THE ESSENCE OF CONGRESS

The Annual State Congress is the most important event in the League’s calendar. Besides being a grand reunion of Diggers old and young, Congress is the body which decides the League’s policy and interprets its constitution.

This year’s Annual State Congress should go down to history as one of the most important in the annals of the League. To start with, there was an unusually long agenda paper, containing items which, if not exactly controversial, were certainly debatable, and requiring decisions on which the future of the League must depend. There was also the expected crop of hardy annuals, but even these were presented in new forms that had been shaped by the trend of more recent events and tendencies. The wide range of topics covered by the agenda paper reflected, the great interest being taken, throughout the State, in the affairs of the League and the future of ex-servicemen and women, and also in matters that would come under the heading of national and international. It augurs well for the future of our organisation that the broader outlook can see the vision of a better world, as well as the more immediate problems that confront us. The deeper personal interest members have been taking in League affairs is also shown by the unusually strong direct representation of country sub-branches. Not only did an unexpectedly large number of sub-branches send representatives to Congress, but they sent proxies as well.

Much interest was centred in the election of the State President, in view of the events of the past six months. That position was clarified by the re-election of Mr. J. M. W. Anderson, who was selected by last year’s Executive to fill the breach when Mr. Edmondson resigned. Another important decision, in the sphere of administration and interior economy, was one made in connection with the election of members of the Executive Committee. For many years now, it has been evident that the method of choosing members of the Executive Committee, as laid down in the rules, did not give general satisfaction. The rule that has operated for practically a generation was that Executive delegates should be nominated at congress and elected by the votes of congress. Many attempts to have that method of election altered have been suggested, but, so far, no practicable improvement has been devised. This year’s congress carried a resolution deleting the old rule, and substituted a rule that nominations of candidates for election to the State Executive must be made in time to reach the State Secretary two months before the date of the opening of congress. It is assumed that the nominations can be made only by sub-branches, and branches, and it will be interesting to see how the new rule will work out in practice.

Every year, 18 committeemen are elected to the State Executive. This year, there were 47 nominations for those 18 seats. Already it is predicted that, under the new rule, the nominations for committeemen will increase considerably. Before leaving the subject of the method of electing the State Executive, it may be remarked that this year’s election showed plainly enough that the transition period in the control of the League has already commenced. An appreciable number of returned men of the present war were elected to the Executive. This clearly refutes the old misconception that it is hard to get new blood into the Executive.

This year the time-honoured, or time-worn method of election, call it what you will, was employed. Apart from two of last year’s Executive who did not seek re-election, no fewer than four others were unseated. This result also shows that the younger men from the present war are keen enough to shoulder the responsibilities of Executive members, and that the older Diggers are broadminded enough to give them the opportunity to win their spurs. One-third of the new Executive are returned men of the present war.

Altogether, 63 items from a very long notice paper have gone on from the State Congress to the Federal Congress. Land settlement, eligibility for membership and preference were the vital issues before congress. The control of aliens, especially in regard to the holding of land, was also discussed at length. There were no fewer than 34 agenda items on the subject of eligibility. Congress reaffirmed last year’s motion for the admission of all members of fighting services of the Empire who had served in an operational area, whether they were volunteers or not. This aims at giving a wider interpretation to the clause of the Constitution, governing eligibility, which does not refer specifically to members of the Militia Forces. The wider interpretation would regard militiamen who had served in battle areas as qualified for membership. An amendment, recommending the extension of the privilege of membership to all members of the forces, who had volunteered for service anywhere, was narrowly defeated. When a division was taken, it was found that 96 voted against and 90 for the amendment. This was the second time in the history of the W.A. Branch of the League that a division was called for at congress. The former occasion was about ten years ago, when a vote was taken on the method of electing the State Executive.

In another respect, congress ran true to the form it has displayed throughout the years. The men who come from all parts of the State and give up their time so unselfishly to shape the future of the League, have always been noted.
for the shrewd commonsense with which they have approached their task. Their ability to weed out the impracticable and recommend the practicable is almost uncanny. Further, there has been something like infallibility in detecting the nigger in the woodpile, and in decisively rejecting motions put up in the interests of individuals to organisations with axes to grind, and the hope that the League might be exploited accordingly.

As usual, when some of the more contentious issues were disposed of, and the congress got down to business calling for calmer deliberation, the happier and more genial atmosphere of former years was more in evidence. One missed the flashes of humour that often supplied flashes of comic relief to congresses of the past. The probable explanation of that is the more serious times through which we are passing. Nevertheless, there were many happy meetings of old comrades, and introductions to those who are, for the first time, new members. The educational value of any attendance at congress cannot be over-estimated. At least one of the younger delegates remarked that coming to congress had given him a new insight into the affairs of the League. An older man, in fact a veteran of many congresses, put it on record that he had believed that the man on the land was the only sufferer in the fall clutch of present circumstances. His attendance at this year’s congress convinced him that his comrades in the city also had his wartime disabilities. “I know now,” he summed up, “that we are all in the same boat, making the common sacrifices and doing our best to get our country finished our way.” That, one thinks, is the spirit of this League, and the spirit that will make victory inevitable, if not as soon as we expect.

FINANCING THE WAR

At the R.S.L. State Congress and the Women’s Auxiliary Conference, resolutions were carried supporting the 2nd Victory Loan. The League is actively identified with the war loan organisation. The chairman of the State War Loan Committee is the senior vice-president of the League, and Colonel Mansbridge, Hugh Leslie, M.L.A., and Mrs. McKinnay are active members. District committees throughout the State are either controlled or greatly assisted by representatives of the League. But much more can be done. Since the run of great victories by the Allies, a dangerous complacency by our people is in evidence, which must be countered by straight talk by those who by their service in this and the last war have the right to speak.

The majority of our citizens are apathetic almost to the point of being unpatriotic. They look on the war as being something apart from them. So long as someone does the fighting for them and others lend their money to finance the war, they are content to live their selfish lives in their own way, grumbling at the taxes they are compelled to pay.

In the last loan, only 5.35 per cent. of the citizens of this State subscribed. Do we deserve to win? And the people are asked only to lend—not give—at an attractive rate of interest.

The alternative to lending is for the Government to use extensive credits, and by so doing so inflate our currency that when the time comes to rehabilitate our fighting men into civilian life the prop of financial stability will have been knocked from under and hardship and misery will be their lot until sound foundations are again built.

There is no easy way of winning the war, and members of the League, by precept and example, can act for good as a leavening in their community. Resolutions passed at congress unless acted upon are only of a pious nature and do no good.

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**THE NEW STATE EXECUTIVE**

The election of the new State Executive at this year’s Annual State Congress marked a further step in the transition period, during which the returned men of the present war will gradually assume the control and direction of the League. It also demonstrated that, under the method of election that has operated ever since the inception of the W.A. Branch of the League, it is by no means impossible to

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STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

The first meeting of the new State Executive was held on October 11, when the following committees were appointed:

Management Committee: State President, Past President, two vice-presidents, with the chairman of Finance, Trustees, House, Pensions, Land Committees and Collett Collett.


House and Club: Messrs. Thorn, Mitchell, Harvey and Ferguson.


Land and Marketing: Messrs. Yeates, Ferguson-Stewart, Cornell, Thorn, Leslie and Davies, with country members elected by congress.


Anzac Day: Management Committee with Messrs. Olden, Mitchell and Paton.

Hospital Visiting: Messrs. Paton, Bate son, Harvey and Craig.


Membership: Messrs. Watt, James, Paton, Reece, Craig, MacGregor, Leslie, Elliott and Zeffert.

Problems: State President, two Vice-presidents, Immediate Past President, with Messrs. Collett, Wood, Olden, Zeffert, Elliott and Ferguson.

Building: State President, two Vice-presidents, Trustees, with Messrs. Zeffert, Olden and Davies.


War Service Homes: Messrs. Collett, Edmondson, Harvey and Davies.

Delinquency: Messrs. G. Moore, Edmondson, Olden.


Other officers elected at congress were:

Auditor: Mr. J. I. Prendergast.

Director R.S.L. Trading Co.: Mr. M. E. Zeffert.

Warden of the State War Memorial: Mr. A. Yeates, O.B.E.

Representative, Land Committee:

Wheat: Mr. Wilson.


Dairying: Mr. B. C. Chambers.

Marketing Advisory Committee:

Messrs. B. C. Chambers, I. Ferguson-Stewart and Moore.
Soldier Settlement Conference

ADDRESS BY MR. WISE

About 70 delegates attended the Land Settlement section of the Annual State Congress when it opened in Anzac House on Monday, September 25, at 11 a.m. It was officially opened by the State President (Mr. J. M. W. Anderson) and presided over by the chairman of the Land Committee (Mr. J. Cornell, M.L.C.).

As in previous years, delegates were addressed by the Minister for Lands and Agriculture (Mr. F. J. S. Wise). In view of the general irritation at the delay of the Commonwealth Government in formulating any policy in regard to the settlement of ex-servicemen of the present war on the land, Mr. Wise’s remarks were received with especial interest. He gave a broad survey of the problems associated with the problem of rehabilitation of ex-servicemen on the land and advised delegates that there must be a logical, reasonable and realistic approach in the formulation of the scheme to be adopted, if it were to be successful.

He must consider that prospects of change in Australian agriculture after the war, and what might be the causes of change in the Imperial and International sense. Changes in British agriculture during the war are likely to have a far-reaching influence on the prospects of Australian ex-servicemen going on the land, Mr. Wise stated. In 1942, the last recorded year, Britain had had the biggest harvest in her history. It was far in excess of those of the boom time in the seventies. Before the war, Britain grew only one ton of her food requirements, out of every three tons consumed. She was now producing two tons of food out of every three consumed. Wheat production had doubled. In the last war, Britain produced practically no sugar. Now she is producing all the sugar she needs for her domestic requirements, though not for manufacturing purposes. The area under potatoes had risen from seven million acres in 1939 to double that amount. The area sown to oats had risen from two and a half million acres to over four million acres. Production of vegetables amounted to four million tons a year, and the dairy cow population was larger than ever before in Britain’s history. Mr. Wise paid a warm tribute to the people of Britain. All this vast agricultural output had been achieved in spite of conditions which had led to the replacement of 40,000 skilled agricultural labourers by girls of the Land Army. The net increase of the output of the soil of Britain was 70 per cent, notwithstanding bombings and machine-gunning by the enemy. In one county alone, 70,000 bombs had fallen on farms in six months, and land girls had been machine-gunned as they worked their tractors. Mr. Wise emphasised that this change and aliveness in the countryside of Britain was reflected in a policy of going in for more and better stock. The fact that dairy farming in Britain is producing more than ever before prompts the question as to whether it is not time we put some assurance of long-term stability in the industry.

Turning to the work of the Rural Reconstruction Commission, of which he is chairman, Mr. Wise denied the imputation that its members were armchair critics. The Commission’s work has been one of no light responsibility. As chairman, he could say that its report was such that on it could be built something worthy of returned ex-servicemen desirous of settling on the land. He then referred to soldier settlement after the last war, when the prospects for the farmer were left in the dark. If he looked at the present position critically and impartially, he went on, they would realise that it was not likely that there would be 40,000 servicemen wanting to be farmers. If that were to be the case, the number could be improved if it should be taken up at the outset. It would not be less than £45,000,000, and spread over two or three generations, it would not be noticed among the benefits derived from the question.

Mr. Wise said that there had been a tendency in the past to build up the cost of pioneering and settlement to the one generation. Was it fair, he asked, that a dairy farmer, who cleared and prepared the land for use in perpetuity, should bear the whole burden of the cost? Another question that had to be answered before and not after settlement was—could the properties purchased bear £2 an acre added to the cost of the land for improvements? Most of the land in this State, adjacent to amenities, has already been settled. The hardships and tasks of the new settlement were likely to be greater and more difficult, if it were to be insisted that lands settled were to be Crown lands, because of the necessity such a policy would impose of going into unsafe areas. There would be no prospect of settling 20,000 men in safe areas. The prospect of settlement after the last war, Mr. Wise declared, “I can see a repetition of the costly mistakes and heartburnings that accrued from soldier settlement after the last war. Every prospect of loss should be estimated and met. Any concession made should be a concession on interest payments for a period; interest-free for the first five years, and at half-cost for the next five years. The Commonwealth has already been represented in every international agreement and undertaking in connection with the marketing of primary products after the war. The problem ahead is one of markets and distribution, and in this connexion British preferences might mean a great deal.

Mr. Wise ended with the suggestion that this State’s capacity to provide land for soldier settlement might take up one-third of the servicemen to be provided for. It was not realistic to suppose the State’s population is likely to be loaded with one-third of the population except if adequate safeguards were secured beforehand.
The following motions were passed by the Land Settlement section of congress:

So as to ensure good living conditions to ex-service personnel to be settled on the land, the Commonwealth Government be urged to introduce legislation in an endeavour to stabilise prices for primary products to producers. That no land be bought or resumed for soldier settlement at a higher rate than the pre-war price, plus the cost of improvements.

With a view to bringing population into districts, and for the purpose of repatriating our returned servicemen, we request the attention of the chairmen of the Rural Reconstruction Commission, or such other authority as is deemed appropriate, be drawn to the advisability of cutting up all large estates containing first-class land adjacent to railways, as it is considered that this is the only solution of the problem confronting all districts.

That special consideration be given to men who, upon discharge, take up farming, and have to make application for mortgages.

That all British subjects ex-personnel be granted the same privileges in land settlement and other Government schemes appertaining to members of our own forces.

That all land considered suitable for tobacco growing in Western Australia should be reserved for the settlement of ex-service personnel after hostilities have ceased.

That the State Government be asked to make available all gully lands within forestry reserves considered suitable for future soldier settlement, and Congress urges an early survey of the south-west portion of the State and requests the Government to establish an organised scheme of land settlement.

That in any scheme of new soldier settlement, the possibilities of Esperance be considered.

Congress views with great concern the infiltration of foreigners into the banana-growing industry in the Gascoyne area, and directs the State Executive to bring before the State Government the fact that there is very little land of a suitable nature for the purpose, and that that land should be reserved for the soldiers when they resume civil life.

That all transfers of rural land be prohibited until the end of the war with the exception of transfers to returned service personnel.

That the Agricultural Bank withdraw all Agricultural Bank holdings now offered for sale, except to returned servicemen, and that no further holdings are offered for sale for the duration of the war.

That the present wool appraisement system be continued permanently and that, subject to review, the minimum price be 18s. a pound and the British Government be given preference to purchase.

Conference recommends that information be sought from Central Wool Committee to ascertain why the equalisation dividend is based on the total value of each clip, instead of by pence per pound on the whole number of growers' clips.

Congress re-affirms the motion of last year's congress that an orderly marketing board be set up under grower control, comprising three producers, a consumer, and a Government representative.

That the present system of auction be abolished and a system of appraisement be adopted for all primary products.

That some method should be set up for dealing with the surplus supply of crops, of soft and stone fruits, including tomatoes, which demands some measure of protection for growers.

That all land bought or resumed for soldiery be granted the same privileges.

That the Agricultural Bank suspend all interest charges for the period any soldier sells land serving with the fighting forces.

That full action on personal covenants in all mortgages be prohibited, so that mortgagees will rely on the security only of the mortgaged property in default of repayments.

That a system of superphosphate and all other artificial manures be requested from the Department of Agriculture.

That Government reserves that have served their purpose are a harbour for foxes and rabbits, and are becoming a menace in the agricultural districts, they should be thrown open for selection.

That every encouragement be given to the Government to bring the urgency of soil conservation before the people as a whole by education in all possible forms.

That a select committee be appointed to inquire into No. 1 Water Scheme.

Congress strongly urges the adoption and implementation of the recommendations contained in the second report of the Rural Reconstruction Commission.

This congress resolves that on all the separate authorities (both Commonwealth and State) created for the administration of future soldier settlement schemes the League be given representation on the same scale as on the Repatriation bodies.

Congress explores the fact that finality has not been reached yet on the adoption of any definite scheme, and urges that the Commonwealth Government expedite the implementation of an ex-service men's Land Settlement Scheme.

That congress is of the opinion that a school of agriculture be set up for servicemen desirous of settling on the land so that they may qualify in agriculture.

Congress urges that advantage be taken of war labour to clear and put in order abandoned farms for settlement by returned soldiers; also to clear and restore to the condition they were in, before enlisting, of the farms of soldiers, etc., who did enlist, so that a man returning to his farm will immediately be in a position to obtain a living from his holding.

That farmers being discharged after overseas service and returning to their farms be paid sustenance from the time of discharge until such time as the farm becomes sufficiently productive to ensure a decent standard of living.

That representatives be sent to the W.A. Minister for Industrial Development to use his endeavours to induce the Commonwealth Government to establish a tractor-type retraining plant in W.A.

That congress considers the pegged price of sheep skins is a national scandal and an injustice to producers, to which the strongest objection is made.

In view of the anticipated increase of soldier land, settlement and the consequential volume of work to be carried out by the League on behalf of its members, this Land Conference recommends that the State Executive give full and due consideration to the appointment of a qualified man to deal with all land matters.

That, as it is the avowed intention of the Government to set up local committees throughout the Commonwealth to advise on many and varied matters affecting returned service personnel, this conference is very definitely of opinion that at least two members of the R.S.L. in each centre be appointed to such committees, thus ensuring direct representation.

Congress supports the efforts of producers' representatives to have all meat appraised and sold on the hoof at abattoirs.

An item in a recent BBC European news service gave this report of a judicial ruling in Sweden on the use of the word "Nazi." In the Gotenborg police court the decision was given that the term 'Nazi' is an insult. Any person applying it to another will, in future, be liable to a fine of twenty crowns.

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The following resolutions were passed by the General Congress:

That the State War Memorial display the emblems of the Naval and Air Forces of Australia, as well as of the A.I.F.

That notices be periodically published in the Press stating that legal action will be taken, if necessary, to recover the official badge of the League from any unfriendly members, and that a notice to this effect be printed on the back of each official receipt.

Congress is in favour of appointing an Assistant General Secretary of the League.

In the interests of the League and the individual discharged soldier, the matter of an R.S.L. representative at Claremont be reconsidered.

That the fate of all motions submitted by State Congress to Federal Congress be forwarded to the sub-branches submitting them.

Congress press for a complete examination of taxation for a period of twelve months following discharge of personnel from the fighting forces, whose incomes do not exceed £500 a year.

That the State Executive approach the Federal Government and endeavour to get it to lay down a definite policy regarding the payment of taxation to returned soldiers, and congress is of the opinion that an exemption should be granted for twelve months, to allow returned soldiers to rehabilitate themselves.

So as to assist in the rehabilitation of returned men, appropriate action be taken to retain all secondary industries already established in this State.

That all discharged or demobilised ex-service personnel be reinstated, if they so desire, in their old positions with accrued seniority and benefits, or in a position at least equal to the foregoing.

Congress is of the opinion that every endeavour should be made by the incoming State Executive to make representation to the State Government that no vacancies shall be permanently filled until the cessation of hostilities, and all returned men from this war be given an opportunity to submit their application for such positions.

That, in view of the fact that more generous allowances were given to dilute trainees, Congress views with dissatisfaction the allowances which are fixed for the reconstruction trainees, and requests that representations be made to the Federal Government to have reconstruction allowances raised at least to the levels of those paid to dilution trainees; and that Congress also press for the promulgation of adequate allowances for service women undergoing reconstruction training.

Congress instructs the incoming Executive to indicate to the Public Service Inspector that a good avenue exists in many Government departments, branches and commissions for the congenial and lucrative employment of many deserving returned soldiers.

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with disabilities not marked on his enlistment papers, and not due to misconduct, he shall receive reparation benefits commensurate to his disability.

That, in view of the long delays that occur between the date of lodgment of an appeal in respect of the payment of pension to any person, and the date of decision by the Tribunal, congress make the necessary approach to the proper authority with a view to having hearings expedited, so that financial loss suffered by appellants, as at present, may be avoided.

That, in any contributory pension, unemployment or sick benefit scheme, or any national social insurance scheme, such as unemployment, sickness or hospital benefit, whether a means test or not applies, a serviceman's war pension shall not be taken into account.

That Congress urges the immediate formation of State Appeal Tribunals in all States.

That the attention of the Commonwealth Government be drawn to the fact that the various tradesmen are not able to obtain the necessary tools of trade on their discharge from the forces, so as to enable them to re-established in their civilian occupations, and it is requested that the Department of Repatriation in Western Australia should endeavour to secure the release of a large proportion of tools for ex-servicemen for the foregoing purpose.

That the incoming Executive be instructed to continue its efforts to have all ex-servicemen and women treated in one ward, in terms of motion 115 carried at the last meeting.

That a new section be inserted in the Repatriation Act to provide for the automatic payment of living allowance, not less than the basic wage, to all ex-service personnel who were unemployed through war causes, sickness or disability.

That the Federal Government be asked to make arrangements for the cremation of our honoured dead, wherever their relations request that this should be done.

That congress ask the Commonwealth Government to raise the standard of living of our old people on service, old age and invalid pensions.

That more sympathetic consideration be given to returned personnel suffering from a nervous condition as, in most cases, it is due to intensive war service in various theatres of war and should receive the appropriate scientific treatment before discharge.

That congress ask the Government to appoint experts to inquire into all the effects of war neurosis and methods of treatment, such experts to obtain the latest scientific information from all Allied countries, and to have power to send investigators to or invite representatives from overseas countries.

That congress ask the Government to establish specially equipped modern hospitals, staffed by trained medical and psychiatric, such hospitals to be used only for ex-service personnel and to be entirely separate from any civilian institutions.

That congress press for complete rehabilitation of men and women Honourably discharged from the armed and auxiliary services, including adequate living allowances during sickness, unemployment, apprenticeship, learning a trade, to acquire professional or technical skill.

That all nominations for the position of State President, vice-presidents, trustees and committee members, shall be in writing and close with the State Secretary not later than two months before the opening of the Legislative Assembly, and all sub-branches shall receive notification of all nominations received not less than one month before the opening of congress. All nominees must signify their willingness to accept office and be financial members of the W.A. Branch.

Congress re-affirms its decision of last year in regard to eligibility for membership of the R.S.L.

The resolution of last year, which was thus re-affirmed: That the final clause of 5A of the Constitution be interpreted in its widest sense to include those who are volunteers or not, so that all who come within its scope may be admitted as members of the League.

That members of the Merchant Navy be eligible for membership, provided they served in ships sailing outside Australian territorial waters, or have been in action.

Congress supports preference in employment for ex-servicemen and women.

That the action of the State Government in appointing a non-retired soldier to the position of instructor and technical teacher at the Technical School, Perth, be investigated by the State Executive, as a number of returned men were applicants for the position. As the Government policy of preference to returned soldiers was carried out on this occasion, strong action should be taken by the League to ascertain why a returned soldier was not appointed to the position, and it is felt that it is not yet too late to arrange that a returned soldier appointed to the position.

That a permanent standing Navy, Army and Air Force is necessary, and should be considered in all plans for post-war organisation.

That congress supports the policy of one Army for Australia, and requests all ex-service members of Parliament to press for this to be done at once.

That combatant members of the services, who were stationed in areas (front line, or similarly defined zones on the sea, or in the air) be entitled to an increased rate of pay; and, that in the event of death or disability, the pensions of their dependants or themselves be similarly assessed.

That a further "come-out" of various headquarters and base jobs for fit men is still necessary.

Congress urges a review of the position of "A" class men, at present manpower in the Forces, and the question of whether their replacement by "B" class returned soldiers.

Congress lodges a protest against sick and wounded servicemen on leave being obliged to travel on the railways without being provided with seating or sleeping accommodation.

That the Federal Congress make representations to the Federal Parliament requesting that, after the cessation of hostilities, all government and stores, suitable for civilian use, be returned to Australia and, in equal proportions, be allocated to every State for sale, thus giving the people of Australia every opportunity to purchase if they so desire.

That the female relatives' badges and stars, at present issued to relatives of personnel who have died, and to Missives, should also be issued to the relatives of Merchant Navy personnel, under the following conditions: (1) Each case to be treated on its merits; (2) relatives of Merchant Seamen who have served six months or more on active service; (3) relatives of whom have been wounded or killed in action, irrespective of the length of service; (4) relatives of seamen who have been in action against the enemy, irrespective of length of service.

That the League should co-operate with the Government in preparing the difficulties of re-absorption of ex-service personnel into industry, as we believe co-operation is necessary and would be beneficial.

That the Federal Government be urged to arrange for any member of the forces who may be discharged and may need a job for his employment, to receive special consideration as to petrol allowance and tyres to enable him to have a car fit for roads and to start that business.

That Rule 6 i (a) be amended by inserting the words "with the exception of the immediate past president," after the word "censor." (R.M. 46. This provides specifically for the Immediate Past President remaining on the State Executive.)

That it be permissible for a country sub-branch to combine the office of secretary and treasurer.

That any new member joining the League before September 30 shall pay the full ten shillings to the end of the year, and a new member joining after September 30 shall pay ten shillings, which shall make him financial till the end of the following year.

That congress press for the following rates of clothing allowance to be paid to all members of the forces on discharge, and for items of prospect." (a) Those already discharged, who did not receive their full kit upon discharge, but only their underclothing, £25.

(b) Those already discharged, who did not receive their full kit, £15.

(c) Those who are now being discharged, or will be discharged in the near future, and who will receive their full kit and the revised issue of decent civilian clothes, £10.

That the Department of Housing make available to the public secondhand tyres from the numerous dumps around the country, and help to relieve the public of an acute shortage by a system of priority.

Congress protests strongly against the proposed alteration to the height of rooms from 17 feet to 9 feet 6 inches.

That the State Executive inquire into the demand for the houses being built by the Housing Commission to 6 feet, and watch the specification of the same.

That stricter supervision be exercised in the construction of any future war service buildings.

That the rate of interest on loans for war service homes, past or future, be reduced to 3 per cent.

Congress re-affirms a previous decision with regard to the naturalisation of aliens.
and again urges that consideration of applications be deferred until after the war. Congress empowers the Commonwealth Government to consider the following proposals in connection with alien control under the Immigration Act after the war: "Every alien immigrant shall, on entering the Commonwealth, lodge with the Commonwealth Treasurer a sum of money equal to his return fare to his country of origin and, at the end of two years or the appropriate period for naturalisation, the immigrant cannot pass a simple test in English, or has not behaved as becomes a citizen of Australia, he shall be deported at his own expense. Further, that this be a condition of his initial admission."

Congress deports the action of the Government in relieving alien subjects from internment camps, or other forms of internment, especially those who have been sentenced under the National Security Act, as they are taking up businesses whilst Australian citizens are being called up for military service, having to forfeit their own essential business, and at the time of call-up some of these men are not even physically fit; and that Congress request the re-internment of such alien subjects for the duration of hostilities.

Congress urges, at the earliest moment, the deportation to their country of origin of all enemy aliens of proved subversive activities interned in Australia during the war period, and all enemy prisoners taken during the war and brought to this country.

Congress urge the Federal Government to take necessary action to enforce by law that all foreigners, when conversing in a public place, shall not be permitted to use other languages than English. That Anzac Day shall be made a national holiday.

That Congress ardently endorses the principles laid down in the Atlantic Charter guaranteeing the Four Freedoms and requests Federal Congress to amplify this endorsement.

Congress requests the Commonwealth Government to consider a plan in conjunction with other parts of the Empire in which an exchange of exponents of education, culture and science would take place, with the ultimate object of a world's extension of the scheme.

That a leaseuary under the Soldiers' Children's Educational Scheme, controlled by the Repatriation Department, be allowed full monetary benefit of any scholarship or bursary won or granted. That the Federal Government be asked to pay a similar amount to that now granted under existing scholarships to all children of sufficient ability whose parents or parents are in receipt of from half to a full service pension.

That the A.B.C. establish a State orchestra in each State, financed from listeners' license fees, and operating on a policy of free concerts to the public. That the State Government be asked to provide boarding houses adjacent to all high schools to accommodate country children desiring to attend high schools, whereby children could be under supervision.

That the State Executive appoint a committee for the purpose of examining the practicality of training delinquent boys and girls, such committee to consult with Mr. Schroeder, psychologists and authorities on education and technical training of such boys and girls with a view of approaching the Government with a practical scheme for training schools for such boys and girls.

That, subject to satisfactory production of discharge certificate, all Imperial ex-servicemen who are eligible for membership of the R.S.L. shall become automatically entitled to all benefits of repatriation, service pensions and medical services meted out to Australian personnel, under a reciprocal agreement with the British Government.

Congress re-affirms its policy of 1943, that those conscientious objectors who refuse to take the Oath of Allegiance should be deprived of all rights of citizenship.

A number of items appearing under notices of motion were referred to the incoming Executive.

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The Twenty-eighth Annual State Congress of the League was officially opened in Anzac House, in the presence of more than 200 delegates, by the Governor (Sir James Mitchell) at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, September 27. Earlier in the morning, delegates had assembled at the State War Memorial, where a brief, silent ceremony was performed by the State President (Mr. J. M. W. Anderson), who placed a wreath as a tribute to the fallen of the two wars. Mr. George Melior sounded the Last Post and Reveille.

At Anzac House, Sir James Mitchell was accompanied by Minister for Defence (Mr. A. M. Coverley), representing the State Government, Commander S. T. M. Gower, R.A.N., Brig. O. V. Hoad and Wing-Commander Russell, representing the Navy, Army and Air Force, respectively. The U.S. Navy was represented by Commander W. S. Whitendale, and the V.D.C. by Colonel W. B. Robinson and Brig-General A. J. Beswick-Browne. Mr. J. W. Vivian, Warden of the State War Memorial, was also present. Each of the official visitors briefly addressed the gathering after His Excellency had declared Congress open.

Presentation of Trophies

Sir James Mitchell presented the trophies competed for annually by metropolitan and country sub-branches. The Newdegate Cup, for the sub-branch which had done the best work in promoting the interests of the League in the metropolitan area, went to West Melbourne. Wyalkatchem Sub-branch retained the Colonel Collatt trophy, presented for similar efforts by country sub-branches. The Mary Cornell trophy, for the sub-branch which, according to its numerical strength, had obtained the best results in the Poppy Day appeal, and in its contributions to the Aged Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen's Fund, was won by West Swan Sub-branch.

POINTS FROM THE STATE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Welcoming the official party and delegates, the State President (Mr. J. M. W. Anderson) said that the League was approaching a testing time and the next year or two would probably be the most critical in its history. The role of the League will be that of watchdog in the interests of sailors, soldiers, airmen, and the women of the various services. A great responsibility rests upon the League to assist such a rehabilitation as would be satisfying to the individual and the community.

The only constant thing in life is change. That person and that organisation which never loses sight of this fact, but ceaselessly and objectively examines, rejects, retains and accepts, cannot help but be efficient.

The League has always endeavoured to assist Governments and, in many of the reforms and privileges that have been necessary in the past, the League has done its share and provided ideas for Governments to work upon. This will still be its aim.

Preference to returned soldiers is causing great concern, and it is regrettable that the Commonwealth Government has not dealt definitely with this policy. A firm stand will be necessary by the League.

It is not enough that an ex-service man should be given a job without regard to the disadvantages he has suffered by his service. It is argued that the Commonwealth Government has not sufficient power to ensure full preference, but have no doubt that any power lacking in this regard could, by proper approach, be arranged with the State Governments.

Housing of our men and their dependants is a serious problem . . . yet despite our requests, the Commonwealth Government has not made available funds for war service homes.

The League has gained great prestige for its work. The V.D.C. founded by the League gave a great impetus to the morale of the people in the early days of the war.

Our organisation must be prepared for the greater influx of new members as men and women are discharged from the services. We will be called upon to act as a personal liaison between the Government and the ex-service man in many cases, and our experience and enthusiasm to help the younger men should be of great value to both the new member and our country.

Membership is growing rapidly. At August 31, it was 14,116. The increase of financial members for the year was 4,000.

The R.S.L. Prisoner of War Fund has been continued this year with great success. An amount of £12,500 was collected last year. This year the amount has reached £15,000.

The debt on Anzac House is now negligible. The amount of £15,000 was paid off during the year, and the balance is £400. Bonds to the value of £500 are held, so that the remaining debt is roughly £400.

A building committee has been appointed to draw up plans for building on the block adjacent to Anzac House, which was given to the League by the State Government. The cost of materials, position and site, etc., is £3,000. A start has been made on this work, and, with the remaining debt of £400, there is every prospect of the debt being paid off by the end of the year.

We still owe a duty to our old members. The aged serviceman has always had our help and we hope, in the coming year, to do something more for him. A committee for the purpose of erecting a war veterans' home and the building of cottages for aged couples has been formed. Considerable support has been promised for this project, which should be successful.

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Our Maylands correspondent reports the death of one of the sub-branch’s best workers, Jack Fuller, who passed away suddenly on October 1. The sub-branch was well represented at the funeral. We join with his Maylands comrades in extending deep sympathy to his relatives.

Another member of Bassetdean sub-branch, Mr. J. Riley, passed away recently as the result of an illness that had lasted for many years. Notwithstanding his ailment, the late Mr. Riley was always a very active supporter of the League. He held office in many districts and was ever ready to do what he could with a good grace. We join with the Bassetdean Sub-branch in tendering condolences to Mrs. Riley and her family.

At the September meeting of the Nannup-Jarrahwood Sub-branch, members paid the silent tribute to the memory of the vice-chairman of the Jarrahwood section of the sub-branch, Mr. Dick Hall. His recent death has cast a gloom over the sub-branch and many Diggers of the district will greatly miss one who was always ready to help others.

It is with deep regret that we report the passing of Mr. W. Eddington, a man well known and popular in League affairs in this State. He was serving with the Army Ordnance Department in Tasmania when the last war broke out, and left the Tuggeranong Camp for active service with a medical unit. In this State he was a foundation committee man of the Anzac Sub-branch. Although debarred by failing health from taking a more active part in League doings during recent years, he retained a keen interest in the affairs of the A.M.C. Association, of which he was chairman several times, and he was always prominent on Anzac Day parades.

On his visit to Perth this month, Mr. John Curtin was accompanied by the jovial Raymond John Tracy, one of the veterans of the Prime Minister’s Department. Mr. Tracy has served in the department for 26 years, and has been closely associated with every Australian Prime Minister since the last war. He did his active service in the last war with the 2nd Div. Artillery.

One of Gloucester Park’s members, Mr. Alfred Sleep, underwent a serious operation recently in St. John of God Hospital. According to the latest bulletins, it will be a few weeks before he will be able to leave the hospital. In the meantime, we wish him all the best and a speedy recovery.

We join with members of the West Leederville-Wembley Sub-branch in sympathising with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ingle in the great loss they have sustained in the passing on service of their gallant son Flying-Officer Ian Ingle. Ian, who was home on leave last month, was a splendid specimen of manhood, standing over six feet and strong in character and intelligence.

At this year’s auxiliary conference, Subiaco Auxiliary was to have as one of the delegates Mrs. Shand, a foundation member. Unfortunately, Mrs. Shand was prevented from attending by a severe accident. We are pleased to report that Mrs. Shand is progressing favourably.

The many friends of Mrs. McMahon, of the Subiaco Auxiliary, will be pleased to hear that she is on the road to recovery. For several weeks Mrs. McMahon has been confined to her home through eye trouble.

Capt. Macnamara, of the V.D.C. and a very enthusiastic member of the Subiaco Sub-branch has been in Hollywood Hospital for some weeks. Mac has had a very bad spin, but is now on the mend. His services have been missed in the sub-branch and members are looking forward to seeing his smiling face at meetings.

Steve O’Neil, mine host of the Manjimup Hotel and ex-committee man of Subiaco Sub-branch, has been on a visit to Perth. Steve is still active in R.S.L. matters, being vice-president of the Manjimup Sub-branch. All his city friends were pleased to see him again.

Members of the 51st Bn. will learn with regret of the death of an old comrade, A. E. (Bert) Sainsbury, ‘‘Dad’’ of the 51st, who passed away in the Wicke-
pin Hospital on September 17, aged 78 years. For many years he was a highly-respected member of the Yeading Sub-branch and was bright and cheerful to the end. Many members attended the funeral at which the Rev. Liptoria, of Narrogin (himself an ex-service man), officiated. His address at the graveside was a fitting tribute to our old friend. Members of the sub-branch extended thanks to Dr. Jacobs and the nursing staff of the Wickepin Hospital for the care and attention they gave the patient and to all who sent floral tributes.

North Perth reports the death of a valued member, Mr. J. Yule, who had belonged to the sub-branch almost from its formation. During most of the time he held office as one of the sub-branch's honorary auditors. He served with the 44th Bn. in the last war, and held commissioned rank in the V.D.C. during the present war. We join with North Perth in tendering the deepest sympathy to his widow and family.

Bert Dawson, secretary of the Perth sub-branch, is about again and getting into harness organising the sub-branch's end of the Poppy Day appeal. He has had a spell in the Repay Ward with two broken ribs. His heart is not in the best shape, and it was during one of these heart spells that the accident occurred—a simple collision with someone who was hurrying in the opposite direction.

Our old friend Major Jack Colpitts (South African and Imperial Veterans and 10th Light Horse) is not at all well. Recently he went into the Home of Peace where he would be glad to receive visitors.

We add our congratulations to those extended by the Nedlands Sub-branch to Douglas, only son of Mr. R. A. Wood, of the State Executive, and Mrs. Wood on the occasion of his recent marriage.

Wedding bells have also pealed for Jean Randall, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Randall, of Nedlands. The bride's father has long been a member of Nedlands Sub-branch, and her mother has been a very active and important member of the Nedlands auxiliary. Jean stood up in front of the Padre and said “I will” on September 25. The lucky bridegroom is Lieut. Aart Hopman, of the R.N.N.R.
VARIA

A.I.F. Base Records Office, Canberra, advises that there are approximately $5,000 service medals for issue to A.I.F. members of the 1914-18 war awaiting claimants, who have either not made application for them or have lost the medals which have been returned to the office by the finders. There are also many Returned Soldiers, Navy and R.A.N., R.M., and G.R.I. medals, which have been found and returned to Base Records for safe custody. In addition, the Base Records Office has about 300 medals and badges, the property of the Base, or the service which issued them. The owners of these medals or badges may obtain them by communicating direct with Base Records Office, A.I.F., Canberra, A.C.T.

Hungary is the latest of Hitler's jackal nations to learn in blood and shame that the price of national dishonour is rarely worth the cost. Hungary, took advantage of her neighbours' troubles to aid in the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia, and to get the greater part of Transylvania. Now that their own country is in danger of being overrun, the more decent portion of the Hungarian people would like to get out of the war as Finland did, but the Huns will not let them. Even when these jackal countries do twist in the fell clutch of circumstance and make a death-bed repentance, one cannot squeeze out much sympathy for them or even find it easy to forgive them.

On a recent Sunday night, performances in twenty of Copenhagen's leading cinemas were suddenly interrupted. Then the puzzled audience found itself watching a British film, caricaturing Hitler and other Nazi leaders. They marched to and fro on the screen and did familiar Nazi acrobatics to the tune of the "Lambeth Walk" which has created quite a stir in the cinema grasping the situation they laughed hilariously. When recorded anti-Nazi speeches accompanied the picture their enthusiasm increased. When this unscheduled performance came to an end the cinemas showing German films had to close down. What had happened was that Danish patriots had forced an entry into the projector rooms and forced the operators to substitute the anti-Nazi film. When the patriots had departed they took with them the reels of the German film. None of the patriots were caught.

A South African naval officer, who has been serving in Russian waters, has described how the Red Navy officers spend their time when on leave. The local Red Navy Club is frequently visited. It offers first-rate entertainment, and the performances are always enjoyable. English or American films are shown twice weekly. The film audience from Moscow and they put on plays and concerts from time to time. These are by no means brief affairs for, in Russia, it is the custom between acts, or concert numbers, for the audience to adjourn for dancing in an adjoining hall. Most of the fun takes place at the weekends, and the Officers' Club is always visited on Saturday night. Between the hours of 8 p.m. and 2 a.m. Russian officers often attend a concert, see a film, dance and occupy a table in an attractive restaurant.

Sub-Branch Activities

MT. LAWLEY-INGLEWOOD

The October meeting was held under a slight difficulty, as although we are back again in Wallish's Hall we were unable to use it owing to trouble with the light, and the "Dug-out" was hardly big enough to seat those present. However, everything went with surprising success. The president gave a full and concise report on congress, and he was followed by Ted Wall with some "side-lights." Members were pleased to learn that three out of our members had been elected to the committee. More volunteers for the Hollywood party are urgently required for the next time our turn comes, but it is hoped that those who do volunteer will not forget to turn up. Last month, out of a dozen, only one put in an appearance. This is nowhere enough for the job to be done. The sub-branch membership has now passed the 600 mark, which is good going. More the merrier—and the stronger, too.

SHENTON PARK

Good attendances are the feature of the monthly meetings held on the first Wednesday. New members are being enrolled each meeting. They include discharged members of the war and the old officers are looking forward to the possibility of handing to them "the torch." The attention of members is drawn to the formation of a women's auxiliary. It is hoped that it will induce their wives and lady friends who are sympathetic to the cause to join up, for there is plenty for them to do. The local branch of the Druids Lodge has challenged members to a parlour bowls match on October 31 at 9 p.m. After a long period of service in khaki, we have back with us Cliff Kleeman. Cliff served in the last war and has been a live wire in the sub-branch since its inception.

SUNBURY

The September meeting was another success, 70 members being present, including many new Diggers. Twenty-five members were enrolled. It is very gratifying to be able to report how the sub-branch is making headway.
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Winning the interest the young Diggers are taking in sub-branch matters.
Some of them are taking office on committees. The most pleasing feature was to welcome Cpl. Frank Ritchie, an old member, who has just returned from a P.O.W. camp in Germany. Frank has seen service in the two wars, latterly with the 3/11th. The sub-branch was represented at congress by a good team and had a full attendance at every sitting. We are happy to have a member on the State Executive again. Jack Mitchell was elected at congress. He has always taken a keen interest in the sub-branch of which he is a past president. Even while in the Army he never lost an opportunity of attending meetings. Sporting activities are still going strong. There are increased attendances every Wednesday night, and the sports master, Geo. Wilson, is putting in some good work in building up good teams for future events.

**FREMANTLE CITY**
The president (Mr. H. G. Wilson) was in the chair at the general meeting on October 5. A letter of thanks was received for a donation of £10 to the Gowrie Scholarship Fund. Messrs. Hobbs and A. Johnson reported on the manning of the Anzac House supper room by the sub-branch and the auxiliary on the previous Sunday. The president reported that, on the same day, a party of country delegates to congress and their wives were entertained in Fremantle. The report of the delegates to congress was adopted, and the three delegates, Messrs. Wilson, Johnson and McIlroy, were thanked for their work. The general opinion was that too much time was spent on needless formalities and that many important items were hurried through, almost without debate. This was considered inimical to the best interests of the League, and almost farcical in view of the noticeably diminished attendance during the later stages of congress.

**YOKINE**
The fortnightly meetings during the past month have been well attended. The extension of the hall has been completed and the extra seating accommodation is greatly appreciated. The annual "smokos" on October 2 was a signal success. About 100 members and guests sat down to a delightful supper, and warm tributes were paid to the excellent effort of Mrs. Sanderson and her helpers. Jack Lannigan was in the chair and in splendid form. Generous monetary gifts caused the treasurer to beam. The Hon. H. Millington, M.L.A., responded to the toast of the Government, and Mr. Abbott to that of the Perth Road Board.

**GLOUCESTER PARK**
Preparations for Poppy Day are well in advance, the committee deciding on an all-out effort to beat all previous records this year. At the monthly meeting on October 5 it was decided to increase by 30 per cent. the last year's supply of poppies. So things should happen. With an influx of 21 new members, this sub-branch now totals over 500. Yet the monthly roll-up averages only about 10 per cent. of this total. A pleasing feature of the evening was a visit of the president and secretary of Victoria Park Sub-branch (Messrs. Nicholas and Brown). These gentlemen addressed the gathering and as a result a district committee will be formed between Gloucester Park, Victoria Park and Carlisle. Delegates to congress reported their impressions, and received the thanks of the sub-branch for their activities. Two recent appointments to positions of importance locally raise the question of preference. President Isbister and Secretary Reed received instruction to interview Messrs. Anderson and Benson on this matter. The secretary reported receipt of a further £25 from the Anzac House Ballroom Dance Committee at their Saturday night functions.

Six new members were welcomed at the September meeting. The sub-branch is in a strong financial position. The credit of the new building fund stands at £183. Mr. O. Strang has donated £25 to the building fund. The sub-branch will hold a social evening at the Wembley Hall on November 10 to entertain the ladies. Members are requested to make a special note of this date. The nomination of officers for 1945 will take place at the next meeting on November 2.

**BASSENDEN**
There was a fair attendance at the recent monthly meeting. Congress delegates rendered their report. It was de-
WOOROLOO
At the September meeting it was unanimously resolved to recommend Mr. Ted Wheatley for the League's Certificate of Service. Mr. Fred Hill was elected president, after two ballots had resulted in ties, and the retiring president was, therefore, asked to give a casting vote. Mr. Haydon combines the offices of secretary and treasurer. Mr. Jess Claydon remains vice-president. Finances are in a healthy state. The building fund is mounting, and the sub-branch should have its own premises when this war is over. Recently, members entertained 150 men of the Armoured Division at a smoke social. Returned soldiers of the present war often visit the sub-branch from the sanitorium. At the last meeting members welcomed Peter Mort and Olleg Bondarenka, a Russian airman. Preparations are being made to entertain the children and helpers of the sub-branch in the district to a Christmas treat. Members regretted the absence of Mr. Carnford from the meeting through a serious illness in his family. Members are looking forward to welcoming in person the newest member, Squadron-Leader Pennington, an M.C.O., from the sanitorium. The question of forming a women's auxiliary is being considered.

MAYLANDS
An attendance of over 100 was recorded at the special meeting on September 21. It was called for the purpose of discussing ways and means of raising funds for the proposed new memorial hall. A strong building committee was appointed, and it was resolved to purchase a block of land on the Guildford Road. It is proposed to raise about £8,000, and business firms are to be approached for assistance. To date, the response has been very encouraging. Members wishing to subscribe are asked to forward donations to the secretary, P. Fleming, G.P.O., Maylands, or to the treasurer, Dave Tobin, 82 East Street, Maylands. Six new members joined up.

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FIRE MARINE ACCIDENT

Quite a number of new faces were present at the meeting, three of them being repatriated men from German P.O.W. camps. Mr. Watt visited the sub-branch and spoke on behalf of the Red Cross appeal. The promise and assistance made by the president was endorsed with acclamation. The kindergarten for which the sub-branch worked very hard is now an accomplished fact. The weekly dances continue to be successful and still prove a good source of revenue.

NANNUP-JARRAHWOOD
During the past month, the town has had many distinguished visitors, as the League and its auxiliary, and various organisations have been holding meetings. At a joint meeting of the sub-branch and the auxiliary, in the Nannup hall on September 19, it was decided to form a strong working committee for the auxiliary. It was very gratifying to see so many of the younger generation taking up the reins of office. The monthly meeting of the sub-branch was well attended. Final arrangements were made for the annual ball to be held on September 30. Messrs. Longbottom and Fred Pearson were elected delegates to congress. An area in the town with about a chain and a half frontage has been secured as the site of the proposed memorial hall.

BOYANUP JUNCTION
On September 16 a committee representing returned soldiers and citizens conducted a final rally to raise money for the P.O.W. fund appeal. There was a record attendance and a happy and profitable evening was spent. The art union was a source of great profit. The past president (Mr. E. P. Ecclestone) and his assistant (Mr. W. Stephens) controlled the auctioneering business, and the prices secured have made a profit. The ladies, helped by two old and famous soldiers, Messrs. J. Simmons and H. Triggwell, conducted a dainty buffet supper. Secretary A. G. Scott worked untiringly for weeks to achieve the splendid results. At 11 p.m., the president (Mr. A. M. Bryce) thanked all present for their generous support. There was a net profit of £300.

VICTORIA PARK
The September meeting with the president (Alf Nicholas) in the chair was fairly well attended. The highlight of the evening was the presentation to the immediate past president, Tom Fitzsimmons, and the former secretary, Fred Matthews. These two stalwarts were the recipients of a presentation traveling case, respectively, both suitably inscribed. Membership is rapidly increasing and measures will soon have to be taken for the extension of the hall. For this purpose, a hall extension building fund has been opened. Community concerts are to be conducted every Sunday night in the R.S.L. hall to augment this fund. All members are urged to attend and an enjoyable evening is assured. Assisting artists will help the show along. Delegates to the Annual State Congress reported that its resolutions passed should be acceptable to all members of the W.A. Branch. Charlie Whitehead (2/28th Bn.) has donated a silver cup for a darts championship. After the first
throw at the September meeting, Bob Hewson is leading from Charlie McIntosh. During the month a very old member of the sub-branch, Mr. W. Eddington, passed away, and representatives of the sub-branch attended the funeral. The popular girl competition is progressing satisfactorily, although temporarily in recess during the war loan campaign. At the women's auxiliary's 17th birthday party the president (Alf Daniels) was agreeably surprised to receive on behalf of the sub-branch a cheque for fifteen guineas from Mrs. Hodgkiss, president of the auxiliary. A cheer to our members at the Edward Millen Home. All new members joining up at Anzac House are assured of a welcome at monthly meetings. Come along and meet the boys. You will know a lot of them.

**MT. HAWTHORN-NTH. LEEDERVILLE**

The attendances at the September meetings were good. New members are joining up freely. Leave of absence was granted to the busy secretary who has had to go to the country on business. Tom Campbell is filling the gap while he is away. Harry Blunt has also had to go away on business. This was hard luck for Harry, who was to have been a semi-finalist in the table tennis championship and in bridge. The semi-finals of the championships will be held at the hall on Monday, October 23. Roy Peterson is acting sports director during the absence of Cuth. Richardson. "White" Sinclair, who is secretary of the social committee, announces that a ladies' night has been arranged for November 29. These meetings will be a children's night on December 22. Members' final smoko night is on December 14. Community concerts still draw good attendances at the Hollywood on Sunday nights, and members are reminded of the auxiliary bridge evenings on Wednesday nights.

**OSBORNE PARK**

At the annual meeting, the following officers were elected: President, Alf Dans (for the fifth year); vice-presidents, E. Gill and J. Wicksey; secretary, W. Asldown; treasurer, E. Spicer; minute secretary, R. Corlett; auditors, W. Sims and G. Osborne; publicity officer, C. Garner; warden, J. Webb; committee, D. Lowan, H. Flox, E. Chrissey, G. Girando, H. Cook, W. Sims, T. Depiazzi, E. Osborne, E. Cranwell, J. Nicol; social committee, E. Great, W. Ptoleomy; sick visitors, H. float and D. Lowan. The balance sheet disclosed a healthy financial position with no liabilities, and cash in hand £25/15/2, and assets £75/6/11. Membership is now 92.

**GERALDTON**

There was only a moderate attendance of members at the October general meeting, which was presided over by the president (Mr. W. C. Freeman). It was decided to increase the numerical strength of the general committee and Mr. G. Anderson, T. Nadebaum and W. H. Archibald were elected as members and in addition Mr. G. Anderson was elected as a member of the social committee. Two new members in the person of the Rev. Moore, late of Midland district, with consistently good rainfall. The lower Great Southern districts, with consistently high rainfall averages, an excellent climate and many thousands of acres of cheap land available, provide opportunities unexcelled in any other part of Western Australia, or indeed in any other State of the Commonwealth.

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House on October 18, and promises to be even a greater success than the previous one. Arrangements are well in hand for the R.S.L. Ball, which is listed to be held at the Geraldton Town Hall on November 17. Vice-president Bert Lock and Charlie Gummery have returned from congress, and the latter gave members who attended the October general meeting a resume of the business transacted by congress. At last the vexed question of a caretaker for Birdwood House has been settled, and the present occupier of the position, Charles Plumeridge, is doing a fine job, and the sub-branch headquarters have never looked in better condition. Members of the sub-branch are perturbed and views with great disapproval the number of alien ex-internees who are returning to the town and opening up in business whilst our boys are still away at the fighting fronts. One case in particular which is raising the ire of members is that of an ex-internee, who has opened up a business In premises occupied by an Australian who was carrying on a similar type of business prior to his enlistment. It is understood that this matter will be brought before the next general meeting of the sub-branch.

**MOSMAN PARK**

Our September meeting was well attended and further new members were enrolled. During the evening our delegates to congress gave a running commentary of happenings at that gathering up to date. Members felt apprehensive regarding our future when one delegate likened the proceedings to that of Federal Parliament. Balance sheet and financial statement was received from the women's auxiliary with acquiescence. It was

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decided to draw the ladies attention to the requirements of having their books audited and figures completed as soon as possible after July 31 on future occasions. Amongst the new members and visitors were Messrs. Snell (R.A.A.F.), Bilton (Merchant Navy) and son of our old stalwart, Bob Renner. Young Bob lacks the rotundity of his Pa, but as with Bob himself, we suppose all good things will come in good time. Young Bob is a member of the A.I.F. home on leave. It was decided to invite members of the R.N. to join us in a sports night on Thursday, October 12. Arrangements are well in hand and a good night should result. After many months trial without them, it was decided to reinstate sending out monthly notices again. Attendances at meetings had fallen noticeably since the cessation was introduced, and the new decision should have satisfactory results. Quoits and darts will figure in our “search for talent” drive at the next meeting, and some good performances are looked forward to. Dick Thomas is well to the fore with his Poppy drive and his action in obtaining sales so early should prove an inspiration to all members of the sub-branch.

WEST LEEDEPVILLE—WEMBLEY

An innovation introduced at our meeting was that we not only have a winner, where necessary, but also the second prize holder, and we have even gone so far as to express complete approval at the monthly meeting held on Monday, October 9. This is a distinct boom to a lot of our friends who are rather hard of hearing. The finance committee submitted a very satisfactory report which was adopted, and it was possible to invest a further £100 in the Second Victory Loan. Commuity concerts continue to be held at the Luxor Theatre each Saturday night after church, and these are conducted in conjunction with the Mt. Hawthorn Sub-branch and members are asked for their continued support. Two new members in Messrs. F. C. Rooke (2/11th) and H. V. Daymond (old 16th) were welcomed by the president (Mr. C. A. H. Bolton). The Newedge Cup has at last come to the sub-branch, and we are very proud of its effort. The president told the story of the win at the meeting, and particularly coupling the name of the immediate past president, Mr. Bill McCulloch, with the sub-branch’s effort. The building committee submitted a satisfactory report, and we hope to be able to make some announcement early in the New Year along these lines. Members expressed their sorrow in the untimely loss sustained by our much respected member Harold Singleton, who has just received news of the death of his son who was in the Air Force. All members of the sub-branch extend to Harold and his family their sincere sympathy. The annual smoke social will be held on Friday, November 17. Subscription, 3/-.

The newly-formed Younger Set of the auxiliary held a most successful children’s fancy dress ball at St. Philip’s Hall recently. Total proceeds were £15/14/0, of which £10 was handed to the R.S.L. P.O.W. fund. Over 40 prizes were given. Office-bearers of the Younger Set are: President, Molly Lynch; secretary, Margaret Moore; treasurer, Nola Payne. Mrs. Newson and members of the auxiliary are very pleased with the enthusiasm shown by the girls. Both the auxiliary and the Younger Set helped with a most successful Sunday entertainment for the men in provided an enjoyable supper. The sub-branch has increased its strength from 30 last year to 55. The local Ugly Man competition which has been carried on for some months was finalised on September 29. The day opened with a sports meeting which netted £55 and ended with a ball, which established an all-time record for the Wyalkatchem Town Hall, the takings being £72.

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SOUTH PERTH

Recently auxiliary members were the guests of the sub-branch at a very happy social evening. On September 8 there was a good attendance when the auxiliary celebrated its 13th birthday. Among the guests were the auxiliaries' Secretary (Mrs. Henderson), and representatives of a number of neighbouring auxiliaries. Mrs. McKinlay congratulated the incoming President (Mrs. Cullen) on the progress and work of the auxiliary. A musical programme arranged by Mrs. K. Linfoot, for which Mrs. P. Lawler was pianist, was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Davenport was once again congratulated on a most artistically iced cake.

SUBIACO

The president, Mrs. Burgess, presided over a large attendance at the monthly meeting on September 20. After business had been despatched, the immediate past president, Mrs. Sadlier, was given a social afternoon, during which Mrs. Shand, a foundation member, presented her with a handbag on behalf of members. This year the auxiliary was able to send four delegates—Mesdames Burgess, B. Brown, Sadlier and Sherlock—to the annual conference, with Mesdames Congdon, Williamson and Strue as proxies. During the month the customary hospital visits were made. On September 29 a large number of members accepted the invitation to the birthday party of the Victoria Park Auxiliary. The senior vice-president (Mrs. Cribb) has been granted a month's leave of absence and is enjoying a well-earned holiday in the Lake Grace district. Keen interest is being taken in auxiliary sports. A return game with Cottesloe is eagerly awaited by members.

MAYLANDS

A plain and fancy dress children's ball was held in the Maylands Town Hall on October 12 in aid of Christmas Cheer for the fighting services. A very enjoyable visit was made to Lemnos, and visits have also been made to Edward Millen, the Repatriation wards, Sunset and the Home of Peace. Cigarettes and sweets were distributed. Mrs. Jones, of Guildford Road Maylands, has donated fruit and vegetables to the different institutions. Members greatly regret the illness of their president, and wish her all the best and a speedy recovery.

MT. HAWTHORN-NTH. LEEDERVILLE

Mrs. Richardson presided over a good attendance at the general meeting last month. The month's activities included visits to Sunset, Repatriation wards and Glendalough, a new venture undertaken by the auxiliary. The September bridge evening was well patronised. Mesdames Richardson and Hollands were delegates to conference, with Mrs. James as proxy. Mrs. Stockmin was again elected senior vice-president, Mrs. Kay a trustee, and Mrs. J. Richardson a member of the executive committee. Members took their turn during the month at staffing the Friendly Hostel.

P.U.S.W.

Mrs. Dean presided at the monthly social in Anzac House. Miss Gwen Cadd gave an interesting talk on her hospital work in the Eastern States. Mrs. Chadwick spoke on behalf of the Second Victoria Loan. Mrs. Wilson thanked the speakers. Mrs. E. Lynch arranged a musical programme, to which Mrs. R. A. Moore made enjoyable contributions. The guests of the afternoon were the convalescent patients of the Lady Mitchell Home and the John Nicholson Home. The Scarborough shop is opening and is in urgent need of a group leader and workers.

MIDLAND JUNCTION

Among the guests at an enjoyable evening on September 15 were the State President (Mr. J. M. W. Anderson) and Mrs. Anderson, the State Secretary (Mr. Benson) and Mrs. Benson, the auxiliary president (Mrs. McKinlay) and the auxiliary State secretary (Mrs. Henderson). During the evening the president (Mrs. J. Sampson) asked Mr. Anderson to accept for the P.O.W. fund a cheque for £54/15/-, which represented amounts collected by the local ladies from various functions. A further cheque, £20/17/10 was presented on behalf of the sub-branch. In the absence of the president of the sub-branch (Mr. J. Craig) the auxiliary vice-president (Mrs. W. Lamb) expressed the thanks of the sub-branch and auxiliary to all who had helped to raise these amounts. A musical programme was presented by the following: Mesdames Waite, Cox and Parry, Messrs. Kennedy and McGuinness (songs), Mesdames Millar and Brady (accompaniments), Mrs. Rodda (recitations), Mesdames Johnson and Sherritt (pianoforte duet), and we Jeanette Chalmers (banjolin solo). The success of the evening was largely due to the organising ability of Mrs. Sherritt and Mrs. Todd, who supplied music for the dancing.

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For VALUE and Friendly Service!
ASSOCIATIONS OF EX-SERVICE MEN
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<td>Lou Thompson</td>
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<td>Road Board Office, Mandurah</td>
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<td>S. Horton, Alma Rd.</td>
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<td>Supper-room, Town Hall, Marylands</td>
<td>1st Tuesday, 7.45 p.m.</td>
<td>J. Lawley</td>
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