubles at School. She anticipates the meeting of old friends, but, nevertheless, keeping a watchful eye on the precious jams and preserves. Perth at last. She has arrived!

The exhibition day arrives and Mrs. D. is one of the first at Anzac House. Arraying her exhibits to advantage she takes up a position where she can see the judge examining them. Very anxious moments pass as the latter hovers from jar to jar. Will she . . . ? Won't she . . . ? Oh! the suspense is killing! Ah! she has moved away! The stall-holders whispers as Mrs. D. approaches: "First prize to you, old dear, for your jam." Mrs. D. is thrilled and has to repair to a nearby restaurant for a reviver. Returning later to the afternoon function she admires, without stinting her praise, her sister auxiliaries' work and stands lost in admiration at the beautiful display. The rafia work, flowers, needlework, photography, cookery. The time spent in producing such fine stitching—the patience. She feels a secret glow of satisfaction to know that she really "belongs."

Conference day arrives, and Mrs. D. journeys to the Memorial to see the placing of the auxiliary wreath. Such an impressive little ceremony, despite the wind and rain. Returning to Anzac House Mrs. Delegate at last comes into her own—meeting old friends of long standing she has not seen for a year. Talk—talk—talk—and then seat at the table to deliberate on auxiliary affairs. Morning tea . . . business once more . . . election of officers . . . the auxiliary social (what a time Mrs. D. has there) . . . more deliberations . . . pictures at night . . . Mrs. Delegate is beginning to secretly long for her great open spaces—the pace is killing!

The morning of her return comes round. "Good-bye, everybody, had a lovely time." She settles back with a sigh, picturing the satisfaction on the faces of her family when she proudly displays her trophies—two firsts and one second.

WEST LEEDERVILLE

The lesser hall was packed to capacity on August 12, when a social was held, the guest of honour being the State President (Mrs. McInlay), who gave a brief outline of the activities of the State Executive. A very enjoyable evening was spent in games, dancing and singing. For the latter thanks are due to Mrs. C. Cadd, Miss Grant, Mrs. G.

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NORWOOD

The auxiliary was formed at a meeting on August 12, when the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. W. A. Doran; vice-president, Mesdames Adamson and Stone; secretary, Miss Irma Hawtin; assistant secretary, Mrs. Clarke; treasurer, Mrs. Mason; trustees, Mesdames Hopkerton, Shade and Neville. The first monthly meeting was held on September 1, in the foyer of the State Theatre, Mt. Lawley, which was kindly lent for the occasion by Mr. McCrea. Twenty-two members attended.

MT. HAWTHORN-NTH. LEEDERVILLE

There was a good attendance at the fortnightly meeting on August 13. The Friday dances in the Memorial Hall continue to be well patronized. The old-time warping competition caused keen interest. Mr. A. Lee and partner won the first prize; Mr. Sullivan and partner, second. A series of fortnightly sports afternoons has been commenced. The first meeting took place on August 10, when the ladies indulged in quots, parlour bowls, table tennis and other games.

The auxiliary will entertain visiting delegations at the Women's Auxiliary State Congress at the Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Oxford Street, on Monday, September 28. The function is for ladies only.

SOUTH PERTH

The July Meeting was well attended. A children's fancy dress ball was held in the Swan Street Hall on July 8. Mesdames Osmum and Smith had a difficult task in judging the costumes which were numerous and pretty. Thanks are tendered to the many donors of prizes and to all others who helped to make the evening such a wonderful success.

DARLING RANGE

Mrs. Wallis, the new president, presided over the July meeting. During the year the following donations have been made: Hospitals, $5; soldier residents, Old Men's Home, £2/7/-; Soldiers' Children's Scholarship Fund, £2.5/-; local Parents and Citizen's Association, £1/-; distress relief, £2/3/6; Christmas parcels, £8/10/-; The patients at the Lennons Hospital have also been entertained. Dances, bridge evenings and other functions have been held in conjunction with the sub-branch.

VICTORIA PARK

The general meeting, held on August 28 at the Memorial Hall, Victoria Park, was well attended, several new members joining. Mrs. Caldwell reported that there were 18 patients in the Edward Miller Home, and that they were pleased with the case of matches sent along with the cigarettes and Mints. Members were reminded to get their exhibits ready for the Auxiliary Exhibition to be held on September 23, and of the Conference Social on September 29 at Anzac House. Mrs. Matthews reported one distress case had been assisted, and Mrs. White on four bereavements.

Mesdames Prue and Coleman were elected to attend Conference, with Mrs. Caldwell as proxy delegate. The raffle—a chook—kindly donated by Mrs. Richardson, was won by Mrs. Starkey with ticket No. 22.

NORTHAMPTON

Meetings are held on the first Friday of each month at 8.30 p.m. in the Mechanics' Institute, Northampton. Officers elected for the ensuing year are: President, Mrs. W. Dickens; vice-president, Mesdames A. Glaze and T. Hipper; secretary, Mrs. A. Ash; treasurer, Mrs. A. Barlow. The fifth birthday of the auxiliary was celebrated at a social evening on August 28, when the birthday cake, with five candles, was cut by the president. The president of the Northampton sub-branch (Mr. C. Ash) referred to the excellent work of the auxiliary and presented Miss Edith Teakle with a silver sandwich tray on behalf of both organisations. The music for the occasion was provided by the Bijou orchestra. A stretcher has been presented to the local Government Hospital. Preparations are now being made for the Poppy Ball in November.

PINGRUP

An enjoyable bridge evening was held at the home of Mrs. W. George, South Pingrup. Dancing and competitions followed the tournament. The bridge prizes were won by Mr. Martin (1st), A. Bailey ("bonny"), Mrs. T. Gillis (1st, ladies), and Miss B. Hunt ("bonny"). Competition prize winners were Mesdames Carnegie and T. Gillis and Mr. Pearce. Mr. A. Spencer literally took the cake, winning a beautifullyiced one.

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