The EMPIRE AT BAY

"I say this with more confidence because we are no longer a small island lost in the northern mists, but around us gather in proud array all the nations of the British Empire, and now across the Atlantic the mighty public of the United States proclaims itself on our side, or at any rate near our side." — Mr. Churchill in the House of Commons, on May 7, 1941.

Since the days of Queen Victoria, May has been regarded as the month of Empire. This year it is the month of the Empire at Bay, the month of an Empire fighting for its very existence against implacable and ruthless foes, but fighting with knowledge that the conflict can end in no compromise, and the determination to win however prolonged the struggle may be. The stern test which confronts us is a challenge that can be accepted only by a courageous and united people. It is an ordeal that could never be endured by cravens or faint-hearts. It calls for all the valour and fortitude which have enabled a small island race to plant its banners and carry on its civilising mission in all the quarters of the Seven Seas. The qualities which made the Empire possible will save it now, despite the recrudescence of mediaeval barbarism which threatens it.

Empires, like individuals, pass through their periods of slumber. Not once, nor twice in our rude island story has a period of epic heroism been succeeded by one of political debility. The reaction which set in after the last war showed all the symptoms of the reaction that followed the Peninsular War and earlier wars, but in a more virulent form. The crass commercialism of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries was added the toxins of purblind pacifism and appeasement. The result was the condition of military impotence which permitted the mid-European cauldron to boil over.

Fortunately, the danger of extinction has again called forth the powers of resilience which have stood the Empire in such good stead in the past. Like the Kaiser, Hitler and Mussolini had hoped that the first shot of the war would cause the crumbling of an outwardly seeming mighty Empire. Like the Kaiser, and like the greatest dictator of them all—Napoleon—Hitler and Mussolini will learn in suffering and defeat that the dormant lion is never more dangerous than when finally aroused to action. There are already indications that they realise that, if the Empire cannot be overthrown, their knell is rung. Our enemies made the fundamental mistake of believing they were challenging a loose agglomeration of English-speaking democracies. Actually, they provoked a Commonwealth of Nations, united by the strong invisible bonds of race, language and spiritual and political affinity. That the Empire is one of this character is due to a statesmanlike ability to profit by the errors of the past.

The errors which led to the revolt of the American colonies also led to the foundation of Australia, and ultimately of New Zealand. What was even more important, that revolt made such a profound impression upon succeeding British administrations that the mistakes of George III and Lord North were never repeated. In fact, there was a tendency to go to the other extreme. Less than a hundred years ago, a Mr. Rogers, who was then Permanent Under Secretary for the Colonies, stated that the function of the Colonial Office was to secure that Britain's connection with the colonies, "while it lasts, shall be as profitable as possible to both-parties, and our separation, when it comes, as amicable as possible." In this declaration there was the implied prophecy that the colonies, when sufficiently developed, would go their own way, just as sons leave the parental roof on reaching man's estate. The subsequent development of the Empire has negated that prophecy. It was the greatest Imperial statesman of the nineteenth century, Benjamin Disraeli, who defined a new concept of Empire: "Imperium and Libertas." Disraeli, for the first time in modern history, showed that a mighty and enduring Empire could be reared on the basis of the seemingly opposed ideals of Empire and Liberty. Such a concept was necessary, if the vast colonial expansion of the nineteenth century was to become something stable and enduring. That concept was the levelling which made possible the growth from Crown Colony to the Dominion Status which has found its fullest expression in the Statute of Westminster. Because the colonial expansion of the last century was the widest and most rapid during the long reign of Queen Victoria, that monarch came to be regarded as the Madonna of Empire, and her birthday, May 24, was selected as Empire Day, in the year that followed her death.

Foes abroad have always disliked the British Empire, because and in spite of mistakes in its long and troubled history it has always stood for liberty. It has been virulently attacked as an obstacle by the exponents of Nazism and Communism, the opposite and reverse of a spurious ideology. Faint hearts and potential traitors at home have prattled glibly about something they call Imperialism, just as more lately they have had much to say about aggressive nationalism. Such prattlings have emanated from a complete and perhaps willful misunderstanding of the Empire's history and its ideals. Many loyal Britons with a fuller understanding of history prefer the term "British Commonwealth of Nations" to "British Empire." Perhaps the longer term is a truer definition in the light of past history and present development, but one thinks the term "British Empire" will remain in use as a shorter and more convenient name. Australia has often been complimented on calling herself by the grand old English name "Common-
Notwithstanding the restrictions placed on normal trading by the war and the circumstances such as shipping difficulties that have resulted from it, the League is again keeping the flag of Empire and Local Trading flying. When the Empire Shopping Week movement was inaugurated six years ago, the object was to convert the Empire into a self-contained economic unit. The public were taught that buying, like charity, should begin at home; therefore, people were asked to give preference in their buying to goods produced in their own State, then to goods produced in Australia, and finally to goods produced within the Empire. The movement was not without opponents, especially among those extraordinary people who feared that, by doing something for ourselves, we might give offence to nations that were already arrayed to fight us. Notwithstanding such criticisms, the reciprocity movement grew and a decisive step was taken with the conclusion of the Ottawa Agreements.

Those agreements were not perfect, and they have been the subject of revision in more recent years; but they marked the beginning of a new era. The Dominions and the Colonies were no longer regarded as fields for exploitation, as they were in the eighteenth century; they were accepted as partners in the firm of John Bull and Sons. The most trenchant criticisms that were made of the agreements was that they were too favourable to the junior partners. The revisions already referred to have done much to adjust inequalities, while the internationally minded persons who can see good in every country but their own were reminded that there was nothing to prevent other countries from forming similar economic groups, or from linking up with the British group by means of trade treaties as, indeed, certain friendly countries had already done. A modification in outlook occurred at the time of the last Imperial Conference when, at the instance of Canada, attempts were made to bring the United States within the orbit of Ottawa. Canada did negotiate trade agreements with her next-door neighbour, and both Britain and Australia were in the process of doing so when the negotiations were interrupted by the outbreak of war.

That calamity has, perforce, compelled the Empire as a whole, and Empire countries as individuals, to make themselves as economically self-contained as possible. In the years that preceded the war, all sorts of well-meaning people used to tell us that a policy of economic nationalism, by which one supposes they meant economic self-sufficiency, must inevitably cause war. The experience of the past two years has shown that the converse is true. The threat of war has greatly accelerated the growth of economic self-sufficiency, without which countries as isolated as Australia might conceivably share the fate of Yugoslavia and other countries that were unable to continue the struggle against a more industrialised enemy. The war has compelled the Empire to become an economic unit, with which the United States is linked for purposes of supplying Britain with the armaments of war. It has compelled Dominions to strive after becoming economic units within a larger unit. But the most striking development in the economic history of the Empire has been the formation of the Eastern Group Conference, with its headquarters at Delhi, for the purpose of supplying the war needs and pooling the resources of the countries East of Suez.
As far as Australia is concerned, the war has operated in two directions. It has opened up prospects of new markets, the markets we should have cultivated long ago, in the countries that lie nearest us. Certainly, our wool clip has been bought in advance by the British Government, but there are a host of exportable products that we still can sell to India, Malaya and the East Indies, for the simple reason that those prospective customers can no longer obtain them from other sources. The other difficulty is not in the way of exploiting these near markets is the present shortage of shipping space.

The other way in which the war has operated has been the great stimulus it has given to Australian industry. Less than 30 years ago Eastern States newspapers ridiculed the suggestion that such simple things as wooden clothes-pegs could be produced in Australia. Five years ago the suggestion that aircraft, tanks and Bren guns could be manufactured on a paying basis in the Commonwealth would have been greeted with even greater ridicule. This position was summed up succinctly by the Leader of the Federal Opposition (Mr. J. Curtin) who said that the present struggle required an industrial effort so great that no present limits could be set to it. It was an effort, he said, which an previous programme had regarded as so ambitious as to be beyond realisation.

"It is not beyond realisation," Mr. Curtin pointed out, "because we have proved that by doing so much up to date we are better qualified to do much more." Mr. Curtin thus gave an industrial expression to the homely old saying, "Nothing succeeds like Success." The paper in which his remarks were published was the first issue of "The War on Australian" that was printed on paper produced entirely in Australia. And here is another point of interest: In the last war, Britain supplied us with munitions; in this war, anti-aircraft guns round London are being brought down Hun raiders with shells made in Australia.

One could enlarge on the large and remunerative contracts Australia has secured from India; and one can look forward to the recommendations of the recent special economic committee which examined our own State's resources in relation to the war effort in the hope that we shall, at long last, secure a more equitable distribution of defence work. But the healthiest sign of the times is that the old inferiority complex regarding locally-made goods is now happily dead. It has been the work of the League, through its Empire and Local Trading Council, to bring about that happy ending to a very unhappy position. Under present circumstances, this year's concerted effort will serve to keep the flag flying, and maintain that spirit of loyalty to locally-manufactured goods, and after that to goods produced in other parts of Australia and the Empire. To some, it may appear an unnecessary effort, but it should be remembered that war-time fervour is so often die down into the feeble glows of peace-time apathy. That process must be prevented, if we are to retain the tremendous advantages and maintain the stimulus the war has given to local industries.

Another returned man who has received well-merited promotion in the State service is Mr. G. K. Baron-Hay, having received the appointment as Under-Secretary for Agriculture and the North-West. For ten years Mr. Baron-Hay was Superintendent of Dalrymple.
After much delay the R.S.L. Volunteer Defence Corps is being taken over by the Department of the Army and arrangements are being made to include others than returned soldiers. The W.A. quota is 6,000, but this is only tentative, and units may enlist many more than their quota, those above it being accepted as reserves. Three battalions will be raised in the metropolitan area and seven over the rest of the State.

General Sir Harry Chauvel has been appointed Inspector-in-Chief, and appointments already made in this State are Corps Commander, Brigadier-General A. J. Bessell Browne, C.B., D.S.O., V.D.; Deputy Corps Commander, Colonel I. E. Dunkley, E.D.; Senior Staff Officer, Captain Allan Martin, M.C.; Reconnaissance Officer, Mr. R. A. Nicholas; Administration and Records, Messrs. L. J. Bickford and P. Tomlinson. To command battalions in the metropolitan area: Perth, Lieut.-Colonel J. S. Denton, D.S.O.; Fremantle, Colonel I. E. Dunkley, E.D.; Swan, Lieut.-Colonel A. H. Sweetapple, E.D. The V.D.C. Staff Officer at Western Command is Captain L. G. R. Challen, M.C.

The object of the force is to augment the local defence of the Commonwealth by providing:

(a) Static defence of localities;
(b) Protection of vulnerable and key points;
(c) Guerilla warfare activities;
(d) Timely warning of enemy movements to superior military organisations.

Since the V.D.C. has been assigned a definite role in the defence plans, it is essential that it function in proper co-ordination with the other parts of the Military Forces, under the command of the appropriate military authorities. The contemplated employment of the V.D.C. is essentially for static defence and, other than in exceptional cases, in their home localities. This consideration will determine the employment of particular units in coastal areas, at aerodromes, broadcasting stations, on lines of communications, etc.

The V.D.C. is a voluntary, unpaid, part-time force, having its origin in the desire of ex-service men and others engaged in ordinary civilian occupations, to make some active and voluntary contribution to defence, especially in the defence of their own localities. Neither the instructions governing their activities nor the terms of enrolment require full-time service, as such service would deprive many who are anxious to serve from so doing and would take away others from work of national importance. Where the need for continuous duty appropriate to the V.D.C. arises, it should be met by recourse to a “shift” system. It is visualised that units of the V.D.C. will only be employed on continuous full-time duty to meet an immediate local threat. At all other times the nature of their civil duties would require that they should continue to discharge these functions. In this respect, they differ from garrison battalions and other portions of the A.M.F. which may be mobilised and moved from place to place as required.

The Corps will be organised, controlled and administered by the Military Board, but the V.D.C. in each military district will be organised by the District Commandant through the V.D.C. commander for that military district, and the staff officer will be responsible for assisting the G.O.C. or District Commandant in such matters.

The G.O.C. is responsible for the organisation of each district in groups with further sub-divisions into battalions.

Battalions will be composed of companies, consisting of platoons and sections according to the local defence requirements. Sections will consist of 10 members and, subject to local requirements, provided that any reduced number is sufficient to ensure relief of personnel required for duty.

In the grouping of sections into platoons, companies and battalions, the general basis will be three sections to a platoon, three platoons to a company, and companies into a battalion: but this grouping may be varied to suit local requirements and to facilitate administration. In most cases, four companies to a battalion will be adopted.

District Commandants will determine in what localities units will be formed, and having regard to the nature of the duties (i.e., static defence) allotted to the Corps, will determine whether the grouping of detached companies into battalions will serve any useful purpose.

The R.S.L. has agreed to assist in the recruiting of personnel, and organisation of approved units, but the officials of the League, as such, will not constitute part of the V.D.C. and once constituted units of the V.D.C. will be commanded and administered through the normal channels of their own organisation under command of district headquarters.

The State President of the R.S.L. or an official nominated by him will be the honorary organiser of the V.D.C. for the State.

Liaison between area officers and local V.D.C. commanders will be established under arrangement made by District Commandants, especially in respect of persons of military age but exempt from military training.

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The approved establishment of the V.D.C. is 50,000, and the tentative distribution to commands is: Northern Command—39,000; Eastern Command, 17,000; Southern Command—3 M.D., 10,000; 4 M.D., 6,000; 6 M.D., 2,000; Western Command, 6,000.

In recruiting, preference will be given to returned men, whether former members of the A.I.F. or members of the Imperial or Dominion forces, to members of rifle clubs, and also to those whose civil avocations fit them to play some special part in the activities of the V.D.C. There is also scope for those patriotic citizens who desire to make an active and voluntary contribution to defence, especially the defence of their own localities. The requirements is self-contained detachments capable of giving a good account of themselves in the tasks assigned.

The Corps is organised on the principles of equality of service and status. There will accordingly be no system of army "ranks," the leaders will be given "appointments" suitably graded according to the size of the units they control. All appointments will be acting and unpaid. All such appointments as the Corps may be employed continuously.

No member of the V.D.C. holding appointments shall exercise command over any part of the Australian Military Forces other than the Corps.

The requirements of personnel is that they shall be males between the ages of 18 and 65 years, normally natural-born British subjects and of reasonably physical fitness. Enrolment should be for the period of the war, but such enrolment will not exempt volunteers from liability to any service otherwise required by the Defence Act.

Enrolment will be subject to the following special conditions:

(i) The services of a volunteer may be determined at any time in accordance with instructions issued by or on behalf of the Military Board;

(ii) A volunteer may give 14 days' notice in writing to terminate his engagement. Such notice shall be lodged with the member's immediate commander who will forward through the normal channel to the appropriate authority. All uniforms, arms and equipment on issue to the volunteer shall be handed in at the same time.

(iii) Where, in the opinion of the battalion commander, the retention of a volunteer's services is prejudicial to the well-being of his unit, such commander may direct his discharge:

(iv) Any person holding a commission may enrol as a member of the V.D.C., but whilst so enrolled his commission will be dormant. (In all such cases headquarters, commands will be notified to enable the Reserve of Officers List to be kept up to date.

Applicants for enrolment will be warned that such enrolment does not exempt them from any liability to register and to be called up for service under the provisions of the Defence Act.

The following articles will be issued to members of the V.D.C. as supplies become available: Hat (khaki fur), jacket, trousers, shirt (uniform pattern), gaiters (S.D.), boots (A.B. half heavy tan), arm band (khaki).

All members of the V.D.C., irrespective of any appointment, will wear the approved arm band, securely stitched to the sleeve of the right arm, mid-way between shoulder and elbow. Subject to this requirement, only the Inspector-in-Chief and Commanders may wear the prescribed uniform and badges of their military rank.

The grade of appointment will be indicated by distinctions worn on the arm band as follows: Commander, red; Group Commander, grey; Battalion Commander, yellow; Company Commander, green; Platoon Leader, white; Section Leader, purple; Administrative Staff, light blue.

These colours will be shown by means of a strip of coloured cloth stitched from end to end to the arm and showing three-quarters of an inch above the top thereof, and ex-service members of the Corps will insert in the two-inch square between the two sets of lettering on armlets a miniature distinguishing colour patch of the wearer's unit. Ribbons of medals, decorations and orders will be worn.

The Corps being part of the Defence Forces, an enrolled volunteer is thus subject to the requirements of the Defence Act.

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to military law as a soldier, notwithstanding that he may hold a commission in any other of the Defence Forces, and he is liable to obey such orders as may be given to him.

Summary punishments excepting when they are called up for full-time duty will not be awarded to volunteers. If a volunteer proves himself to be not amenable to discipline to such a degree as to impair the efficient discharge of his duties, or to be negligent in the discharge of such duties, or if he shows he cannot be depended upon to fulfil the obligations which he has undertaken, he will be discharged by competent authority under the heading "services no longer required."

Pending supplies of arms and ammunition becoming available, District Commandants are requested to foster a spirit of close co-operation between the V.D.C. and other units of the Defence Forces, so that opportunity to handle arms may be afforded to the Corps.

It is recognised that the arrangements for the accommodation for V.D.C. units will vary greatly. It is essential that these units should have office and store accommodation. In many districts these requirements will doubtless be met at little or no charge by local sub-branches of the R.S.S.A.I.L.A. or by municipal authorities, or it may be possible to provide certain accommodation in the local drill halls.

Volunteers are to be accepted as fit for Class 11B (or for any duty other than with field formations) but with modifications as to age. The procedure laid down for militia forces will be followed in the case of injury or illness on duty of members.

Training will be carried out as far as practicable in the area in which the units will operate in an emergency, and such training will be designed to fit the Corps to carry out the particular roles assigned to them. Training instructors will be issued from time to time.

The enrolment form is being printed and supplies will be forwarded as soon as available.

**Sons of Soldiers' League**

Any Sons whose branches are in recess through the war are cordially invited to join either Mr. Hawthorn or Perth (both of which are functioning) during the period of the recess of their branches. It is a pity for the Sons to be at a loose end. In an endeavour to avoid this, the invitation is extended.

At the games will start shortly, those who would care to avail themselves of this opportunity are asked to get into touch with either Mr. Hawthorn or Perth sub-branch as soon as possible.

Mr. Hawthorn's meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month and every Sunday morning. Perth's meetings are on the first and third Tuesdays.

**HIT HITLER WITH THE SILVER BULLET**

We have passed through a period of considerable excitement, in which the thrills were superimposed on a background of anxiety. All true Australians felt glowing pride in the exploits of our men in Greece and in North Africa. That pride was again increased by the knowledge that once more our forces were receiving skilled leadership in battle that their fighting qualities deserved. There was a period of anxiety, increased by the fog of war, when all the news available was the news that our forces were falling back, after taking terrible toll of the enemy. Until the news came through that the major part of the forces had been evacuated from Greece, there was much uneasiness, but that uneasiness was allayed by the memory of how an even larger force was evacuated from the beaches at Dunkirk, in the face of even greater opposition. There will still be anxiety for many, and sorrow for many more, until the final casualty lists are made public, but again those emotions will be tinged with pride in the new lustre that the young A.I.F. and their Enzed cobbers have added to the already imperishable laurels of Anzac.

In the Press report of the fighting, there were two outstanding facts. Man to man, the Digger of to-day is immeasurably superior to the German swashbucklers, just as the Digger of 1914 was superior to the Kaiser's legions. It was only in numbers and in mechanisation that the enemy had any advantage. Not only did our forces inflict terrible casualties on the enemy, but, in spite of their limited resources, and the even more limited resources of their Greek Allies, they took a costly toll of his vaunted tanks and dive-bombers. What a different tale there might
have been to tell had the superiority in armaments been on our side, and what a terrible instrument we shall have to use at the back of history if we fail to offset the eight years' start we allowed the enemy to get. It is reported that Australians being evacuated from Greece had no complaint to make about the hardships they had endured or the hard fighting they had had to do. They realised they were there to fight and to endure hardships. That was their job, and they did that job, cheerfully and faithfully. But, they frequently asked, where were our own aircraft. Again, according to a recent Press report, an Australian officer, who helped to repulse the enemy at Tobruk, declared: "If we only had the tanks we'd go through them like a knife through cheese."

And that brings us to our own task on the home front. It is our job to see that these tanks and aircraft are provided. It is our job to see that, when our men are not fighting, they are made as comfortable behind the lines as the circumstances of the war will permit. Only by providing comforts beyond the ration scale, means of employment, leisure and equipment and armaments equal, if not superior, to those of the enemy will we send our men into battle as they should be sent. Only by those means will we help them to exploit that undoubted superiority they hold over the enemy as men. This month, every man, woman and child in Australia is being asked to do something towards doing this for our men. During the month you will be asked to give what you can to two appeals.

The first of course, is the Commonwealth War and Works Loan of thirty-five million pounds. That seems a terrific amount when compared with past loans and the cost of past wars, but even that vast sum is only a portion of what the war has cost to date, and what will be required before it is over. Progress reports that have been made since the present loan was launched show that the banks, the financial institutions of Australia and the big business firms have again responded well to the appeal. It is the small investor, the millions of private persons, that the Government wants to reach. The arrangements under which the loan is being issued make it possible for even the small wage-earner to invest, and this is an occasion when the small man's humble subscription will help to swell the total and so help to overthrow Hitler. Had this wicked man, as Mr. Winston Churchill has so often called him, had this infamous gangster lived in the Middle Ages, men would have said that he had sold his soul to the Devil. In these more scientific days, we use a different mode of speech, but the underlying thought is very similar. And yet we have carried out an infamous bargain with the Evil One; but he, and his accomplice Mussolini, are just as much the servants of evil forces as if they had entered into a compact with Satan. In the Middle Ages, men believed that such men as Hitler and Mussolini had received from the Devil (their master) a charm which rendered them safe against steel or ordinary bullets. They can be killed only by silver bullets. In our own more commercialised age, we have realised the tremendous part that the economic factor plays in modern wars. But do we realise that every subscription to the war loan, no matter how small, is another silver bullet which will shoot these European gangsters back into obscurity from which they emerged to plague the world? It is rather bad luck for the Red Cross Society that its Month of May appeal for twenty thousand pounds should have been.

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gers and other goods could be marketed so as to be able to find the means to subscribe to both. This is indeed one of the times when, in the words of Kipling, we must pass the hat for our credit's sake and pay, pay, pay.

MAN-POWER AND RESERVED OCCUPATIONS

The question of reserved occupations is one which has concerned the League for some considerable time, especially as farming has been included in these reserved occupations. Rightly or wrongly, it has been felt that a certain revision might be made to allow cer-
tain farmers to enlist. That view is based on the position of the farming industry to-day, and on the fact that the difficulties which are said to result from a war by a huge carry-over and the new policy of registration and licensing. Some time ago, the Kojonup sub-branch forwarded to League headquarters a suggestion that the list of reserved occupations should be revised, and that the farmers be allowed certain facilities on small holdings to enlist. The suggestion was forwarded to the proper authorities, and the position has now been clarified in a reply received from the District Man-Power Officer (Brigadier-General R. F. Martin).

"A farmer who was designated as a 'working principal,'" the reply stated, "was totally reserved under the regulations. That is, there is no age limit. Agriculture in all its activities is one of the essential industries. As time goes on the list of reserved occupations will be revised, and certain industries which are not of paramount importance will be cut out of the list, or considerably re-trenched; but it is very doubtful if any change will be made regarding the agricultural indus-
try. Wherever it has been satisfactorily est-
ablished that a farmer has been able to arrange for the proper carrying-on of his property during his absence, he is allowed to join the fighting forces. Farmers had their drawbacks because, in several cases, a farmer has found his property being neglected, and he has had to apply for release from the Army. While every consideration is given to the man who wants to enlist in the fighting forces," Brigadier-General Martin concluded, "the matter has to be looked at, not from a personal, but from the national point of view.

That reply was published for general in-
formation on Monday, May 5. On the same day, it was stated in the Press, and on the authority of the Minister for Labour (Mr. Holt), that a complete review of the reserved occupation list would have to be made to see what matter could be disposed of, and the production of war equipment. On the follow-

ing day, the chairman of the Man-Power Committee (Sir Carl Jess) conferred with the Minister, the Secretary of the Labour De-
partment (Dr. R. Wilson) and the Assistant Secretary of the Department (Mr. Murphy), on the revision of the list.

Mr. Holt said that, at the beginning of the war, workers in some primary industries were needed more than they are needed now, when the production of our munitions had increased and increased the market for their products. "Empha-
sis must be placed on munitions production and the fulfilment of the industrial pro-
grame," Mr. Holt said. The Minister also stated that the question of employing more

women in industry was problematic. He did not agree with the general opinion that thousands of women are available to replace men in industry. On examination, that idea might be proved quite erroneous. Mr. Holt pointed out that the clothing trades were already finding it difficult to obtain women for jobs usually filled by men.

DANGER AREA OF GOSSIP WIDENED

Military intelligence officers emphasise the fact that extension of the field of hostilities in the war widens the danger field for gossip and the public discussion of service activities.

The well-kept secrets of the war, so far as Australia is concerned, must be kept secret a long time yet. Suffice it to say that there are many people in this country who have been able to maintain a still tongue and a poker face, in spite of all temptations to appear clever or important by talking. The result has been the safe arrival of thousands of Australian troops at their overseas destinations, as well as many other successful war missions on the part of all three services, of most of which it is still not expedient to speak specifically.

The problem of the wagging tongue has been enhanced a thousand-fold by fast, modern communications—by the air mail and the radio, and by the speed of modern newspaper publication. The word lightly spoken cannot in these days be recalled before the mis-
chief is done.

The responsibility upon the private citizen to maintain silence and exercise discretion is increased, therefore, in the same measure. The entry of Australia into new theatres of war, or the possibility of war, further broadens the danger. Members of the fighting services or the public service, employees of businesses engaged upon service contracts, and staffs of establishments employed upon communications are therefore enjoined to even greater caution than they have practised in the past.

SOLDIERS' CHILDREN'S SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

A meeting of the Scholarship Trust was held at the Repatriation Department on April 18, 1941.

Mr. R. A. Wood was appointed as R.S.L. representative on the Trust Committee vice Mr. R. J. Aberle.

Mrs. E. A. Evans tendered her resignation as a member of the committee owing to ill-health.

The secretary reported that donations towards the funds of the Trust have been re-
ceived from the following: R. W. Blythe, £2; Friendly Union of Soldiers' Wives, £6/1/6; Swan View—Greenmount Women's Auxiliary, 10/6; Mosman Park Women's Auxiliary, 21/1; Victoria Park Women's Auxiliary, 41/1; Scholarship Fund, £60.

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Our Albany correspondent sends the following casualty report:

We regret that Mrs. Livey, wife of Syd. of Napier, is again in hospital. Best of wishes for a speedy recovery.

Syd. Coles has had a bad turn which necessitated his taking to his bed for some days, but he is about again, although not in his usual self. He proposes having a few days in Perth shortly.

Lofty Jewhirst has departed overseas with the Merchant Navy and, by the way, one of Syd. Coles' sons went with him. That makes two Syd. has in that little-known branch of war service.

Another of Syd.'s lads is being invalidated down from the N.T. and is likely to have a spell in hospital. Information will be hand to all interested and any wishes will be appreciated by his father, we know.

With deep regret we learn from our Midland Junction correspondent of the sudden death of Sergeant Jim Caple, an old and esteemed member of our sub-branch. Our late comrade was well known and well liked, and his passing came as a shock to his relatives and a host of friends. We join with the sub-branch in extending deepest sympathy to his relatives and friends.

The recent municipal elections caused a flutter of excitement among ex-service men in Midland Junction. Two members of the sub-branch, Past President Arthur Porton and Vis Emery, a popular sportsman and publicist, Ted Dawsett, were among the candidates. After a cleanly-contested election, Arthur Porton was elected, and Ted Dawsett was one of the first to congratulate him. The newly-elected councillor is to be congratulated on another count. At a recent sub-branch meeting, Colonel Olden, as Senior Vice-President of the W.A. Branch, presented him with a Certificate of Service.

J. Sampson, secretary of the Midland Junction sub-branch, has been a patient in the Repat. Ward of the Perth General Hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

News has been received of the promotion to his present rank of Major-General Arthur Selby, who is now on active service again on the staff of General Wavell. This big, hefty West Australian is a son of the late Mr. A. Selby, who for many years was a well-known architect in Perth. Major-General Selby was born at West Leederville and educated at Scotch College. He was one of the first batch of Staff Cadets to go from this State to the Royal Military College, Duntroon. When the war broke out in 1914, he left Australia as a subaltern in the 11th Battalion and was severely wounded in action in the Gallipoli campaign. After the war, he passed to Staff College and was then transferred to the British Army with the rank of Major, serving in England, Ireland, India and Egypt. He was a Brigadier in General Wavell's victorious operations in Libya.

We congratulate a former contributor, Mr. P. A. Scott, of the State Employment Department, on his appointment to the post of Inspector in the employment division of the Commonwealth Department of Labour and National Service. Mr. Scott served in the last war with the 28th Battalion, and has been associated with the State Public Service for the past 21 years.

Ronald Monson, formerly of the literary staff of "The West Australian" has crowded much adventure into his life, although he was just young enough to miss the last war. Some years ago, he walked through Africa from the Cape to Cairo and wrote a very fine book about his travels. More recently, he has been in China and other places where bombs were bursting and bullets were flying. He is now a war correspondent. Monson made a narrow escape from death during the Greek evacuation, when Nazi dive-bombers dropped their bombs near him. He was bombed again at a later date, whilst being conveyed to a port somewhere in Crete.

Fred J. Abele, former Vice-President, member of the State Executive and chairman of the Anzac Club committee, who resigned these offices a few weeks ago, has been appointed to another important position and has taken over the secretaryship of the Commercial Travellers' Club in succession to another good Digger, the genial Dick Henry. Dick was on the business side of "The Daily News" before he became the club's secretary. He is now installed as manager of the Adelphi Hotel.

"Pop" Lindsay, late of Moora, is now postmaster of the sub-branch, once a well-known branch in the Moora district. During the last war he served with the 4th Division and the Corps Signals Company.

Perhaps the most amazing story of the present war was that of the sudden descent by parachute on Scotland, and the capture of Rudolph Hess, Hitler's off-sider and the only man of the Nazi party whom Hitler really trusts. Hess was born in 1895, and was one of Hitler's earliest political associates. He was with Hitler in the Munich putsch and suffered imprisonment with his friend Adolf. It is said that Hess induced Hitler to write that awful turgid work, "Mein Kampf." When the war broke out, Hess named Hitler as his Deputy Fuhrer and successor. There is an atmosphere of the story of his flight to Scotland, his parachute descent and admission to a Glasgow hospital with a broken ankle. From the meagre details which came through as we went to press, it looks as if Hess successfully staged an escape from Germany. The Nazi radio said that his mental condition was disturbed, and that he suffered from hallucinations, but that could be said of Hitler himself, and all his immediate associates.

One of those who marched in Perth on Anzac Day was one of Alex's favourite jokes is that he can't see as well as he used to, but this has not affected his hearing. When he comes to Perth Alex meets many men whom he has not seen for years, and he never makes a mistake in calling them by their names. During his recent visit, he was able to meet many old cobbers in the shrine at Anzac House.

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In our April issue, through typographical errors, the president of the Bassendean sub-branch (Mr. H. K. Minchin) was referred to as the head teacher of the Caversham State School and his service was given as with the 28th Battalion. Bassendean is in the district of the Middle Swan State School, and his service was with the 48th.

There is no doubt that Bassendean's social secretary, Bill Matthews, is a tiger for work. He is already preparing for Pop's Day. We have been informed that he has started to collect tins to hold the money he hopes to raise in next November.

Bassendean Diggers are all glad to see the sub-branch's old member, Mr. Carter, about again after a recent spell in hospital. He was taken ill at "Y" Company's recent camp at Melville. Those who have seen him lately say that he is again looking much younger than his years.

THE NAZI SWASTIKA

The question has often been asked, "Why has the swastika been adopted by Hitler as the emblem of the Nazis?" This question has once answered very definitely by Hitler's half-sister, the only member of the family for whom the Fuhrer has ever done anything. After his extraordinary rise to power, this half-sister became his house-keeper. While acting in this capacity, she told a French lady who had previously been very friendly, the following story: Even as a boy, Hitler was both morbid and neurotic, though the half-sister did not say so in many words. There were no doubtfully collected for Hitler's own use. He used to go out at night and declare that the swastika had been impressed on his soul by a spiritual vision. The swastika has its origin in the Hindu religion, and was used in ancient India, where it was used as an emblem of good luck. It is believed that the sign of good luck would counteract the forces of evil that the swastika would let loose on the world when dying; but before she died, the witch prophesied that the day would come when a man from that village would be an even greater force of evil. Hitler, like many other people, was, and still is, very superstitious. He adopted the swastika sign, which made a deep impression on him when he was a boy, as the sign of his party, but the swastika has its points turned in the opposite direction to those of the swastika which is generally accepted as the emblem of good luck. It is the male swastika which brings the wearer good fortune. That adopted by Hitler is the badge of evil and disaster. It seems hardly probable that one so steeped in superstition as Hitler was not aware of this, but the story goes that, through an unforeseen error, the male swastika was the swastika the Nazis took, and it was adopted by them in 1933.
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10 Garrison Battalion

Here we are again, calling from Rottnest. There is a strong rumour going round the unit that when we have resided here for another ten years the Island will become our own, provided we keep up the present rate of improvements. Naturally the most outstanding of these is the new canteen. This is a great improvement on the old marque. The opening ceremony was performed by the C.O. (Lieut.-Colonel H. A. Kuning), who accepted the first pot drawn, and then declared the canteen open. The canteen staff then got busy, as a goodly amount of "nectar" was "on the house."

The building of the remainder of the camp is nearing completion, and the battalion will soon be able to dodge pegs for the winter, and battalion headquarters will move from their seaside home at old Government House to "Salt Lake City," but will certainly not become Latter Day Saints.

An impressive ceremony on Anzac Day was conducted by Padre Curtis. Every unit on the Island, both naval and military, was fully represented, and the whole of the civilian population attended the service. The ladies of the Island provided flowers, and the ceremony was held on perfect weather outside the tearooms. Major E. Robertson was in command of the parade, which concluded with a march past.

Headquarters Company say that the promotion to commissioned rank of Lieut. E. E. Mower and Lieut. White is, in the opinion of the rank and file, well deserved, and that neither of these gentlemen will let their elevation affect the size of their headgear. We all extend to them our hearty congratulations.

There is a large class of budding N.C.O.s under the instruction of R.S.M. Anderson, whose capabilities in the imparting of the necessary knowledge are well known. There is nothing of the traditional sergeant-major about Andy, who, in addition to his good sense and psychological experience, it is believed that Andy's experience of the old drill sergeants in his very young days cured him of ever wanting to be like them.

Our C.O. (Lieut.-Colonel H. A. Kuning) proceeded on A.R.L. during the month, and all ranks wish him a restful holiday. His duties are strenuous now that he combines those of Camp Commandant and C.O. of the Battalion.

We learn with pleasure that our old P.O.O. (Captain Morris) has made a good recovery from his serious illness, but learn with regret that he has been transferred to "Lucknow." His place, however, is being efficiently filled by Capt. L. Healey, of the Garrison Battalion.

Lieut. E. C. Parker has become Adjutant in place of Capt. S. N. McKenzie, who was first posted to "A" Company as its O.C., but after a very short time was detached for duty in Brigadier Headquarters. Capt. J. M. McGovern, M.C., arrived to take charge of "A" Company.

"A" Company reports that Lieut. F. G. Gibbs has returned from a spell in hospital, and is looking a great deal fitter.

We congratulate Cpl. Carey and L/Cpl. King on their promotion to sergeant and corporal respectively.

Tom Duckrell, who is the only representative of the 10th on the mainland, will find his duties easier now that he has two stripes. Sergt. Lou. Williams was unfortunately enough to need a spell in hospital, but is now back with the battalion quite recovered.

"Support" Company tells us that L/Cpl. Gaston is back again quite well and fit. His condition at one time was regarded very seriously, but he staged a remarkable recovery.

The battalion has acquired a large fishing net through the canteen comforts fund, and Pte. Len Payne is O.C. Fisheries. He has made some good hauls already. His greatest worry is sharks, on which he has declared a blitz-krieg, as they cause too much net mending. The catches are being smoked and will make a welcome supplement to the meat ration.

5 Garrison Battalion

Approximately 500 members of the battalion, including the militia companies, marched at the Anzac Day parade in Perth. Though first in the march to the Esplanade we (unfortunately) were last to leave, owing to barricade duties. However, as ever with the Evergreens, it's duty first.

The Governor-General (Lord Gowrie, V.C.) inspected the battalion on parade and took the salute at a march past afterwards. The Brigade Commander and the C.O. received his Excellency's congratulations on the general turnout and efficiency.

Dances will be held at Myola Hall, Claremont, every Tuesday evening.

"A" Company remarks that quite a few changes have taken place. The Skipper (Captain, I. M. Maclennan, M.C.) has taken over "A" Company of the 10th at the "Isle of Girls," and Captain J. Salt, M.C., is the new O.C. Lieut. R. V. McCracken, M.M., has transferred to "Support Company and to "A" Company comes Lieut. A. E. J. Mayhew from "Support."


Perhaps the busiest man in the company is the very popular L/Cpl. "Stam" Wright. His varied duties keep him constantly on the move and he comprehends that the job is so busy on his boat that the "Snob" has to work overtime to keep them in good nick.

"Support" Company tells us that Captain Salt is on A.R.L. and hopes he is having a "finny" time as he will have a fine-time when he gets back to find himself O.C. "A" Company.

Congrats. to Jim Streeter on his lift to C.S.M., W.O.II.

Welcome to the new Skipper, Captain J. P. O'Neill, M.C., who has already dug in and has the job well in hand. We are glad to welcome Captain J. P. O'Neill, M.C., who has already dug in and has the job well in hand. We are glad to welcome Captain J. P. O'Neill, M.C., who has already dug in and has the job well in hand. We are glad to welcome Captain J. P. O'Neill, M.C., who has already dug in and has the job well in hand. We are glad to welcome Captain J. P. O'Neill, M.C., who has already dug in and has the job well in hand.

It is noticed two C.Q.M.S.'s go out on Monday morning to have a good time and yet. Congrats. to genial Lieut. Wally Horsfield on the Army Baby winner.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Answering a question asked by Senator Brand during the last session of the Federal Parliament, the Minister in Charge of War Service Homes and Assistant Minister for Repatriation (Senator Collett) replied that the Government was taking measures to secure employment for members of the fighting forces on their return from active service. Senator Collett said that the Government, through the Repatriation Commission, has arranged that, when fit men are discharged, steps shall be taken to place them in suitable employment at the earliest possible moment. "I might add," Senator Collett continued, "that, whilst awaiting employment, the ex-service man is provided with sustenance at a rate that will obviate any immediate anxiety as to the welfare of himself and his family, if any.

"Men who are under 20 years of age at the date of enlistment, or men who return from active service with some disability which makes them unsuitable for their former civil occupations, will be eligible to receive vocational training in selected trades, businesses, or other means of gaining a livelihood. Suitable allowances will be provided to cover the period of training. In this connexion I should point out that the technical training institutions are at present fully extended to meet the requirements of munitions production staffs, and also to meet the demands for technicians made by the Government. To obviate the difficulties of making adequate provision for those with whom I am at the moment dealing, a committee, composed of representatives of the Repatriation Commission, the Department of Labour and National Service, and the three services, the Army and the Air Force—has been appointed, and will, it is hoped, be able to present for the Government's consideration a satisfactory plan, so that all in need may receive adequate aid."
Two descendants of Buffalo Bill (Colonel William F. Cody), that hero of our boyhood, have been fighting with the British forces. Buffalo Bill's grand-daughter, Mrs. Frank Behn, reported from London last March that her son John had been wounded and was in a Turkish hospital. Another son, Anthony, fought in Flanders.

The First Lord of the Admiralty (Mr. A. V. Alexander) has announced that scholarships will be offered for boys who want to become naval officers, but cannot foot the bill for the Dartmouth Naval College. Hitherto that establishment for the training of naval officers has been known as "the rich boy's school."

Germany has banned foreign "liberal" detective fiction as the "illegitimate offspring" of English literature. Foreign thrillers about Sherlock Holmes and his host of successors will be replaced by Nazi stories in which the police are not portrayed as blockheads but-witted by clever amateurs.

The American Legion, which is the United States counterpart of the R.S.I., has taken an inventory of its members' abilities for the defense. The inventory was taken very appropriately on Washington's birthday, when members of the Legion filled in questionnaires.

One effect of increased American aid to Britain has been the extra concentration of labour on the production of the V 1. The number has increased so rapidly in recent months that traffic jams have resulted, which make it difficult for men and women to get to work on time. However, our American friends have the habit of dealing with difficulties. The United States Budget Bureau has arranged to "stagger" the working hours of 75,000 Federal employees, and the change affects 21 different Government departments and agencies. Until recently, most of the employees involved had been starting work at 9 a.m. and finishing at 5 p.m. Now, different groups start at 15 minute intervals, between 7.30 a.m. and 9.15 a.m. The home front is not so much on a p.m. board.

The plan is to apply all the year round.

The Japanese claim that one of the pleasures of living in Tokio is that everything is so simple, as the result of new regulations aimed at simple living. American residents, however, have other ideas. One of them, living in a Tokio hotel, recently decided to make a change and ordered 33 eggs, of which 20 were in the form of a boiled egg, 8 in the form of a scrambled egg, 3 as an omelette, 2 as a poached egg, and 2 as a raw egg. The eggs were obtained easily enough, but the two eggs were difficult. Finally, the American interviewed the head waiter. The waiter was surprised but not overly disconcerted, and asked the American what he wanted. There were scrambled eggs, omelette, even boiled eggs, but no raw eggs. Finally, the American had a brain wave. Although it was night time, he ordered breakfast, fast including two boiled eggs, and he instructed the waiter that they were not to be boiled. He got his raw eggs.

According to Mr. Joseph Harsch, the Berlin correspondent of "The Christian Science Monitor," the old "brass hat" tradition has been eliminated from the German Army. On active service, the Hun officers live on the same rations as the other ranks, and officers actually lead their men in action. Generally commanding whole Army Corps, frequently advance with the front line. During the campaign in Poland, one commanding general was the first German across an important river. "Hitler," says Mr. Harsch, "was not boasting idly when he said that, having been a private soldier himself, he planned this war with greatest regard to the welfare of the men in the ranks." That, however, seems to be borne out by the callous way in which the Nazi dupes were thrown to the slaughter in France and Greece. Official statements made in France and Greece place major emphasis upon taking detailed and sympathetic interest in the welfare of the men. They are even instructed to keep themselves informed about the personal problems of the soldiers. Mr. Harsch says that probably the greatest single element of strength in Hitler's new German Army is the spirit of equality throughout. The salute has not been cut out, but one German private soldier now salutes another private soldier, and he does so with the same care with which he would salute an officer. With this change in the meaning of the salute, much of the old distinction between officers and other ranks has disappeared.

The past winter has seen a new factor enter the German picture. While it does not contribute to what is generally thought of as morale, it does contribute to the willingness to go on fighting. This is the damping realization of how unpopular Germany is with the world at large, and how heavy the price of defeat seems likely to be. The average German has begun to realize that the United States is moving steadily towards overwhelming aid to Britain, and that hatred of everything British is both a national and a very dangerous thing in all occupied countries. Neither of these facts make the average German more enthusiastic about the war, but they have increased his fear and horror of defeat. Every story about German defeat goes a long way to cancel out any lack of enthusiasm for the war. Even the anti-Nazi tends to feel that this is no longer just a Nazi war, but a war which affects him just as much as the most sordid of Hitler's Storm Troopers. Moreover, the German Propaganda Ministry has used this belief for its own purposes, and that seems to dispose of the almost pro-German idea that we are not fighting the German people but only their Nazi rulers.

An American correspondent says that jests at the expense of Hitler are a favourite pastime with Germans, even in Government circles. Last year, the favourite riddle in Berlin started this way: "Hitler, Goering and Goebbels were in an aeroplane and it crashed. Who was saved?" The answer was "the German people." Scepticism about official propaganda shows itself in current German humour. Official communiques used the word "pragmatic" in connection with Goering and Goebbels, but the press reported that Goering died in a plane crash, that Goebbels was being searched for evidence of bombing raids or ship-sinking. Finally, in Berlin, a woman, instead of asking for her morning paper, said: "Give me three cents worth of rejoicing, please." Not long after, the same woman disappeared on an official report and headlines. Another story which went the rounds in Berlin was that of twelve Nazi pilots who knocked at St. Peter's gate and demanded admission. On being asked to identify themselves, they said that they were German fliers who had been shot down that day over Britain. St. Peter, so the story goes, told them to wait a minute until he could consult his lists. On returning to the gate he said: "Eight of you will have to go back. The High Command says only four of you were shot down."

Evidence that Germany has taken over Industry is supplied by reports from Switzerland which say that Italian papers arriving there all bear the stamp of the German Army censor. The Swiss also report that the Nazi secret police now listen-in on telephone calls with
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Scabbards Off
By Pip-Tok

We don't realise the importance of ordinary household commodities until we miss them. The prospect of a rationing of tobacco reminds me that one of the greatest hardships suffered in the Union by the Unionists was the shortage of tobacco, which all came from the Confederate States they were fighting. The Confederates, on their side, found it a hardship to have to do without coffee and use substitutes of the type that the Hun would call "ersatz." The Hun himself, however, had made no note of this shortage on his war map as it is. A regrettable feature of many recent appointments is that the general public is blissfully unaware that a position is being created until the appointment is announced.

The whole position shrieks for a Royal Commission—if only in the interests of men who have received appointments for which they have some special qualifications.

Major-General Durrant is to be commended for his recently published objections to the use of the word "military" instead of correct term "Army." The practice is a vulgarism that should have been knocked on the head long ago. The G.O.C.'s remarks on the subject remind me of the retort made by a Sydney lady before the last war. Someone said to her: "Your husband's in the Military, isn't he?" And she replied sweetly: "Yes, and my brother's in the Naval." * * *

Somewhere in England, last year, a number of Australians were billeted in a building that had already been used for the girls. The place had been prepared for the troops, but the school notices had not been removed from the walls of the dormitories. One such notice read, "Ring if you require a mistress." * * *

BATS AND DINGBATS
By C.S.

The annual cricket match between the Kojonup and Katanning sub-branches of the R.S.L. was held recently at Kojonup and, as reported in the local paper, the result remains still in doubt.

Cricket being a game of hard knocks and many runs, both sides agreed to refer the matter in dispute to Benno Musso, a world's expert on taking wickets and a maker of many runs.

As the matter is still sub judice it would be out of place to comment on the result, so I will content myself with some personal observations on the individual efforts of players.

Glancing over the shoulder of the scorer, I was amazed to note the names of so many old men taking part in the match, and still more amazed was I when at the end of the match they proceeded to knock 'em over—I don't mean the old men—just as capably as they did 20 years ago.

This, however, is digressing so I will get along with the account of the match.

Atlas Hercules Lewis and Noah Spowart opened the innings for Katanning. Noah soon gained his sea legs, and being accustomed to having much truck with dry land, promptly proceeded to lift the ball where he pleased, and even put out in the distance. These olive trees marked the line between the playing field, the water bag and the empty, and thus Diogenes Fildes, the official scorer, had much labour writing figures. The same comment applies to Jim Notsovera, who proceeded to knock the ball which floated in their direction. Greater results would have been achieved by the bats, but, although he displayed a most intelligent interest in the movements of the batsmen, there were a lot of holes in his nets and anything smaller than a ten-cent billy had little difficulty in running the blockade. The heat of the afternoon was unbearable when Noah Spowart trundled and Casabianca once or twice found himself tempted to jump overboard and end it all, but his good mate, having no task at all and actually stopped a ball rather than a long line length behind the wickets.

During the afternoon the Kojonup ladies took a hand in the proceedings, and their muzetin did proclaim to the faithful, "Come and get it," whereupon the multitude did bring and gather, and the nectar, tea to their great joy and content. Many thanks, Kojo-

Now, you are darlings. Those "Bohunks"—I refer particularly to your respective husbands, and probably you are aware of the fact—spread his own grooming gear behind the masts, but, although he displayed a most interesting interest in the movements of the batmen, there were a lot of holes in his nets and anything smaller than a ten-cent billy had little difficulty in running the blockade. The heat of the afternoon was unbearable when Noah Spowart trundled and Casabianca once or twice found himself tempted to jump overboard and end it all, but his good mate, having no task at all and actually stopped a ball rather than a long line length behind the wickets.

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THE TORCH-BEARERS
BY MAX ARTHUR

Antzac Day! The birth of a nation. Through the tangled underground of chaos we trudged our thoughts and walked in spirit with men of the phantom army. They seem close beside us to-day for their sons are following the old paths they trod.

These men were brothers in arms with the French, Italians, Japanese, Serbs, Americans, Belgians—so many walked with them. Peace, and the piling-up of armaments in an atmosphere of fear, suspicion and jealousy has brought war, but to-day the foes of Gallipoli who clashed steel with steel on the cliffs and dunes of Samothrace are our friends.

We who were left with the handling of peace, what did we build? Narrow tariff barriers, unemployment, an unbalanced distribution of the wealth piled up while men fought; malnutrition in a country abundant with food; the destruction of produce while thousands of children starved. Every avenue of science, of debate, failed to adjust civilisation, and so the Great Architect who built up this wonderful Creation laid His hand upon the way, was no other way, just as there was no other way for Him but Calvary.

To-day nations realise that the world cannot function without the co-operation of every race, whether white or coloured; it must be a thing of beauty. "The earth needs the warmth of the sun; the tiny plant life lives on the dew; the soft rain helps the giant forest timber to rise in triumph; the music of water over pebbled brooks and music of the woodpecker to rise in triumph; the music of water over pebbled brooks and the harmonies of ten thousand voices, singing peace to the children of man.

What has war given us that peace could not attain? A great outpouring of wealth from some deepsleep pocket, making the peacetime cry of "lack of funds" look funny. Man has been released from the soul-destroying ennui of unemployment and given a chance to live, to run the world, to run the world. What is there about this leader who can give courage to his people to follow wherever he may lead them? What monetary gift does he offer? None. Only the promise, the promise, to vital to become hackneyed through repetition—the promise of blood, the blood of battle—and sweat, the sweat of labour—the tears, the tears of a nation's women. A man's word could think internationally, not offering the vapid promises from political party platforms, not riches, nor prestige.

He brings courage to people living like rats in a drain, crouching under a drain, with the stifling of the river lying below King's Park, that life seems to be suddenly lifted from them. They reveal a poetry of labour—-the tears, the tears of a nation's women. A man's word could think internationally, not offering the vapid promises from political party platforms, not riches, nor prestige.

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But we had gone down into deeper sorrow and thrown off our arrogance; when we had seen little curly-headed children pulled from

the debris of crushed homes; babes born in air raids; something happened to our souls yours and mine, and we prayed to this Creator when we were bankrupt and without his help.

There were the miracles of Greece! Can we ever cease to give thanks to this brave little country for her stand against a mighty army, so superior in strength and armaments. Pitting her mules against heavy service waggon; her old weapons against the finest modern materials. Could we leave a nation so brave as this alone to stem the hordes without rushing to her side! To mothers and wives who shed tears of sorrow—what sorrow is there here? If man goes forth to battle is there a cleaner, nobler spot to lie than in the gullies of Greece beside these brave souls? He who falls in helping this little country has done a greater thing than kings. Greater love hath no man.

This offering of life, so stupendous in its tragedy and magnificence has liberated our souls from the lethargy of sleep, and we ask: "What can we do—we who live so far from the scream of the dive bomber; the mighty tanks belching death; the scenes of desolation? These men who fight in blinding sandstorms, thirst and hunger, fighting ceaselessly without sleep. Their hands are full. What else can they offer?"

You and I are this thing called Democracy that the world watches and judges; we are the nation for which these deeds of miraculous bravery are being done, and it is for you and me to show that we are of the same mould-making democracy a means to bring about a world wherein all men apart from creed or colour can live in a richer brotherhood; where justice and a reward for honest labour; help for the sick; education for all; the abolition of all slums wherever they exist can be achieved.

We that are left must build and build quickly if civilisation is to survive and barbarism die. We must expose all corruption in high places; demand that our leaders be men of honour; that our great Union leaders spread their cloak of protection over youth as well as adult.

While our sons walk the road He trod to Gethsemane you and I must build, and build fast. He has called them to his ancient place of the Crucifixion for nothing. Administration must not be interfered with to meet party ends—party, which is the curse to-day, bringing jealousy and corruption. The children of soldiers must lose nothing by the acts of their fathers in offering their lives; men in comfortable desks must "sit tight" while men die; the maimed must be nursed and the nerve-racked patient nursed to health. And the debris of the last war—debris of the last war—shall be cleared and burned and we must not be afraid of the autumnal storms, thirst and hunger, fighting ceaselessly without sleep. Their hands are full. What else can they offer?"

And the debris of the last war—they are still with us and need our sympathy and help.

Victory there can never be for any nation. Who can count it victory to devastate the earth and kill its people? Brotherhood there can be and will be, and it will come from the very battlefield where men fight. They realise that their enemies are falsely led and caught in the trap; they cannot turn back.

Man can destroy; can crush cities; but he cannot still the wind that blows over every nation; nor make mute the song of birds; the sough of an autumnal breeze; he cannot kill the soul of man whose inspiration gave us the music of a German; the healing power of an Austrian; the wonders of wireless by an Italian; the masterpieces of a Frenchman.

It is a hard road we have to tread, but if we all walk together the going is made easier. If distribution is equal no man will be crushed or hopeless.

In the gullies and ravines of Greece, over her peaks and rugged hills our armies have fought gloriously in a great brotherhood, enriching the standards of honour of England—this is their call to us to keep the glow kindled so that its flame lights up the whole world. Peace in the world will never again be the deciding factor between countries whose manhood are of the same mould as our own, all made by the same Creator.

To those who mourn the loss of a loved one—

"Look up,
Who knows but life be that which men call death, and death what men call life?"—(Euripides.)

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In his recent broadcast, Mr. Churchill intimated that the fighting in Greece might have had a far different result if the Balkan States could have been persuaded to stand firmly against the aggressor instead of waiting politely for their turn to be gobbled up. In looking over the happenings of the past few months in that troubled part of the world one cannot overlook the important part played by a distinguished American soldier, who visited the Balkan States as the special envoy of President Roosevelt. This was Colonel William Joseph Donovan, or "Wild Bill Donovan," as his countrymen call him. He was born in Buffalo on New Year's Day, 77 years ago. Colonel Donovan is a lawyer by profession and a soldier by instinct. He had his first taste of active service in 1916 when, as Captain Donovan, he commanded a troop of cavalry under General Pershing in a brief campaign against Mexican rebels. A few months after the United States entered the war against Germany, Captain Donovan joined up with the 42nd Division. This was the famous Rainbow Division, so called because every State in the Union was represented in it. Donovan asked to be posted to the 165th Infantry, the famous 69th of New York. He chose this regiment because he believed it would be the first to reach the front. And it was. The Congressional Record contains a brief passage describing an incident in Donovan's war service. For all its restrained and official style, it gives a stirring glimpse of the man President Roosevelt picked out to represent the American point of view in Europe's trouble spots. "Before Landres et St. Georges, in the Argonne on October 14 to 15, Lieut-Colonel Wm. J. Donovan, 165th Infantry, in action involving actual conflict with the enemy, did conspicuously distinguish himself by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life, above and beyond the call of duty. . . . The positions were known to be strong. The artillery preparation was brief. It was evident that the attack could be carried through only by desperate resolution. This resolution Lieut-Colonel Donovan determined to reinforce by the power of his own example. When the 3rd Battalion moved out to the assault, he went forward in the rear of the first wave, deliberately wearing the marks of his rank so as to be easily recognized by his men, even though it also rendered him conspicuous to the enemy. The assaulting battalion met with a terrible reception as it crossed the open ground and moved up the slopes toward the trenches.

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TO OUR CONTRIBUTORS
Owing to the shortage of paper sub-branch correspondents are again requested to condense their copy to the barest details, use block letters when mentioning individuals and to type or write legibly in ink.

Presses are also requested to note that sub-branch activities cannot be accepted later than the 10th day of the month.
Machine guns and artillery ravaged it from the front and flanks. Officers and many of the best N.C.O.'s were hit, and some platoons began to be disorganised. Then, Colonel Donovan, moving erect from place to place in full view of the enemy, re-organised and heartened the men. As spurs of dust went up around him, and shells burst in the vicinity, 'See,' he said, 'they can't hit me and they won't hit you.'

One man killed by Colonel Donovan's side was Joyce Kilmer, the young poet who wrote the words of the song-poem 'Trees.' Officers and men of his battalion says that it would have been impossible for them to make the advance they did, had it not been for the cool resolution, indifference to danger and personal leadership of Colonel Donovan. It is the general opinion that his conduct on this occasion was of the highest type of courage witnessed by anybody in the regiment during the four major actions in which it has been engaged.

Donovan was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honour, which is the American equivalent of the Victoria Cross, but he turned the medal over to his regiment, 'for the boys who really won it.' He always believed that the trained soldier had the best chance of coming out of action alive, so he trained his men rigorously. One day, after the men had marched for hours, Donovan heard mumbling in the ranks. Looking as fresh as when he started, he told the men that they should be able to take it if he could. Then the inevitable hard-case yelled back, 'Yeah, but we ain't as wild as you are, Bill.' That was how he got the nickname that has stuck to him ever since. Incidentally, this virile, hustling soldier, who is every inch what our American friends would call a go-getter, has a partner in his New York law practice named Leisure.

INCOME TAX

Certificates of Exemption

The Commissioner of Taxation (Mr. M. D. Mears) stated recently that it is in the interest of each employee taxpayer that he retain the certificate of exemption issued to him during the current year.

These certificates of exemption should be attached to the income tax returns to be lodged early next July for income earned for the year ending June 30, 1941. This attachment will obviate delay in issuing fresh certificates of exemption during July to persons not liable for deductions for the next financial year.

Mr. Mears also said it is advisable for employees, as soon as they hold sufficient stamps to meet their assessments, to forward such stamps together with the assessment notices to the Taxation Department. This will enable certificates of exemption to be issued, avoid further deductions from pay and assist in the prompt payment of any refunds due to employees.

ABSTEMIOUS ADOLF

(Condensed from "Das Wahre Deutschland," the magazine of the illegal German Freedom Party.)

When that fine old German gentleman, Dr. Joseph Goebbels, moved a resolution in the Reichstag in 1931, that President Hindenburg's salary should be reduced to 12,000 marks a year, he little knew that, "Good leader," Adolf Hitler, would ever be in a position to dismiss with contempt that petty sum himself. Hitler became President. As such he draws a salary of 300,000 marks, which he certainly hasn't refused yet. So these emoluments extend far beyond his alleged "ascetic life."

Granted, he's a vegetarian, he doesn't smoke, he despises alcohol, he doesn't go in for women. (We have heard medical men express the view that Hitler has carried a secret vice,—usually associated with adolescence, into middle aged.—Ed. L.F.) However, that hasn't prevented him, either before or since the war, from inviting sobrettes and dancers from the famous Berlin Winter Garden regularly to give private performances for him. Again, he summoned celebrated artists by plane to Munich at considerable expense to enjoy their work in his own little circle.

At Berchtesgaden he built that noble palace which Francois-Poncet, the former French Ambassador to Berlin, has described so well. Both at Munich and in Berlin, he dwells in the spectacular luxury beloved of all parvenus. His house in Wilhelmstrasse is the last word in elegance. There he has his cinema and salons, where he can entertain a thousand people. Each door is a work of art. The house is full of the best pictures and tapestries. The special train, always at Hitler's disposal, is an armoured travelling hotel with a commodious bar for his guests, and all the gadgets that suit the ultra-modern gentleman. Marvellous aeroplanes, gleaming cars await his command.

In short he lives as grandly as the richest Maharajah, and all behind the slogan: "Moderation is true refinement."

This high living is not made any cheaper by an enormous staff of servants; chefs and bodyguards. How does Hitler pay for all this? His book "Mein Kampf," which his ephorship Goebbels has called the finest book in German, is supposed to excel the Bible and to have its place in every German home, brings in millions. Hitler's second source of revenue is the Eher-Verlag Publishing Company in Munich, which actually is owned by him. No one can calculate how big the earnings of this monopoly are in the Third Reich. Hitler entrusted the direction of the company to his old Sergeant-Major Amann. Other privileged party leaders share it with him, Dr. Goebbels among them. So that wealth should flow still more easily, other important publishing houses were forced to close down, or amalgamate with the Eher-Verlag.

For food and drink, tremendous sums are spent in this "frugal vegetarian's" household. These lavish outlay are based on calculation on this. Towards the end of 1938, they were privileged to examine his monthly accounts at two delicatessen shops in Potsdamerstrasse. They totalled about 50,000 marks each. In contrast with the modest expenditure of the King of England and other Heads of State, Hitler exhibits a pomp which, in these times of increasing poverty in Germany, is a damnable scandal. And Dr. Goebbels holds up this Adolf Hitler to us as a "model of German simplicity!"

TELL ME, OH WINDS!

Tell me, oh winds, on your far-travelled courses,
Blown from the desert waste, swept from the seas,
Tell me, oh whispering winds of the wildwood,
The ice floe, the palm frond, the fern leaf, the tree,
When will the sons that I cherished in childhood
Win back to me?

The men who went forth from the far Riverina,
From the sky-line, the coast line, the green hills, the brown,
The red Queensland rivers, Cape Otway, Coolgardie;
And where the Blue Mountains in beauty look down,
Or where the young springtime comes, tip toe and hardy,
By old Hobart town?

Never, brown mother, east wind is answering,
Not from the fields, where the red poppies dance;
Not, says the west, from the ocean roads splendid;
Not, says the north, where the desert stars dance;
Not, says the south, till the last spring is ended,
In Egypt and France.

Yours were the sons of the last coming people,
Eager for combat and hardly to hold.
Yours was the flower of the newly-born nation,
Now in Valhalla their names are enrolled.
Steadfast and splendid ones, taking their station
With the heroes of old.

Call, call no more to thee, Mother Australia,
Deeply they slumber now, free from unrest,
Free of the smallness and strife that is ours.
The doubts and broken dreams, surely 'tis best,
Leave them to fame and the little field flowers
The Diggers gone West.

(Author Unknown.)

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(Miss Ethel Campbell, the writer of these verses, was known to our troops in the last war as "The Queen of Durban.") In a private capacity she did much for the welfare of Australian soldiers passing through Durban on their way to and from the fighting in France and Flanders. In her own country, she is a well-known writer of verse, and some of her most well-known works were published in a Durban paper, castigating local stay-at-homes who had criticised the A.I.F. Her new verses are in the same strain, and apply with equal poetic justice to people in our own country.

"Chips off the Old Blocks"—every one!
What greater can we say
Who knew the old-time A.I.F.
Of a glorious bygone day?
Not all the gems of oratory,
Not all the flowers of speech,
Could pay a higher tribute
Than those words of epic reach.

Our Durban streets are surging
As they used to surge of yore
With the old slouch hats that token
"The Aussies are ashore!"
And Durban isn't to boast
With a cadence that thrills the heart
For the sons of the dinkum Diggers
Are their very counterpart.

The juniors of the old joint!
They seem such youngsters now!
The faultless soldier—or "Ginger Mick"
With the same old words—and how!
They're off to paste the Jerrys,
To bash the Bosche anew,
And no one doubts the outcome
Who the first old Diggers knew!

And our wowers still are fleeting
As they used to fly of old
To spread the rumours and the lies
Which they have always told.
About the Diggers' doings
When a man gets tight—
But we still would rather a "Ginger Mick"
Than our famous parasite.

Pink wower-eyes are bulging,
Fat woyer-checks are pale,
From the years of their own inventing!
Cripes! They're off on a tale
About the dreadful things they dream
The Digger must have done
That terror to the wouser
(And also to the Hun).

That same big-hearted giant!
That same A.W.L.
Who'll give the same Brute Enemy
The same old fear of hell
They gave him in the last war
When they stouched old Kaiser Bill,
For they're off to stuff the Nazi
(Now that Musso's had his fill).

Chips off the old hard faces
With hearts as soft as snow
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And those who toiled in France
Crashing the German trenches
To their shibboleth "Advance!"
With the glint of their cold steel bayonets
Reflected in their eyes—and
Their bayonets still are bloody
Lost world-wide Freedom dies.

Chips off the old battalions
That went to the first Great War:
Chips off the souls immortal
That Australia gave
Their's is the "Anzac" heritage,
And now there flames anew
The glory that's Australia—
As "Bardia" blazes through!

**State Executive**

April 16, 1941

At the meeting of the State Executive on April 16, there were present Meares, Yates, Denton, Hunt, Margolin, Kahan, James, Cornwell, Nicholas, Williams, Watt, Zeffert, Warner, Wood, Menkins and Smith. Leave of absence was granted to Meares, Olden, Dodd, Collett, Philip, Panton, Andersen, Thorn, Newton, Kissing, Colebatch, Rice, Bosowtow, Giblett, Johnstone, Dinan and Lamb.

Congratulations.—Congratulations were extended to Mr. Cyril Smith on his appointment as a member of the Repatriation Commission.

Congratulations were also extended to Mr. Frank Rowe on his appointment in connection with Child Endowment.

Reports: Manufacturing Ministries.—The State President reported in connection with the deputation which waited upon the Minister for Economic Development (Mr. Hawke) on April 9. The deputation informed the Minister that the League was generally behind the Government and all corporations in any efforts that were being made to secure a bigger percentage of the war work for Western Australia.

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The Minister intimated that the War Council had appointed Colonel Collett, the Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Curtin) and a Professor of the University to review the position and register Western Australia's industrial possibilities. The report was received.

Returning Troops.—On behalf of the Returned and Services League, Mr. Kahn reported the arrival of two hospital ships which had been met at the wharfside by members of the committee. The first ship had arrived on April 3 and disembarked 16 cases in Western Australia. Arrangements were procured for embarking the remainder of the cases during the next 24 hours. This recommendation was adopted.

It was also agreed that the State Secretary immediately advise Federal office by telephone of the above circumstances.

Anzac Club.—The recommendation of a special meeting of the Anzac Club Committee held on April 3 was received and adopted.

A.R.M.S. Competition.—Mr. Watt reported on the successful launching of this competition for 1941.

O. J. Williams reported on a visit to the Bullbrook sub-branch.

Petrol Rationing.—Carnamah sub-branch complained of delay in distributing petrol ration tickets for the V.D.C. The Secretary had already visited the position and detailed the obstacles and difficulties that had to be met. His action was endorsed.

Leaves: Midland Railway Employees, Anzac Day.—The General Superintendent Midland Railway advised that it may be found possible to spare from work five employees engaged in the company's workshops at Midland Junction on Anzac Day.

Holiday Pay: Midland Railway Employees.—Mr. Manley and Juncy sub-branches sought the same holiday pay privileges for employees of the Midland Railway Company who enlisted as were extended to Government Railway employees who enlist. The position had already been ascertained from the local Division of the Midland Railway Co., and it was agreed that copy should be supplied to the Midland Junction sub-branch.

Appointment Sub-Branch Officials.—The appointment of officials as advised by the South Perth and Northcliffe sub-branches was confirmed.

Meeting Returning Troops.—North-East Freemantle sub-branch asked if a representative of theirs could be appointed to meet returning troops, hospital ships, etc. It was decided to advise the sub-branch that their representative on the executive was a member of the Welcome Committee.

Flood Lighting: Sir Talbot Hobbs Memorial.—Dunsborough sub-branch sought the executive's support for this proposal. It was agreed to accede to their request.

Revision Reserved Occupations.—Kojonup sub-branch requested that the list of reserved occupations be re-examined to enable certain farmers on small holdings to enlist. It was agreed to forward the request to the Manpower Office.

Volunteer Defence Corps.—Discussion ensued in connection with the Volunteer Defence Corps, and it was agreed, "That in view of the seriousness of the war situation and the dangers facing Australia, we strongly urge the immediate completion by the De-
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The following visits agreed upon.

April 30, 1941

At the meeting of the State Executive on April 30 there were present Messrs. Yeates, Olden, Collett, Hunt, Anderson, Margolin, Kahan, Williams, Thorn, Watt, Zeffert, Newton, Keesting, Warner and Smith. Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Dodd, Philip, Panton, Denton, James, Cornell, Nicholas, Colebatch, Menkens, Rice, Bosustow, Wood, Giblett, Johnstone, Dinan and Lamb. Mr. Philip was granted leave of absence for six weeks and Mr. Menkens for two meetings.

Appreciation—Kalgoorlie and Menzies sub-branches expressed appreciation of the visit paid them by Colonel A. C. N. Olden.

Bereavement Card.—In reply to a suggestion from the Katanning sub-branch, it was decided to reply that at this juncture the matter of a bereavement card was one for the sub-branch.

District Representative.—Mr. H. E. Smith was appointed representative for Subiaco and Nedlands district, vice Colonel Mitchell, resigned.

Visits.—The following visits were reported:

Mr. Howard Rice, Ballidu; Mr. Hunt, Mr. Lawley-Ingelow; Colonel Olden, Kalgoorlie, Menzies, Gwalia-Leonora and Laverton. Colonel Olden reported that the Gwalia-Leonora sub-branch had been revived. A vote of thanks was extended to Colonel Olden.

Anzac Day.—Anzac Day commemoration was reported on by the State President.

The day was marked by a record parade and record crowds, both at the dawn service and the national service on the Esplanade.

The State President extended the League’s thanks, through the Press, to all those who helped to contribute to the outstanding success of the day.

The State President was congratulated on the address delivered by him.

It was agreed to write to Mr. Con Charlton, of the Australia Broadcasting Commission, congratulating him on the arrangements made for broadcasting and the selection of the commentator, Captain C. R. Collins.

The Chief Marshall (Colonel E. Margolin) expressed his appreciation to all marshals, including Messrs. Fairley and Potts, and a vote of thanks was extended to the State Secretary, Assistant State Secretary, Mr. Waddington and the remaining members of the staff for their efforts.

Miss Mary Meares extended her appreciation of the assistance she received in transporting sick soldiers.

The following reported on having attended suburban commemoration services: Colonel Olden, Meares, Watt, Zeffert and Menkens.

Mr. Sten reported having attended the Gnowangerup service and delivered the address.

Appointment Sub-Branch Officials.—The appointment of officials as advised by the following sub-branches was approved: Wiluna, Wyalkatchem, Rosa Brook-Rosa Glen and Manjimup.

Second A.I.F.—A communication from the South Perth sub-branch in regard to control of the A.I.F. was received.

Financial Status Member Overseas.—Kalgoorlie sub-branch sought permission to continue the financial status of a member who was unemployed when he enlisted in the A.I.F. It was agreed to advise Kalgoorlie that we could not depart from the ruling laid down by the Federal President, but to suggest that the sub-branch could make the man financially.

Certificates of Discharge.—A case was referred to, where a man was discharged from the Second A.I.F., it being stated on his discharge certificate, "In consequence of having, before enlistment, been convicted of a civil offence."

Executive delegates agreed that this procedure was wrong in principle, and it was agreed to refer the matter to Colonel Collett.

Entertainment of Troops.—Correspondence from the Women’s Auxiliary Service Executive in regard to the entertainment of troops was referred to the Welcome Committee.

Poppie Wreath.—North Perth sub-branch referred to a dispute concerning the sale of a Poppie wreath to a suburban school. The matter was left to the Poppie Day Committee.

Western Command Headquarters.—North Perth sub-branch contended that there were too many men of eligible age for overseas work at present employed on administrative work at Headquarters, Western Command. They considered that their places could be filled by returned soldiers who were too old to enlist.

It was agreed that North Perth’s resolution be referred to headquarters.

East-West Road.—The North Perth sub-branch referred to the matter of the East-West road and it was agreed to advise them to submit a motion on the subject to the forthcoming State congress.

Manufacturing Munitions.—North Perth sub-branch considered that a reasonable proportion of munition contracts should be let in Western Australia. A reply was left to the secretary.

National Service League.—Mr. I. T. Bird advised concerning the formation of a proposed National Service League to consist of many groups of organisations, formerly associated with the Department of Information. They asked that a representative of the Executive be appointed to attend a meeting to be held on May 2. Mr. Newton was appointed.

Holiday, Anzac Day.—South Perth sub-branch referred to the fact that ex-Imperial men did not come within the provision of the State Government which allowed ex-A.I.F. men to attend Anzac Day parades, provided they could be conveniently spared from their work.

The matter was left in the hands of the secretary.

Reserved Occupations.—A communication from the Man-Power Officer in regard to this matter was received, and it was agreed that publicity be given to it.

Uniforms, V.D.C.—The Minister for Supply and Development of Munitions advised that inquiries were being made concerning the manufacture of V.D.C. uniforms in Western Australia.

Land Settlement, Second A.I.F.—A communication from the Albany sub-branch concerning the selling on the land of men returning from overseas was referred to the Land Committee.

Sub-Branch Activities

CORRIGIN

A Repatriation Advisory Committee has been formed by the Corrigin sub-branch. The suggested functions of this committee will be to offer assistance in every way possible to the second generation of returned soldiers in their various repatriation difficulties. In the event of any post-war land settlement scheme, this committee will be prepared to make a report on any farm offered for sale to soldiers, giving what they consider a fair indication of its value, etc. If every sub-branch formed such a committee, it is quite obvious that exploitation of returned men (which seemed so common after the last war) would be greatly re-
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CADINGIRI
On April 23 members journeyed to Bolgart to enable comrades in the Bolgart area to attend the regular monthly meeting. This arrangement proved a great success, and it was decided to hold the July meeting there. The sub-branch has been very active. It organised a public lecture, given by Mr. Christie, of Toodyay, on the various gases likely to be used in modern warfare, and the various methods of detection and treatment.

On April 19, in the local hall, Mr. Bert Hill gave an instructive lecture on the Lewis gun. Unfortunately a gun was unavailable, but the speaker ably illustrated his points by the aid of suitable drawings of the various parts. The members of this sub-branch are of the firm opinion that Calingiri should be made a military training centre. Mr. J. Truman pointed out that in the road board district there are 240 men between the ages of 18 to 45 years. On Anzac Day an impressive service was conducted in the local hall. There was an excellent attendance, and Mr. D. F. Fordham (president of the sub-branch) delivered a most inspiring address. He was supported by Mr. Bagot (president of the Wongan Hills sub-branch). Further arrangements have been made in connection with the military hall to be held on June 6. Prices are fixed at 3/- and 2/-, and 50 per cent. is to be devoted to patriotic funds. Mr. Stark, of the 21st Battalion, has come to reside in this district, and has expressed his desire to link up with this sub-branch. Thanks are due to Geoff. Jackson and his good wife, as host and hostess at the Bolgart meeting.

ALBANY
The monthly meeting of the sub-branch was held in the clubrooms on April 9 with a fair attendance of members present. The president (Mr. Spencer Gwynne) presided. The main business of the evening was a presentation of a cake dado to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fletcher, as an appreciation of their services in connection with the weekly dances held last year, and by which over £80 was raised for charitable purposes. To meet the convenience of members resident in Byford, who are unable to attend the meetings, it was decided to hold a meeting and social evening every quarter in the Byford Hall. A vote of thanks to Cloutt, a past president of the sub-branch, on the recent loss of his wife, was passed. Sympathy was also expressed on the loss of the grandchild of Mr. J. Cough, the clubroom caretaker. A War Savings Group was provisionally formed, details to be worked out at the next meeting. Arrangements were completed for the Anzac Day ceremony. The genial treasurer (Mr. Sid Berry) has been granted 90 days’ leave of absence from military duties, and he is taking his usual active part in sub-branch affairs. At the close of the meeting there was a pleasant reminder from Charlie Gummery, a former hon. secretary. At Geraldton, where Charlie now resides, there are crayfish. Charlie caught more than he could科学说过，完美的“健康新”睡眠是可能的，因为有完全的放松，所有肌肉的全部放松。上图所示的说明显示，如何“夜宁”弹簧充填床垫会维持在身体的形状，并给与头到脚的支撑。要达到真正宁静的睡眠所必需。

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BASSENDAN

There was only a small attendance at the monthly business meeting of the sub-branch on April 10. It was reported that arrangements had been completed for the local Anzac Day services. The meeting decided to donate $10/6 each to the Woooloolum Pastimes and Progress Club and the Salvation Army Hut funds. The sub-branch is to run a dance shortly, the proceeds of which will be donated to the Spiritre Fund. Mention was made at the meeting of the growing need of a barroom of our own. It is hoped that this matter will not be shelved. On April 24 the monthly sports night was held. About 20 members were present. The members of the V.D.C. are still holding their interest in the first aid classes. We are indebted to Mr. Errington for coming along to the oval and giving instruction. A successful year is hoped for with the fortnightly dances in the Masonic Hall every second Friday. The Anzac Day services attracted a good number of residents. Services were held in the Town Hall and at the local war memorial, where many beautiful wreaths were placed. The service was presided over by the chairman of the Bas sendean Road Board (Mr. R. A. McDonald) and the address was given by the president of the sub-branch (Mr. H. K. Minchin). Also on the platform were the local ministers of religion and the member for the district, Mr. W. D. Johnston, M.L.A.

WYALKATCHEM

Saturday night, April 12, saw the first meeting of the sub-branch since the annual meeting in December. Despite the rain and lightning, 14 members attended, and did they pass motion? Poor old secretary (Ted Rice) got writer's cramp trying to keep pace with the movers and seconders. It was a good meeting. Unfortunately, only three of the members of the women's auxiliary braved the elements, so there was no meeting of the auxiliary, which we regretted very much, as we missed the coffee, cakes, etc., we enjoy after a meeting. However, three of the Diggers brought sandwiches and one dug some bottles of cough mixture out of the bag, so members didn't fare so badly. All Saturday nights between now and July 5 are booked at the hall, so it looks as if the next meeting will also run late; but we have secured that date.

MIDLAND JUNCTION

The sub-branch has a new assistant secretary, the well-known Pat O'Meara, better known as "Pom." The Anzac Day service was one of the largest ever held in Midland Junction. It was conducted by the president (Mr. J. H. Cole). Others on the dais with him were Colonel A. C. N. Olden, D.S.O. (representing the State Executive), the Rev. J. Paice, M.A., Rev. G. E. Joshen, F. E. Ross, Adjutant, E. J. Hunt, the Mayor (Mr. A. Fauldy), Captain Donnelly and Lieut. McKie, of the Ordnance Corps. The parade was commanded by Sergt.-Major A. Muir, D.C.M., M.M., and the Ordnance Corps which took part was led by Captain Donnelly and Lieut. McKie. As in past years, our old friends, the Salvation Army Band, led the parade. Colonel A. C. N. Olden took the salute during the march past at the conclusion of the ceremony. The president thanked all who assisted to make this Anzac Day such a glorious success.

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The fortnightly meetings have been well attended and the debates have been many and interesting. New members in Messrs. P. F. McCabe, L. Mann, L. Mack, E. S. Eymour, H. James, Campbell, C. Hallis and Pendergast have joined up. The Anzac Day services were well attended. The M.T. Theatre was picked and the Lord Mayor gave an address in the fine way he has. He held the large audience and received the applause he well deserved. The president (Garney Bab)

stressed the enormous work still left for us to do for our comrades of the last war and the present one. We also thank the Salvation Army captain and adjutants, and the bugler for their services in helping the service. The first game of the A.R.M.S. competition was against Osborne Park, and won by 12 points to nothing. As the home side, we entertained them in the usual good way. We entertained the women's auxiliary to an

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monthly meeting. Mr. H. Crofts was in the chair and extended a hearty welcome to all. It is pleasing to see the boys still come along, although the ranks have been sadly depleted owing to so many being in home service. Mr. Lee, whose service this year was voted the best ever held, the hall being full to capacity. The service and the rendering of the singing by the Presbyterian choir were appreciated by all. The new honour shield donated by Mr. J. McGour to contain the names of sub-branch members who have enlisted for home service is much appreciated. It was installed in the hall on Anzac Day. To the shield will be attached names of men of Carlisle district who have joined the Navy, A.L.F. and Air Force.

The local V.D.C. is progressing very favourably. Signalling instruction amongst other activities is now in full swing. The next meeting is on June 2, when nominations for office for the next year take place. Every member is requested to attend.

PERTH
April was a very busy month and a most successful one for the sub-branch. All functions were well attended and most enjoyable. Several new members have been welcomed. The sub-branch greatly appreciated the gift from Mrs. A. Freedman of a very fine portrait of the late Rabbi. This is now hanging on the wall at Monash House. The V.D.C. cabaret evenings on the last Wednesday of the month are very enjoyable. We invite all members of the V.D.C. to come along and bring their wives. The S.S.I. is increasing in numbers, and the lads are to be congratulated on their keenness. Several members attended the Anzac service at the Perth Posthouse and the president laid a wreath on the Cenotaph. The Easter gift raffle was very successful and we are very thankful to all those who sold tickets for us. There are still members living in the metropolitan area who have not yet joined the V.D.C. They may enrol every Sunday morning. The use of Monash House has been offered free to the Citizens' Reception Council for every Sunday afternoon and evening for as long as required. Finally, to all our members we say: "Have faith! hold on! amid the Battle's Hell; Love triumphs; Freedom beacons; all is well."

SOUTH PERTH
The attendance at the April meeting showed a slight increase in numbers, due probably to the proximity of Anzac Day. A number of old hands whom we had not seen for some time made a welcome reappearance. The former secretary, Len Day, was again on the scene after a spell in hospital where he underwent an operation to fit himself to get into the old uniform once more. He and "Tich" Annakin are our latest contributions to the Army and we wish both boys the best of luck. Anzac Day celebrations in the district included a short early morning service at the Memorial, where wreaths were laid and a service at St. Mary's on the Sunday evening following Anzac Day when a wreath was placed on the Honour Board. The thanks of the sub-branch are due to the road board and other local organisations for assistance rendered on that day.

BOYANUP JUNCTION
This year Anzac Day celebrations at the local obelisk attracted an unusually large crowd, comprising members, boy scouts and the general public. The Reverend (Rev. F. J. Boxall) and the president of the sub-branch (Mr. R. Tweedie) between them conducted the proceedings. The past president (Mr. E. P. "Jo" Freestone) commissioned his motor truck, which he filled to capacity
with seating accommodation and the hall piano. Mr. Tweedie gave a sitting address. The local postmaster (Mr. J. Walton) presided at the piano.

SWAN VIEW-GREENMOUNT

The Anzac service held in the Swan View hall was the most successful held to date. Over 150 people were present. The main address was given by the Rev. Ian Ross, of Midland Junction. The Revs. G. E. Jones and Quinlan and Adjutant Hunt of the Salvation Army assisted. Bandmaster McLean and Bandsman Pearse sounded the Last Post and Reveille. Wreaths were laid at a miniature memorial by the women's auxiliary, Greenmount girl guides and the sub-branch. We are indebted to Mrs. Hamer for the loan of an organ and her services as organist. At the conclusion of the service Mr. A. G. Watt, president of the sub-branch thanked the people for their attendance and co-operation. On May 10 a special dance was run by the sub-branch. The proceeds went to the local Red Cross branch. Wreaths were presented to Private Ron James and Nealing. A welcome was also extended to Private Mc Govern, who has just returned from overseas. The next monthly dance will be held in the hall on Saturday, May 24. A special bus leaves Midland Junction station at 7.30 p.m. for the hall. At the monthly meeting on May 7, it was decided to forward a canteen order to Private Cheeseman, a sub-branch member who is now serving overseas.

MERRIDIN

The usual dawn service was held at the Memorial at the Town Hall on Anzac Day and was well attended. Wreaths were placed on the tablet by the president (Mr. L. S. Walder) and many others. The Last Post and Reveille were played by Mr. Clyde Campbell, after which rum and coffee were supplied in the Town Hall to all present. A visit was made as usual to the cemetery, where poppies were placed on all the soldiers' graves. The big parade was held at 10.45 and the troops marched to the Town Hall after inspection, followed by R.S.L. Volunteer Defence Corps, militia, girl guides and boy scouts and brownies and cubs, under the able guidance of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hales. The procession arrived at the Town Hall at 11 o'clock, where the service was held. The Town Hall was filled to its utmost. The parade was commanded by Captain Peter Lyon, who is well known to most Diggers in the West. A very impressive address was given by Mr. Walder (president). The calls were played by Bugler Clyde Campbell. The secretarial duties were in the hands of Mr. Reg. Wilkes.

MOSMAN PARK

Our April meeting was well attended and further new members were enrolled. Up to date we have played two games in this season's A.R.M.S. competition and suffered defeat on both occasions to the extent of 8-4, our victors being West Leederville and Mt. Lawley. Our experiment of restricting each player to one game while allowing a greater number of members to represent the sub-branch does not look like producing the best results, and in order that interest may be sustained right through the series it is proposed to select the best available for all games regardless of how many they take part in. The only outstanding performances to date are those of John Love, our table tennis virtuoso, and Messrs. Wilkins and McBeth with the gun. Syd. son of our president Gen. Ashworth, who is an A.A. gunner on H.M.A.S. "Sydney," gave us a look in during the month. We were all pleased to see him looking so well, and derived a lot of interest from the interesting experiences he recounted. Secretary Dick Thomas is now nearing the end of his first year of office and can look back with satisfaction to his efforts. Our membership is well over the 100 mark, and is mainly attributable to the manner in which he has kept in touch with members and prospective members. It will be interesting to compare the present nominal roll with that at the end of his second year. At the conclusion of our next meeting (May 19) the usual sporting programme will be on the menu.

MANJIMUP

The Anzac Day service attracted a better attendance than we had expected, in view of the number of old-timers who are absent on active or home service. About 65 ex-service men were on parade, under the command of Captain G. F. Combs. Manjimup Rifle Club also took part in the march. The religious part of the service was conducted by Canon A. M. Walmsey, who saw service as a padre of the forces in Mesopotamia. The Rev. T. L. Nicholls (Methodist) and Lieut. Blake (Salvation Army) assisted. President Laurie Sims delivered a thoughtful and moving address. There was a good muster also at the sub-branch's annual meeting held, as usual, immediately after the Anzac Service. Treasurer Jack Smith's report revealed a safe financial position. The net profit on the hall trading account was small ($28/4/10), but it is believed that our regular weekly dances and other sources of revenue will show an increasing profit in the current year. Amelioration payments during the past year amounted to £53/1/-. Following are the office-bearers elected: President, Laurie Sims (re-elected); treasurer, Jack Smith (re-elected); secretary, George Major; vice-presidents, Canon A. M. Walmsey, Dave Crombie and Guy Duffield (the last-named two re-elected); committee, George Doust (No. 1 Mill representative), A. R. Walker, Alex. Brims and Jock Crombie (Jardoe), Bill Collett, Walter Wilson and Bill Brown (Manjimup), "Mick" Barber (Yannah), Wally Arnott (Middlesex); auditor, Jack Cairnie.
SHENTON PARK
Activities for the past month have been numerous and general satisfaction is felt by members. The financial condition is very satisfactory, thanks to having capable officers managing that department in Messrs. Pricker and Norcott. The numerical strength has now reached 78, and the aim is 70 by the end of our first year early in July. A good muster attended the Anzac Day commemoration ceremony at the Subiaco Memorial Clock in Rokeby Road. The Subiaco sub-branch combined for that parade. The honour of placing the sub-branch wreath fell to Mr. Arthur A. Taylor, P.O., late of H.M. Royal Navy. The committee have arrangements well in hand for the holding of the smoke social on June 12. It is not yet quite certain whether the Scout Hall or Progress Hall will be used. Catering has been arranged for 60, and admission is 2/6 per head for both members and one guest, which they have the privilege of bringing. Business meeting at 7.15, mainly to receive nominations for officers. The election will take place at the July meeting. A class of 15 members is taking instruction in various arms at the Guildford Western Command school on alternate Sunday mornings. A class from the Claremont V.D.C. taking the other. An apology must be tendered for an error which occurred in these notes of last month, when it was stated that the W.A. Sportmen’s Council had donated £10 to this sub-branch to be used in procuring comforts in the way of smokes for ex-Imperial members at Lemnos. The W.A. Trotting Association was the body responsible for this generosity. Will Mr. Stratton please accept this correction with sincere regrets. Members, please remember July 12 and bring along a prospective member as your guests if possible. Also to renew the yearly sub. which falls due in the following month.

OSBORNE PARK
The fortnightly meetings on April 2, 16 and 30 were well attended. The president (Mr. A. Dans) was in the chair on each occasion. Mr. Jack Garner was elected secretary in succession to Mr. Payne, who has joined the forces. He will be sided and abetted by the former secretary, Mr. D. Miller. The fortnightly dances attract fair attendances. The ladies of the Comforts Fund are to hold another Grand Military Ball on Saturday, June 21. Although the sub-branch representatives were in Mawson’s first match of the A.R.M.S. games, everybody had an enjoyable evening. The next meetings will be held on May 28, June 11 and 25.

RETURNED ARMY SISTERS
In the absence of the president (Miss J. Clifton) the monthly meeting on May 1 was presided over by Mr. Tredisser (vice-president). A number of Sisters attended the dawn service, and a wreath was laid on the Memorial. The Esplanade service was also well attended, and several members returned to the clubroom, Anzac House, to partake of lunch. It was decided to run a bridge evening on May 15 in the clubroom, and as many members and their friends as possible are asked to attend. We hope to continue these during the winter months. Last month £2/7/- was donated to the Spitfire Fund. The Red Cross meeting nights are still in full swing and another parcel of knitted goods will soon be completed for the Seamen’s Mission.

CLAREMONT
The monthly meeting was held in the Parish Hall on May 1. Mr. W. Ford (the president) was in the chair. There was a good attendance of members. Amongst the various items attended to was a request from the women’s auxiliary for door-keepers and other assistance at their fortnightly dances, which are to be held in the Loch Street Hall. Volunteers came forward to assist the ladies. At the conclusion of the meeting a visit was paid by the A.O.F. Lodge, and the remainder of the evening was spent pleasantly in rifle shooting, table tennis, parlour bowls, etc. The June meeting will take the form of a visit to the fixed defences at the invitation of Major Norris. Details regarding transport and meeting place will be notified in the sub-branch’s monthly circular for May.

GLOUCESTER PARK
At the general meeting on May 1 the incoming officers were installed by the retiring president, H. Hopperton, Vic. Fowler, the new president, has had many years of service with the sub-branch, has carried out the duties of senior vice-president in a very able manner during the past months. He will be assisted by Geo. Owen (senior) and Cecil Lloyd-Jubilee (junior) vice-president. With Cliff Lambe the secretariaship is in good hands, and he will be assisted by Bill Reed as minutes secretary. After the Anzac Day parade members and many other Diggers journeyed to their usual dug-out at Victoria Park (with Oliver Strang’s generosity), where old times were again recalled. The monthly dance was held on May 15. A good night was appreciated by those present. On May 15 the sub-branch met Maylands in the A.R.M.S. games at Maylands. On May 26 members will entertain their wives and friends to an evening of bowls, darts, bridge, euchre and dancing in the Anzac House supper room.
WEST LEEDELEW-WEMBLEY

This sub-branch met again on Monday, May 12, for their monthly meeting, and there was the usual large attendance. A good start has been made in connection with the A.R.M.S. competition. We have beaten Mosman Park 8-4, and Osborne Park 8-4, and hope to add South Perth’s scalp to our belt in a week or so. Satisfaction was expressed at the Anzac Day observances, including the sub-branch’s official visit to Lemnos. Empire Shopping Week commences on May 24, and the sub-branch is now getting everything in hand. Concerning the local Red Cross, it is proposed to hold a bridge evening in June, in aid of the funds. It is hoped that members will widely advertise this and support it to the utmost. The actual date will be announced in the Press in due course. Mr. E. S. Watt, one of our members, delivered a most valued address on League activities. The sub-branch members are always anxious to hear from the League, and there is nothing that pleases members more than to have a heart-to-heart talk with any executive officer. Our other executive member, Mr. H. E. Smith, also added his usual optimistic contribution. The sub-branch decided to invest a further £20 in war bonds. This, with previous investments, now constitutes a substantial contribution, and we intend to go the limit. The local branch of the Volunteer Defence Corps is very efficient, and will certainly become 100 per cent. active once the boys are in uniform and the new recruits have swelled our ranks. A recruiting committee was appointed to organize a drive to bring civilians to the district into the V.D.C.

Women’s Auxiliaries

COLLIE

The auxiliary’s monthly meeting was presided over by the president (Mrs. Parnaby) and attended by a good many members. The Perth Cup Victory Ball was a huge success and many thanks are due to the owners for allowing the trophies to be displayed. Two dart parties were held at the home of Mrs. Crocker in aid of Lemnos, through which the patients were treated to cakes, smokes and sweets. A successful frock ball was held recently, Miss Gwen Wright being judged the best-frocked lady. Eighteen members recently attended the birthday party given by the Bunbury auxiliary. Members have knitted quite a good many socks for the garrison. As usual, the auxiliary catered for the sub-branch reunion. There were many tears shed over this, but only from peeling onions which, when pickled, proved a success on the bill of fare. The auxiliary entertained the Bunbury women at a social evening. Unfortunately, many of their husbands were in camp, but there was one brave man to chaperone them in the person of the Bunbury secretary (Mr. Bill Freeman). The evening was a very pleasant one.

VICTORIA PARK

The April meeting was well attended, and the president (Mrs. Barnett) welcomed new and old members who had joined up again. Business was brisk and the treasurer (Mrs. Matthew) was a happy woman—when the results of the auxiliary’s Easter gift effort was arrived at. Funds were considerably augmented. Mrs. High reported that there were 39 patients at Edward Millen, and the usual cheer was taken along. Mrs. Prue reported one bereavement. Members assisted the sub-branch by providing the supper when they held a dance and social in aid of the St. John’s Ambulance (Boans) Appeal, and their own amelioration fund. A most enjoyable evening was spent on May 1. On April 29 some of our members attended Anzac House to help entertain the troops. On May 18 members are reminded that we entertain the hospital patients to high tea, and on May 21 the Empire Ball will be held at Anzac House.

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to provide funds for the Aged Sailors and Soldiers' Appeal. The comfort fund report was read, and an appeal for further support was made. A few donations on the spot resulted.

F.U.S.W.

The guest-speaker at the May meeting was Mrs. Ross, who gave a most interesting talk on Girl Guide work from its beginning to the splendid results at the present time. The president of the newly-formed younger set (Miss Percy) read a report of the first meeting and invited daughters of members to the next gathering. The following contributed to an enjoyable programme: Mrs. Marks (solo), Mrs. Daws (solo), Mrs. Nott (recitation), Mrs. Mashford (solo). Dancing circle meetings are held each Friday at the W.A.C.A. Cottage, and all are making steady progress.

The second meeting of the younger set took place in the upper rooms of Anzac House on May 5. Many new members were welcomed and there were almost 100 names on the books. The Curator of the Museum, gave a very interesting talk on some of the works of nature. Before supper was served a song and dance was rendered by a little artist. It has been arranged for a Red Cross sewing night every Friday at 8 p.m. at the studio of 6AM-6PM in St. George's Terrace. All who have scraps of wool are asked to send them along to be made into knee rugs for soldiers in the convalescent home. The next meeting will be held at Anzac House on June 2. Mrs. Jessie Reid will be the speaker and Mrs. Silverlock will speak about the E.S.C.

SUBIACO

As usual, we began our monthly activities with a visit to ex-service men at the Old Men's Home, who were as ever mighty pleased with their boxes of good things. We send special thanks to Bunbury auxiliary who so consistently help us in this work by sending up a wonderful box of home-made biscuits and cakes, which are heartily appreciated by the men. A very successful concert party was taken to the Home later in the month, which was organised by Mrs.Mahon. Lemnos was visited on April 9. Here dancing, community singing and excellent vocal items passed a happy afternoon. Mrs. Strue was responsible for the programme on this occasion, and she also conducted the community numbers. To Warioona auxiliary we send very hearty thanks for their consistent help. Last month they sent an attractive lot of home-made biscuits. Troops were entertained during the month and greatly appreciated our hospitality and entertainment. Sports are in full swing now and many matches have been played. The Camp Comports Committee are still carrying on their splendid work, and many parcels of woollen goods have been given to local lads and relatives of members on the eve of their departure. Large parcels of woollens have also been sent to headquarters for dispatch overseas. The junior auxiliary are a very enthusiastic band, and their dance last month to raise funds was quite successful. The women's auxiliary continued on their dances in the R.S.L. hall on Wednesday nights. The visiting committee have made regular visits to the Home of Peace and other hospitals, also to sick members in their homes.

MT. HAWTHORN

During April we visited South Perth to play games, which resulted in a win for us. We spent a very happy evening. The usual wreaths were made and taken to the schools, also to the memorial on Anzac Day. After the wreaths were made beautiful flowers which were left over were taken to the cemetery by some of our ladies and placed on soldiers' graves all over the cemetery. The good work of visiting the Repat. ward, soldiers in civilian wards and the Old Men's Home is still carried out regularly. Mrs. Bevan, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Ty, have worked hard running bridge every Tuesday. Ten pounds was handed in as a result of their efforts; the money is to be sent to bombed civilians in London. Our first war savings group finalised last meeting night. The same subscribers are immediately opening another group. Monday night dance is still showing good results. A pleasant outing was arranged during last month for men from Edward Millen and Lemnos. Mrs. Jones played the accordion on the bus during the drive, which greatly added to the pleasure of the men. On returning from Scarborough a delicious high tea was served at the R.S.L. hall, and after tea Cr. Caddy conducted country singing. All voted it a very happy outing.

SOUTH PERTH

Members of the auxiliary are busy knitting for the garrison battalion and will be forwarding a parcel in the near future. War savings are not being neglected, all members are interested in raising money to purchase them, and several schemes are pending which we hope will be successful. On Sunday afternoon, May 4, we entertained the boys from Governor and Heathcote hospitals and from the Home of Peace. The outing was a motor tour and high tea at the Swan Street Hall. The State Executive was represented by Messrs. Hopper and Stockman, who spoke kindly of the work done by the auxiliary. Mr. Rod Beere represented the sub-branch and thanked all for the interest taken in making the outing a success. A feature of the afternoon was the orchestra, under the conductors of Mr. De Lattre. All accepted him and his orchestra a hearty vote of thanks for the excellent performance and splendid selection of music rendered. All members are asked to keep May 27 in mind, as on that date we are presenting a very nice concert at the Gaiety Theatre.

ASSOCIATIONS OF EX-SERVICE MEN

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<td>MOSMAN PARK</td>
<td>R.S.L. Hall, Johnston St., Cottesloe</td>
<td>2nd Thursday in 2nd and 3rd month each quarter at 8 p.m.</td>
<td>G. A. Ashworth, Bond St., Mosman Park</td>
<td>R. G. Thomas, 7 Lillian Street, Cottesloe</td>
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<td>MOORA</td>
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<td>Last Thursday in each month</td>
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**Secretary**

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- 72 Railway Parade, Harvey
- 44 Dudley Rd., Mid. Junction
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<td>Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Oxford St., Leederville Rd.</td>
<td>Alternate Thursday (Pension night), 8 p.m.</td>
<td>G. Blah, 14 London St., Mt. Hawthorn</td>
<td>J. Morton, 344 Oxford Street, Leederville.</td>
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<td>MT. MARSHALL</td>
<td>Commercial Room, Mucklebur</td>
<td>1st Wednesday, monthly 1st Thursday, 7.45 p.m.</td>
<td>F. T. Amos, Bencubbin</td>
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<td>Wallis Hall, Grosvenor Road, Mt. Lawley</td>
<td>Every 4th Saturday</td>
<td>O. J. Williams, 21 Grosvenor Rd, Mt. Lawley</td>
<td>F. N. Graves, Box N1004, G.P.O. Perth</td>
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<td>Picture Theatre Building, Broadway, Nedlands</td>
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<td>J. H. Wylie, Narembeen</td>
<td>J. H. K. Felton, 8 Thomas Street, Nedlands. Phone WM1917</td>
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<td>NORTH-EAST FREMANTLE</td>
<td>Artillery Barracks, Burt Street, Fremantle</td>
<td>4th Monday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>W. M. Reid, &quot;Monash House,&quot; 23 King Street, Perth</td>
<td>S. R. Yugh, 42 Holland St., Fremantle (East)</td>
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<td>D. Sargent, Pingen</td>
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<td>R.S.L. Clubrooms, Gordon Street, Northam</td>
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<td>R. C. Clewitt, 174 Fitzgerald Street, Northam. Phone 32</td>
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<td>St. Hilda's Hall, Glebe Street (off View St.)</td>
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<td>W. L. Menkens, 30 Redfern St., North Perth</td>
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<td>PRESS</td>
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<td>E. C. Johnston, Quairading</td>
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<td>E. Lawe, Reddy</td>
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<td>W. P. Sanders, National Bank, Southern Cross</td>
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<td>A. B. Dinnie, Bunting</td>
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<td>G. H. Riches, Tel. No. 41</td>
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