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“We shall stand at the bar of history, knowing the responsibility for this terrible catastrophe lies on the shoulders of one man. The German Chancellor has not hesitated to plunge the world into misery to serve his own senseless ambition.”

—Mr. Chamberlain.

At long last the most chronic British isolationist was forced to face reality and recognise that the crazy pathway to international perdition is paved with Hitler's broken promises. Dane Geld had been paid too long. There comes a time in the affairs of every blackmailer when blackmail is no longer forthcoming. The new technique, which the Press has called so apply "the war of nerves," could not be allowed to continue indefinitely. The most amazing reaction to Hitler's pressure on Poland was the unanimity of public opinion, not only in Britain and France but in neutral countries, that the Fuhrer's policy, if allowed to continue, would make of this world a world only fit for Nero to live in. It is not for imperial expansion, nor for the furtherance of some narrow ideology, that we have picked up the gage of battle so recklessly flung down by Hitler. It is for the defence of the old ideals of truth, justice and liberty, without which life would become a mere existence, and a painful one at that.

The truth is great and it will prevail; so will those who fight under its unsullied banner. Apart from the righteousness of our cause, we commence the war with advantages that were sadly lacking when we were called upon to oppose a much stronger Germany in 1914. We are prepared both strategically and economically. The British people have entered the struggle with a calm confidence, and without that inferiority complex, engendered by defeat, from which the leading Nazis are so obviously suffering. Hitler, like the lady who protested too much, is vainly trying to shift the responsibility for the war on to other shoulders. The cynical reference to a "scrap of paper" in 1914 was blunt honesty compared with the hypocrisy of Hitler's hysterical apologia in the Reichstag. He cannot win. It is even doubtful if he can withstand Allied pressure as long as the Kaiser's legions did in the former war. Even now, he must be realising what has often been brought home to lesser gangsters—there is no honour among thieves. Mussolini, no longer confident that God fights on the side of the big Italians, will take no military initiative, despite his alliance with Germany. Japan, shocked and outraged by the unholy alliance between Nazism and Communism, has declared her neutrality. Spain, the potential puppet of the Axis Powers, will remain neutral. Germany, alienated from her expected allies, and coping with internal dissension, must play a lone and losing hand.

It is early yet to speak of a peace settlement; but it is gratifying to note that The Times, a paper which has not been such an unfriendly critic of Germany in the past, has declared that Britain and France must continue the war until Nazism
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GENERAL GAMELIN:
The Leader of the Allies

BY C. R. COLLINS

This year the French Army celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Battle of the Marne by driving the Germans out of further positions in advance of the Siegfried Line. It was a fitting celebration, and a tribute to the foresight which prepared for the war in advance —instead of under fire as on the former occasion. One important matter that was decided in advance was the unification of command on the Western Front. During the Great War, it will be remembered that this union was not achieved until after the German offensive in the spring of 1918. It was more than a coincidence that the men selected to command the Anglo-French armies was an officer who had much to do with organising the counter-stroke that reversed the German drive. Every reader of war history will remember that it was General Gallieni, the military governor of Paris, who so accurately appreciated the situation and threw all the troops he could collect against the exposed German flank; but the man who did the actual organisation for Gallieni was a young colonel of Chasseurs named Marc Gustave Gamelin.

He is described by English correspondents as a dapper little man, with chubby hands, and grey streaks in his gleaming hair. General Gamelin, though a competent soldier and the son of a family that has given its sons to the French army for generations, would not have entered the army of his own choice as a youth. He was the ambition to become a great painter, but the family decided that he should become a soldier. Strangely enough, General Gamelin’s Polish counterpart, Marshal Smigley-Rydz, has also cherished art, and his friends say that he knows everything that is to be known about Napoleon. He has made a profound study of Napoleon’s campaigns until, it is said, he can almost detail the position of every private in every battle. Recently, his Spartan simplicity caused certain Parisians to accuse him of Leftist leanings. "I am outside politics," General Gamelin retorted. "When the bugle calls, we are all outside politics. We are Frenchmen." And this was just the sort of thing his idol Napoleon might have said.

General Gamelin, however, is no recluse. During the past two years he has received visits from English political and military leaders, and he has visited England. He is the personal friend of the British War Minister, the dynamic Horace-Belisha; of the Inspector-General of Britain’s Overseas Forces, General Sir Ernold Ironside; and of the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Viscount Gort. What is perhaps even more important is the fact that, during his visit to England last June, General Gamelin met a host of junior officers, and even British Tommies, so that he can claim to know the British Army, as well as its leaders. Such personal contacts must have been valuable preparation for that collaboration on the Western Front, which will be the prelude of victory, as it was in 1918.

BY WAY OF EXPLANATION

We regret the necessity of reducing the number of pages in this issue, but readers will readily appreciate that we must economise with our limited stocks of paper, the replenishment of which is in the lap of the gods. In order to cover all our usual features, we have reduced the size of the type. We appeal to our correspondents to keep their notes down to bare essentials for the present.
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**PERSONALITIES**

At the August meeting of the Bassendean sub-branch, a presentation was made to Padre Vine on the eve of his departure to the Eastern States on a health trip. The good Padre has been in indifferent health for some time. By the doctor's orders, he has been forced to retire from his living and take a long rest. His services to the sub-branch are deeply appreciated, and it is the earnest wish of all who know him that his well-earned rest will have the desired effect and restore him to better health. The Padre preached his farewell sermon in the Parish Church, Guildford, on Sunday, August 27, and there were many Diggers among the congregation.

We regret to record the death of Fred Mileham, an Imperial ex-service man and member of the Bassendean sub-branch, who was accidentally killed by a train in one of those level crossing accidents that are all too frequent in the metropolitan area. We join with his Bassendean friends in tendering the deepest sympathy to his widow and her young family.

Bassendean sub-branch reports the passing, on July 15, of Mr. Blatherwick, who was the sub-branch's treasurer for several years. He was an ardent social committee worker, who invariably took charge of the Bassendean stand on Poppy Day. He was an Imperial ex-service man. Sincere sympathy is extended to his sister and brother-in-law in their bereavement.

Bassendean auxiliary lost a splendid worker and true friend when Mrs. Wallace died suddenly on July 25. The deceased lady had been an active member of the auxiliary for a number of years, and she was an energetic worker in several other organisations in the district. Sympathy goes out to her sons and daughter in their sorrow.

Jack Riley and Alex. Maine, permanent sick cobbers of the Bassendean sub-branch, are looking forward to a bit of summer, so that they can get out of doors. Adverse weather conditions have not improved their health, but warmer weather should make amends.

Muntadgin-Totadgin sub-branch has lost a foundation member. Mr. L. Brisenden, who was also one of the first settlers in the district, has left that double-barrelled locality to reside in Perth.

It is with regret that we report the death of Mrs. E. Thrum, a past president of the 44th Battalion Association auxiliary. The late Mrs. Thrum was an indefatigable worker for the ex-service man. She will be greatly missed by soldier hospital patients, whom she visited so frequently. Her death, while on a visit in the Eastern States, was a great shock to her friends in Western Australia.

We regret to record the death, at the early age of 47, of Dr. H. C. Meathrel, who served during the war with the A.A.M.C. Dr. Meathrel was Repat. doctor for Subiaco and a member of Subiaco sub-branch. Although he seldom attended meetings, the Doctor was well known among returned men and was much liked and respected. Many members of the sub-branch were among those who attended the funeral on August 29. To his widow and family we offer our sincere sympathy.

The Digger friends of the late Syd Rowles, who was secretary of the 12th-52nd Battalion Association, and who died in tragic circumstances last year, were shocked to learn of the death through accidental drowning of his son, Reg. Rowles, a few weeks ago. Reg. was a fine looking manly boy of 16 years. We extend sincere sympathy to Mrs. Rowles and her daughter who have had much more than their share of sorrow recently.

The League lost a firm friend when Mr. E. A. McLarty passed away recently. As chief administrative officer and later managing trustee of the Agricultural Bank, he served the State well, and as controller-general of the soldier settlement scheme he never spared himself. Soldier settlers knew of his sterling worth and of his great understanding and sympathy with them in their numerous difficulties and problems. He gave them a fair deal at all times. Ross McLarty, M.L.A., who is a good League member, is a brother. We extend sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Phil Wass, the popular boniface of North Perth, is a very active member of the local sub-branch, who puts in a lot of quiet but effective work on behalf of less fortunate Diggers. He served with an English regiment during the war.

Since he came to live in the city, Fred Stahl has been a very energetic member of the North Perth sub-branch, of which he has been vice-president. He is an able organiser and a skilled debater. During the Great War, Fred served abroad with distinction and became a lieutenant in the 11th Battalion. He is now doing a fine job as secretary of the Caretakers' Union.

When Milton wrote the famous sonnet on His Blindness, he demonstrated that even physical incapacity need not debar anyone from service. This thought was prompted by the regrettable news from North Perth that Tom J. Brown of that sub-branch is not enjoying the health we would all like to see him enjoy. He is the sick visitor of the sub-branch, and his own state of health does not prevent him from carrying on with hospital visiting. Tom served with the 10th Light Horse when the guns began to boom, and he is now employed by Messrs. Foy & Gibson.

North Perth cricketers will miss the services of Reg. Rapley this season, as the hard-worked skipper of the sub-branch's "A" team has decided to retire from active play. He will continue with active work, however, since he is one of the sub-branch's hospital visitors and well to the fore in all social activities. Having enlisted in South Australia, he served abroad with the 10th Battalion. He is now engaged in the building trade.

At the annual meeting of the West Perth sub-branch on August 27, many feeling references were made to the absence of the secretary, Mr. Peter Ross, because of a severe illness. Hopes, which are shared by all who have been associated with him, were expressed for Peter's speedy recovery. Since his return from active service, Peter Ross has played a continuously active part in League affairs. In addition to his service as secretary of the West Perth sub-branch, he has served on the State Executive and as relieving secretary of the Anzac Club.

A well known and popular resident of Pickering Brook, Mr. John Rush Padgett, passed away in the Edward Miller Home on August 28 after a long illness. The deceased, who was 57 when the last call was sounded,

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served as a sergeant in the 44th Battalion. During his services abroad, he had the unique distinction of being awarded the Distinguished Service Medal of the United States, the only one gained by a West Australian. The late Mr. Padgett was a member of the Perth sub-branch, which was represented at the funeral by Mr. W. Holder. North Perth was represented by Mr. W. L. Menkens. The funeral was attended by many ex-service men. Bugle-Major G. Gilmore sounded the Last Post. The late Mr. Padgett left a widow and a grown-up family, to whom our sincere sympathy is extended.

The Irwin-Moore by-election for the Legislative Assembly has resulted in the return of yet another ex-service man to the State Parliament. The new member, Mr. H. T. Berry, is in his 49th year. He is Australian born, and was educated in Sydney. During the Great War, he served with the air force. After the war, Mr. Berry was engaged in tin-mining and rubber planting in Malaya, where he still holds some interests. More recently, he has been wheat farming at Yerington.

We extend the heartiest congratulations of all Diggers to Mr. W. L. (“Scottie”) Wilson, the popular president of the Darling Range sub-branch, on his recent appointment as Assistant Under-Secretary of the Chief Secretary's Department. Mr. Wilson has been Deputy Government Statistician and Deputy Registrar-General since 1935. Born at Stirling, Scotland, and educated at a high school there, he came to Western Australia in 1910 and entered the public service of the State four years later. He served in the Great War with the 28th Battalion, in which he attained commissioned rank, and continued his service with the 28th (militia) Battalion until 1929. Before he shifted camp to the hills, he was a very prominent member of the Nedlands sub-branch.

State President Alf Yeates and Clarrie Fairley will represent this State at the Federal congress of the League to be held in November. Clarrie, who is the shortest soldier in Australia to attain the rank of lieut.-colonel, has been a keen worker in the League for years, being secretary of the Kalgoorlie sub-branch and for the past three years a member of the State Executive.

Our old friend, Syd. Coles, who has done so much for the Albany sub-branch, was present at a recent meeting of the State Executive, where he was given a warm welcome. Syd. is also the country vice-president of the Old Contemporaries Association in this State.

Brigadier J. M. A. Durrant, C.M.G., D.S.O., who arrived in Western Australia this month to take over the newly-formed Western Command, is 54 years of age, but has had 40 years' continuous military service. He commenced his soldiering at the age of 14 as a bugler in the Adelaide Rifles, and eventually joined the permanent forces. He served on Gallipoli as adjutant of the 13th Battalion, which he afterwards commanded in France. Since the war, he has held many staff appointments in various States, and was District Commandant in Tasmania until the reconstruction of the forces caused his appointment here. Keenly interested in every branch of the service, Brigadier Durrant has made a special hobby of rifle shooting. His only son, aged 19, has already graduated from Dunroon, and is now stationed at Queenscliffe.

Mr. Hawthorn's sick state is fortunately very lean this month. Bill Skates is convalescing at Darlington. Tom May is still a cot case. Tony Erickson is a patient in Perth General and will welcome visitors. At the last monthly meeting, a vote of sympathy was tendered Mrs. Sid Rowles on the tragic death of her son. Sympathy is also extended to Jack Lunney, whose wife is ill. It is hoped that she will soon be restored to better health.

R. Henwood writes from Carmarthen, Denmark: The paragraph appearing in "The Listening Post" announcing the death of Lui Marlo came as a shock to me, as I had been discussing him with one of my sons before reading the report of his death. I first met Lui at Mundijong 20 years ago, where we worked together at Millars, afterwards going to the Feil Estate woodcutting and woodcutting. Poor old Lui, or "Ding," as we used to call him, was a good mate. To give you an idea of his principles, read this: We were woodcutting together and making 28/- per day between us. Being a better axeman than Lui, I used to get him to stack all the wood. One day he suggested that we cut and stack our own wood. The first day I made 16/- and Lui 12/- The second day I made the same amount (16/-) and he made 12/- The...
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This is the appropriate title of the book written by Captain Walter C. Belford, M.A., and published now in London by a British book publisher. Every member of the famous 11th Battalion should make sure of securing a copy by sending his subscription of 10/- in advance to Secretary Wally Blair at 79 William Street, Perth. It will be a large book of over 700 pages, and only a limited number are being published. Orders can be taken now even if the payment is not made at present. The following subscriptions have been received to date:

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Reunion

The annual reunion will be held in Stirling Social Rooms (corner Hay and Milligan Streets), Perth, at 8 p.m. on Tuesday (Show week), October 3.

British Ex-Service Women’s Association

The British Ex-Service Women’s Association held their monthly social on Monday, September 11, in aid of amelioration funds. The social was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present. The following article was printed to make the evening a great success: Mesdames M. Logan, G. Ross, E. Wallis, Miss N. Horne, Messrs. Truscott, W. Craft and M. Hilton, and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bates’ orchestra. These socials and dances are held on the fourth Monday of each month at Anzac House supper room. There is a nominal charge of 6d, which covers supper, and the proceeds go to the association’s amelioration funds. All are welcome.

Medical Services Unit Assn.

Owing to the present circumstances, the committee has postponed the annual bridge evening to be held at the Carlton Club on September 22 to October 20. Members are requested to note the date and endeavour to attend and assist the amelioration and library funds. The libraries conducted by the association fulfill a real service in the various ex-soldiers’ institutions, and are worthy of every support. Permission has been granted by the Lotteries Commission to conduct a raffle. Tickets are 3d each; first prize is £3 cash and 2nd a dressed lamb or value of £1. Tickets may be had from various members and committees. The quarterly general meeting has been fixed for Thursday, October 5 (Show week) to be held at Anzac House board room. This will take the form of a get-together evening and will afford an opportunity of country A.M.C. men to attend who may be in town. During the evening the raffle will be drawn.

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APPRECIATION

R. M. (Skin) Cumming, M.M., 44th Battalion, writes:

About this time last year you published an appeal to my old comrades to come forward with evidence in connection with an appeal I was making for recognition of certain disabilities as war caused. You will be glad to know that many responded and supplied me with evidence of great value. To all of these I extend my thanks and know they will be pleased to hear that I won my case before the Appeal Tribunal. Particularly I wish to thank Harry May for getting my case reopened, preparing my evidence and other valuable assistance; and Karl Ferguson for the help he gave me and the able manner in which he presented my case before the Tribunal.

Like many other Diggers, for years I was slack and casual in my ex-service matters, but now I fully realise what the R.S.L. stands for. It is the ex-service man's one great support and every eligible man should be a member and an active one at that. Some years ago, when I was not a member, I wrote to Mr. Ferguson about getting recognition for my disabilities, and he replied that he would assist me with pleasure in every way possible. That convinced me that I had been a slacker, and I have tried since to make up for past neglect. I will be pleased if you publish this letter and I hope that it may be the means of convincing some non-members of the League that it is their duty and to the interests of their dependents and themselves to join up and help in the good work. But for the

unsatisfactory and untiring efforts of League members, I should never have succeeded with my appeal. Those who are similarly placed will realise what a tremendous relief, both mental and financially, it is to have disabilities accepted and medical treatment provided.

WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT HITLER

“Compared with Hitler, Napoleon was a little gentleman.” — Vice-Admiral Gordon Campbell, V.C.

“Hitler maintains an advisory staff of five astrologers, who, after reading the stars, counsel him when to make his coups.” — Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, President of Columbia University, U.S.A.

“Hitler’s father changed the family name from Schicklgruber to Hitler ten years before Adolf Hitler was born. What a pity! Can you see the headlines: ‘Schicklgruber Marches,’ ‘Schicklgruber Warns the Police’?” — Guy Morgan, “Daily Express,” London.

“The Fuehrer is always right.” — Herr von Ribbentropp.

“The whole weight of guilt of this monstrous crime against humanity (i.e. the invasion of Poland) rests on Hitler and his system.” — Otto Wels and Hans Vogel, Joint Presidents of the German Social Democratic Party.

“Hitler has lost the next world war before it starts. He knows he would be beaten, so the chances of war this time are slim.” — “New York Daily Mirror,” July, 1939.

“It is Herr Hitler’s ambition to live in history as a bloodless conqueror. He would rather win by statecraft than by war.” — G. Ward Price, in “The Year of Reckoning.”

“There can be no peace until the advance of Hitler in Eastern Europe is stopped.” — Raymond Gran Swing.

“The dictators are like the inule: they have neither pride of ancestry nor hope of posterity.” — “Southern Review,” Louisiana, U.S.A.

“We’re fed up with the ruddy dictators.” — General Sir Walter Kirke.

10th Light Horse Association

The August quarterly meeting constituted a record for attendance, 25 members being present. The annual election of officers took place and resulted in Mr. J. W. Everington, R.S.M. and No. 1 on the regimental roll, being elected president; Mr. Ted Arundel, vice-president; Dick Hummerston, hon. secretary and treasurer for third time; Sid Johnston, auditor, and all present as committee members. Arrangements for the annual reunion, to be held on Wednesday, October 4, according to plan and our Prime Minister’s wish that a normal state of affairs be carried on during the grave international situation were set in motion. This year, judging by the enthusiasm shown, promises to eclipse any previous efforts. Tickets are available from any committee member, and, as was the case last year, Light Horse militiamen are invited to attend.

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According to a London weekly, England's soberest town is Reading, which is an important military centre. The British Minister for War (Mr. L. Hore-Belisha) sees something very great in this. For ten years drunkenness in the British Army has slumped 90 per cent. Though the amount of beer drunk by English civilians has been increasing for the past three years, "British soldiers have imbibed less. Nevertheless, those good people, who constitute themselves their brothers' keepers, are still forming societies to encourage sobriety among soldiers.

Old soldiers are hard to kill. During the Great War, John Koeves, a ranger of Bakony (Hungary) was entombed by a falling trench. He 'came back to life,' just as his comrades were about to bury him in earnest. Five years ago, he again 'fell dead' while on a walk, and revived after he had actually been placed in a coffin. Last July, Koeves was found 'alive' for the third time, in his lonely hut. Three days later, just before the funeral, he jumped out alive.

Last July, the British Government presented the German Government with an arm-chair. An English weekly described it as a decrepit and not very comfortable old piece of furniture, with wobbly legs and a faded covering. The German Ambassador in London, however, gratefully accepted it on behalf of his country. The wreck had a historic value. It was once the property of the late Reich Chancellor and President, Field Marshal Paul von Hindenburg, and had been in the Imperial War Museum since 1918.

A sample of the way Germany persecutes even the children of Nazi victims is related in an American contemporary, "The Nation." The paper states that the 13-year-old son of Austria's former Chancellor, Dr. von Schuschnigg, has been forcibly enrolling in the Nazi organisation his father once suppressed. The gentle, philosophic Hitler has ordered that the child be taught he is the son of a scoundrel.

American newspapers believe in finding out what the ordinary man thinks about international affairs. On July 31, a representative of the "Christian Science Monitor," one of the world's most informative and least bellicose newspapers, quoted a Manchester railway porter as saying, "I was for justice for the Germans. But Hitler hasn't stopped where he said he would. We can't knuckle under any more." That, one thinks, represents the view of most Britons. Unfortunately, German propaganda over the past 20 years has been so insiduous that we have been misled into mistaking merit for justice, and things which were of 1914 have to be done over again. This time, we must see that the Nazi aggressors do get justice.

Commenting on the Polish situation at the end of last July, American newspapers reported that they were ailing, determined view the Poles were facing the crisis, although the Poles are described as a sentimental and somewhat excitable people. The Polish leaders realised that the British and French public would never tolerate a second Munich, but the chief factor was the trust the Polish people in themselves. They have been so often deceived by the Great Powers that they had, up to the outbreak of the war, little trust in any ally. The Poles lost their independence in 1919, and it did not regain until they had won a second war. Having suffered oppression, they think there could be nothing worse than a new enslavement; and that is why they are putting up such a wonderful fight today.

Gdynia, the modern port built by the Poles at the mouth of the Vistula, because the Danzigs were obstructing Polish trade, has far outstripped the rival city. In 1918, Poland's exports and imports through Danzig were 2,722,748 tons, and through Gdynia, only 41,771 tons. By 1932, the volume of trade through Danzig was 5,476,138 tons, and through Gdynia, only 5,267,856 tons. Through Danzig, the Polish exports and imports totalled 10,503,865 tons, and 10,276,856 tons, respectively. By 1938, Poland's entire trade was carried by sea. Of this amount, 48.8 per cent. passed through Gdynia, and only 17 per cent. through Danzig.

The secretary of the 28th Battalion Association writes: After reading the announcement in the morning paper that surplus copies of nominal rolls (complete) for respective units of A.I.F. were available to unit associations at Swan Barracks, two members of this association called at the Barracks, and though they obtained the rolls for 25th, 26th and 27th Battalions, could find none for the 28th Battalion. It occurred to us that some other member of the 28th may have called before us and cleared away the only surplus set. This roll would be of very great service to this association, much more so than to any individual. I wish to ask through your columns for the return of the complete set to Mr. W. G. Armstrong, 20 Ruslip Street, West Ldvell.
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over seventy. Mr. Amery was in South Africa as well as the Great War. Anthony Eden was a major with the Military Cross before he was 22. Duff Cooper won the D.S.O. while serving with the Grenadier Guards on the Western Front. Winston Churchill saw some front-line service in the Great War, and he had been in three other wars before Hitler's number was dry. Nazi blowhards must do better than that if they want to convince neutrals of anything but their own ineptitude.

According to an English contemporary, the Rifle Brigade has won the most V.C. awards in the British Army. Of the 27 to the Rifle Brigade's credit, two were gained in South Africa. The South Wales Borderers came next with 22 V.C.'s. Seven of these were gained in one day at Rorke's Drift. The Royal Fusiliers are next with 19, then follow the Seaforth Highlanders with 18 and the Gordon Highlanders with 17. It is stated that the 1st Lancashire Fusiliers were awarded six V.C.'s in one day. They were balloted for, as the O.C. said every man in the battalion deserved one.

Many winners of the Victoria Cross have subsequently inherited titles, or been raised to the peerage, but the present Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Viscount Gort, has the distinction of being the only Peer who ever won the V.C.

During 1918, a certain company of the Chinese Labour Corps appealed to their officer for an extra ration issue. He reported the same day's statement that they were engaged in loading ammunition and consequently had not the same opportunities of stealing food as other companies working on the docks.

SEDITIOUS SPEECHES

Our comments on a recent public meeting in Anzac House, at which the principal speaker said many foolish and untrue things about the British Empire and the Australian defence programme, were made in response to numerous complaints from members of the League. Since our August number was published, we have received equally numerous congratulations on the stand we took. We have, however, received a letter from Mr. C. N. Fuller, which we publish in full. Mr. Fuller writes:

"I must protest strongly against your abuse of Mr. C. O. Barker in 'The Listening Post' for August. I did not hear his speech, but I am not concerned with what he said. This is supposed to be a country of free speech and we look to the League to uphold this principle. Your remark about the dissemination of sedition sounds very like Hitlerism to me. The crying of sedition is only one of many ways to muzzle men who have guts enough to come out with a few home truths. Anyway, he is doing a good job in fighting the banks who, as you well know, have got a stranglehold on many League members who are on the land. I consider that in the interests of these members, you should assist Mr. Barker, not hinder him."

In reply to Mr. Fuller, may we point out that there was no abuse of Mr. Barker. Considering the enormity of his offence he was treated very leniently. Mr. Fuller put himself out of court by his naîve admission that he did not hear the speech we criticised. When anyone gets up in public and becomes offensively dogmatic about highly controversial subjects, he must expect criticism. Mr. Fuller, while prating about freedom of speech, would deny 'The Listening Post' the right of criticism, which is the very essence of free speech. We have yet to learn that Mr. Barker is sacrosanct. Even in the most democratic of States, freedom of speech is subject to such restrictions as the laws of libel, sedition, and so on, and the canons of good taste. Some of these were gravely violated by Mr. Barker in Anzac House. We are very glad Mr. Fuller made a reference to what the League should uphold. May we remind him that, by its constitution, the League is pledged to uphold the British Empire and the principle of an adequate defence force for Australia? As the official organ of the League we should be failing in our duty if we allowed every Tom, Dick or Harry to get up in Anzac House and attack these things without any comment on our part. So far from "coming out with a few home truths," Mr. Barker's statements about the Empire were fantastically absurd, and it was an extraordinary piece of chutzpah for anyone who did not serve as a soldier in the Great War to utter such lies about the Australian defence programme. We have a verbatim report of what Mr. Barker said, and we are in a position to support our remarks by sworn statements, should these be needed. Mr. Fuller's remarks about Hitlerism and the alleged cry of sedition to muzzle people are mere moonshine. The term sedition is defined legally and in the dictionary. We may inform Mr. Fuller that for over 12 months the German Government has been paying people to talk as Mr. Barker talked in Anzac House on the night in question. His suggestion that we should help Mr. Barker if he is doing any against the banks is merely silly. What Mr. Barker is doing in this regard does not interest us in a scrap, and the fact that he has done it still far more for the Digger on the land than Mr. Barker could ever hope to achieve.

THE SOLDIERS' GOLF CUP

This wild and hilarious day amongst Digger golfers will be held at the Mt. Yokeine Golf Links on Sunday, October 1. The Yokeine Club asked the League for an expression of opinion as to whether the function should be carried on in a more private view of the war, and the answer was in the affirmative. Ex-service golfers, whether members of a golf club or not, are eligible to play. We understand that the Yokeine and West Leederville magnates have been granted permission to charge parking fees and to sell savoys, chops, etc., and work a few stunts to swell the Aged Soldiers' Fund.

AN A.R.P. CAMEO

According to our esteemed contemporary, "Our Empire, the strange sight of well-dressed women, stepping quietly from a car and then without warning exploding a rocket in the middle of the street, has recently electrified many a London thoroughfare. Windows are thrown up, people run into the road; but when, 30 seconds later, a smoke bomb is let off by the same well-dressed woman, the windows are slammed down and the crowd moves up-wind and waits."

Something is going to happen. This is A.R.P. The people watch eagerly to see how it works, and they have not long to wait. A warden, sometimes accompanied by two others, is on the spot with pad and pencil and, while the crowd listens agape to the imaginary demolition of their houses, the number of casualties, broken mains and fires, as calmly detailed by the woman warden, the warden writes furiously. The onlookers gaze curiously at their still-standing and unharmed houses, and again at the woman warden, and return to their homes with a sigh.

The women quietly drive away; the warden returns to headquarters. The road settles down again—and then, a few minutes later, just to test the vigilance of the wardens, back comes the woman and explodes another bomb. Who would have thought her capable of such an act? The wardens are there, running this time, and the crowd raises a cheer. "Run, Smithy, or she'll beat you to it."

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Zone 1
Darling Range defeated Osborne Park 10-0
Subiaco defeated South Perth 9-1
Cottesloe defeated Maylands 8-2
Mt. Hawthorn defeated Victoria Park 8-2
Nedlands defeated North Perth 7-3

Zone 2
Gloucester Park defeated Claremont 10-0
Mt. Lawley defeated Perth 8-2
West Perth defeated Bayswater 8-2
Yokine defeated Mosman Park 6-4
West Leederville: bye.

Hereunder are shown results of the competition for 1939:

Zone 1

Sub-Branch Pld. W. L. For Agst. pts.
Mt. Hawthorn 9 9 6 66 24 18
Nedlands 9 8 1 70 20 16
Subiaco 9 7 2 62 28 14
North Perth 9 6 3 53 37 12
Darling Range 9 4 5 47 43 8
South Perth 9 4 5 45 45 8
Victoria Park 9 3 6 34 56 6
Maylands 9 2 7 25 65 4
Cottesloe 9 8 1 30 60 23
Osborne Park 9 1 8 18 72 2

Zone 2

Sub-Branch Pld. W. L. For Agst. pts.
Gloucester Park 8 7 1 63 17 14
Mt. Lawley 8 7 1 62 18 14
West Leederville 8 7 1 60 20 14
Perth 8 4 4 44 36 8
Mosman Park 8 3 4 39 41 7
Yokine 8 3 5 27 53 6
West Perth 8 2 5 31 49 5
Claremont 8 2 6 23 57 4
Bayswater 8 7 1 13 67 -

Matches drawn: Mosman Park, 1; West Perth, 1.

Shooting: Final Round
Darling Range, 170; Mt. Lawley, 146; Mt. Hawthorn, 144; Subiaco, 144; Gloucester Park, 143; North Perth, 144; Nedlands, 141; Perth, 141; South Perth, 140; Bayswater, 136; Osborne Park, 135; Yokine, 135; West Perth, 133; Cottesloe, 132; Mosman Park, 130; Victoria Park, 130; Claremont, 129; Maylands, 128.

Final Shooting Averages (Maximum 150)
Mt. Hawthorn, 143.4; Mt. Lawley, 141.8; Subiaco, 141.7; Nedlands, 141.5; Gloucester Park, 141.4; West Leederville, 141; Darling Range, 141; North Perth, 139.6; Yokine, 138,8; Perth, 138.8; Mosman Park, 137.6; South Perth, 137.5; Bayswater, 136.8; Cottesloe, 135.5; West Perth, 133.1; Victoria Park, 133.1; Osborne Park, 132.1; Maylands, 131.2; Claremont, 129.

NOTES
The winners of the shooting average for the series were Mt. Hawthorn, with an average of 145.4 out of a possible 150.
Bill Stone, of Mt. Hawthorn, playing against Victoria Park at quoits, threw 180 in two throws, his first throw being 90 and his second 90. This was the record for this series.
Darling Range in a wonderful shoot against Osborne Park secured the possible of 150. This small sub-branch, situated 17 miles from Perth, has put up some very fine performances.
West Leederville were very unlucky to just miss the final four. They only lost one match and had beaten the winners of the zone in Gloucester Park, but it is pleasing to find a new team in the finals in Mt. Lawley.
In the semi-finals for the shield, Mt. Hawthorn and Gloucester Park being the winners of their zones, played off and Mt. Hawthorn just scraped home, winning 6 points to 4.

SOCIAL SERVICES IN THE WAR

The women's auxiliaries have decided to stand behind the military committee of the Y.M.C.A. in its social work for the troops in the field. There was a criticism of the work of this organisation during the Great War, some justified and much unjustified; but post-war it will serve no useful purpose now. The facts are that the Defence Department has requested the Y.M.C.A. to do this work. The committee of control consists largely of the following well-known ex-service men: Colonels Lamb and Ankettell and Messrs. All Yeates, Alex. Panton, Chas. Taylor, F. E. Edmondson, C. Smith, E. T. Birtwistle, Gordon Bennett, Jack Pocklington, Henry Moseley and E. S. Watt.

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THE LATE SIR JAMES OWEN

Diggers who were lucky enough to land at Devonport and travel by train from the port of disembarkation to Salisbury Plains must still retain pleasant memories of Exeter railway station, where ladies met the train and handed out refreshments. Much of the organisation of that kindly attention was due to Lady Owen, whose husband, Sir James Owen, was then Mayor of Exeter. About five years ago, the League was able to return the compliment and act as hosts to Sir James and Lady Owen, when those very good friends of
the Australian soldier made a tour of the Commonwealth. While in this State, Sir James Owen and Lady Owen were accorded civic receptions at Fremantle and Perth, and they were tendered a complimentary luncheon by the State Executive. At a recent meeting of the executive, it was the sad duty of delegates to send a message of condolence to Lady Owen, for the news had just arrived of the death of Sir James. Like his good wife, he was an eminently public-spirited man and a true patriot. We add our own token of sympathy with Lady Owen in her great sorrow.

THE NINETEENTH HOLE
Our Katanning correspondent gives us a few sidelights on the Royal and Ancient game, along with a little unnatural history.

The other day I was mooching along the road when my cobbler "Horry" stopped me and digging in his pocket and pulling out a piece of paper, he said to me: "Here, have a geek at this and tell me what you think of that bird 'Scutator' what wrote that pack of yarns?"

Reading the paper, I noticed that it was a clipping from "The West" of August 5, and it was about a spider web which would knock a man off his ham and eggs if he barged into it.

After reading the thing, I casually remarked to "Horry" that "Scutator" must have been writing about a money-spider web compared to the one that some of us saw on the Katanning golf links last Soldiers' Golf Day, and would you believe 't, he got that mad that he walked out without finishing his drink.

Now, Mr. Editor, "Horry" and me have been good cobbors for years, and knowing that he reads "The Listening Post" quite regular, I am asking you to do me a favour.
and print my story so that he can read it and perhaps he will then believe it and let bygones be bygones.

All of us principals is a bit touchy about the yarn, and as a consequence we had agreed to keep it a secret; but after explaining the predicament I was in, they said perhaps it would be better to tell you the gospel and it would put an end to all the whispering that is going round the town.

When Don, Jim, Arthur and me had finished the 14th hole we was in a mighty good position to win the cup. Bert Fildes, the handicapper, had given us an extra stroke handicap for every time we had put an empty bottle under the counter, and as a result we had still about 25 of our strokes left when we had passed the 14th. Just as we were hitting off up the 15th we spotted the green-keeper bearing down on us in a bit of a hurry. Brandishing an axe and with about a dozen chips out of it, he yelled out that there was a huge spider web right across the fairway. He had taken several big junk outs of one of the strands with his axe but he was afraid to stay any longer, as the spider might arrive at any time.

We had a bit of a conference, and it was decided to send Jim to town for a tractor, and he was to fill up at Don’s place with some juice. Jim arrived O.K. with the tractor and we hatched a couple of chains to the main web, which was anchored to two big guns on each side of the fairway, and set the machine full steam ahead.

Did that web come down? I’ll say, and so did the two big guns. Just as the trees crashed we heard an awful bellow and turning our heads in mortal terror we spotted a spider nearly as big as the tractor. Evidently he had been away on a ‘roo hunt, and was a bit annoyed when he saw what we were doing to his home.

Now, Mr. Editor, don’t ask me how we escaped an awful death; all I can remember is Arthur saying that we did the first mile in just under two minutes, and that he had a L of a job slipping out our dust.

When we reached town we told the president of the sub-branch what had happened, and grabbing a hay fork he set sail for the links with us in his wake. On the way up we met Bert Potter, armed with a bandolier of empty “Emus,” so we invited him to join the party, which he did.

Entering the links once more, we extended our skirmishing order and, arriving at the 15th, a scene of desolation met our gaze.

There was the spider, stone cold, on the flat of his back. He had apparently poisoned himself with some of Don’s juice, but in his dying paroxysm he had bitten off two of the wheels of the tractor and had also swallowed the petrol tank.

We were in a L of a fix. Jim had borrowed the tractor, and there it was—just a bit of junk, thanks to that — spider. There was only one thing to do, we must see Bert Fildes at once and tell him the whole story. Bert’s a brainy bloke, and if any one could help us it was him. Well, to cut a long story short, we prevailed on Bert to walk down to the 15th and have a look for himself and, strike me pink! when we got there the spider and the tractor had both disappeared, and to make matters worse, Jim clean forget who he borrowed the tractor from, and now we are all in daily fear that some one will lob along and make a claim against us for a new tractor.

I know you will understand, Mr. Editor, why we have kept the whole matter secret. No one could possibly believe us, not even our wives; but having read “Scrutator’s” effort about a spider’s web, perhaps he might know the scientific name of the spider which we saw, and so clear our good name.

The position has improved considerably since I wrote you the above. Tom Howard, the Fremantle golf architect, was being shown over the Katanning links yesterday and George Anderson pointed out the two trees mentioned. Howard was so impressed that he then and there advised the committee of the club to dig a number of big holes and build more big mounds so that if ever another big spider decides to visit the links on Soldiers’ Day, it will trip over the mounds, fall into the holes and break its blasted neck.

Now with “Scrutator” and Tom Howard on our side, we can once more look the world in the face.

By the way, Mr. Editor, Stan Firman and Jim Styles were down here on that day, and I’m wondering if Jim by any chance took a moving picture of that web. If you should see him, you could ask him to let us have a copy to show to our wives and “Scrutator.”

We regret the necessity of withholding from this issue a continuation of Col. Olden’s “West African Cavalry in the War” and General Martin’s story of “The Lost Battalion.”

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August 9, 1939

At the meeting on August 9 there were present Messrs. Olden, Aberle, Hunt, Lamb, Anderson, James, Watt, Thorn, Margolin, Warner, Paton, Potts, Ster, Reesing, Cornell, Mitchell and Logie. Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Yeates, Butler, Collett, Philp, Panton, Denton, Nicholas, Fairley, Cornish, Lawton, Austin, Johnston, Doran and Colebatch. In the absence of the State President, Colonel Olden occupied the chair.

Defence.—It was agreed that a communication from the Federal President regarding defence be promulgated to sub-branches.

Relief.—The report of the Relief Fund Trustees for the month of July disclosed that 56 cases had been assisted at a total cost of £51/0/1. During July, 34 cases were assisted from the United Services Fund, at a cost of £29/11/9.

Visits.—The following reports on visits were received: Mr. Panton (Norseman, Yalgoo, Mr. Magnor and Brookton sub-branches), Mr. Thorn (Bullbrook), Mr. Keesing (Bruce Rock), Mr. Aberle (Nedlands).

During the evening the following were welcomed as visitors to the meeting: Messrs. James Bee (Williams), Norman Dodd (Borneo and J. Day (Wubin).

Benevolent Institution.—Advice was received on a proposal to list the R.S.S.I.L.A. as a benevolent institution. Discussion was deferred pending the decision of the next Federal Congress. A communication on this matter was also received from Colonel Collett, who stated that he was hopeful of securing the favourable consideration of the Prime Minister and the Federal Treasurer. Both communications were referred to the Management Committee. It was also agreed that the State Government be approached, with the object of securing exemption from State income tax.

Anzac Day.—It was stated that York sub-branch had written to other State Branches requesting information concerning Anzac Day. They apologised for not following the usual procedure by submitting the matter through headquarters.

In another communication, the sub-branch sought permission to circulate other sub-branches, to place before them York sub-branch’s reasons for seeking a change in the method of Anzac Day observance. After discussion, it was agreed to advise York sub-branch that the request was unprecedented and, until congress resolves otherwise, the necessary permission could not be granted.

Local Products.—A communication was received from the organising secretary of the Local Products League inviting the executive to appoint a representative to the Products League. It was agreed that the Products League be informed that the Empire and Local Trading Committee, which operates with the Empire Shopping Week Council, is fulfilling all the purposes sought by them.

New Zealand Tour.—Communications from Thos. Cook & Sons and the Federal Executive giving further information concerning fares were received and referred to the committee.

Mons Day.—The State Secretary stated that all metropolitan sub-branches and unit associations had been circularised in regard to Mons Day and their co-operated requested.

Alteration Constitution.—Suggested alterations to the Constitution to authorise the W.A. Branch to hold property in trust for sub-branches were received. The Subiaco sub-branch will submit these as a motion to State Congress.

Subiaco Sub-Branch By-laws.—By-laws as submitted by the Subiaco sub-branch had been referred to the League’s solicitor, who stated that there was nothing contained in them to which exception could be taken. The by-laws were approved.


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Sub-Branch Officials.—The appointment of officials as advised by Yokine and Nedlands sub-branches was approved.

A.R.P. Committee.—Mr. Kahan advised that no meeting of this committee had been held since he had been appointed as the League’s representative over 16 months ago.

Soldiers’ Children’s Scholarship Trust.—Delegates were informed that the time of meeting could not be altered. In consequence, Colonel Lamb, who was appointed as the League’s representative, could not act on the committee, and the appointment of Mr. Abele was withdrawn.

North-West Settlement.—Doctor Steinberg attended the meeting and addressed delegates on a proposition for the settlement of Jewish refugees in the north-west of Western Australia.

At the conclusion of his address, the following resolution was carried: “That this executive of the W.A. Branch of the R.S.S.I.L.A. records its appreciation of the courtesy of Dr. Steinberg and thanks him for his attendance and for his very informative address.”

August 23, 1939

At the meeting of the State Executive on August 23, the following resolutions were presented: Messrs. Yeates, Olden, Aberle, Philip, Lawton, Nicholas, Hunt, James, Watt, Thorn, Margolin, Pott, Paton, Sten, Cornell, Fairley, and Dinan. Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Butler, Collett, Panton, Denton, Anderson, Warner, Keesing, Mitchell, Lamb, Cornish, Lawton, Austin, Johnstone, and Colebatch.

S.S.L.—The report of the meeting of the S.S.L. Committee, held on August 15, was received and adopted. Mr. R. A. Nicholas was appointed as commissioner in succession to the late Rabbi Freedman.

Visits.—The following visits were reported: The State President (Mons Day), Colonel Oden (Old Contemporaries’ reunion, Chamber of Manufactures and the Chamber of Commerce, with Mr. Aberle), Colonel Fairley (Kalgoorlie and Boulder), Mr. Anderson and State Secretary (No. 4 D.C.), Mr. Philip (West Perth), Messrs. Potts, Sten and Paton (Fremantle), Messrs. Paton and Potts (Mosman Park), Mr. Aberle (C.T.A. annual dinner).

Congratulations.—A rising out of Colonel Olden’s report of his attendance at the Old Contemporaries’ annual reunion, it was agreed to congratulate Mr. Bond on the success of the reunion and Mons Day, and as he is about to take up residence in another State, to wish him every success.

Visitor.—Mr. S. Coles, late acting-secretary of the Albany sub-branch, and Captain Mayer, of Singapore, were welcomed to the meeting by the State President.

Sub-Branches.—The request of a sub-branch for a loan to meet outstanding liabilities was referred to the Management Committee, with power to act, on condition that satisfactory guarantees were received for the repayment of the loan.

The election of officers as advised by the Meckering-Cunderdin sub-branch was approved.

In connection with an invitation from the No. 4 D.C. to a function on November 11, it was agreed to suggest that the function be arranged for another date.

Legacy Club.—The 11th Annual Report of the Perth Legacy Club was received and laid on the table for the information of members.

Overseas Visitor.—Correspondence was received introducing Captain Eugene Ehrmann-Ewart from Austria.

New Zealand Tour.—A copy of the circular sent to all sub-branches, giving detailed information concerning this tour, was received and read.

Life Membership.—Fremantle sub-branch sought information regarding life membership. It was agreed that the position as laid down in the Constitution be explained to Fremantle and that they be informed that the League’s representatives when other sub-branches seek similar concessions, would be charged with their financial status of a member by paying the capitation fee to the State Executive.

Sir James Owen.—The State President advised that he had received news of the death of Sir James Owen. A suitable message of condolence had been forwarded to the widow.

Service Physicians, Perth Hospital.—It was explained to delegates that when service physicians enter the Perth Hospital their service pension is reduced to 1/4— a fortnight, and after the first 30 days of treatment the balance of the pension, namely 26/— a fortnight, is paid to the institution. Where service physicians are subscribers to a hospital fund, the same procedure operated. It was therefore agreed that these service physicians are also subscribers to public hospitals, such hospitals to be requested to refund to the physicians who may become patients any deductions from service pensions made by the Repatriation Department and paid to the hospital.

September 6, 1939

At the meeting on September 6, there were present Messrs. Yeates, Olden, Aberle, Philip, Hunt, Denton, Lamb, Anderson, Keesing, Mitchell, Lamb, Cornish, Lawton, Austin, Johnstone, and Colebatch.

Congress.—A rising out of the report of the Management Committee, it was resolved that:

1. Proceedings of the annual congress of the League be curtailed as far as possible in view of the state of war now existing between the Empire and Germany.

2. That the Soldier Settlers’ Congress take place on Tuesday, September 26, at 10 a.m., instead of Monday, September 25.

3. That the chairman of the Land Committee and the Agenda Committee decide on important matters for submission to the full congress to commence on Wednesday, September 27, at 10 a.m.

4. That it is advisable to confine congress discussions to:

(a) Submission of the annual report and financial statement.

(b) Election of the State Executive.

(c) Consideration of important matters and other urgent business.

It was agreed also that the social functions be held.

Federal Congress.—The State President and Colonel Fairley were appointed delegates to the 24th Annual Congress of the R.S.S.I.L.A. on November 13. Mr. Cornell was appointed emergency delegate.

National Register Staff Employees.—Information was received that returned soldiers, temporarily appointed in Western Australia to the national register staff, would be paid from the day of the departure of the train from Perth.

Sub-Branch Officials.—The appointment of officials to Railway, West Perth, and Carnamah sub-branches was confirmed.

Hospital Treatment, Service Pensioners.—Information was received from Perth Hospital that members of the free treatment scheme would have Repatriation Department medical certificates if the contributor is eligible and still financially under the scheme.

Patriotic Expressions.—Expressions of loyalty and service were received from several sub-branches of the League, following which it was resolved that the executive endorse the Federal President’s message to the Prime Minister placing the services of the League at the disposal of the nation and individually and collectively pleading members to do everything possible to assist the Empire in its efforts.

Women’s Service Guild.—A letter was received inviting representatives to a conference on youth employment. It was decided to notify the Guild that, whilst the League was in sympathy with the object, it was considered that the time was not opportune at present, in view of the international situation.

Enlistment.—Following a discussion on enlistment and possible mobilisation, it was resolved: “That this League is strongly of the opinion that in the event of a call for volunteers for the war that the League should shelter behind patriotic societies or other organisations in preference to enlisting in the forces, as within our ranks as well as in other places are men of all professions and walks of life who are willing for active service and who are waiting anxious to give patriotic and voluntary service when and where needed.”

Congratulations.—It was resolved to congratulate Mr. W. L. Wilson, a good League worker, on his recent appointment to a senior position in the Public Service.
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BAYSWATER

On August 23, members journeyed to Anzac House to meet West Perth in the final of the zone series of the A.R.M.S. competitions. West Perth won by 8 to 2, but it was a most enjoyable evening all the same. The sub-branch is now concentrating on the Shimmon Trophy. Since the outbreak of war, more members have joined the ex-service men's reserves. Please note the dates of coming general meetings: September 26, October 10 and October 24.

BASSENDEAN

There was a good attendance at the meeting on August 3. It included several visitors from the Bayswater sub-branch. After routine business had been despatched, the president made a presentation to Padre Vine, who is making a health trip to the Eastern States. Ill-health has compelled Ron Lovelock to resign his job as social secretary. Bill Matthews replaces him. A social and dance was held on July 25. There were over 200 people present. This was the first effort of the new social secretary, who is to be congratulated on the highly satisfactory result.

The kitchen orderly, thanks Messrs. Allen, Files and Chapman—whose music was a valuable contribution to the success of the evening. The kitchen orderly thanks Messrs. McNiece and West for their assistance.

The social and dance on Friday, August 23, was a success in spite of the stormy night.

Over a 100 were present. The social secretary is to be congratulated on his work in arranging the function. Tom Summerton presented a capable M.C. During the evening, the chairman of the Basendean Road Board (Mr. R. A. McDonald) presented an inscribed bugle to Tommy Summerton, jn., in recognition of his services as bugler to the sub-branch over a period of several years. The date of the annual smoke social has been fixed tentatively for December 1. There was a large muster at the monthly meeting on August 31. Bill Matthews was complimented on his work in ensuring the success of the social and on his general work for the sub-branch. Arrangements for congress were finalised.

NEDLANDS

On Tuesday, August 9, the annual smoke social was held in the lesser hall. About 150 were in attendance and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent by all. The guests included the Hon. John Nicholson, M.L.C., Hon. Norbert Keenan, K.C., M.I.A., and Mr. F. Aberle, who deputised for the State President (Mr. A. Yeates). The business of the evening was very brief, the president's report showed that the nominal roll contained 260 full, 5 associate and 5 honorary, making a total of 270.

The women's auxiliary has been despatched with mention for the practical and financial help rendered during the year, especially in regard to Poppy Day. The enthusiastic way in which Director Roy Maddeford and all members of the A.R.M.S. teams have turned out and the good fellowship extended between the sub-branches in the competitions are also worthy of special commendation. Congratulations are again extended to the cricket club for their unique effort in raising both the major and minor pennants, together with shields.

A musical programme was provided by Messrs. Percy and Les. Atwell, Mr. Percy Poweraker, R.S.I. Choral Society (with R. Donaldson, accompanist), Messrs. Logan and Wandless, Mr. Dempster (pianist). Thanks are especially due to the women's auxiliary for the splendidly arranged and decorated tables and for the excellent catering. During the evening, President Jim Anderson made presentations to the following: Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. L. Kent, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Jefferson, Mrs. W. A. Duffield, Mr. A. Wilson and Certificates of Service to Messrs. Duffield and Watkins.

MUNTADGIN-TOTADGIN

Captain Hooper presided at the monthly meeting on August 5. Speaking of the boys' club which was opened last month, the president thanked the committee for their work in forming the club and Messrs. Crawford and Conford for their help in giving the boys. The sub-branch has rented premises as a meeting and social room. The membership committee reports the capture of a new member. After general business had been concluded, members enjoyed games and a humorous description of a fight by the president.

ARMADALE

The monthly meeting was held in the clubrooms on August 9. Through the incidence of influenza in the district, the attendance was not up to standard. The president (Mr. W. Kerridge) presided, and routine business was expedited early in the evening to give members an opportunity to hear a travel lecture by Dr. C. T. Streich, supported by Mr. J. Sexty, of Armadale, on a holiday trip...
FREMANTLE

The sub-branch is very active this year. Whether it is owing to the disturbed international position, or to the enthusiastic efforts of the president (Tom Hobbs) and his new committee, membership and the attendances at meetings are increasing. The sub-branch is facing the problem of allowing the Fremantle Cricket Club to share its building for meetings and social purposes. The matter is one which must be viewed from many angles, so the meeting resolved that its consideration be deferred for 12 months. Since then, the outbreak of war has raised the prospect of the building being taken over for a Base Hospital, which it was originally. In the meantime, the president has forwarded to the Federal and State Governments, and to the Fremantle City Council, a letter unreservedly placing the sub-branch's services and resources at the disposal of the authorities.

PILBARA

The annual general meeting was held on August 13. The president (Mr. L. E. Taplin) and the secretary were re-elected for another term. For some years the sub-branch has conducted a library. The books now on hand are valued at £60. An advent of an up-to-date air mail service from the south, and the competition of counter-attractions have made the cost of continuing the library somewhat prohibitive. The sub-branch therefore decided to hand it over to the Sun- shine Club, who will honour all current subscriptions. It was resolved to donate £5 to the Aged Salons and Soldiers' Fund. All forms for the Army Reserve have been distributed. Three "A" forms and 17 "B" forms have been completed. Membership now stands at 35.

PEMBERTON

There was an attendance of 12 at the monthly meeting. The chairman (Mr. E. Smith) referred to the outbreak of war, and stressed the necessity for the League to increase its membership, so that its efforts for national service should be stronger. The main items for discussion were the reserve force and the items for congress. It was decided to give the sub-branch representative a free hand in voting for congress motions. An offer of a picture night was accepted, subject to a slight alteration in the conditions.

CARNLEY

At the August monthly meeting, president over by H. Crofts, 34 members were present. The president and vice-president (Mr. McKinley) were elected as delegate and proxy delegate, respectively, to the annual congress. The sub-branch ran a dinner on September 4 in conjunction with the women's auxiliary. Members paid a visit to Guildford sub-branch on August 22. Vice-president Drake-Brockman gave a very hearty welcome to the visitors. Mr. Drake-Brockman was ably supported by Mr. Chambers. Mr. Crofts, in response, said it was pleasing to see the old comradeship still existed, and invited the hosts to Carnley at some future date. Members were asked to bear that the former secretary, George, had moved from his residence and was in hospital. We believe he has lost a finger; but cheer up, George. Bill Price is on accident list, too, but is improving.

WEST PERTH

The president (Mr. E. Tyler) presided over a good attendance at the annual meeting in Anzac House on August 22. Regret was expressed at the illness of the secretary (Mr. Peter Ross) and the work of the treasurer (Mr. W. Boyd) was praised by the auditors and the members generally. Mr. Harry Clark gave a very hearty welcome to the visitors, the outbreak of war, and stressed the necessity for the League to increase its membership, so that its efforts for national service should be stronger. The main items for discussion were the reserve force and the items for congress. It was decided to give the sub-branch representative a free hand in voting for congress motions. An offer of a picture night was accepted, subject to a slight alteration in the conditions.

MT. HAWTHORN-NTH. LEEDERVILLE

Two new members were welcomed at the August monthly meeting—Messrs. F. Hood (10th L.H.) and F. Aldrich (43rd Batttn.). Victoria Park members and their wives were given a warm welcome when they visited Mt. Hawthorn for the zone final of the A.R.M.S. competitions. Mt. Hawthorn won by 6 to 2. In the first semi-final, the sub-branch beat Gloucester Park by 6 to 4. The second semi-final, between Mt. Lawley and Nedlands, was played at the Mt. Hawthorn Hall. The sub-branch social committee arranged the supper and buffet. The show feature was a great variety number of successive bulls has developed into a

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keen competition, with only one match to go. Bill Rowles and Roy Peterson lead with 15 each, so both are on their mettle. Congratulations to Vern Stockinin and his boys of the S.S.L. on winning the semi-final. Their supporters hope they will do the hat-trick, as the parent sub-branch has done. The co-operating team, under Mr. King, is a credit to the sub-branch. There were some interesting visitors at the last meeting. These included the table tennis champion of the State (Mr. Lowen) and other leading players, Messrs. Katz, Osborne, Rosenwax, North and Armbruster. Another visitor was a comrade from Canada (Mr. Nicholson), who is joining the sub-branch. The auxiliary bridge evenings are held every Monday in the hall in Oxford Street in aid of amelioration funds.

At the last general meeting, the following sub-committees were elected: Membership, Messrs. W. Goodlett and N. McLlwhraith; social, Messrs. W. Wauknight (convener), W. Coombes, C. Jago, H. Davy, H. Dowell, N. F. Cliff; sports, Messrs. H. Day, S. V. Dival, N. McLlwhraith, B. Tout and J. Rankin; “Green Envelope,” Messrs. J. Lang, A. J. Hawkins and N. F. Cliff; Poppy Day, Messrs. L. J. McMillan and J. Rankin; Mr. F. Cliff, also S. V. Dival and G. Fraser; golf club, Messrs. G. Fraser, S. V. Dival and E. A. Bass; Provisional Hall Committee, Messrs. W. Goodlett, S. V. Dival and F. Stahl. It was decided, on the suggestion of Mr. W. L. Menkens, to invite the Mr. H. D. Moseley to give the sub-branch another of the interesting lectures. October 16 was the date fixed. The president (Mr. W. James) and Mr. W. L. Menkens will represent the sub-branch at congress. Mr. E. Rendle has been appointed a proxy. Three members of the sub-branch, Messrs. Jim Lang, C. Jago and Fred Stahl, have joined the garrison battalion, “B” Reserve, of the 11th Battalion. Messrs. Anderson, Rendle and Midleton are on the sick list. Tom Hunt has greatly improved in health. It is again proposed to enter two teams for the R.S.L. Cricket Association competition. Those desirous of playing should notify the cricket secretary (Mr. N. McLlwhraith, 98 Chelmsford Road, North Perth) without delay. The “A” team will miss the services of its hard-working skipper, Reg. Radley, this season. To the regret of everyone, he has decided to retire. The S.S.L. secretary (Mr. E. A. Bass) is to be congratulated for the progress made by the junior organisation. The Sons have a credit balance of £12/10/- and a very healthy membership.

VICTORIA PARK

At our last monthly meeting, business closed sharply at 9 o’clock to be entertained by Major Saunders and members of the W.A. Fencing Association. Members of the sub-branch attended in full force and were delighted with the display. Thank you, Major. Work on the tennis courts has been coming steadily and is ready again for night tennis. Good work, comrades. Members attended the 11th birthday party of the women’s auxiliary and had a very enjoyable night. Cupid’s arrow was directed to Cleo Simpson, Intosh for the best shot of the season and Harry Taylor on behalf of the draught team for the highest points. Members of the S.S.L. presented Mrs. Tolmie with a handsome handbag for her services over ten years, four of which she was president. Our next social functions will be held on the 28th, 29th and 30th of this month. The 28th being an invitation night, 29th “Back to Cairo” night with roller skating (promoted by W. J. Lucas), and Saturday, the 30th, will be a carnival dance with tons of surprises. Wednesday, October 4 (show night), a military ball will be held in our hall, so all turn up in uniform of mufi with medals or ribbons. Watch for air raid and Red Cross meetings in R.S.L. hall. See daily papers.

BUNBURY

Influence was responsible for a smaller muster than usual at the August meeting. As the president was named among the victims, the chair was taken by Vice-president Woodley. A committee was appointed to meet representatives of the Sandbridge Park Golf Club to arrange the details for a Diggers’ Day, which will be held on October 1. The bridge afternoon, conducted by the auxiliary in aid of the Wooroloo Pastimes and Comforts Fund, showed a profit of £1/12/-. The Tuesday bridge evenings are receiving gratifying attendances. There were 14 tables of players on one recent evening. It has been decided to hold meetings on the third Wednesday and the third Saturday in alternate months, commencing with the September meeting on Wednesday, September 30. The matter of the ex-service men’s reserve was keenly debated, most members believing that the Commonwealth Government had hardly inspired eligibles with the desire to enrol. The cricket average for the past season was won by S. Parker, with 286 runs and an average of 24. E. Piggott was the star bowler, his 38 wickets costing 64 runs each.

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WEST LEDERVILLE-WEMBLEY

The activities of this sub-branch are going along with a swing and the usual interest is being maintained. About 50 members attended the monthly meeting on August 14, Harold Ingle presiding. Contributions for the Aged Soldiers’ Fund continue to come along and the party bridge evenings held each month continue to show a profit for this cause. It has again been decided to hold competitions—bridge, quots, shooting, etc.—announced by a whistle. Harold Ingle donated a notice board and his action is greatly appreciated. Now all members wonder how the sub-branch managed so long without a place to put notices.

MOSMAN PARK

The August general meeting was well attended and discussion centred chiefly round matters respecting the “B” reserve. Members were seized with the importance of expressing themselves in view of the probable necessity of something in this nature being available to relieve younger men for other duties and, in consequence, many more nominations were received. Three good members went on to the strength in the person of Bill Leonard, Bill Ellett and “Clem” Clements during the night. At the conclusion of the meeting, the first round of the handicap shoot for the Shimerson Trophy was commenced. Performances were not as good as was expected, but an improvement is hoped for in the near future. The question of establishing a library for the use of members was again discussed. The matter was referred to the house committee for consideration. The matter of the formation of a debating section
CALINGIRI

There was a fair attendance of members at the meeting on August 23. Mr. Hill presided. Considerable discussion took place over the army reserve. All members were anxious to do what they could, but felt that, as farmers, they were in such a position that they might be of better service by keeping the farms producing. Each man was ready to act as soon as called upon. Conference positions came under considerable discussion.

The selection of a delegate was left to the president and secretary, as no member present was able to attend. There was some discussion on soldiers' scholarships, and the secretary was instructed to obtain all information he could to lay before members at the next meeting. Since the above was written, war has been declared, and a special meeting has been called for September 14. There has been a rush to enrol in the reserve. Members are anxious to know how best they may help.

COTTESLOE

The annual general meeting took place on September 7, with Mr. A. White in the chair, and 70 members present. The following office-bearers were elected: Patron, Colonel A. Hobbs (unopposed); president, A. White; past president, C. L. Harvey; vice-presidents, W. Dunn and K. McIntyre; treasurer, F. Spencer; secretary, A. Cook; committee, J. H. Garrett, A. D. Fletcher, J. W. Gibbs, E. Newton and H. Poole; auditor, C. W. Morrow. W. Eddy resigned from the committee over the position of sports director. There were 36 new members for the year. The membership now totals 138. Thanks were extended to the social committee for their wonderful work, which increased the branch funds to the extent of £104. Mrs. Melville was also thanked for his wonderful help to the social committee. Several members were absent on account of ill-health, and a wish for their speedy recovery was expressed. During the meeting a visit was made by the A.R.P. officer for the district. He asked for the sub-branch's support, which was gladly given. Jim Gibbs was again elected publicity officer, but through illness he is unable to carry on for the present.

RETURNED ARMY NURSES

The monthly meeting was held at the clubrooms, Anzac House, on August 7. The president (Miss J. Clifton) was in the chair, and those present were Mesdames Graham, Brower, Lungeley, Harrison, Treisidder, Patter, Newman, Douglas, Myers and Nallantyne, Misses Priestley, Chapman, Hayes, Edis, Homan, Ryan, Fye, Sparks, Allen, Borwick, Bottle, Fanshawe, Skinner, Grover, Simons, McIntyre, Dunn, Ashton, Davies and Perkins. A hearty welcome was extended to Miss K. Ryan, of South Perth. The chief item, part from usual routine business, was the proposed work to be undertaken during present national crisis. Miss Homan and Bottle agreed to take a group of women at their hospitals for lectures in practical work. Miss Borwick also suggested that members, should meet at the clubroom, for sewing and making medical dressings, etc. The proposal was approved unanimously. The meeting closed at 9.45 p.m., after which supper was served.

VICTORIA PARK

Business was brisk at the general meeting on August 23, presided over by Mrs. Barnett. Mesdames Tolmie and Wall, the hospital visitors for August, reported that there were 43 patients in the Edward Millen Home. Two bereavements and one distress case were attended to. Mesdames Barnett and Tolmie were chosen to represent the auxiliary at conference with Mrs. F. Matthews, as proxy delegate. Several doyleys were brought to the meeting for the auxiliary's stall at the Exhibition. Members are advised that the next general meeting will be held on Thursday, September 21, instead of on the Friday night, as there will be a united social at Anzac House, to which all members are invited. A special meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Barnett to discuss the birthday party, which was fixed for Monday, September 11. Mrs. Scrace won the raffle and tea and biscuits concluded a very interesting evening.

CARLISLE

The meeting on August 14 was well attended. The president (Mrs. Gilsenan) was in the chair. A very pleasant ceremony was performed very gracefully by the vice-president (Mrs. Nicol) who presented Mrs. Gilsenan with a Certificate of Service in acknowledgment of her invaluable work during the past three years. The sub-branch has challenged the auxiliary to a sports night at the Carlisle R.S.L. hall. Various games and mild sports as well as bridge will be played.

WEST LEEDEVILLE-WEMBLEY

Because of inclement weather, there were only 21 members present at the monthly meeting on August 23. Mrs. Turpin, president of the Subiaco auxiliary, attended the meeting in order to assist members with the details of a concert and dance, to be given by the Subiaco auxiliary, in aid of amelioration funds, in the West Leederville Town Hall on Tuesday, October 17. Members are now busy working for the annual children's plain and fancy dress ball, to be held on Saturday, September 28, in the West Leederville Town Hall. This effort is in aid of amelioration funds.

NEDLANDS

On Sunday, August 13, the women's auxiliary entertained about 60 to 70 patients from the following; Lemon, Edward Millen, Home of Peace and Old Men's Home to a picture show (by kind courtesy of Suburban Theatres Ltd. and Fox Films) and afterwards to high tea. A musical programme contributed by the following; Mr. Jack Harrision, Miss Beryl Northover, Mr. and Mrs. Bates, Messrs. Hopperton and Bishop. One most enjoyable function was held and thoroughly enjoyed. Thanks are extended to Mrs. Randall and her happy band of workers for the wonderful effort.

MT. HAWTHORN-NTH. LEEDEVILLE

The fortnightly meeting on August 10 took the form of a "Back to Childhood Days" and the sports teams of all other auxiliaries were invited. A really time was spent in spite of the inclement weather. A presentation was made to the sports director, Mr. Rowles. Mrs. Williams supplied the music for dancing and a dainty supper was served. The meeting on August 24 was well attended, Mrs. Kay president. Hospital visitors for the month were Mesdames Billings, Fbewson, J. Murphy and Smith (Rep. ward), Hearn and Reader (Old Men's Home). Members are busy working for a bazaar. The bridge and rummy parties, which are held every Monday night continue to be popular. Ladies interested in bridge please remember that Mrs. Bevan, runs a bridge afternoon every Tuesday in Monash House, at the corner of King and Hay Streets, Perth.

F.U.S.W.

At the monthly meeting on September 7, a motion was carried welcoming all wives, mothers, sisters and daughters of sailors and soldiers who now stand as the fighting forces of our State of Western Australia. Forms for the Women's Voluntary Register for national service were distributed by Mrs. Bessell-Browne. A telegram of greeting and thanks for an offer to help by the union was read from Lady Gowrie. Mrs. C. H. E. Manning spoke on aspects of the work being done on behalf of the unemployed in England. Mr. Anderson (State Executive) spoke about post-war work for soldiers and their dependents. He stressed the fact that, during the present conflict, the community should profit by the experience of the last war. A musical programme, arranged by Mrs. Carmody, contained items by the following artists: Miss Molly Wagner (piano), Miss Pat Weyher (soprano), Miss Audrey Fennel (songs), Miss McGillan (recitation), Mrs. Carmody (songs) and Mr. G. Simmons (violin solo).
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<td>10th LIGHT HORSE ASSOCIATION</td>
<td>Anzac House, Perth</td>
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<td>R. R. Redshaw, Suburban Road, South Perth</td>
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## R.S.L. SUB-BRANCH AND UNIT ASSOCIATION DIRECTORY

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<td><strong>BASSENDAN</strong></td>
<td>Town Hall Basement</td>
<td>Alternate Thursday (pension days, 7.30 p.m.)</td>
<td>A. W. Hart, 4th Avenue, Bassendean</td>
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<td>R.S.L. Hall</td>
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<td>Alt. Tuesdays, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>D. Scott, 20 Copley St., Bayswater</td>
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<p>| <strong>GLOUCESTER PARK</strong>         | Anzac House                          | 1st Thursday    | O. W. Strang, Albany Road, Victoria Park N. Park, News, Dwellingup |
| <strong>GNOWANGERUP</strong>             | Soldiers' Room                       | 1st Thursday, 8 p.m. | G. W. Clarke, Gwalia                        | E. Way, Gwalia       |
| <strong>GUTHA</strong>                   | R.S.L. Hall                          | 1st Sunday, 3 p.m. | E. Holtsough, Wokalup Phone, Harvey 108M | H. H. James, Forests Department, Brookman Street, Kalgoorlie |
| <strong>GWALLA</strong>                  | State Hotel                          | 1st Thursday, 8 p.m. | E. Way, Gwalia                             | V. Monti           |
| <strong>HARVEY</strong>                  | R.S.L. Hall                          | 2nd Tuesday, 8 p.m. | H. W. A. Talor, Kaing, J. R. Hall, Kellerberrin | S. S. Waycott, St. Mary's |
| <strong>KALGOORLIE</strong>              | Soldiers' Institute                  | Every 2nd Tuesday in month at 8 p.m.; Executive, alternate Fridays | H. G. Kean, Gwooringup | D. P. Edwards, Kalgoorlie |
| <strong>KARRIDALE &amp; DISTRICT</strong>    | Derby                                | Bi-monthly      | V. Moni                                    | D. C. McPhail, Kojonup |
| <strong>KIMBERLEY</strong>               | Club Rooms, Carew Street             | 1st Thursdays   | Dr. H. E. Clarke, Gwalia                    | E. W. Robinson, Kooyong |
| <strong>KATANNING</strong>               | Club Rooms, Carew Street             | When called     | B. H. Lofthouse, Wokalup Phone, Harvey 108M| R. V. C. Davidson, Kulin |
| <strong>KELLERBERRIN</strong>            | Alternate Kellerberrin and Tammin    | 2nd Wednesday, 8 p.m. | H. M. James, Forests Department, Brookman Street, Kalgoorlie | M. P. Campbell, Katanning |
| <strong>KOJONUP</strong>                 | Memorial Hall, Kojonup               | 4th Friday, 8 p.m. | J. C. A. Pike, &quot;Falcondale,&quot; Kellerberrin  | J. H. Hannan, Kellerberrin |
| <strong>KOORDA</strong>                  | Koorda                               | Quarterly (committee, 1st Friday) | G. Markey, Kellerberrin                     | D. C. McPhail, Kojonup |
| <strong>KUKERIN</strong>                 | Kukerin Hotel                        | Last Saturday, quarterly (Jan., April, July, Oct.) | J. C. A. Pike, &quot;Falcondale,&quot; Kellerberrin | E. W. Robinson, Kooyong |
| <strong>KULIN</strong>                   | R.S.L. Institute                     | When called     | G. Markey, Kulin                           | R. V. C. Davidson, Kulin |
| <strong>LAKE GRACE</strong>              | Road Board Hall                      | When called     | J. Collinson, Lake Grace                    | W. A. Tumber, Lake Grace |
| <strong>LAKE KING</strong>               | Lake King Hall                       | 2nd Sunday in month | R. D. Allen, Lake King                      | E. Wood, Lake Grace |
| <strong>MANJIMUP</strong>                | Town Hall, Manjimup: Jarree No. 1 State Mill | 2nd Thursday, 8 p.m. | J. L. Mackenzie, Manjimup                   | M. G. Johnston, Lake King |
| <strong>MOUNT BARKER</strong>            | Mt. Barker                           | When called     | H. V. Jenkinson, Mt. Barker                 | B. Beer, Manjimup |
| <strong>MAYLANDS</strong>                | Supper Room, Town Hall, Maylands    | Alt. Thursdays, 7.30 p.m. | Mr. S. Horton, Alma Road, Mt. Lawley        | L. T. King, 10 Carrington Street, Mt. Lawley |</p>
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<td>O. J. Williams, 21 Grosvenor Rd., Mt. Lawley</td>
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<td>J. M. Anderson, 33 Tyrell Street, Nedlands</td>
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<td>D. G. Kinlock, Newdegate</td>
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<td>NORTH - EAST FREMANTLE</td>
<td>Artillery barracks, Burt Street, Fremantle</td>
<td>3rd Saturday, 9 p.m.</td>
<td>Lieut.-Colonel H. C. Bunck, Artillery Barracks</td>
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<td>E. S. Watt, c/o Imperial Print, Hay St, Perth</td>
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