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When Sir George Pearce was Minister for External Affairs, he said that the return of New Guinea to Germany was unthinkable, and this statement was accepted as a matter of course. A few weeks ago, his successor as Minister for External Affairs (Mr. William Morris Hughes) said the same thing, only perhaps more forcibly, and grave concern was expressed in Parliamentary circles at Canberra. It would be interesting to know why such a change has come over the Federal outlook in such a short time.

GERMANY AND NEW GUINEA

In his explanation to the Prime Minister regarding his "What we have we hold" speech at Rabaul, Mr. Hughes said that remarks taken from the context of his speech had created an atmosphere, other than that intended by the speaker. The inference is that Mr. Hughes did not say quite what he was reported to have said, but, whether this inference is correct or not, there are many who will agree with the attitude suggested by the published reports. Many will feel that if Mr. Hughes did not say what he is reported to have said, it is high time someone in a position of authority did so, even at the risk of hurting the feelings of hypersensitive German consuls, for the time is drawing near when the public must be told just where Britain and the Commonwealth stand on this question of the return of Germany's former colonies. So far the attitude of the British Government, if it can be called an attitude, has been a tame acceptance of the oft-repeated whine that Germany is entitled to restitution for what she lost in a war that she deliberately provoked, and the temporising excuse that Germany's former colonies are now held under mandates from the League of Nations and are therefore not transferable, except with the approval of a League which Germany no longer recognises.

The mandates, like the German claim for restitution, are something new in colonial history. It will be remembered that Mr. Hughes vigorously opposed the altruistic Wilson's "No Annexations" policy, and the mandatory system was devised as a form of compromise. Unfortunately, the mandatory system left Germany with the hope that one day she might recover some, if not all, of her former possessions. In previous wars, the cession of territories, or of colonies, were the penalties frequently demanded of losers. In Germany's case, this penalty was one rightly exacted from a disturber of the peace, just as a magistrate might impose a fine on an individual. Looking at the matter from another angle, the former German colonies were stakes in a terrible gamble for empire, and now Germany, like a bad loser, demands the return of the stakes. In a recent magazine article, Maurice de Gard says: "Germany's colonial domain was won and lost within the space of a single generation. Thirty-five years covered the whole span of Germany's existence as a colonising Power. So that, on the broad canvas of world history, it might almost be said that Germany has never had colonies."

That statement, like the other oft-repeated view that Germany derived very little wealth and very few raw materials from her former colonies is open to argument. The Berlin spokesmen have adroitly turned the latter contention to their own advantage. "If our colonies were of little use to us," they say, "why do Britain and other countries want to keep them?" Germany also argues that the need for raw materials which can be procured only from colonies is more acute now than it was in 1914, and she angrily scouts the suggestion that it is possible for her to have access to raw materials, even if she has no colonies at all. The former German territories are now held by Britain, France, Belgium, Portugal and Japan. Japan has made no secret of her intention to retain in perpetuity the Pacific islands that were once Germany's. None of the other Powers is inclined to relinquish a single mandate, nor has Germany requested them to do so. The whole colonial agitation has been directed against the British Dominions mainly because the mandated territories administered by Britain and her Dominions occupy important strategic positions in relation to Britain's overseas communications, or to the Dominions, themselves.

New Guinea is a case in point. If possession represents nine points of the law, Australia has held New Guinea for twenty-four years, against Germany's twenty-eight or so. Some months ago, a pro-German English publication suggested that it would be better for Australia to have Germany as a neighbour in New Guinea than Japan. That may be true; but why have either when we can, and are using the place ourselves? And, if New Guinea were restored to Germany, how long would it be before Herr Hitler either sold or presented it to his new-found Japanese Allies? In that event, it needs no soaring flight of imagination to picture what would happen to what is left of the Australian pearl fishing industry. This contingency should be patent to everyone at Canberra, and the point should be driven home to the British Government. Germany has used the peace blackmail so effectively in the past that she is now talking about the use of force to regain her colonies; if she cannot get them back by other means. A few years ago, Herr Hitler declared, in a speech obviously prepared for foreign consumption, that the former colonies were not worth a drop of German blood. We venture to believe that Herr Hitler
War Pensions and the National Health and Pensions Insurance Bill

The following are brief notes concerning provisions in the Bill relating to returned soldiers and their dependents in receipt of War or Service Pensions, kindly supplied to us by Colonel Collett:

1. The specific clauses in the Bill relating to war and service pensioners are Sections 41, 42 and 96.

2. Under Section 41, a war pensioner who becomes a voluntary contributor, may request the Repatriation Commission to deduct the amount of his voluntary contribution from the fortnightly rate of war pension and the deductions so made will be paid by the Repatriation Commission direct to the National Insurance Commission.

3. The rates of voluntary contributions for males and females are as follows:
   - Males (including medical benefits) ..... 3/- per week
   - Females (including medical benefits) ..... 2/-
   - Males (excluding medical benefits) ..... 2/8
   - Females (excluding medical benefits) ..... 1/8

4. Under Section 96, a returned soldier whose war pension, payable either for himself or in respect of his dependents, provides benefits on the whole at least equal to the benefits under the National Insurance Scheme, may apply for exemption from the liability to pay the amount of contribution ordinarily payable by an employee. A returned soldier so exempt shall not be entitled to any benefits under the scheme. An exempt man's employer, however, must pay the amount of contribution payable by an employer.

5. The rates of compulsory contributions for employers and employees will be determined by Parliament (vide Section 26), but the initial weekly rates will be:
   - Males—To be paid by employer 1/6
   - To be paid by employee 1/6
   - Females—To be paid by employer 1/2
   - To be paid by employee 1/2

6. An exempt returned soldier whose war pension is reduced so that the benefit is less favourable than benefits under the National Insurance Scheme may apply for admission.

7. All returned soldiers shall be and remain subject to national insurance except as provided in the exemption clause.

8. The receipt of a war pension is disregarded, i.e., a war pensioner who is insured under the scheme can receive full benefits in addition to his war pension.

9. The National Insurance Commission may only supplement the man's service pension up to the maximum pension or benefit permitted under the scheme. Most probably National Insurance benefits will be disregarded as "income" for the purposes of the grant or continuance of a service pension.

The National Insurance Commission will supplement the service pension in the case of sickness or disablement where the service pension is less than 20/- per week (sickness benefit) or 15/- per week (disablement benefit).

10. The Repatriation Commission will become responsible for National Insurance contributions payable by a service pensioner who is a voluntary contributor until the pensioner reaches the maximum age (65 years in the case of males and 60 years in the case of females). No deduction will be made from service pension.

11. A person cannot become a voluntary contributor under the scheme unless he has been an employed contributor for at least 104 weeks since his last entry into insurance, is unemployed, gives requisite notice of application to be admitted as a voluntary contributor and has paid up all contributions (Sect. 18).

12. Upon a service pensioner attaining 65 years, liability for payment of a pension will be taken over by the National Insurance Commission at the maximum rates specified in the National Insurance Bill without a means test. The service pensions payable to the soldier's dependents will continue as a responsibility of the Repatriation Commission.
ANZAC CELEBRATIONS IN SYDNEY

BY J. M. W. ANDERSON

It was my privilege to be selected to attend the Federal executive meeting of the League in Sydney on Tuesday, April 26, as delegate for Western Australia, and in addition to attending the executive meeting, it was desired by the New South Wales Branch that the delegates should participate in the Anzac Day celebrations as representatives of their States and attend the receptions to the New Zealanders.

In accordance with this plan we arrived in Sydney on the Saturday morning prior to Anzac Day, and after being introduced to a number of Victoria Cross winners, who had come from other States, assembled at the Cenotaph where the New Zealand contingent of 1,500, who had arrived that morning, were to lay a wreath. This was a most impressive ceremony. The wreath was made from red poppies in the shape of a map of New Zealand with the letters “N” and “Z” worked in white poppies, one on the North and the other on the South Island. After this ceremony, which was witnessed by a multitude of people, the V.C. winners led a march of the New Zealanders and League officials to the Trocadero Hall, where the New Zealanders were welcomed at a dinner. It was estimated that 2,000 people attended. The toasts were in the hands of the Governor, Lord Mayor, deputy Premier, Mr. W. M. Hughes, the president of the New South Wales Branch (Mr. L. A. Robb) and the president of the New Zealand Returned Soldiers’ Association (Mr. W. Perry, M.L.C.). It was an excellently organised function.

In the afternoon, six ‘bus loads of the visitors, together with the delegates, were taken out to Narrabeen for the laying of the foundation stone of the new Soldiers’ Home which is being built on the cottage system for aged soldiers. The Governor (Lord Wakehurst) performed the ceremony.

On Sunday, large parties of New Zealanders were taken to Katoomba, Wollongong, Gosford, Newcastle and other places. The delegates were divided amongst the parties, and together with the Federal secretary (Mr. Raymont) I went to Katoomba. The Katoomba sub-branch welcomed the party of 200 in their very fine club rooms, where the mayor and councillors added their wel-
The New Zealanders chartered two ships, whilst a large number came on regular liners. They reached Sydney on Saturday morning, April 23, and left the following Thursday night, being given a rousing welcome and a remarkable send-off. The scenes at the boats were huge demonstrations of affection. The Police Band played on the wharf, and accompanied them down the harbour on a launch. The cost of the trip, which provided for bed and breakfast aboard the ship in Sydney, ranged from £11/10/- to approximately £19/10/-, although on the liners it was dearer.

The New Zealand president (Mr. W. Perry) and his comrades are very enthusiastic about an Australian visit to New Zealand in 1940 for Anzac Day. The centenary celebrations of New Zealand will be held that year, and they desire to have contingents from each State if possible. The idea is very popular in New South Wales and correspondence on the matter will probably be received from the Federal office. Knowing the leaders of the New Zealanders, I feel sure a wonderful welcome will be awaiting a contingent from this State, and we should be able to arrange one. Mr. Perry suggested that as many as possible should commence saving straight away.

The New South Wales Branch is to be congratulated on its organisation of the celebrations. It was a heavy task to cope with the influx of New Zealanders, Victorians and country people, and although they appeared to have considerable funds at their disposal, nevertheless it was a credit to them.

Our V.C. winners were entertained by the South Australian Branch at dinner, and also the Port Pirie sub-branch met them. At Kalgoorlie, on the return journey, the Mayor of Kalgoorlie entertained them in the Mayor’s Parlour and amongst those present were the Mayor of Boulder and the president of the Kalgoorlie sub-branch. Our V.C. boys thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were a credit to our State.

A Scottish contemporary, describing the celebration of the Battle of Culloden Moor, where Bonnie Prince Charlie’s hopes were wrecked in 1746, mentioned that a wreath was laid on the memorial cairn by Mr. J. MacCallum Smith, M.L.A., of Perth. Now, who’d have thought he was that old?

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**IMPERIAL EX-SERVICE MEN**

In the Senate on May 12, Senator Collett asked the Minister for Repatriation, upon notice—

1. Has it been reported to the Government that Imperial ex-service men now resident in considerable numbers in Western Australia, receive, in comparison with ex-members of the Australian Imperial Force, very indifferent attention, specially in regard to the acceptance and adequate treatment of disabilities believed by ex-sailors or ex-soldiers to be the outcome of their war service?

2. Is it a fact that complaints in these respects are numerous?

3. Has the Government, after enquiry through the Repatriation Commission, felt justified in making to the British Government clear and definite representations upon the subject?

Senator Foll.—The answers to the honorable senator’s questions are as follows:

1. Imperial ex-service men now resident in Australia receive exactly the same benefits by way of pension and medical treatment as are available to similar ex-service men resident in England or any other dominion.

2. Complaints have been made by such ex-service men based on a comparison of benefits available under the Australian Act to ex-members of the Australian Imperial Force.

3. It is not within the province of this Government to make representations to the Government of any other country in connection with domestic legislative matters particularly and solely the concern of that other country.

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**SOLDIER SETTLERS**

A recent meeting of the Land Committee of the State executive was attended by Mr. Fred Combs, of Manjimup, and the country vice-president (Mr. Ross Keesing). Amongst the business discussed was a request from Moorine Rock sub-branch that copies of reports by Bank inspectors to the Commissioner should be made available to the settler concerned. This matter had previously been before the Bank, and it was held that such reports were confidential and could not be made available to any organisation outside of the Bank.

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BY MAJOR-GENERAL SIR JULIUS BRÜCHE
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The recent death of General Sir Talbot Hobbs removes another senior member of the A.I.F. and one who played an important part in its life and actions throughout the war, on Gallipoli and France, as Commander of the 1st Division Artillery, then the 5th Division, and after the Armistice, the Australian Corps. For years before the war he had served in the Citizen Forces in Western Australia and by study and practice had made himself one of the most efficient Citizen Force officers in Australia. As one who was very closely associated with him for more than two years at his Divisional Headquarters, I learned to know him well and was able to appreciate his very fine character. I think he could best be described as an upright, honourable Christian man with a high sense of duty from which nothing could move him.

How clear my memory is of the first day after he took over the Division about the middle of December, 1916, at Berna-fay Wood, on the Somme, that area of dreadful mud and unpleasant conditions, when he was inspecting the transport of one of the units. He explained very clearly that he expected the Infantry transport to be as well turned out as the Artillery with bits, chains and stirrup irons rust free. As we moved away I heard one man say: “Rust free? Gawd, he must be a Tommy General.” I explained to the man that he was not a “Tommy” but an Anzac General. Later came the result when on an inspection of our artillery the General said to the C.R.A.: “You know, B.—, your fellows will have to put on a spurt or else the Infantry transport men will wipe their eyes.”

He was a stickler for certain things which many officers and men were inclined to treat in a casual manner, and this also gave rise to the idea of a “Tommy” general. But very soon, when he went visiting the units in and out of the line, officers and men realised that he was a man who had a deep and abiding affection for his men and was always trying to improve their conditions.

It was he who welded the various brigades and units into a real Divisional family and this remained until the end. He had a keen sense of humour and I remember how his eyes used to twinkle behind his glasses when he heard some of the wonderful stories that were current in the A.I.F. But it was otherwise when dealing with what he called a “blighter.” I think that was the strongest expression I ever heard him use in public. I was present on several occasions when he talked to men who had been court martialed to try and find out what was behind their attitude and whenever he thought it justified, never hesitated to temper leniency with justice. It was a great joy to him when he heard later that one of these men had been reported for gallant conduct in action.

Popularity was never sought by him, but he was quite content to carry out his duty quietly and efficiently.

Of his ability as a Commander, his handling of the Division on the Somme, at Polygon Wood and Villers Bretonneux, on August 8, 1918, and the Hindenburg Line, and on many other occasions gives ample proof and explains why officers and men had such great confidence in him.

It is probably not known to many that he played an important part when the question of a successor to General Birdwood in command of the Australian Corps was being considered. The then Prime Minister came to our Divisional Headquarters to discuss the matter with General Hobbs, who had certain opinions on the subject which he placed before the Prime Minister.

It was a great wrench to us when General Hobbs left the Division after the Armistice; we could not imagine the Divisional Headquarters without him. And now that he has passed on, we who are left mourn his passing, but his influence remains. I think the words of John Bunyan seem most appropriate to General Sir Talbot Hobbs: “My sword I give to him that shall succeed me in my pilgrimage. My courage and skill to him that can get it. My marks and scars I carry with me, to be a witness for me that I have fought His battles Who will not be my rewarder.”

“So he passed over and all the trumpets sounded for him on the other side.”

INCOME TAX

The final dates for lodging income tax returns are July 31 for income derived from personal exertion, such as salaries and wages; August 31 for all other income, and August 31 for land tax. The following persons who have received income for the twelve months ending June 30, 1938, are liable to furnish returns:—

1. Persons (both male and female) who are not married, i.e., bachelor, spinster, widower, widow or divorced person and whose gross income from all sources was £100 or over.

2. Married persons whose gross income from all sources was £200 or over, but married women whose husbands are not dependent upon them and whose gross income was £100 or over, are liable to furnish returns under the State law.

3. Companies in receipt of an income of any amount.

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Returned men generally take a keen interest in these competitions and the friendly rivalry created between sub-branches does much to keep the metropolitan members interested in sub-branch work. Members look with much anticipation for reports of match results, but, unfortunately, there is a laxity in sending in the results to hon. secretary Bill Holder, at Monash House.

We are not yet in a position to publish a complete record of the second round, although some sub-branches have completed their fourth round. Will games captains please attend to this matter? The following are the results as near as we can get them.

FIRST ROUND

Zone 1

Subiaco beat West Perth ..... 8-2
Gloucester Park beat Cottesloe ..... 10-0
Mosman Park beat Bassendean ..... 10-0
Mt. Hawthorn beat Claremont ..... 10-0
Perth beat Yokine ..... 8-2

Zone 2

Maylands beat South Perth ..... 6-4
Osborne Park beat Darling Range ..... 6-4
Mt. Lawley beat North Perth ..... 6-4
West Leederville beat Vic. Park ..... 10-0
Nedlands Park: bye.

SECOND ROUND

Zone 1

Perth beat Mt. Hawthorn ..... 6-4
Gloucester Park beat West Perth ..... 6-4
Subiaco beat Yokine ..... 6-4

Mosman Park beat Claremont ..... 10-0
Cottesloe beat Bassendean ..... 10-0

Zone 2

Nedlands beat Victoria Park ..... 7-3
West Leederville beat Mt. Lawley ..... 6-4
North Perth beat Darling Range ..... 10-0
Maylands: bye.

Results of South Perth and Osborne Park not to hand.

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CHAPTER XVIII — RAFA

CHRISTMAS DAY, 1916, saw the Regiment encamped along with the other units of the 3rd Light Horse Brigade, amongst the tall date palms of the beautiful Hod Masaid, a few yards only from the blue waters of the Mediterranean. The men were in high spirits. They had shaken off their weariness by a long night's rest, and they now animatedly discussed their success at Maghdaba in all its aspects.

The casualties sustained had been gratifyingly light, and the mounted tactics with the bayonet had already impressed them as being pregnant with possibilities of an important new addition to the role of a Light Horseman in the future.

The arrival of a camel convoy bearing Christmas gifts from the people of Western Australia also greatly added to the general pleasure of that day.

On Boxing Day, the Desert Column commander (Lieut.-General Chetwode) visited the 3rd Light Horse Brigade in its bivouac, and warmly complimented all ranks on the work done, and indicated that before very long they would again be called upon to make a further effort. This information was received with enthusiasm. The troops eagerly awaited the word to move, and it was not long in coming. The New Year was ushered in with quiet but rapid preparations, and the end of the first week of January, 1917, brought definite orders for another bold enterprise.

The Turks, driven from the line of the Wadi-el-Arish, had fallen back on the line which marks the Turko-Egyptian frontier, and runs from the Mediterranean through Rafa, and thence in a south-easterly direction to the Gulf of Akabar. Except for a few isolated posts, the enemy strength on the southern portion of this line was negligible, but in the coastal zone he still held strategical positions in such force as to suggest serious opposition to our further advance. It was evident thus early that his main line of resistance was to run from Gaza to Beer-sheba, but he well knew that a firm hold of the high commanding country in the vicinity of Rafa would serve at least to gain time in which to develop the Gaza-Beersheba defences—if it did not bar the way to the plains of Philistia indefinitely. Furthermore, the Rafa position marked the dividing line between the Sinai Desert, with its heavy sand, and the firm, cultivated ground of Southern Palestine over which wheeled transport and troops could pass without difficulty. Thus, given due warning of our approach, the reinforcement of the Rafa garrison would appear a comparatively easy matter.

The development of the Rafa defences had been pushed energetically, especially after the fall of El-Arish became imminent, so that by this time a system of redoubts similar to, but on a much larger scale than those of Maghdaba, had been constructed. The positions were well chosen, and the trenches carefully sited, with a commanding field of fire on all sides. They were garrisoned by a force estimated at between 3,000 and 4,000, with numerous machine guns and several batteries of artillery—a fairly formidable force to cope with, considering the exposed nature of the approaches. Nevertheless, the High Command decided to attack these defences with a view to their capture.

The available force for this enterprise was the Anzac Mounted Division (less the 2nd Light Horse Brigade), the 5th (Yeomanry) Mounted Brigade, and the Imperial Camel Corps—totaling in all considerably under 4,000 rifles—with three batteries of Horse Artillery and one of mountain guns. Only a very bold commander, with overwhelming faith in the superiority of his troops, would have sent this small force—with barely, if any, numerical superiority over the defenders—against such a strong position as the enemy were known to occupy. But General Chetwode was just such a commander and, although 25 miles had to be covered before contact with the Turks could be gained, he doubtless realised that, at the worst, the mounted troops could extricate themselves without great difficulty should the effort prove beyond their strength. The moral factor, also, was apparently not overlooked, and the effect that secrecy, rapidity and dash—the true cavalryman's aim—would produce upon the Turks, was probably estimated at as great a value as actual hitting power. Be that as it may, the fighting troops moved out on their mission with supreme confidence.

At mid-day on January 8, 1917, the 3rd Light Horse Brigade, under Brigadier-General Rosoyton, marched out from Masaid to the Divisional Rendezvous about a mile east of the Wadi-el-Arish. The men carried three days' rations for themselves and their horses, but otherwise travelled light. The Division, having concentrated, moved off in column and reached Sheikh Zowaid at 9.30 p.m. that night. A halt was made here, and at 1 a.m. on the morning of January 9 the march on Rafa was continued. Smoking, and even talking from now on till daylight were strictly forbidden, and these orders were carried out implicitly. At 5 a.m. the 3rd Light Horse Brigade arrived in the vicinity of the cross-roads marked 250 about five miles south of Rafa, and as day broke a glorious sight met the eye. The hungry desert had been left behind, and the rolling grass and green cultivation of the Maritime Plain had taken its place. It was indeed the Promised Land. Small Bedouin settlements dotted the plain here and there, and it was good to feel that here at least were the habitations of men—if not exactly of civilisation.

The silence of the dawn was broken by the crowing of a single "rooster," which was replied to by a spontaneous burst of cheering and laughter from the whole Brigade. But there was work in hand before this peaceful-looking country was to pass into our undisputed possession. As the light grew stronger the formidable nature of the Turkish position could be observed. The redoubts had been constructed to form a kind of irregular semi-circle based on a high green hill called El-Magruntien, and but for a few gentle folds in the ground the approaches were all open and exposed.

For purposes of attack they were divided into groups by the Divisional Commander (Major-General Chauvel). "A" group forming the enemy's right flank, then came "B," "C" and "D" groups, in that order.

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which stirred the garrison to activity. Small fires immediately appeared throughout their lines, indicating that the Turks were making a hasty meal preparatory to meeting our attack.

To the Imperial Camel Corps on our left were allotted “A” and “B” group of trenches, to the 3rd Light Horse Brigade “C” group, and to the 1st Light Horse Brigade on our right “D” group, whilst the New Zealand Mounted Rifles were to execute an enveloping movement round the Turkish left flank. A slight pause ensued whilst the outer brigades swung round into position, and at 11.30 a.m. the 3rd Brigade deployed and moved into action, the 10th Regiment (Lieut.-Col. Todd), on the right, the 3rd Machine Gun Squadron (Major C. L. Nicholas) in the centre, and the 9th Regiment on the left, with the 8th Regiment in reserve. “A” and “B” squadrons of the 10th Regiment advanced, supported by “C” Squadron, the other units adopting a similar formation. The advance proceeded mounted and in extended order until the last ridge separating our troops from the enemy trenches was reached.

At 11.40 the leading troops came under long range fire. The 1st Light Horse Brigade was already engaged dismounted, and our Brigade, dismounting and placing the horses under cover of this last ridge, continued the advance on foot.

The attacking waves pushed on, supported by overhead covering fire from our machine guns, and the 10th Regiment linked up on our right with the 3rd Regiment (1st Brigade). The range was now 1400 yards. The enemy fire grew heavier in volume as the attackers advanced, but appeared erratic, a fortunate circumstance which saved us many casualties over the open ground. Our batteries were now busily engaged in sweeping the whole Turkish position with shrapnel and H.E., whilst the machine gunners maintained a brisk fire.

At 900 yards the fight for superiority of fire began in earnest and owing chiefly to the magnificent work of our machine and Lewis gunners, who had now rushed forward in support, it was soon evident that we were gaining the upper hand as far as our objective was concerned. The 10th Regiment pushed on by rushes to 700 yards, in line with the 3rd Regiment, but three of our troops in conjunction with the 9th Regiment became held up by cross-fire from a redoubt on the left and their progress was slower. At 1.30 p.m. the 3rd Regiment asked for supporting fire to cover their advance. This was given whilst the gallant 3rd pushed on to 350 yards range from the enemy. The 10th again joined the South Australians, and from this point these two regiments worked in mutual support of one another. The ground here was very open, and afforded no cover whatever.

Having no entrenching tools the men scratched and scraped with their bayonets and rooted themselves in, as best they could, keeping up a steady fire until they had recovered breath. From here the advance was continued in short rushes under heavy enemy artillery and machine gun fire, until a firing line had been established by the 3rd and 10th Regiments at about 270 yards from the Turkish trenches. The men dug again, but the enemy artillery redoubled its efforts, and swept the thin line with high explosive and rifle fire. The two regiments, having by their determined advance formed a sharp salient, and being temporarily isolated from the general attack, withdrew to a position about 100 yards back, on which every available man, machine and Lewis gun was placed.

The time was now 3.45 p.m., and for another hour the fire fight was maintained. The Turks fought back furiously, and for the moment they appeared supreme. Their aeroplanes hovered over our lines, and machine gunned and bombed at will, whilst the defenders in the trenches seemed to have gathered renewed vigour. And not without reason. They now had a complete knowledge of the strength of the attacking force, and strong enemy reinforcements were marching rapidly from Khan Yunus to the assistance of the garrison. Night was approaching, and the Turkish reinforcements not far off. Our gunners, particularly the Inverness and the Hong Kong and Singapore batteries had fought with magnificent gallantry—the latter having brought their mountain guns right up into our firing line—but they had almost fired their last shell.

Already orders had been issued that our force would retire, but before they could be put into execution a new development occurred which was to decide the day and give us the victory. The New Zealand Mounted Rifles, as has been shown, had been allotted the task of enveloping the enemy’s left flank. Moving out wide of the defences, they had steadily worked round without attracting much attention from the Turks. They had pushed out a strong reconnaissance in the direction of Khan Yunus, and had seen the advance of the enemy reinforcements. Brigadier-General Chaytor, their Commander, a splendid soldier commanding splendid men, sized up the situation at a glance. The reinforcements could easily be dealt with if Rafa fell. With prompt decision he swung his Brigade round, and closing on the enemy’s left, attacked it in rear. At about 4.45 p.m. the advanced troops of the gallant New Zealanders appeared on the skyline behind the enemy defences, and Brigadier-General Royston, seeing this, galloped out in front of the 3rd Light Horse Brigade, calling out, “Come on, lads! We’ve got them!”

With a cheer the whole line rushed forward with the bayonet at the several
CONGRATULATIONS,

ALF!

One of our many critics complained recently that "Personalities" is the saddest section of The Listening Post. Don't you ever have any good news to print? he asked. The criticism, unfortunately, is justified by circumstances we would gladly alter if we could. However, here is a piece of good news, within the meaning of the Act. Our esteemed State president was one of the three Western Australians to be mentioned in the Birthday Honours list. If this sort of thing continues, our Alf will soon have as many decorations as he has fighting medals, and he has more than the average issue of those. Speaking of war medals, it is not generally known that the State president is one of the few ex-service men entitled to wear another campaign medal between the Queen's and King's South African medals. He served as a gunner in the Boer War. In 1900, his battery was transferred to China for the Boxer Rebellion and when that affair was settled, back went the battery to have another shot or two at the Boers. Alf Yeates is not the type of man who looks for rewards for services, consequently Diggers will congratulate him all the more heartily on his recent award of the O.B.E.

Alf has received letters, cables and telegrams from many well wishers including the Grand President B.E.S.L. (Lord Milne) and Mr. Donald Simson (hon. secretary B.E.S.L.), Sir Gilbert Dyett, State presidents, sub-branches, politicians and scores of others.

A letter received by one who had been a member of the State executive echoed the sentiments of all returned soldiers. In his letter of congratulation, he wrote: "I know that you have always set the cause above renown and counted the game beyond prize; and possibly a decoration may not mean as much to you now as it might to younger men; but rest assured, it means a great deal to your friends, especially those of us who have worked with you and know how much you have done in your own self-effacing manner. I feel sure that many like myself felt a stronger heart-beat, a renewed hope and a glow of pride when we read of the honour that had been conferred upon our worthy State president.

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Objectives, and presently a white flag waved above the enemy trenches, followed by many others a few seconds later. The redoubts were rushed and occupied. The Turkish dead lay in heaps, whilst the survivors of the garrison were taken prisoners.

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A Perth Man's Impressions
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At its meeting on May 12, Fremantle City sub-branch was fortunate enough to be treated to a lecture that was both interesting and topical. Mr. T. Milligan (vice-Principal of the Teachers' College, Claremont) spoke on his recent trip to Europe. Before coming to his main theme, which was Czecho-Slovakia, Mr. Milligan touched briefly on Germany and Italy. The two outstanding features of these countries, he said, were the entire absence of unemployment and the reluctance of the ordinary citizen to discuss his country's internal affairs. He said that the Czechs claimed that they were the most democratic people in the world, and that their beautiful capital Prague was the dream city. The lecturer drew an enthralling word picture of Prague, with its palatial educational buildings, schools with the most modern equipment obtainable, contrasting sharply with similar institutions in Australia.

He described the Peoples' University and Library. This central library circulated all of its books around a series of smaller libraries throughout the city, thus ensuring every book becoming available in the minor districts.

The Municipality of Prague was an ideal institution, in that every nationality comprising the present-day population has representation on the council. They operated all the city's utilities—water supply, electricity, gas, fire brigades, etc., with great efficiency; and, lastly, they controlled the municipal bank, which financed everything internally. The currency used was based on the country's wealth, and said the lecturer, it seemed to work very smoothly.

The police were unique as, excepting those of the traffic police, whose duties were similar to those of other places, their principal duties were to see there was no looting about and that the juvenile section of the community played their games constructively. They (the police) were athletes and experts at all games.

In conclusion, he expressed a fervent wish that, notwithstanding Czecho-Slovakia—being the present storm centre of Europe, the baleful instrument of war would not desecrate this industrious and sturdy democracy. Mr. Milligan answered numerous questions while a goodly supper was served by willing workers.

Scabbards Off!

(by Pip Tok)

An English film producer recently declared that Shakespeare was unfitted to write for Hollywood movies. Perhaps he has unwittingly hit upon the real secret of Shakespeare's greatness.

Vice-Admiral J. E. T. Harper, who prepared the official account of the Battle of Jutland, passed through Fremantle on the Largs Bay early this month. When interviewed, he said that although the British had heavier losses on ships and men than the Germans, there was no doubt that they won the battle. Vice-Admiral Harper quoted the old naval saying, "He wins who keeps the sea," and Admiral Jellicoe kept the sea. The German claim that Fritz won the Battle of Jutland is based on the indisputable fact that Jellicoe could not catch the German warships before they escaped to port.

It is unlikely that Britain will adopt the suggestion made by the secretary of the National Union of Seamen, and bomb Cadiz as a reprisal for the sinking of British merchantmen, and the slaughter of British seamen, by rebel airmen. Mr. Chamberlain will do nothing that savours of intervention. Nevertheless, the Germans bombarded Almeria after some of their own experience has been that some who are now the most vociferous advocates of the rights of free speech have been the very first to try to censor this paper, whenever it has dared to publish something which does not coincide with their own views—or prejudices.

Perhaps, when all this hue and cry after the Australian Broadcasting Commission has died down a little, someone will condescend to tell us who the devil is this Judge Foster of Victoria?

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was adopted at the Imperial conference last year strikes us as being particularly one-eyed. What is wrong with people like Professor Fox? Aren't we sufficiently anti-British for them?

One of the chief causes of complaint Britain has against Italy was the use the latter made of the air to spread anti-British propaganda in the disturbed countries of the Near and Middle East. In the interests of universal peace and international friendship Australia, in common with other countries, has signed an agreement to refrain from unfriendly broadcasts. Uncomplimentary and even defamatory references to Hitler and Mussolini were among the things that the Australian Broadcasting Commission objected to in Judge Foster's proposed talk on freedom of speech, for which, one assumes, the Commission would have paid him fees, as other speakers—even professors—are paid. One also assumes that Judge Foster submitted his proposed talk, as is usually done, in the manner a writer submits an article for publication in a paper. It is therefore the right of the Commission to accept or reject that talk, as an editor accepts or rejects an article. Why, then, the naive assumption that anyone has the inherent right to say anything he likes over the air and why all this deliberate confusion of freedom with license? The Listening Post's own experience has been that some who are now the most vociferous advocates of the rights of free speech have been the very first to try to censor this paper, whenever it has dared to publish something which does not coincide with their own views—or prejudices.

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With all the news of battle, murder and sudden death in China, newspaper readers are apt to forget that Japan has not declared war on China. Officially, therefore, the two countries are at peace. Japan seems determined to pursue this peace to a victorious conclusion.

Consider the ways of a certain type of pacifist and be wise. An agreement between Britain and a dictator country is condemned because Fascism is something abhorrent to Britons. Communism is equally abhorrent; but no hue and cry is raised against an understanding with Red Russia. The Anglo-Italian agreement has postponed war, if it has not averted it altogether; and it is generally recognised that the longer we can keep out of war the longer we are likely to do so. That, however, does not suit these people. We should have gone to war over Abyssinia and supported the Spanish Reds, and so turned small wars into bigger ones. This is truly a weird attitude on the part of persons whose feet are frozen by the very thought of a war.

Ten miles from Vittel, the world-famed spa of Eastern France, is the town of Darney which, strange as it may seem, has the honour of being the birth-place of the Czechoslovak Republic. Indeed, on June 30, 1918, with President Albert Lebrun and President Edward Benes both in attendance, the French and the Czechs will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Central European republic. All of which requires a word of explanation. Czechoslovakia, as a national entity, was "conceived" in Pittsburg, Penn., U.S.A., where the representatives of the Czechs and Slovaks signed the "Treaty of Pittsburg," but it was at Darney that the "birth" took place. It was on June 30, 1918, that President Raymond Poincare, speaking for France, announced that his government had recognised Czechoslovakia, and her right to be an independent nation. Other Powers followed this example, and the new State recognised de jure became a nation de facto after the Armistice. To celebrate this historic date, Franco-Czechoslovak festivals will be staged in Darney next June. Senator Andre Barbier, who is mayor of Darney, is chairman of the committee making the plans. It is also announced that a Czechoslovak museum is to be established in Darney. It will contain many documents (including the original of M. Poincare’s speech), objects, paintings, sculpture, etc., dealing with the emergence of Czechoslovakia as a nation.

Captain Schotel, a British anti-gas expert, addressed a Plymouth audience about air-raid precautions recently. "It is difficult," he said, "to fit bearded men with gas masks and, should the emergency arise, those with beards more than a hand long might be faced with the alternative of cutting their beards off, or being gassed."

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West Swan sub-branch is losing one of its old stalwarts, Jimmy Woods, V.C., who fought the good fight and earned the highest award the King can confer while serving with the 48th Battalion. Jimmy has been in indifferent health for some time, and is leaving the West Swan district to reside in Mosman Park. While a member of the West Swan sub-branch he was an untiring worker on behalf of that organisation, and of the district as a whole. The good wishes of sub-branch members and neighbours go with him and Mrs. Wood, wishing Jim a restoration to better health and all the best that life holds for both of them. The esteem of the sub-branch was shown in practical form on May 18, when Jim and his good wife were tendered a complimentary picture evening. President Alf. Guy was in command of the parade, and Mrs. Guy presented Mrs. Woods with a silver cake dish. On this occasion, Jim was in the rare position of the husband who had the last word. It fell to his lot to return thanks and respond to all the nice things that were said about both them.

At a recent meeting of the 12th/52nd Battalion Association, members paid the customary tribute of condolence with the bereaved wife and family of the late Sid. Rowles, the popular president of the Association, who died on May 24. The late Sid. Rowles was a lad of eighteen years when the “fall-in” sounded in August, 1914, but he joined up immediately and was posted to the West Australian Company of the 12th Battalion, whose O.C. was Captain J. Lalor. He took part in the historic Landing. Later on a serious wound invalided him to Australia. When he was sufficiently recovered, he was attached to the District Headquarters Staff at Francis Street, as a recruiting sergeant, in which capacity he rendered sterling service. After the Armistice, he became a motor car salesman, eventually establishing the business which he controlled until his untimely death. He joined the unit association when it was formed in 1923. He was secretary for many years, after which he became president. The great esteem in which Sid. was held by his comrades was proved by the large gathering which assembled at the graveside. The Last Post was sounded by Bugler Gilmore. To Mrs. Rowles and family we tender our heartfelt sympathy and condolence.

The secretary, Geraldton sub-branch, advises that if Thomas Henry Caris, last known address c/o. Post Office, Kalgoorlie (in 1931), will communicate with him at Birdwood House, Geraldton, he will hear something to his advantage financially.

The new commandant of the Royal Military College at Sandhurst, Major-General Thomas Ralph Eastwood, D.S.O., M.C., was a dinkum Anzac. Born in Canterbury, England, in 1890, he was educated at Eton and Sandhurst and was gazetted to the Rifle Brigade in 1910. He was A.D.C. to the Governor-General of New Zealand at the outbreak of the Great War. He took part in the operations against Samoa, returning to New Zealand in time to leave for Egypt with the main body of the N.Z.E.F. and was at Anzac in May, 1915. He was sent to General Monash to take over the duties of Staff-Captain of the 4th Australian Infantry Brigade from Captain (now Sir Carl) Jess, who had been appointed Brigade-Major, 2nd Brigade. He returned to the New Zealanders in 1916 and to the Rifle Brigade, of which he commanded the 2nd Battalion, a few months before the Armistice. General Eastwood also saw service in North Russia in 1919.

Congratulations to Mrs. M. Craven-Griffiths on being made a Member of the Order of the British Empire. For several years, Mrs. Craven-Griffiths has been a member of the council of the Empire and Local Products campaign. In this capacity she has rendered yeoman service on behalf of local producers, many of whom in town and country are Diggers.

Three well-known members of North Perth sub-branch have figured in the casualty list this month. The sub-branch president (S. V. Dival) has been in Ward XI for an overhaul. According to the last bulletin, he is improving and may be marked fit for general service very soon. Frank W. Blythe and Joe Woodthorpe are making satisfactory progress. The sub-branch secretary (Neil McIvor), although not in hospital, has been ailing for some time and his health has not been improved by the strenuous life these North Perth Diggers lead, with their many activities. We wish them all a speedy recovery. And hardly has the wish been typed when the news arrives that Bill Menkens, our voluminous North Perth correspondent, has also been included in the sick state. Bill, when this meets your eye, you will know that our good wishes go out to you also.

A recent welcome visitor to the State executive meeting was Captain W. G. St. Clair Martyn, popularly known as “Bill.” Bill served with the Royal Flying Corps in the war and later came to Australia. He has been a prominent official of the Kalgoorlie sub-branch for a few years and did most of the broadcasting for the R.S.L. on the goldfields, his rich voice and deep knowledge being particularly suitable. Bill is leaving us this month, returning to his people in the Old Land and he goes holding the affection and with best wishes from a host of Digger friends. Bill’s article in the May Listening Post “Service to My Comrades,” which gave the League a spiritual basis and outlook, has been generally commended.

Another good fellow soon to leave the goldfields for his home land in England is Padre D. J. Herbert, a vice-president of the Kalgoorlie sub-branch. The Padre is an understanding chap who has endeared himself to a host of people during his stay amongst us and has been a pillar.
of strength to the League, his charitable
and hospital work being particularly out-
standing. He will be sadly missed and
it is the hope of his many friends that
he will soon come back again.

Ex-service organisations, especially
those which have to do with amelioration
work on behalf of the dependents of de-
ceased soldiers, and those in distressed
circumstances, have lost a good friend
and an able collaborator through the re-
cent death of Mrs. C. H. Manning,
O.B.E. The late Mrs. Manning was
born in Western Australia and was a
member of a family of early pioneers.
As a soldier's wife, she interested herself
very actively in Red Cross work during
the war and was a member of the Sol-
diers' Welcome Committee, which did
such noble work for returning soldiers
before the war had ended. It will be
remembered that this organisation of self-
sacrificing citizens gave shape to many ac-
tivities that were subsequently taken over
by the Repatriation Department. Within
recent years, Mrs. Manning was best
known for her work in connection with the
Friendly Union of Soldiers' Wives,
of which she was president for several
years, and as a member of the Women's
Immigration Auxiliary Council. Her
long and consistent record of public ser-
vice was recognised when she was award-
ed the Order of the British Empire, in
1934. We extend to Colonel C. H.
Manning our heartfelt sympathy in his
great sorrow.

General regret, tinged with a spirit of
congratulation, was the reaction of West-
ern Australian Diggers when they learnt
that the senior vice-president of the
Western Australian Branch, Archdeacon
C. L. Riley, has been appointed Bishop
of Bendigo. "Tom" Riley, as he will
always be to the Digger, is one of the
best known and best liked League identi-
ties in this State. A good mixer, he can
walk with kings and yet keep the com-
mon touch and uphold his high calling
and his high office in the League with
friendliness and dignity. On the social
side of League activities, we shall miss
his cheery bonhomie; on the more serious
side, we shall miss his clear and incisive
reasoning at congress and at executive
meetings. Thousands of citizens, young
and old, who assemble on the Esplanade
year by year, will also miss him, for, like
his revered father, he was known and
liked by men of all classes and creeds.
This is indeed a case in which heartiest

ANZAC DAY OBSERV-
ANCE

"Pomdig" writes: I was glad to see
you take up the cudgels on behalf of the
present mode of commemorating Anzac
Day. I was in Sydney last Anzac Day
and, though no wossers, I'd hate to see
in Perth what I saw in Sydney—more
drunks to the minute than you'd see in
Perth in a week, even allowing for the
relative size of the populations. An-
other point you raised with which I am
in whole-hearted agreement: Does the
League get all the support, or the type
of support, from the Press that could be
desired? On my way back to Perth I
stopped off in Melbourne and Adelaide.
In Melbourne, the papers gave the Com-
monwealth Auditor-General beans for
his comments on pension payments. Our
Western Australian papers gave much
space to the Auditor-General's criticisms
of the pension tribunals, but not one of
them even ventured to suggest that the
Auditor-General talked out of his turn,
and that his job is accounts and not pol-
icy. In Adelaide, the leading daily gave
columns day by day in support of the
congratulations are tempered with heart-
felt regrets at the pending departure of
one who has been such a tower of
strength and such an inspiration to our
organisation. His friends, and their
name is legion, will rejoice at his advancemen
t, by many of us cannot help asking why
could not this advancement have been
made in a way that would enable West-
ern Australia to retain his valued ser-
ties? There have been previous oppor-
tunities.

South Australian Branch's efforts to raise
something like £20,000 by a certain date.
Thanks to that publicity and continued
support the sum was exceeded in less
than the apportioned time. Not having
kept copies of the Adelaide paper, I may
be a little hazy about the total raised,
but I'm quite clear about the daily pub-
clicity and support the papers gave to the
venture. Compare that with our leading
daily's effort on behalf of the Aged Sail-
ors and Soldiers' Fund—a damnation
of faint praise and the bright suggestion
that we should commercialise Anzac by
taking up a collection. Are we Western
Australians beginning to suffer from that
smug complacency which turns so many
isolated communities into mutual admira-
sion societies?

The establishment of a hall as a perma-
ent memorial to those men who enlisted
from Norseman, and who lost their lives
in the war, is probably the most ambi-
tious scheme the Norseman sub-branch
has undertaken. With the whole-hearted
co-operation of the Dundas Road Board,
who supplied the finance for the materi-
al, this project has been made possible.
The whole of the labour has been sup-
plied free by the members of the sub-
branch and a few other public-spirited
citizens of the town.

Tenth Light Horse Association
and Allied Units

Members of the above who fought in the
E.E.F. are reminded that the next quarterly
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4, 1938. A full attendance is hoped for, as
important matters will come up for discus-

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EMPIRE SHOPPING WEEK 1938

Annual Report by Mr. Hastings C. Reid, Hon. Organiser

It is with great pleasure that I submit my 12th Annual Report upon Empire Shopping Week in Western Australia. It is interesting to go back over the history of this movement and to note the extent to which it has caught the public fancy in the year that have passed since its inception. In the beginning, it was found practicable to touch only upon the metropolitan area; but to-day, the Week is recognised as a permanent fixture in the calendar of annual events and it is celebrated practically as a State-wide function. Because, in the years since the cause was espoused in this State, appropriate posters to the number of approximately half a million have been put into circulation and thousands of circular appeals and propaganda communications have been issued to organisations and individuals, it cannot be believed that the campaigns have not had an important effect upon the purchasing proclivities of the people and caused a diversion of thought into the desired channels.

In essence, Empire Shopping Week is the manifestation of the spirit that is behind a great principle; and the results achieved may be said to represent the outward and visible sign of the inward and spiritual grace of the community from the point of view of its devotion to the British Empire. It is not suggested that that devotion does not exist in the heart of every citizen, because there can be no doubt that it does; but it can be argued that this devotion is often lost sight of and weakened by stronger, though temporary, personal desires and ambitions, to the detriment, it may be said, of the whole structure.

Those who foster the movement have in mind, that, for a brief space in each year, the public can have their attention focussed upon the need for making their purchases from within the Empire, they will gradually become more Empire-conscious, and of their own volition do that which it has seemed necessary to counsel them to do. On the whole there would appear to be much to gain and nothing to lose from a practical demonstration of this principle, provided that the demonstration is universal, broad enough in its application and consistent. From some source within the British Empire there are obtainable goods and commodities that should suffice for all our needs. Surely, if citizenship means anything more to us than the privilege of paying our income tax or recording our vote at Parliamentary elections, we can perceive, that it comes within the ambit of our responsibility to give first preference in our purchases to goods of Empire origin. To promote such thoughts as these is one of the reasons why Empire Shopping Week is held. Every person who does his shopping from within the Empire is personally helping to safeguard its interests, personally assisting in its development and personally increasing its usefulness as a factor for world's peace.

Because Western Australia constitutes that portion of the Empire in which we are more particularly interested, according to him, is the heritage that has been given to us to develop, we must, of necessity, and as a duty with which we are charged, first devote our attention to its special welfare. By attempting first to satisfy our domestic and personal requirements from local sources and thus supporting the industries that are associated with our own fields and factories we can do incalculable good for our own kith and kin. The logical outcome of the pursuit of such a policy must be the retention within our borders of much wealth that now goes out of the State, with a consequent expansion for our industries and the opening up of valuable avenues for employment to our own people. It might even be advanced as a reasonable conjecture that a big gain in monetary circulation might even lead to an improvement in the State taxes, and fixtures to the advantage of the taxpayers themselves. Be that as it may, it must be regarded as sound practice first to support home industries in preference to those of other countries, especially when the local product is thoroughly competitive with the imported article.

The argument in respect of local products can, with equal force, be applied to Empire-made goods as a whole, for the reason that it is the British Empire we should be seeking to develop, not any other.

The campaign this year in Western Australia has been an intensive one, and from that point of view can be compared more than favourably with any of the preceding campaigns. True, it was no longer possible to obtain supplies of free posters from Imperial Government-sources—that is to say, from old Empire Marketing Board works, which have now been depleted—but thanks to the Department of Industries, which supplied the funds for the local products posters, and to the generosity of contributors to our general funds, it was found possible to print locally and put into circulation upwards of 37,000 units of propaganda. The posters were distributed through the 300 country and suburban sub-committees, the members of which represented about 3,000 workers for the cause.

Once again the R.S.L. sub-branches, ably assisted by the Country Women's Association and the women's section of the Primary Producers' Association, shouldered the burden of distribution outside the city area, and in this work special mention must also be made of the members of the women's auxiliaries of the R.S.L.

Thanks are also due to the thousands of shop-keepers throughout the State, who entered with zest into the campaign and provided means not only for the display of the posters, but for the display of Empire and local goods in their windows. Nunneries can be recorded in which shop-keepers and traders went out of their way to assist, and cases could be quoted in which merchant houses secured specially large supplies of posters so that they might be issued to customers with the goods that were being consigned to them.

The free transport of posters to country districts by the Commissioner of Railways and the Midland Railway Company was a privilege again accorded to the committee, one which has made it possible for it to perform a task that from the financial point of view would otherwise have been beyond it.

The broadcasting stations were also exceedingly generous in allowing their microphones to be used for propaganda purposes during the Week. The publicity thus obtained was of incalculable value, for by this means personal contact was made with thousands of people.

An outstanding feature of the Week was the exhibition of local products that was arranged by the Department of Industries, ably assisted by the Eastern Goldfields Local Products Council, at Boulder, Koolegolgie and Noranda. They were distributed in sequence. By bringing these important centres of the goldfields closely into touch with the spirit of the movement, it is hoped that much good will accrue to local industries with consequent advantage to the State generally.

Yet another, must greatly appreciate the whole-hearted and patriotic manner in which every member of the Council discharged his or her duties, and the spirit with which they entered into the campaign. May I say that much, if not all of these notable characteristics associated with the Empire Shopping Week Council are inspired in the first place by your own personal ardour, application and resourcefulness, to which factors I am sure it will be agreed the Week this year owes so much of its success.

On behalf of the Council, I wish also to extend our warmest thanks and appreciation for the fine services rendered by our Hon. Secretary (Mr. Carl Ferguson) and to the Hon. Minister for Industries (Mr. Hawke) and his staff for their invaluable support. I can only wish that Empire Shopping Week in Western Australia may long endure and grow in strength and influence with the passing of the years. Western Australia may well pass in other of the Dominions that go to make up the mighty British Empire, let it never be said that Western Australia lagged behind in a manifestation of its allegiance or the execution of its duty towards the Empire to which it owes its all.

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Melbourne Cup Consultation: Tickets 10/-, Halves, 5/- Sold Third Prize in No. 66 and brought many rewards to its clients in No. 67 Consultation.
We have heard much argument about the advisability of allowing private firms to make munitions, but it is not generally known that the first warship built in Australia was built by a private company. This was the Hunter River Steam Company, later the Australian Steam Navigation Company. In 1863, this firm built several iron gun-boats for service in the Maori War. One of them, the Waikato, was 140 feet long, with a stern wheel. She was pierced for rifles and had pipes running round the sides from which steam and scalding water could be ejected on boarders. Three hundred men comprised her complement. From Sydney, she was towed across the Tasman by H.M.S. Eclipse, with H.M.S. Curacoa as escort. The gun-boats were built at the company’s yard at Darling Harbour, Sydney.

The first automatic cigarette lighter was a very simple affair. It consisted of two sticks that were rubbed together. It did not work very well, either.

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KATANNING
BY "COLONEL BOGEY"

Just before Ted Goodchild departed for home, he placed his arm round my neck and in a confidential undertone implored me to give Nyabing a little more prominence than I did when I wrote the notes on last year's Great Southern Diggers' Golf Day at Katanning.

Having a great admiration for Ted and his two breezy cobbers, Merv, and George, I feel that I cannot do better than commence the account of this year's event with a reference to Hobleyville.

Arriving at the club house, before the mist had cleared away, I found that even at that early hour other fatigue parties were busy stocking the estaminet and getting the place ready for the invasion of Diggers from all parts of the Great Southern.

Away to the southeast, a thin line of rapidly rising dust heralded the approach at Malcolm Campbell-speed of the Nyabing contingent, headed by the fore-mentioned Ted, Merv, and George.

Due west of us another cloud of dust moving toward Katanning at an equal pace explained showed us that Jack Finlay, of Kojonup, and the Boyup Brook and Carrolup Diggers had grave doubts as to whether Bert Fildes' refreshments would hold out if they were late on the scene. From a distance it looked an even money bet on who would arrive first—the southeast or the western brigade; but calculations were upset. Owing to the contour of the country, the northern brigade, comprising representatives from Narrogin, Wagin, Lake Grace and Dumbleyung, were enabled to make a flank attack under cover of the hills and, whilst we were watching the progress of the other two divisions, these fellows from the north sneaked up and commenced mopping up. Shortly after 8.15 a.m., cars began to roll in from Gnowangrup, Cranbrook, Mr. Barker Tambellup, Brookhill and Albany, and when the conditions of the contest were made known, the majority of the Diggers from the south set out to increase their handicaps as rapidly as Bert and his assistants could place the strokes in the containers. At this stage I noticed that Bert was a little apprehensive as to whether his stocks would stand the strain at the rate of decline at that early hour, but as soon as we managed to get Claude Cockran, Claude Gillespie, "Sailor" Lewis and Rod. Bayne on the tee to hit off, Bert's look of doubt disappeared and he was once more the cheerful optimist.

Promptly at 8.35 a.m., Don Feakes set the ball rolling by placing it well into the bush. He explained that a cross wind was blowing at the time and he aimed to obtain a ricochet off a big tree on the edge of the fairway, and in the absence of witnesses we have to take his word that the tree swayed at least two inches and deflected the ball the wrong way.

Jimmy Old, with moistened finger, was at this time busily engrossed testing the wind velocity at from 7 feet to ground level, and having decided in favour of a low drive, he hugged the ground but omitted to put sufficient under spin on the ball to zoom it over the first bunker.

Jimmy Fitz made a glorious putt with his driver and promptly followed it up with a superb drive with his putter. Cyril Garstone, the ultimate winner of the Edmondson Cup, had back in his traces, did a goose-step with his left leg, lifted both arms to heaven in a double Nazi salute, and then astounded the gathering by darting near holing out in one. No great difficulty was experienced in getting the other 16 players away to times according to schedule and at six minute intervals.

At the tenth tee, competitors had to drive off "Molly Handed." Back to the club house an excellent luncheon was served by the ladies, and Bert Fildes was again a centre of much interest.

In the afternoon an additional nine holes was played on the inside nine, and players had to drive off in full web equipment. About 98 per cent. of the shots were off the target and in some instances cars had to be moved before the ball could be recovered.

Despite this handicap, even more distraction awaited the competitors, for Val. Abbott and his observer, Bill McLeod, distributed about one hundredweight of flour in hefty packets wherever they saw a suitable target.

In the absence of Bert's best man, and all the club's committee was mainly assisted by Mr. Abbott, who contributed very materially to the day's enjoyment. It is regretted that through the approaching adverse weather conditions, he had to leave for Perth before the dinner in the evening.

Whilst cards were being handed in, a fellow was seen wandering in and out of the large crowd of spectators in front of the club house. He had on a Fritz cap and was wearing an iron cross. He was so conspicuous that even the M.P.'s woke up to the fact that there must have been a war somewhere at sometime, and promptly arrested him.

A charge was laid against him by a Froogie farmer, that he had attempted to steal one of his hens (exhibit A). He said his name was Rae, but claimed no relationship to X-ray, Hooray or Stingray, and that he really did not want to steal all of the fowl, as he only required the feathers for his cap and the spurs for his boots and he would join the Light Horse.

At this moment, Colonel Birt noticed the Iron Cross and asked the prisoner how he had come by it. He said that he had made a raid on the whole of the 3rd Divvy and collected the bally lot. Asked why he had not captured the Light Horse, at the same time he pleaded that they were too fast for him and that explained his reason why he was short of a fowl. A search of his pocket disclosed black feathers only, so he was dismissed on goose-stepping to the estaminet, and he did it well. Two others Diggers were laid by the heel and charged under the "Destitute Children's Act" with evading maintenance of their lawful progeny. The first prisoner was dismissed when the blood test failed to convince the court that he was leading a double life, but the second culprit bore a strong family resemblance to the exhibit produced that the bench had no hesitation in ordering him to provide for the lady immediately.

The court's martial, conducted by Colonel Birt and Peter Finister, and assisted by Major Hall, L. C. Rae, Fred Cox, George Anderson, Bert Fildes, and the two M.P.'s (Bill Stubbins and George), were well carried out and provoked much mirth amongst the large gathering of ladies and other residents of the town.

The headquarters' car was another item which created much merriment and the stage committee are to be commended for their effort.

Summed up, the day was the best of four good annual events. The committee worked hard and were repaid when everything went with a swing. The ladies as usual did yeoman service and several non-soldier members of the Katanning Golf Club gave invaluable assistance throughout the day.


A dinner was held in the evening and seats were at a premium. Several local artists provided an excellent programme and speeches were made, particularly those of Jack Finlay and Geddes, of Narrogin. Toasts honoured were "The King," "Fallen Comrades," "The Cup Winners" (promised by Jim Old and Jim Fitzmaurice and responded to by Cyril Garstone and George Anderson), "The Secretary (Jack Fraser) and His Officers" (promised by J. Stewart (Gnowangrup), "Visitors" (promised by Bert Fildes with responses from Merv. Manuel, of Nyabing, Clive Shenton, of Wagin, Jack Finlay, of Kojonup, and Geddes, of Narrogin), "The Artists" (promised by Fred Cox with

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**THE LISTENING POST, 17th June, 1938**

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Barber suggested that there should be a State-wide pilgrimage to Perth next Anzac Day, organised by sub-branches. He pointed out the national and other advantages of the project. “One might think that such a pilgrimage might detract from the Anzac Day observance in the country,” he said. “On the contrary, such a pilgrimage, by careful organisation and advertisement would have the opposite effect.”

Ashes from the burning of thousands of ribbons attached to floral tributes at the Sydney Cenotaph will be scattered over the graves of members of the A.I.F. in the Villers Bretonneux cemetery, in conjunction with the unveiling of the Australian National War Memorial. The urn in which the ashes were taken to Gallipoli and scattered over the beach on Anzac Day, 1925, was used to convey the ashes to France. An enormous collection of ribbons from Cenotaph wreaths has accumulated since the Anzac beach ceremony.

“Pip Tok” writes:

My own view is that Count von Luckner’s exploits as a war-time sea raider have been unduly magnified, but that is no reason why a gallant foe should be subjected to a series of gratuitous insults when he comes back to visit a country in which he lived and worked before the war. Time and circumstance are responsible for some strange twists. People who foamed at the mouth over the exclusion of Herr Egon Kisch and Mrs. Freer were among the first to demand the exclusion of Count von Luckner, and those who have yelled loudest for the alleged right to say what they like over the air have objected to the Count being allowed the use of the air, and of halls for lecture purposes. Some have even interrupted his lectures. It would be interesting to know, as Count von Luckner himself has suggested, how many of these people are Australians. It would be even more interesting to know how many of them, that is of those who were old enough, had the pluck to swing a rifle and help to keep Count von Luckner and his countrymen out of Australia a little over twenty years ago.

This is the story of a war-time football match and the presentation of trophies—20 years later:

1918, in France—The 16th Battalion defeated the 14th Battalion, A.I.F., in a game of Australian rules football.

So pleased was he with the success of his men that Vic. Ketterer promised to buy medals when he was in London and present them to the players.

On his return from leave he found that the three South Australians in the team had gone back to Australia on 1914 leave. He lost all trace of them and on returning home put the unclaimed medals into a drawer.

1938, in Australia.—After Vic’s death recently, his wife found the forgotten medals among his belongings, and sent them to Mr. E. Massey, the secretary of the 16th Battalion Association in Perth.

He, in turn, communicated with Mr. C. Williamson, secretary of the Association in Adelaide.

The latter knew where to find the erstwhile soldier footballers, Ted Weedon, “Bull” Cameron and George Brackenridge, and at the Anzac reunion of the R.S.L. headquarters in Adelaide recently, the medals were handed over.

There was a man who had nine sons. The first was a member of Parliament. The second had no brains, either. The third was in the transport business. The fourth was also a sweater. The fifth was a financier. The sixth occupied the next cell. The seventh was an O.E.F. The eighth didn’t go to the war either. The ninth was a bachelor like his father.
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"Cameo" writes: There is scarcely a district centre in Australia now where the dead of the war are not honoured by a short service and the laying of wreaths at dawn on Anzac Day.

I was reading recently an article in which claims were made that the dawn service originated in a certain town eight years ago. Actually, individuals and small groups laid wreaths on monuments at dawn many years before this, but the organised dawn service as we know it to-day originated in the Perth Legacy Club in the first year of its existence ten years ago. A meeting of wards of the Club was held in the Soldiers' Institute to discuss with them their activities for the approaching Anzac Day, at which a Legatee suggested to the children that it would be fitting for them to lay a wreath on the State Memorial at dawn in memory of their fathers who had not returned. He explained the significance of the time. The suggestion was enthusiastically received.

The Legatee then went to another room in the building where a meeting of R.S.L. and A.I.F. unit representatives was being held in connection with Anzac Day. He told them what the children were going to do and suggested that each unit should do likewise and silently lay a wreath in remembrance. This meeting also adopted the suggestion.

At the first service it was anticipated that there would be a few hundred representative returned men present, but much to the astonishment of everyone concerned, about 5,000 members of the general public attended. This ceremony, born in Legacy in Western Australia, has now become nation-wide.

11th Battalion History

The fund to publish the history in book form is still very much below the figure required, and 11th men and others interested are urged to send their subscriptions (10/- per copy) or at least a deposit in advance to R. W. Blair, 79 William Street, Perth.

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May 18, 1938

At the meeting of the State executive on May 18, there were present Messrs. Olden, Philp, Denton, Anderson, Aberle, Margolin, Warner, Fairley, James, Newman, Watt, Sten, Paton, Nicholas and Potts. Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Yeates, Riley, Keessing, Collett, Panton, Lamb, Hunt, Thorn, Cornell, Freedman, Mitchell, Johnstone and Austin. Colonel Olden occupied the chair.

Visiting Committee.—Mr. Nicholas reported on behalf of the visiting committee on Wards X and XI. The report referred to additional hospital accommodation. In this regard, a copy of a communication addressed to Brigadier-General A. J. Bessell-Browne by the Maimed and Limbless Men's Association was received. In this letter General Browne was asked to convene a meeting of the consultative council of ex-service organisations which was established some years ago to consider the question of seeking the establishment of separate repatriation hospitals in Western Australia. It was agreed that the letter remain on the table and no action be taken until we hear from General Bessell-Browne. An amendment requesting the visiting committee to enquire into the question of a repatriation hospital and report back to the executive was lost.

Old Men's Home.—Mr. Newman reported that everything was going well at this institution.

House Manager and Club Secretary.—Mr. Aberle reported that following upon the appointment of Mr. A. S. Chidlow to this position, Mr. Chidlow had advised that he was unable to accept the position. The committee then met and appointed Mr. P. G. Carter, who had taken over his duties on May 8. The report was adopted.

Empire Shopping Week.—Mr. Watt submitted a report to the effect that arrangements were well in hand for Empire Shopping Week, which would commence on May 23.

Federal Executive Meeting.—Mr. J. M. W. Anderson submitted his report on the Federal executive meeting which he attended in Sydney on April 26. He dealt with several important resolutions and referred eulogistically to the hospitality extended by the New South Wales Branch. He also stated that the South Australian Branch, the Port Pirie sub-branch and the Kalgoorlie sub-branch extended hospitality to him and the four Western Australian V.C.'s on route and returning from Sydney. Mr. Anderson was thanked for his report, and for his able representation of the W.A. Branch. It was agreed that our thanks be extended to the New South Wales Branch, South Australian Branch, Port Pirie sub-branch and Kalgoorlie sub-branch, as well as the Mayor of Kalgoorlie, for hospitality extended to Western Australian V.C.'s and to our representative.

Visits.—Reports on visits to sub-branches were received as follows: Colonel Olden, Yeat­ering; Mr. Anderson, Armadale; Mr. Philp, Victoria Park; Colonel Fairley, Kelmscott, Anzac Day.

Visitor.—Mr. H. H. Howard attended the meeting and was welcomed by the acting president.

Essay: Anzac Day.—It was resolved that the Anzac Day committee consider the advisability or otherwise of sponsoring an essay on the significance of Anzac Day by the children of the public schools of this State, and the donating of a prize to the child submitting the best essay.

Archdeacon Riley.—The executive extended its heartiest congratulations to Archdeacon Riley on his appointment as Bishop of Bendigo. A telegram, already sent by the State secretary, was endorsed. The matter of a suitable function to farewell the Archdeacon was referred to the Management Committee.

Compulsory Training.—A communication from the Gottesloe sub-branch supporting the introduction of compulsory training throughout Australia was received.

Comforts: Ex-Service Men, Hospitals.—Claremont sub-branch submitted a communication referring to the provision of comforts for ex-service men in the Claremont Hospital for Insane, and suggested that donations be made for this purpose. The State secretary explained that further inquiries were being made and the matter was deferred.

Fruit, Repatriation Hospitals.—The Devonport sub-branch, Tasmania, advised that they had arranged a parcel of 25 cases of fruit to be forwarded to Western Australia per s.s. "Westralia," arriving on May 24. They asked that we arrange for the waiving of charges in regard to this consignment and for its distribution to repatriation institutions. The matter of the distribution was left to the trustees and it was agreed that Mr. Eric Barnard be asked to undertake delivery.

The secretary was instructed to communicate with the Devonport sub-branch extending sincere thanks for their generous action.

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Defence.—Merredin sub-branch submitted a resolution concerning the proposed defence explained by the Commonwealth Government. It was agreed that the Merredin sub-branch be asked to submit this resolution to the next State congress.

Wubin Sub-Branch.—The Wubin-Buntine-Jibberding sub-branch advised that it had changed its name to Wubin sub-branch. Action endorsed.

Appointment Sub-Branch Officials.—The appointment of officials, as advised by the Collie and North-East Fremantle sub-branches was confirmed.

Poultry and Dairy Farmers' Sub-Branch.—A communication advising the winding-up of this sub-branch was received. Proposals concerning the disposal of the balance of funds and also the question of the granting of Certificates of Service to the officers were left in the hands of the State secretary for explanation.

Late General Sir J. J. Talbot Hobbs.—It was agreed that the appreciation and thanks of the State executive of this Branch of the League be conveyed to the District Commander and his staff for their excellent arrangements in connection with the funeral of the late General Sir Talbot Hobbs, and that thanks be expressed for the sympathetic cooperation of the Garrison and Field Artillery in making the parade so impressive. It was also agreed that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister's Department.

Condolence.—It was agreed that a letter of sympathy be forwarded to the widow and family of the late Colonel Pope in their recent sad bereavement. This motion was carried with delegates standing.

The State secretary was also asked to thank the sister-in-charge of Ward XI and the nurses for excellent attention to the late Colonel Pope.

June 1, 1938

At the meeting on June 1, there were present Messrs. Yeates, Riley, Olden, Panton, Philp, Denton, Anderson, Aberle, Lamb, Margolin, Hunt, Thorn, Warner, Cornell, James, Freedman, Newman, Watt, Sten, Mitchell, Paton, Nicholas and Potts. Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Keesing, Collett, Fairley, Johnstone and Austin.

Condolence.—Delegates expressed their sympathy with Colonel C. H. E. Manning on the loss of his wife.

The secretary was instructed to convey the deepest sympathy of delegates to Mr. R. E. Tyler in the recent loss of his son.

Congratulations.—The State president took the opportunity of congratulating Archdeacon C. L. Riley on his elevation to Bishopric of Bendigo.

Congratulatory messages from sub-branches were also received.

Visitors.—Mr. J. Payne (assistant Trade Commissioner for Egypt) and Captain W. Martyn (vice-president of Kalgoorlie sub-branch) were welcomed by the president.

Membership Committee.—The report of the Membership Committee meeting, held on May 19, received and adopted.

The question of the allocation of the Peppermint Grove area was dealt with and a recommendation that the area be divided between Cottesloe and Mosman Park sub-branches was agreed to. It was agreed that the next meeting of presidents and secretaries of sub-branches be called for Wednesday, June 22, at 8 p.m.

The recommendation concerning a tour of southern sub-branches was referred to the Management Committee.

Visiting Committee.—Rabbi Freedman reported having visited Claremont Mental Hospital on May 24. Mr. Nicholas reported on visits to wards X and XI. A matter concerning treatment of ex-service men in the civilian section of Perth Hospital was referred to the Pensions Committee. Mr. Nicholas also reported having visited Edward Mil len Home.

Reports on visits to sub-branches and other functions were made by Archdeacon Riley, Corrigin, Cue-Big Bell, Reedy, Sandstone, Mt. Magnet, Youanmi and Moora; Col. Olden, Veterans' Dinner; Rabbi Freedman, Mt. Lawley, Gosnells, A.M.C. Association, Armadale, Fremantle; Mr. James, A.M.C. Association, North Perth, Mt. Hawthorn; Mr. Cornell, sub-branches in the Lake district; Mr. Sten, Wagin, No. 4 District Committee, M.C.L. Convalescent Home; Mr. Watt, Kalgoorlie and Boulder; Colonel Fairley, Kalgoorlie and Boulder; Mr. Thorn, Toodyay; Mr. C. Piper, Capel; Mr. Aberle, Perth Club and Mt. Lawley.

Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Relief Fund.—Standing orders were suspended in order that Mr. Gair (manager of the Orient Steamship Co.) could address delegates on a proposal which had for its object the raising of money for the Seamans' Mission at Fremantle and

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Mr. Gair stated that the trotting ground had been made available for Monday, June 27, for a gymkhana at which three trotting events would also be run. He explained that the Seamen's Mission were unable to undertake the organising, but he would do all in his power to make the function a success. The 'Ornsay' would be in port that day and would remain overnight to allow passengers to attend. Mr. Gair then withdrew.

After discussion, it was agreed that Mr. Gair be thanked for placing his proposal before the executive, but we regret that we cannot associate ourselves with the project. An amendment that a further discussion take place with Mr. Gair was lost.

Repatriation State Boards.—Federal executive advised that the appointments on Repatriation State Boards would expire on June 30, and requested that a panel of three names be forwarded for the purpose of selection by the Commission of the soldiers' representative on the Western Australian State Board. The following were nominated: Mr. E. S. Watt, Mr. C. G. Ferguson, Mr. J. M. W. Anderson.

Belmont Transfer of Land.—The question of transfer of land now held by Belmont sub-branch to the State executive was referred to the trustees for action.

Imperial Ex-Service Men.—A copy of questions asked by Colonel Collett in the Senate, together with the answer received concerning Imperial ex-service men in Australia, was submitted for the information of delegates and referred to the Pensions Committee.

Anzac Day: March Music.—A communication from the South Australian Branch giving details of the amplification of march music on Anzac Day was received and referred to the Anzac Day Committee.

Repatriation Hospital.—General Bessell-Browne sought direction concerning a communication he had received from the Returned Maimed and Limbless Men's Association which suggested the calling together of the Ex-Service Men's Consultative Council for the purpose of considering the establishment of a Repatriation Hospital. It was agreed that General Bessell-Browne be informed of the present position concerning wards X and XI, and that the executive considers that action along the lines suggested in the communication from the Maimed and Limbless Men's Association should not be taken.

Anzac House Redemption Fund.—A communication from the Perth sub-branch was received.

Donation: Apples.—Delegates were advised that the donation of apples forwarded by the Devonport sub-branch, Tasmania, could not be delivered in Western Australia as the landing of such fruit is prohibited under State and Commonwealth regulations. Action had then been taken to transfer the donation to the South Australian Branch.

Soldiers' Children's Scholarship Trust.—Mr. Yeates was appointed to fill the vacancy on this Trust caused by the death of the late General Sir Talbot Hobbs.

Anzac House Trustees.—Mr. Yeates was appointed as trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late General Sir Talbot Hobbs.

MAYLANDS

The monthly meeting was held on April 12; Mr. H. Woods presided. Among the correspondence was a letter from the MAYLANDS Blind School, stating that the new building would accommodate 24 more blind people. It was resolved that the sub-branch run a 'special effort to help the Blind Association in their appeal. Mr. Johnst (sick steward) reported that he had visited Messrs. Sid. Smith, Geo. Burtenshaw, Sid. Donovan and Ted Ryding in hospital during the past fortnight. It was resolved that prizes of £1, 10/- and 5/- be awarded to the three best essays from local schoolchildren on "Why we should buy Empire Goods." Considerable discussion arose on a question of providing a club house. After various members had spoken, it was decided that a special meeting of all financial members be called on a date to be fixed. The secretary reported from February 3, this year, the amount expended in relief of distressed and other cases in the district was £36/13/6. In addition to this a sum of £255 had been donated to the Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Relief Fund. The first game in this season's A.R.M.S. competitions was played at home against the South Perth sub-branch. Maylands won by 6 points to 4. The sports director (Mr. P. Davies) requested all members, who were desirous of taking part in the competitions, to roll up on Mondays so that a general practice could be held each week.

DOWERIN

The May meeting was held at Minnivale, when there was an attendance of 15. Information was received that the Boyup Brook sub-branch had made a presentation to Mr. M. L. Browne on behalf of the Dowerin sub-branch, and that they had also made him a vice-president. The news was received with great pleasure. An offer of three guineas has been made to the sub-branch if the membership attains the total of 50 within a specified time. It being the anniversary of the president's birthday, Mr. Roy Richards was suitably congratulated, and after the business was disposed of, his health was drunk. The secretary (P. H. Power) reported that, as he was in Perth for Anzac Day, he had attended the Dawn service, and gave his impressions. Members assisted the women's auxiliary in the Empire Ball, which was held in the Town Hall on May 19, in connection with Empire Shopping Week. The sub-branch is also showing pictures on May 24 by the courtesy of Mr. H. Masters, of Grosmalling. Members will be pleased to hear that Tom Wanstall, now of Subiaco, has rejoined as a member; a nice gesture.

ARMADALE

At the meeting of the State executive on May 18, Rabbi Freedman reported: On May 11, with Mr. Anderson and the State secretary, I paid a visit to the Armadale sub-branch, there being about 45 members who assembled in their own rooms, a substantial little building, with a club room 22ft by 18ft., and a timbered section 22ft. by 14 ft. A suitable arrangement has been made for the acquisition of the building block from the local road board and all work in connection with the building was carried out by a "busy bee." The building is valued at £370 and there is only about £70 owing. Armadale has 95 financial members and 13
unfinancial members. Three new members were gained that night. The sub-branch is well served by Mr. H. Broadhurst (16th A.S.C.) and Mr. C. A. Gumery as secretary. There is an excellent ladies' committee which raised and spent £22 a week during the past financial year, besides assisting amelioration cases to the extent of £48.

NORSEMAN

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting: President, Mr. N. W. G. Dodd; vice-president, Mr. W. G. Kerr; secretary, Mr. H. L. Linstead; treasurer, Mr. N. Lattimore; management committee, Messrs. C. Campbell, A. Morton, T. Matthiessen, W. White, R. Lattimore; finance committee, Messrs. W. G. Kerr, A. Morton, J. B. Grieve and T. Matthiessen; stewards, Messrs. H. C. Clarke and J. S. Smith. The secretary's report disclosed that membership increased by approximately 33 per cent. during the past 12 months and endowment membership by 80 per cent. Popppy Day sales amounted to £19,524; compared with £8,221 in 1936, 10 attended the annual smoke social, which was a most enjoyable function. In his address, the president (Mr. N. Dodd) referred to the recent amalgamation of the Norseman Town Band with the sub-branch. He hoped the band would be in uniform in time for the first of the season's functions.

YEALERING

The coming of the traffic was ready for any emergency. The hall was appropriately decorated with bunting, flags and streamers, under Quartermaster W. H. Murray, of Yealering. The Yealering Auxiliary held a Debutante's Ball. Among the items on the programme, and such a splendid evening, was also toasted. In response, Mr. Parker suggested that a Diggers' Night should be one of the attractions of the ball on Saturday night. Everything was said, including the supper, should be in real Digger fashion, with a dug-out for the orchestra. Members whole-heartedly adopted the suggestion of a war-time setting for the dance. Mr. Scammell, as representative of the Fourth Estate, responded to the toast of the Press.

HARVEY

At the May meeting, in the absence of Mr. H. B. Lofthouse, the senior vice-president (Mr. T. W. D. Smith) presided over a good attendance of members. A letter was read informing the Association that the Education Department, stating that agricultural science had been deleted from the curriculum of country schools but had been omitted from the list of subjects for the Junior Leaving Certificate by the University. The department intended taking steps to have the subject restored to the Leaving Certificate, if possible. The Harvey women's auxiliary wrote informing the sub-branch that they had purchased a piano for the R.S.L. Hall now in course of construction and that they would also make a donation towards the lining of the hall. Mr. A. H. Smith, chairman, said on the occasion, that the sub-branch had a very fine auxiliary. A motion was passed that letters of appreciation be forwarded to those bodies which had assisted at the Anzac Day services.

BASSENDEN

Teachers and children of the local schools combined with the sub-branch in conducting a children's concert in aid of the Old Sailer's and Soldiers' Fund. There were so many items on the programme, and such a splendid response from the public, that the concert was divided between two nights, May 5 and May 6. As a result, the fund benefited to the extent of over £20. For the first time in the history of the sub-branch, a Dawn service was held at the local memorial on Anzac Day. President Jim Claughton and his fine working committee are to be congratulated on the fine concert which the sub-branch is making. A very pleasant evening was given by the district in the local picture hall on May 17, when the auxiliary held a Debutantes' Ball. Among the distinguished guests were Mr. A. J. L. Stott (Lieutenant-General Sir James Mitchell) and Mrs. Claughton, Colonels, Brigadier-General and Mrs. Bassell-Brown, Mr. C. A. Gumery, Mr. and Mrs. Kirk and Mr. and Mrs. Claughton. No fewer than eighteen debutantes were presented.

BOYPUP BROOK

There was a good attendance at the annual general meeting and the smoke social which followed. It was announced that Mr. Eric Miller, the wife of the president, had formed a ladies' committee to arrange the supper for the R.S.L. on June 24. The ball is being held in aid of the W.A. Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Fund. It was decided that a small sum be paid to the secretary of the local Druids' Lodge, for the use of their organ on May Day. Mr. J. M. Cumming, of Mayanup, forwarded ten shillings towards the expenses of the evening. This expression of kindliness was very much appreciated. A committee consisting of the president, secretary and Messrs. Denton and Bode was appointed to go into the question of the acquisition of a sub-branch building. During the social portion of the evening, Mr. Gale responded to the toast of the Navy, Mr. Runciman on behalf of the half of the Army and Mr. Brown for the Air Force. Mr. Parker, the pianist of the evening, was also toasted. In response, Mr. Parker suggested that a Diggers' Night should be one of the attractions of the ball on Saturday night. Everything was said, including the supper, should be in real Digger fashion, with a dug-out for the orchestra. Members whole-heartedly adopted the suggestion of a war-time setting for the dance. Mr. Scammell, as representative of the Fourth Estate, responded to the toast of the Press.

No. 4 DISTRICT COMMITTEE

At the meeting of the State executive on June 1, Mr. T. Sten reported on the recent meeting of No. 4 District Committee, which he attended with the State secretary (Mr. D. Benson). He stated:

No. 4 District Committee met in the road board office, Wagon, representatives from Gnowangerup, Marrarang-Boddington, Waringalup, Cranbrook and Dumbleyung being present, Mr. R. Austin presiding. Much satisfaction was expressed at the progress made in the settlement of soldier settlement estate problems, and the conference was pleased to hear from Dumbleyung delegates that they were progressively they had received a visit from Mr. Turner to the Dumbleyung Estate. No complaint was forthcoming from delegates re soldier settlement, and the main discussion during the morning centred on the following:

1. Wool Selling Organisation. — Cranbrook suggested the spreading of wool sales over a longer period to eliminate the present haste with which farmers' clips are disposed of in the auction room. A long discussion ensued and as it was evident that it was a far bigger question than the mere conduct of an auction, the matter was referred back to the sub-branches for further discussion and preparation of items for the congress agenda.

2. Transport Act. — A section of this act forbids the carting of barley and oats in farmers' trucks, while it allows the cartage of wheat to the metropolitan market. After discussion, the matter was left in the hands of the State executive for further enquiry.

Both Mr. Benson and Mr. Sten expressed the opportunity of addressing the meeting. We dealt briefly with matters of current interest.

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southern sub-branches is undoubtedly doing a good League job. We did not wait for the election of officers in the afternoon session, and parted after lunch with the most cordial expressions of mutual regard between the committee and the State president and executive.

With regard to individual sub-branches, I have reported on the revival of interest in Wagon. Delegates from the other sub-branches assured me that they were maintaining progress and Gnowangerup in particular seems to have made an excellent job of Empire Shopping Week. During the afternoon they held a pram and bicycle parade of poster-decorated vehicles as an introduction to a poster ball at night. Both were highly successful. I was particularly interested in the fact, however, that for the week 90 per cent. of the available shop windows were specially dressed to display local and Empire production. The whole organisation of the occasion seems worthy of special comment.

WAGON

At the meeting of the State executive on June 1, Mr. T. T. Steen presented the following report: On Saturday, May 28, Mr. Benson and myself made the trip to Wagin for its annual reunion. The function took the form of an excellent dinner, and was probably the best attended League function held in Wagin for some years, there being about 57 present, including representatives from Gnowangerup, Collie, Pingrup, Williams, Marradong-Boddington and even Cue. The local repatriation fund was represented by two old staunch soldiers supporters in Messrs. Press and Butterick. Mr. Jock White presided, in his efficient manner. Mr. Olwe Shenton wielded the conductor's baton with signal success and all arrangements were carried out most thoroughly by the secretary (Eric Daniels). The evening passed in a most cheery and harmonious spirit. Members of the State executive will be highly gratified to learn that Wagin is in the throes of a very satisfying comeback. A couple of years ago membership stood at about a dozen. In last year's report I noted that the figure was five. At present there are 31 financial members, and under the present management there seems to be every prospect of reaching the 50 mark in the near future. The officers apparently possess a high degree of confidence judging from remarks made to me.

MUNDIJONG-JARRAHDALE

The monthly meeting was held in the Jarradhale Hall on Wednesday, May 11. The monthly community concerts being held at Mundijong in aid of sub-branch funds are a success and very enjoyable evenings are

A. R. POTTER

Late South Perth and Wembley, announces that he has taken over the business lately conducted by Mrs. Geo. Warren at

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spend to the toast, and did so to the best of my ability. I also promised to convey to the State president and members of the executive the hearty good wishes of all present and their appreciation of work done by the central body. During the evening, Mr. Roy Murmure (president) was presented with a Certificate of Service for services rendered to the League while acting as sub-branch secretary for the past five years. Mr. Jack Lodge (immediate past president) also received a Certificate in recognition of his valuable work as president for the past seven years. The members of the Capel sub-branch also presented each of these two gentlemen with a cigarette case as a token of esteem. Mr. Sagar was called upon to make the presentation. An affair like the Capel reunion is an inspiration to all who attended. Although the numbers of the sub-branch may be small, there is no doubt about their keenness and desire to serve.

MT. LAWLEY-INGLEWOOD

Fifty-eight members attended the general meeting on 2nd inst., and eight new members were enrolled. We are now over the 200 mark and working steadily. We are hoping for even better in the A.R.M.S. games this year, having won against North Perth, Maylands and South Perth, and bowing down only to West Leederville. Members as a consequence are in good heart. The Cafe des Pyramids was run on Sunday, May 28, and had the hall booked twice as large it would have been too small to accommodate the crowd. Abdul and Mahomed and all their waiters certainly did a man-sized job and the audience were kept roaring with mirth all evening. By special request, Abdul, Mahomed and their tribe will make "Cameleers". An affair like the Cafe des Pyramids is to be held on the 25th of this month in all their "hooley" paints, and it is expected that a lot of their "followers" will make the trip also.

The next monthly social of the sub-branch is listed for July 2, and bids fair to be something unusual. With the change at Kalumbura on the 27th inst., and players are requested to be at Wallish's Hall not later than 7 p.m. Gypos at the Cafe des Pyramids: Abdul and Mahomed in the persons of "Woody" and "Streety", were the almost genuine article, the small only was missing. Reg. King was dubbed as the "half-caste Arab" and Bob Roberts as the "quarter-caste," Jim Burnham, as the second Ghandi, had no opposition, but got a lot of bumps. Err. Richards, as a dinkum paper boy, carried out his job well, even to spending his paper money. The cigarette "bint" did a roaring trade in "Cameleers" and other obnoxious smelling favourites. Ike Thomas made a perfect waiter, not even dropping the change. Jack Wyatt as our friend the policeman could hardly believe his eyes at the way the "cop" (Bobby) "Hummery," according to eye witnesses, made the dirtiest Gyppo guide ever seen. He felt like it, as he confided to his fellow Gypos. Jack Weir, a perfect specimen of an Egyptian Pasha, white shirt front, red sash and all, was the waiter. He kept busy cooling the fevered brow of Dick Piper, as stage hand up in the roof. Joe reckons climbing a ladder on the back of Gyppo skirts with a full glass in one hand takes doing and is dangerous work. Dick Anear reckons that using one's index finger as a chock for a pulley rope with a heavy weight on it is a game not to be tried more than once. It was suggested that
in future all liquids be provided in ice-block form. This would save a lot of running about for Mac McKenna and his crew of waiters.

PEMBERTON

At the June monthly meeting it was decided to take items for the agenda for next congress at the next meeting. One or two well mentioned items will be due to the League. Half a guinea was donated to the Pastime Club, Wooraloo. Mr. E. A. Smith was appointed auditor. He also gave a progressive report re Arbor Day, which this sub-branch is sponsoring. Then we had a good reply to the request for cooperation by other bodies and a committee had been formed which was doing good work. About 150 trees in all will be planted. A fuller report will be given at the next meeting. The Honour Board has been re-insured.

WEST LEEDERVILLE-WEMBLEY

The sub-branch continues to gain new members and if the old members can be retained, we should be in a very happy position by the end of the year. The Ladies, Women, and Soldiers' Fund steward (Mr. Mundy) reports the receipt of one or two very acceptable donations in addition to regular monthly contributions from members. The special bridge evening in aid of the Fund was a splendid success, both socially and financially, and the Fund will benefit to the extent of over £4. Arrangements have been completed for a special concert to be given by the Lee- derville Corps of the Salvation Army on Monday, July 4, in the Town Hall, Cambridge Street. This sub-branch should provide excellent entertainment, as there are numbers of outstanding artists contributing to the programme. Members are asked to support the concert. A picture evening has been arranged for Tuesday, June 28, at the Wembley Pictures. The programme includes "Action for Sandwich" and "Student Doctors Can't Take Money." It is anticipated that over 100 adults' tickets will be sold for this event.

The A.R.M.S. team won their second game last month, the scores being 6-4 against Mr. Lawley; the bridge team getting home by 14 points and one and draughts won as usual. The game against North Perth resulting in a 6-4 win; the cards and quoits being lost. In the same week, a journey was made to the dairy suburb to play the "Park" teams, our side winning 9-2. Members are asked to note the following fixtures for the remaining games: Maylands, at home, July 13; South Perth, at South Perth, July 18; Darling Range, at home (thanks), August 10; Nedlands, at home, August 18.

MANJIMUP

President Jock Mackenzie's annual report was an impressive document. We are informed that even the brass-hats at Anzac House were lost in admiration of the doings and achievements of the Manjimup sub-branch under Jock's regime. When Jock had told that he was as pleased as a Cameronian with two skils. But, if he had been able to talk American-nigger instead of only Scotch he might have said: "You ain't seen nothing 'til now, yet and forthwith you have exceeded the result of the big Stunt—the Popular Girl Competition, which was concluded on May 6. Four smart girls got going, and proved that when they mean it they certainly can bring in the money. In little more than three months they raked in £235 as testimonials to their popularity. What is more, the public took it smiling: seconded to acknowledge the most liberal competitive bidding they had experienced. Of course, somebody had to suffer, and in this case it was the women's auxiliary who bore most of the heat and burden and hurray-up, Gallant fighters, those women. The conclusion has attracted to us the most keen and eager competition had ever produced. It was seen that Miss Rita Limmer, the West Manjimup candidate, was the winner, with 21,720 votes. The win was not unexpected, but the big tally was a surprise. Miss Phyllis Stephenson, the Warren candidate, was second with 18,161. Next came Miss Laura Smith (Manjimup) with 9,018, and Miss Marjorie O'Brien (Jardiey) with 7,359. From the hands of Ike Doust, our Digger M.L.A., each of the girls received a handsome gift towards the sub-branch's appreciation of her efforts and, of course, the winner got a special one. The effort raised the building fund to £420. It was hoped that the sub-branch's home might have been incorporated in the proposed new town hall for Manjimup, but it said that the present site is ripe for a new town hall, the road board has shelved the project for six months. Therefore, the sub-branch's building committee is enquiring into ways and means to build a home on the R.S.L.'s block in Bath Street.

MOSMAN PARK

Last meeting was well attended as all recent meetings have been, and the usual wind-up with games of a competitive nature proved popular. Confidence in the conduct of sub-branch affairs was indicated by the election for the ensuing year of practically all office-bearers without opposition. This harmonious state of affairs should go a long way towards welding us into the solid sub-branch we aim at becoming. A suitable name is still required for our hall, but if matters work out as hoped this should be finalised at our next general meeting. Our representatives have taken part in two fixtures in connection with the R.A.S.C. County, and we did moderately well against Claremont considering it was our first effort, but the drubbing that Perth gave us is too sad to think about. We should improve as time progresses, however. Just a question of some of our players re-playing their track form—then, look out. We meet Yoke on the 28th at our hall. Members are asked to note that the next general meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 28, and that all subsequent meetings until further notice will be held on the last Tuesday in each month. We have Arthur Sillis with us at our Claremont engagement. Everyone was pleased with his move towards recovery and we are looking forward to seeing a lot of our one-time popular secretary at our future meetings.

MORAWA

The March meeting took the form of a ladies' night. We were fortunate to receive a visit from Archdeacon Riley the same night. All the members and their wives were delighted at the talk by the Padre on R.S.L. affairs and also of incidents in his recent travels. Members were disappointed at the roll-up, both of returned men and civilians, on Anzac Day, especially as our president (Mr. N. Blenkinsop) gave such a grand address, which was considered by all the sub-branch members as being the best ever given in Moroway by a sub-branch president. At the May meeting, held on May 21, a motion was carried that Archdeacon Riley be congratulated on being elected a Bishop, at the same time regretting that he would be leaving the State, as he will be greatly missed, especially by sub-branches on this line. He is the only member of the executive we get a chance to see. The June meeting will be held on 18th inst., when another ladies' night is on the cards, and members of the sub-branch are asked to bring a suit and bring their转入for an evening of cards, Monopoly, etc. Supper is provided by the Diggers and Trooper W. Sorrenson will be in charge of the coffee, which alone is sufficient to justify a good roll-up. The sub-branch extends a hearty welcome to Mr. C. Griffiths (44th Battalion), our new schoolmaster transferred from Mr. Magnet. Trooper Sorrenson, the steward of the Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Fund, puts in good work at the meetings by demanding our spare jobs. Our secretary (Mr. W. Bealings) is justly proud of his able club, which is making great headway, but we regret to report that Wally is at present suffering from a poisoned arm and hope he will soon be O.K. again.

WONGAN HILLS

The June meeting was held on Saturday, 4th inst., a good muster of members being recorded. The president welcomed two new members to the sub-branch in Messrs. Curalli and Squires. During the evening their toast was proposed by Jack Smith and members honoured it in good style. There was very little business to deal with which meant an early adjournment. The Inter-Gala time was whiled away by the president conducting the community singing while Messrs. Litchfield, Mower and Fitzpatrick played havoc with the members' sides by having them laughing all the time. The July meeting will be held on July 5, so Diggers make a note of this and do your best to be present.

CLAREMONT

At the monthly meeting on June 2, the president (Mr. C. A. Briggs) welcomed the following new members: Messrs. J. Gascoigne (70th Battalion), E. T. Coyle (44th Battalion), R. Skura (44th Battalion) and R. G. Reid (16th Battalion). After routine business had been despatched, the president welcomed members of the auxiliary, who had been invited to a games night. The auxiliary president (Mrs. Cooke) thanked the hosts Mr. W. Bealings for presiding over the supper arrangements. On May 17, the sub-branch was defeated by Cottesloe, 7 to 4, in the A.R.M.S. round. Nevertheless, the evening was most enjoyable, and many friendships were renewed with the Cottesloe hosts. On May 19, the sub-branch was at home to Mosman Park, when the visitors were victorious, 10 to nil.

NORTH PERTH

Nominations for office-bearers were received at the meeting on May 16. Further nominations may be received up to June 13, and the elections will be conducted at the June meeting. Since the dance nights were changed from Wednesday to Friday evenings, the early business was more successful. A feature of these dance is the Marshall-Shaw orchestra.
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CARLISLE

A very successful social evening was held on June 2. Stage manager "Curly," with his string of artists and stock of funny stories, kept the ball rolling in his own inimitable style. Responding to Mr. Gilsenau's toast of the R.S.L. and the State executive, Colonel Fairley gave a resume of the work of the executive and explained the details of the Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Fund. Mr. Nicol proposed the toast of the visitors, which drew responses from Messrs. C. Mann and Kilmartin. The following artists helped to make the proceedings enjoyable: Victoria Park Entertainers, Mr. Wagstaff (song), Mr. Polkard (piano accordion), Mr. Manning (song), Messrs. Nicol and Mackay (concertina and whistle), not forgetting "Curly" and his community songsters, and Mr. George with his home-made bagpipes, kilt and sporran. Last week's social was a good turn-out and it is understood that it was decided to hold another on June 10. The annual elections will take place at the next meeting on July 7.

VICTORIA PARK

The May and June meetings were well attended. Welcome visitors in Mr. G. H. Philp, Mr. J. M. Anderson and Colonel A. Nicol, of the State executive, gave interesting talks on League matters. The sub-branch has had some very enjoyable evenings in the A.R.M.S. competitions, being well entertained by West Leederville and Osborne Park, while Nedlands were our guests during the month. The third anniversary of the opening of the Hall was celebrated by the sub-branch, entertaining their ladies to a social evening. Certificates of Service were presented to Harry Taylor, Jim Jennings and Bob Hewson by Joe Barnett, Harold Nicol and Phil Nixon, while Miss Shadgett, who is a regular visitor, received a small postage stamp to add to her collection of their awful past. A substantial cheque towards the building fund was presented by Mr. Tolmie on behalf of the women's auxiliary. A handsome pair of curtains for the stage and a framed picture of the King and Queen were presented by the sub-branch. A hearty supper, the cutting of the birthday cake and dancing by Miss Barry's pupils brought a happy evening to a close.

PERTH

At our May meeting a fairly large agenda was disposed of with commendable promptitude, thanks to our president keeping speaking to a minimum. Business being disposed of by 9.30 p.m. The rest of the evening was spent on members getting in some good practice for the A.R.M.S. competitions. Our recently-formed ladies' social committee is making good progress, already some 50 ladies have handed in their names to the hon. secretary, and arrangements for well organised team work on Poppy Day being in hand, we shall be able to show what "big business" really means. With the large sums which are to be spent on entertainment, it is not out to see that returned men fit only for light employment get their just dues in the many light jobs which should be found in the scheme. Now that a new piano has been chosen for our hall, we will be in a better position to claim that we have the cosiest little hall and one of the best floors in Perth. It is not in a spirit of boasting in our assurance that our bridge and euchre evenings are the most popular in Perth. Continued good attendances substantiate our claims. Our ladies' social on May 17 set a standard of enjoyment, which will be hard for the future three or four of the items rendered would be deemed worthy of praise in the best artistic circles.

BOULDER

The Rest Rooms are wearing a much brighter aspect these days, due in a large measure to the efforts of our member in charge, Jack Edwards, who is ably assisted by H. Woolley, who both and Bob Whited. A wireless set has been installed with an electric pick-up, and we now supply our own dance music for our socials. The general meeting held on Wednesday, June 6, was well attended. Mr. F. Berthold (hon. secretary of the Kalgoorlie sub-branch) was present and received a hearty welcome. Mr. Berthold informed members that the R.S.L. Comedy Coy. had engaged the Boulder Town Hall for a show on Boulder Cup night, and that a percentage of the proceeds from the performance would be donated to the Distress Fund of this sub-branch. Members of this sub-branch to man the front of the house. Mr. Berthold was asked to convey the grateful thanks of the sub-branch to the members of the R.S.L. Comedy Coy. for the generous offer. It was learned with regret that the Rev. D. J. Herbert, who has done yeoman service for the League, will shortly leave Kalgoorlie for England. The Padre who is beloved by all who know him will be sadly missed, especially will the patients in both hospitals miss his cheery smile and constant visits. Seven new members have been enrolled during the past few weeks, making a total of over 20 for the past four months. A box has been placed on the office counter for the purpose of collecting donations for the Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Fund, and already has a substantial contribution. The annual meeting and election of officers of the sub-branch will be held on Wednesday, July 13, when a record attendance of members is expected. They say that Jack Edwards has developed a skill in modern dancing with a view to reducing, and that he is already trying his hand into training for the next cricket match. Enr. Bosustow can play billiards, but the secretary puts it all over him at quoits.

ALBANY

The president (Mr. E. Y. Butler) was in the chair at the monthly meeting on May 3. On the report of the delegate to the Free Milk Council, it was agreed that the sub-branch donate two guineas to the council. Mr. W. Hall reported on his investigation into matters concerning Imperial ex-service men. The following ex-Imperial members were appointed to act as a sub-committee to go further into matters and make recommendations: Messrs. W. Hall, J. Heighter and S. T. Cole. Further advertisement of the knitting competition, run in conjunction with Empire Shopping Week, was left to the special sub-committee. The support of the members for the women's auxiliary fumble sale on June 26. It was resolved that a letter of congratulation be sent to Lady Hobbs. Approval was also given for a letter of congratulation to Mr. A. H. Panton on his recent elevation to Ministerial rank.

NEDLANDS

Over 150 members signed the attendance register at the May meeting. The guests included visitors from other cricketing sub-branches who had come to help Nedlands' promotion for the reason that has just ended. Cyril Chapell, as chairman of the cricket club, handed to the president (Reg. Wood) the Paton Shield. Secretary Bert Strincke presented the R.S.L. Association Shield and Colin Watts, the founder of the club, the Major Penman. Other presentations for prowess in the field were made to George Sharp, Jack Mahew, Wally Crain, George Ashton and Bert King. Matt. Ryan, on behalf of Mrs. Ryan, a gift from the committee for having made her home available for two meetings. The sub-branch team, presented his trophy to Roy Maddaford. Kanga Brook, skipper of No. 2 team, made a similar presentation to Lon. Armstrong. The president's trophy, which was given on the vote of the players of the best performer at No. 2 team, was won by G. Sharp. The sub-branch has been successful in the two games played in the A.R.M.S. competition, defeating Victoria Park 7 to 3 and North Perth 10 to nil. The Choral Society is rehearsing vigorously for the concert in July. The annual election of office-bearers will take place at the July meeting.

FREMANTLE

At the general meeting on May 12, there was a good muster of members, including four new ones: Messrs. Earnslow, Maru, Brown and Boyce, who were cordially welcomed. The president (Mr. J. Lynch) extended a very hearty welcome to Mr. Milligan, of the Teachers' College, Claremont, and our old and esteemed friend the Rabbi. Mr. Milligan gave a long and very instructive lecture, dealing with his recent travels in Europe. At the general meeting on May 26, various donations were received, and arrangements were made for positions for the ensuing year. The present secretary and treasurer (Messrs. Tincombe and Kirby) were re-elected unopposed. All other positions will go to the ballot at the next meeting. After business had been despatched the public officer (Mr. H. G. Wilson) gave an interesting lecture on "World's Affairs." A vote of thanks was moved by the two vice-presidents (Messrs. Brown and Councillor Griffiths). The meeting terminated supper was served.

extra. Harold Davy is a most capable M.C., and suppers are provided by the women's auxiliary. The staging of "The Spirit of Adventure" by the sub-branch Entertainers last month was so successful that it has been decided to repeat the performance in the Perth Town Hall on Friday, June 24, at 8 p.m. The proceeds will be donated to the Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Fund, and the sub-branch amelioration fund. Dave Howard, the popular saxophonist, and the evergreen Ted Scott will be among the assisting artists. The play was written by a member of the sub-branch committee, Mr. N. C. (Bill) Geary. The sub-branch went down to Mt. Lawley, Nedlands and West Leederville in the last three A.R.M.S. games. It is requested that items for the agenda of this year's State congress be submitted before the July meeting. Rabbi Freedman attended the last general committee meeting to discuss the important question of membership. Archie Hawkins, the sub-branch steward of the W.A. Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Fund, has empannelled twelve good men and true, and is now crying talks to the effect that new enthusiasm for the annual meeting will be held on June 20. As this is election night, a full attendance is requested.
MCKINLAY SHIELD COMPETITION

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KALGOORLIE

At last the Kalgoorlie sub-branch can boast of having a women’s auxiliary, headed by a strong executive with Mrs. Clem Buttle as president and Mrs. Preston Williams as honorary secretary. Since its inauguration, the auxiliary has held three general meetings and a special general meeting on May 10 to discuss arrangements for the Anzac Ball on May 27. The auxiliary has held two highly successful bridge evenings, the first of which a substantial donation was made to the funds of the sub-branch. Help in a more hazy way was given to the sub-branch on the occasion of their Anzac smoke on April 20, when members looked after the catering arrangements. At the general meeting on May 6, volunteers were called for to visit the wives or children of members of the sub-branch, who might be ill in hospital or at home. We feel very proud to have as one of our members Mrs. C. G. Elliott, M.B.E., who has the distinction of being the first woman to contest a Parliamentary election on the goldfields. As a newly-formed auxiliary we extend greetings to our sister organisations and trust that we may prove a useful adjunct to our local sub-branch.

VICTORIA PARK

At the general meeting on May 6, Mrs. Caldwell reported that 34 patients were visited at the Edward Millen Home when the usual cigs, matches and literature were distributed. Mesdames Allan and White went with Mrs. Caldwell. Mrs. Bill Colley thanked members for their sympathy during her husband’s sickness, and reported that he was back on the job again—but only on light duty. After the usual business was transacted, nominations for the ensuing year were taken. Tea and biscuits were served, and a bright programme of games enjoyed. The raffle was won by Mrs. Goddard. On May 27, at the anniversary of opening of the hall, we were the guests of the sub-branch, Mesdames McKinlay, Pike and Randall (State executive) and Dr. and Mrs. Meagher were also present. Mr. Lloyd (president) looked a very pleased man when Mrs. Tolmie handed him a cheque for £10 on behalf of the auxiliary. Dancing and items by the pupils of Miss Thelma Barry, followed by a very dainty supper, were topped off with the cutting of the birthday cake, made by Mrs. Joe Barnett. Miss Langridge and her orchestra supplied the music. The opportunity was taken, too, of introducing the new curtains made by Mrs. Harry Taylor, and subscribed to by various kind persons. Also a photo of the King and Queen was hung by Mrs. Pike (assistant state secretary).

NEDLANDS

The monthly meeting was largely attended. After business, games were played and supper finished a very enjoyable evening. Games in the McKinlay Shield played during the month were Maylands v. Nedlands at Maylands, and resulted in a win for Nedlands, 8-2. Nedlands tennis team suffering their first defeat. The other match played was that of Leederville v. Nedlands at Leederville, and this time the auxiliary suffered a defeat by 6-4. Congratulations to Leederville on their meritorious win and also the very nice and sporting evening they provided. The monthly bridge evening saw 16 tables in action and a rummy table. The prizes for highest scores were won by Mrs. R. Wood and Mr. R. Wood and the hidden number was drawn by Mrs. G. Randall and Mr. Thomson, but Mrs. Randall sportingly handed the prize to Mr. Thomson. The aggregate scores for four consecutive bridge months was won by Mrs. F. K. Bolton. A further aggregate will be continued for the next four months, starting from the next which will be held on June 28 in the Lesser Hall. The rummy prize was won by Mrs. J. Lewis.

MT. HAWTHORN

On March 27 the auxiliary entertained the boys from Lemnos and Edward Millen to a motor outing to North Beach, followed by a dainty tea in the Memorial Hall. The tables were tastefully decorated with Michaelmas daisy and dahlias and the catering was well carried out by the auxiliary. Mr. Caddy conducted the community singing. Items were given by Miss McNeely, Mrs. Hayes and others. On April 23, wreaths were made for the children’s Anzac service at Mt. Hawthorn and Leederville schools. On Anzac Day, two children from each school placed wreaths on the State War Memorial at the Dawn service. In the afternoon, wreaths were placed on the Memorial Hall, Oxford Street, by the sub-branch, women’s auxiliary, Sons of Soldiers, League and Boy Scouts, after which an impressive service was held in the Ritz picture gardens. On April 28, an enjoyable evening was spent at Subiaco in the 3rd round of the McKinlay Shield games. After a closely-contested round of games, Mr. Hawthorn returned home the winner. A new club for girls has been formed. The first meeting was held on Monday, May 9. As it is a soldiers’ daughter club, it will be known as ‘Diggers’ Daughters.’

BAYSWATER

On Sunday, April 24, the auxiliary entertained the soldiers’ inmates of the Old Men’s Home to an outing. Cars conveyed the boys to Kalamarinda, round Bickley Valley to the Thermal Springs. Bayswater, where auxiliary members had been busy preparing high tea. The president (Mrs. Power) welcomed the guests and Mr. Henderson, of the R.S.L., expressed his remarks. Messrs. Bone and Young, of the Road Board, in reply to a vote of thanks moved by Mrs. Henderson and Ralph, said they were very pleased to lend the hall for the occasion, and eulogised the auxiliary. Mrs. McKinlay spoke on behalf of the State executive. Mrs. H. Hopperston thanked the hostesses. Mrs. Haines thanked the car drivers and Mr. Bill Bates replied. Mr. Corriss spoke on behalf of the Old Men’s Home. A very fine musical programme was presented by Bates’s orchestra, Madame Rosenthal, Gordon Bates, Mesdames Dixon and Harris and Mr. Hopperston. The following afternoon, they were given their cars: Messrs. Randall, Perry, Lidbury, W. N., Monty Williams, Rogers, Purdy, Bill Bates and, by courtesy of Messrs. Sydney Atkinson, Messrs. Skipper Bailey, G. Burkett and S. Bignall.

BASSENDEAN

The annual meeting of the auxiliary was held on Thursday, June 9. The secretary’s report showed a year of happy and successful work for the sub-branch and the R.S.L. in general. The auxiliary assisted the sub-branch in committee activities for the Children’s Christmas tree, the smoke social and the cricket luncheon. Hospital work included the annual visit and Christmas cheer to the Edward Millen Home and a case of fresh eggs to Lemnos Hospital. The auxiliary’s amenability has consisted during the year of attending to the needs of the widows, wives and children of the ex-service men in the district. Donations have been sent to the Home of Peace, the local ambulance appeal, the R.S.L. cricket team, the Soldiers’ Scholarship Fund and the Anglican Church. Funds were raised through two major efforts: a Packet Day in July and...
a Debutantes' Ball in May. Both proved very successful and amply justified the time and work put into them. There were 17 debutantes at the ball: These were presented to Sir James and Lady Mitchell, who complimented the auxiliary on the excellence and the smooth running of the arrangements.

The following members were re-elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. H. L. Kirke (president), Mrs. H. C. Grieve (vice-president), Mrs. J. L. McKinlay (secretary), Mrs. Bennett (treasurer) and Mrs. Sharp (trustee).

The new members to the committee are Mrs. R. Irvine (vice-president), Mesdames H. Hart (president), Mesdames Weston (trustee) and Mrs. Evans (assistant secretary).

The debutantes were entertained to a social evening on Tuesday, June 7, at which a presentation was made to Mrs. Fraser, of the auxiliary, who had trained the debs for their presentation.

**DARLING RANGE**

On May 21 the sub-branch and women's auxiliary joined forces to raise funds for the Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Fund by holding a community concert, which was a huge success, both socially and financially. The Subiaco sub-branch brought along their male ballet who put on two very good turns. There were also local artists, vocal and instrumental, with plenty of community singing. At 10.30, the floor was cleared when dancing was enjoyed by young and old alike until midnight. On June 2, the sub-branch entertained the women's auxiliary at a social evening. For that one night the kitchen was taboo to all ladies. The men acting as mess orderlies, community singing and several vocal items by members of the sub-branch were interspersed with dancing.

**CARLISLE**

At the monthly meeting on May 9, the president (Mrs. Gilsenen) welcomed three new members. Mesdames Percy and Marshall reported on a visit to Edward Millen and the distribution of afternoon tea, smokes and other comforts among the 36 patients. The auxiliary has donated ten shillings for motor outings. The hospital committee house party, at the home of Mrs. Pickering, was both successful and enjoyable. Prizes were donated for the best essays from girls and from boys of the local school on Empire products. The auxiliary birthday party was a great success. Mrs. Gilsenen and the secretary (Mrs. Crofts) received the visitors from other auxiliaries. Musical items were rendered by Mrs. McDonald, Beryl Brebaut and Hazel Foynes. The lucky chair was won by North Perth, the lucky cap by Mrs. Crofts, the spot dancing by Mrs. Hopperston and Mrs. Kielor. The magnificent birthday cake was made and iced by Mrs. Marshall. Carlisle had two sets in the Empire Products Ball. One was matchless, though it represented a local match industry. It won a well-merited prize.

**SUBIACO**

Only one match has been won of the four already played in the McKinlay Shield competition. The auxiliary pageant had pride of place in leading the grand march at the Empire Ball, Britannia winning a special prize, while other entrees gained minor awards. The pageant was repeated at Subiaco on May 6.

On this occasion, songs were rendered by that good friend of ex-service men, Madame Bennett-Wilkinson, and another friend of the Blackboy days, Mrs. Ann Gallop (formerly Ann Pearson). Other songs were given by Mesdames Finch, Walker and Jacobs.

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<td>1st Monday each month</td>
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<td>Geo. B. Cattermole, M.C., 239 Charles St., North Perth</td>
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<td>A. Wishart, 71 West Rd., Busselton</td>
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<td>Parish Hall, Claremont</td>
<td>1st Thursday in each month</td>
<td>C. H. Briggs, 15 Walter Street, Claremont</td>
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<td><strong>DARLING RANGE</strong></td>
<td>Kalamunda Hotel (unlicensed portion)</td>
<td>3rd Saturday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>A. J. Walters, C/O P.O. Kalamunda. <em>Phone 83</em></td>
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<td><strong>DUMBLYUNG</strong></td>
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<td>Last Wednesday, monthly</td>
<td>Tom Towers, Dumbleyung</td>
<td>W. Ford, 13 Shenton Rd., Clayton</td>
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<td>Salmon Guns</td>
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<td>J. W. Wegner, Salmon Guns</td>
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<td><strong>DONNYBROOK</strong></td>
<td>Memorial Hall</td>
<td>Last Monday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>H. W. Wood, Donnybrook</td>
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<td><strong>FREEMANTLE &amp; DISTRICT</strong></td>
<td>Soldiers’ Institute, South Terrace</td>
<td>Alternate Thursday (pension night), at 8 p.m.</td>
<td>Jack W. Lynch, Hampton Road and Fothergill Street</td>
<td>C. J. Lambe, 40 Eton St., North</td>
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<td><strong>GASCOYNE</strong></td>
<td>Gascoyne Hotel</td>
<td>1st Monday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>Fremantle Road, South Perth</td>
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<td><strong>GLOUCESTER PARK</strong></td>
<td>Antzac House</td>
<td>Every Monday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>T. Wilkinson, Gnowangerup</td>
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<td>W. Hales, Gwalia</td>
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<td>R.S.L. Hall</td>
<td>1st Sunday, 3 p.m.</td>
<td>Dr. H. E. Clarke, Gwalia</td>
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<td>State Hotel</td>
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<td>War Memorial Hall</td>
<td>2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>&quot;Phone Harvey 108M&quot;</td>
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<td><strong>KALGOORLIE</strong></td>
<td>Soldiers’ Institute</td>
<td>Every 2nd Tuesday in month at 8 p.m.; Executive alt.</td>
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<td>H. W. A. Tylor, Kat’ning</td>
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<td><strong>MANJIMUP</strong></td>
<td>Town Hall, Manjimup; Jardee No. 1 State Mill</td>
<td>2nd Thursday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>R. D. Allen, Lake King</td>
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<td><strong>MAYLANDS</strong></td>
<td>Supper Room, Town Hall, Maylands</td>
<td>Alt. Thursdays, 7.30 p.m.</td>
<td>K. Williamson, Mt. Barker</td>
<td>B. Beer, Manjimup</td>
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<td><strong>MENZIES</strong></td>
<td>Menzies Road Board Hall</td>
<td>Alt. Sundays, 7.30 p.m.</td>
<td>H. Woods, 91 Seventh Avenue, Maylands</td>
<td>A. H. Pearce, Garraty’s Garage</td>
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### Sub-Branch | Place of Meeting | Date of Meeting | President | Secretary
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**MIDLAND JUNCTION** | R.S.L. Branch Rooms, Railway Parade | 1st Thursday | B. Knight, York Road, Midland Junction | H. B. Stephens
**MOSMAN PARK** | Rechabite Hall, Johnston Street, Cottesloe | Last Tuesday in each month | C. A. Ashworth, Bond Street, Mosman Park | G. E. James, 16 Glyde St., Mosman Park
**MOORA** | Road Board Room, Moora | When called | W. H. Boyce, Moora | R. A. Lindsay, P.O.
**MT. MARSHALL** | Rd. Bd. Hall, Bencubbin | 1st Wednesday, monthly | W. H. Wright, Mandiga | V. M. Creagh, Bencubbin
**MT. LAWLEY - INGLEWOOD - MUKINBUDIN** | Wallish Hall, Groseover Road, Mt. Lawley | 1st Thursday, 7.45 p.m. | O. J. Williams, 21 Groseover Rd., Mt. Lawley | J. K. Craze, 118 Central Avenue, Maylands
**MUNDARING & DISTRICTS** | Commercial Room, Mukinbudin | Every fourth Saturday | T. B. Conway, Mukinbudin | W. E. Roberts, Mukinbudin
**MORNINGTON MILLS** | Alternately, Mundaring, Darlington, Parkerville | Every fourth Friday | R. P. Hardwick, Mundaring | Wm. J. Lochhead, Mundaring
**NAREMBOO** | Mornington Mills | Every alternate Sunday | J. M. Loudon, Mornington Mills | W. J. Felton, Mornington Mills
**NEDLANDS** | Narembeen | Quarterly by notification (Wed., June 30, 8 p.m.) | A. S. Graham, Narembeen | J. H. Wylie, Eum riv, via Narembeen
**NEWDEGATE** | Picture Theatre Building, Broadway, Nedlands | 2nd Tuesday in each month | R. A. Wood, 81 Archdeacon Street, Nedlands | A. L. Wilson, 30 Clark Street, Nedlands
**NORTH - EAST FREMANTLE** | Artillery Barracks, Butt Street, Fremantle | Quarterly, 3rd Saturday March, June, Sep., Dec. | D. G. Kinlock, Newdegate | J. H. Kane, Newdegate
**NORTHAM** | Railway Hotel, Northampton | 3rd Saturday, 9 p.m. | Lieut.-Colonel H. C. Bungard, Artillery Barracks | L. J. Schumacher (Staff-Sgt) Artillery Barracks
**NORTH PERTH** | R.S.L. Club Rooms, Gordon Street, Northam | 1st Wednesday in the month at 8 p.m. | L. F. Ash, Northampton | A. Barlow, Northampton
**PERTH** | St. Hilda’s Hall, Glebe St. (off View Street) | 1st and 3rd Monday at 8 p.m. | P. T. Prince, Fitzgerald Street, Northam | G. C. Curlewis, 145 Fitzgerald Street, Northam. Tel. 174
**PERTH** | Monash House, 23 King Street, Perth. | 2nd Tuesday | S. Dival, 473 Fitzgerald St., North Perth. Tel. BS 8438 | B. N. Mcllwraith, 21 Dundas Road, Maylands
**PINELLY** | (Office hours 9 a.m. to 7.30 p.m.) | | | W. Holder, “Monash House,” 23 King St., Perth
**PRESS** | At Luncheon, Anzac House | Last Saturday in each month | F. Archer, East Pinellcy | M. Sargent, Pinellcy
**POPANYINNING** | Yornaning and Popanyinning | 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 1 p.m. | E. T. Roberts, Pithara | L. G. G. Browning, East Pithara
**PILBARA** | Port Hedland | 3rd Sunday, 3 p.m. | T. Cowan, Yornaning | C. J. McGarrigal, Popanyinning
**QUAIRADING & DISTRICT** | Quairading Hall & Danthon Hostel, alternatively | 1st Saturday in month, alt. | L. E. Taplin, Pt. Hedland | E. J. Gregan, Pt. Hedland
**RAVENSTHORPE** | Warden’s Court | When called | V. E. Fallon, Quairading | J. R. T. Keast, Quairading
**SABOCA** | Branch Rooms, Rokey Road, Sabooca | 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 1 p.m. | E. P. Newton, Ravensthorpe | T. F. Smith, Ravensthorpe
**TAMBELLUP** | R.S.L. Club | 3rd Sunday, 3 p.m. | L. E. Taplin, Pt. Hedland | J. Newman, 12 Go Hay Street, West Perth
**TOODYAY** | Town Hall, Toodyay | 1st Monday, 8 p.m. | V. E. Fallon, Quairading | J. E. Trathan, P.O. Box 1, Tambellup. Tel. 45
**TRAYNING - YELBENI VICTORIA PARK** | Traying (1) Yelbeni (1) Memorial Hall, Salford St. | 1st Wednesday in each month, 8 p.m. | K. Somers, Toodyay | E. J. Wright, Toodyay
**WUBIN, BUNTINE JIBBERDING** | Each place alternatively | 1st Sunday, 3 p.m. | F. Smeeton, Yelbeni | J. W. Patterson, Traying
**WEST LEEDERVILLE - WEMBLEY** | Town Hall, Cambridge Street, Leederville | 2nd Monday, 7.30 p.m. | A. B. Dinnin., Buntine | T. Bailey, Wubin
**YARLOO AND DISTRICT** | Yarloop Hotel | 3rd Friday, 8 p.m. | G. E. Timnell, 34 Harbour St., Wembley | E. Tonkinson, 37 Cambridge St., W. Lee-ville
**YEALEERING** | Comm’t Hotel, Yealering | 4th Friday, 8 p.m. | I. Meredith, Yarloop | P. G. Riegert, Yarloop
**YORK** | | 2nd Tuesday, alt. months | J. H. B. Lawton, Yealering | Roy J. Kerr, Yealering
**YOUANMI** | Youanmi Hotel | Fortnightly (Friday) | Colin Thorn, York | S. Hardwick, York
**WYALKATCHEM** | Lesser Hall | 3rd Saturday, bi-monthly, April, June, Aug. etc. | D. Johnston, Youanmi | G. M. Maley, c/o.
**WAROONA** | Memorial Hall | 1st Friday, 8 p.m. | S. W. Robinson, Wyalkatchem | Y. G. M. Ltd., Youanmi

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#### VICTORIA PARK

- R.S.L. Memorial Hall, Albany Road
- 4th Thursday, 7.30 p.m.
- Mrs. E. Tolmie, 88 Teague Street, Victoria Park

#### YARRAVALLE

- R.S.L. Club, Abbotsford
- 2nd Thursday, 7.30 p.m.
- G. G. Funnell, Abbotsford

#### VICTORIA PARK

- R.S.L. Memorial Hall, Croydon Park
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