Bearing ourselves humbly before God,
but conscious that we serve an unfolding purpose,
we are ready to defend our native land . . . ”
—Churchill, July, 1940.
Left: A shady spot in the grounds of R.B.L. House, York.

Below: The Joint Committee at a recent meeting held at Faversham, York, representing the State Executive, Red Cross, Women's Auxiliary, York Sub-Branch and Australian Legion of Ex-Servicemen.
We Must People This Country

A glance at the map of the South-West Pacific area illustrates the absolute necessity for Australia being populated by people of our own choosing with as little delay as possible.

Australia is situated in a more or less isolated position, so far as the Western peoples of the world are concerned, and away to the north there are hundreds of millions of people jostling for space.

With our vast continent peopled by a little over seven millions endowed by nature and capable of carrying at the very least four times the present population, the over-crowded coloured races of the north must turn longing eyes towards this continent.

We have the opportunity now to people Australia with our own kith and kin from the Old Country as a first priority.

There are also many desirable types of migrants from Northern Europe who would readily absorb the Australian way of life, but the rate of intake of people in Australia is all too slow.

The problem, of course, is not an easy one, when we consider the difficulties, particularly as to housing, which confront our own people.

There is no overwhelming clamour by people either from the Old Country or from Europe to come to Australia, and whatever the cause of the delays in speeding up immigration the fact remains that there are delays which are serious.

Since our need of immigrants is so great, it behoves every loyal Australian to welcome by word and by act those people who come from overseas, particularly when they come at our invitation. There are many ex-service migrants coming into the country who stand in great need of help and advice and, more important still, a kindly word of encouragement.

They are not people apart once here, and it is our duty to assist them to become absorbed into the Australian way of life as easily and as happily as possible.

So far as aliens are concerned, there is a natural tendency for migrants to voluntarily segregate themselves. There is need of a vigorous programme of action to eliminate these factors which tend to encourage aliens to congregate into little “Italian” and little other countries of other origin here in Australia.

So far as ex-service men and women coming to this country are concerned, we, as ex-servicemen, would be disloyal to the constitution of the League and to our country if we failed to receive our ex-brothers-in-arms with open welcome.

We must do everything within our power to assist them in what undoubtedly is for them a most trying and difficult experience.
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DO YOU JUST BELONG?

Are you an active member, the kind who would be missed, or are you just contented that your name is on the list?

Do you ever go to visit or call on a member who is sick, or leave the work to just a few and call them “the clique”?

There's quite a programme scheduled; you must have heard about it. Go along to your sub-branch and lend a hand.

Your presence gives moral support. You might even have a suggestion to make.

Think this over, fellow. YOU know right from wrong. Be an active member and not just a "just belong."

R.S.L. CRICKET TEAM IN ADELAIDE

A team selected by the R.S.L. Cricket Association to play against ex-service cricketers in South Australia left Perth for Adelaide on February 13. Those selected are G. Fidock (Captain), Alan Dick (Vice-Captain), M. Pethick, L. Shand, M. Farrell, E. Cooley, R. Stockman, J. Trethowan, M. Bunting, C. Rosewarne, R. Bulger, J. Grigg, C. McDonald, C. Farley and J. White. The manager of the team is Mr. Alan Cook, Secretary of the City of Perth sub-branch. One of the West Australian players, R. Bulger, who is serving with the R.A.A.F. in Darwin, flew to Adelaide to join the team.

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Anzac Day

Anzac Day falls this year on a Sunday and the Anzac Day Committee has met and discussed the altered arrangements which will be necessary on that account.

It was decided that Anzac Day should be celebrated on the actual day of the Landing, namely 25th April, and it seems that this is a wise decision. So that the Anzac Day services shall not interfere with church services, it was decided to hold the services on the Esplanade, commencing at 3.15 p.m., following the usual parade. The Dawn Service will be held at the State War Memorial in King’s Park, as usual.

Anzac Day fell on a Sunday on only three or four occasions in the League’s history. The last occasion was in 1943 and the previous occasion to that was 1937.

It is hoped to see a large muster of representatives from both World Wars take part in the march and that all three services will be well represented.
Sub-Branches with Self-imposed Tasks

There are several sub-branches in the metropolitan area which carry out special tasks in addition to those which are usually involved in the usual routine of the work of a sub-branch. The latest additions to the list of sub-branches thus engaged are:

Highgate Sub-Branch.—Highgate sub-branch recently sought permission from the State Executive to conduct a 'Food for Britain' appeal on behalf of the League. This offer, of course, was gladly received by the State Executive and the sub-branch has the authority to go right ahead with its plans after Anzac Day. These arrangements were made so as not to clash with the current appeal for the extensions to the State War Memorial.

Press Sub-Branch.—Here is another example of a sub-branch undertaking a special task in the work of the League. Press sub-branch has a good record of such service and the members are responsible for the appeal for funds for adapting the present State War Memorial to meet the requirements of both World Wars. Previous to this task, it will be remembered that Press sub-branch sponsored the "Miss Australia" section of the War Veterans' Home Appeal.

Public Service Sub-Branch.—The Public Service sub-branch has made its particular interest, outside the affairs of the sub-branch, the honour avenue in memory of the fallen in King's Park. They have carried on the work of caring for the avenue and arranging for the plaques to be placed in the avenue on behalf of the relatives of deceased ex-service men.

Perth Sub-Branch.—The City of Perth sub-branch have made sporting fixtures of the League their particular care and have organised the games on behalf of the League. The outstanding examples are football and cricket, with particular emphasis on cricket. At the present time, the R.S.L. cricketers are in Adelaide on a playing tour under the aegis of the Perth sub-branch.

Metropolitan sub-branches generally have taken up the task of visiting the various hospitals and institutions which care for the sick and infirm from both World Wars.

It is a good plan for a sub-branch to have a special interest outside its own domestic affairs.

EX-SERVICE WOMEN FORM NEW SUB-BRANCH

The State President (Mr. W. J. Hunt) and the State Secretary attended the inaugural meeting of the new sub-branch comprising ex-service women eligible to become members of the R.S.L.

A great deal of interest has been aroused by the formation of this sub-branch, which indicates that its future success is assured.

The first President is Miss Mary Meares, M.B.E., who is well-known throughout Western Australia as an indefatigable worker on behalf of the ex-servicemen of both World Wars.

They are anxious to function as soon as possible as an active sub-branch in the League. They have set themselves the first task of entertaining to afternoon tea those ex-servicemen who will take part in the Anzac Day parade in cars provided for patients from the hospitals.

Sub-branches which assume a definite task on behalf of the League generally cannot fail to be a success.
The Forum is Open

LETS HAVE A DIGGER

I am a war pensioner and was on a T.T.I. pension when I entered Hollywood. I received word that on pension day, 25th December, I would receive the T.T.I. pension, but after that the pension would be reduced to 40%, although I am still an inmate of Hollywood.

When I received my medical sustenance of 16th January, I found it was only for one week, instead of, as I thought, for the three weeks from December 25. Why was this?

★ The main point to remember is that war pensions are paid in advance, but medical sustenance is only paid when due.

Your Inquiries are set out hereunder merely by showing Question and Answer

The Editor has omitted the origin and the names of the inquirers. Look for your question and you will see the answer.

In your case, although the last T.T.I. payment you received was on December 25, this was really your pension until January 7, 1948, and 20 medical sustenance would not start until April 1, 1948, and so, on January 16, you would only be entitled to one week's medical sustenance.

What is the time limit on applying to the Department of Social Services for medical benefits? I have applied to the Repatriation Commission, but have been rejected on the grounds that my disabilities are not considered to be war caused.

★ If you are suffering from a disability serious enough to keep you from employment for six weeks or more, you may apply up to 31st December this year. Apply to your district employment office or the Department of Social Services, 52 Carrington Street, Sydney.

★ What is the position regarding the use of special clothing coupons issued to ex-servicemen during 1947?

★ Special clothing coupons issued during 1947 and printed on yellow paper can be used concurrently with the 1947 and 1948 clothing coupons during this year. Special 1947 food coupons can be used until June 30, 1948.

Could you tell me what is the business re-establishment allowance and under what circumstances is it paid to ex-servicemen?

★ The object of this allowance is to give eligible ex-service personnel every possible chance to re-establish themselves successfully with or without the aid of any re-establishment loan they may have received while awaiting returns from the business.

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How do I go about getting an allowance or assistance on account of a non-war-caused illness?
* Application forms for this assistance can be obtained from any district employment office. If you are discharged before December 31, 1946, you are not eligible for this assistance.

ARE HALF-CASTE ASIATICS COMING HERE VIA DARWIN?

People coming to reside permanently in Australia must first satisfy the immigration authorities that they are of more than fifty per cent. white blood. This has been pointed out by the Commonwealth Immigration Officer, for West Australia (Mr. Gratwick) during an informal conference with an R.S.L. migration sub-committee.

The conference discussed a complaint from the Broome R.S.L. sub-branch that half-caste Asians are being admitted through Darwin in contravention of the White Australia Policy.

Mr. Gratwick added that aliens and others arriving through Darwin must be approved by the Federal Immigration officers at that centre.

Mr. Gratwick also answered another complaint that foreigners could secure passages on ships to Australia while British people could not. He said aliens coming to Australia by sea must travel on non-British vessels.

The State President (Mr. W. J. Hunt), accompanied by the accountant (Mr. K. G. Lee), made a tour of the sub-branches from Kalgoorlie south to Esperance.

A very hearty welcome was accorded them at each centre. About 25 members attended the meeting at Norseman, together with several other returned men of both wars.

In the absence of the sub-branch president (Mr. Frank Matthijsen, who was on holidays), Mr. Harry Lewis acted as chairman. The secretary (Ted Hicks) was in Hollywood Hospital for treatment, and Ned King acted in his place.

The chairman expressed the pleasure of having the opportunity to meet the visitors, as it was a long time since Mr. Hunt had visited Norseman, as an executive member, in the key-days of the sub-branch.

The ranks of the oldest members had been depleted, but, fortunately, their places were being taken by younger men. Mr. Lewis congratulated the State President on his election, and he was convinced that Mr. Hunt would carry on the great prestige of the League which had been established in years past. In responding, the State President expressed his pleasure in meeting old friends and greeting new members of the League. It was to be regretted, said Mr. Hunt, that so long a time had elapsed since there had been a visit from the executive to Norseman. His visit from Kalgoorlie south had been made possible by their old friend and League stalwart, Mr. Alf Leydon. The State President dealt with many phases of the League's work and expressed satisfaction with the Norseman sub-branch. He also referred in terms of appreciation to the work performed by the women's auxiliary.

Mr. A. A. Davey proposed the toast of the R.S.L. Executive and Staff, which was responded to by Mr. Lee.

The opportunity was taken by those present to ask many questions from the visitors, and a great deal of useful information was passed on.

VISIT TO ESPERANCE

The State President met the president (Mr. W. Sanderson) and the secretary (Mr. A. E. Evans) of the Salmon Gums sub-branch during their visit to Esperance, together with a number of local sub-branch members.

Members of the Salmon Gums sub-branch were extremely pleased to welcome the visitors, and asked many questions and received many answers.

It was mentioned that there was no record at any time of visits by executive members to a sub-branch beyond Norseman, with the exception of those visits made by the late Hon. James Cornell, M.L.C., for many years a member of the State Executive.

At Esperance, the State President attended a meeting of the sub-branch specially called by the local president, Mr. E. McPheatridge. The secretary (Mr. J. Hindle) and a good representation of the local members attended.

The members of the sub-branch expressed very great satisfaction and pleasure, at having a visit from the State President, who had come such a long distance to see them. The visit was greatly appreciated by the sub-branches in that area.

MEMORIAL TREE AT GIBSON'S SOAK,
16 MILES NORTH OF ESPERANCE

During the visit of the State President to Esperance, a halt was made at Gibson's Soak, where "mine host" is a returned Digger of this war—Johnny Walker by name. At this place there is a huge blue-gum tree.

The tree was planted by Mrs. Jenkins in 1917 in memory of her son, the late Harry T. Jenkins, who was killed at Bullecourt at the age of 20 years, on 11th April, 1917.

A brass plate affixed to the tree tells the story.
CIVIC RECEPTION TO STATE PRESIDENT DURING VISIT TO KALGOORLIE

R.S.L. AS THE "WATCHDOG"

The greatest work of the R.S.L. was in looking after those who were unable to look after themselves, said the Mayor of Kalgoorlie, Mr. R. G. Moore, recently. He was speaking at a civic reception accorded the State President of the R.S.L., Mr. W. J. Hunt.

It is the watchdog between the men and the Government, continued Mr. Moore. The R.S.L. often has to fight the Government, not only for what it has promised, but also for what returned servicemen are entitled to. The local sub-branches, Kalgoorlie and Boulder, had done an excellent job in this regard since they were founded not long after the First World War. The onus of proof of whether sickness was war-caused or otherwise should be placed upon the Government, he continued. Where there was any doubt at all, then the soldier should be entitled to that doubt.

The Kalgoorlie sub-branch, he explained, had a very ambitious programme for the building of a home worthy of the men who had served in the war. In a very few years this would become an established fact, it would be one of the finest soldiers' homes in Australia and would provide for all servicemen, including those passing through Kalgoorlie.

The Resident Magistrate, Mr. T. A. Draper, said that Mr. Hunt had been elected to office as State President only a few months ago and it was very gratifying to see him here so soon. Best impressions were gained by personal contact and the Perth office would have a better appreciation of goldfields conditions than they had before Mr. Hunt visited this district.

State Presidents, in the past, had too often spent only a couple of hours in Kalgoorlie as trains passed through, said Mr. J. R. Hylton, President of the Kalgoorlie sub-branch. It was pleasing that Mr. Hunt had been able to pay a visit to Kalgoorlie, attend an executive meeting, and to see the manner in which the administrative affairs of the sub-branch were carried on. It would be a great benefit to the sub-branch.

The R.S.L., continued Mr. Hylton, was the one stable, level-headed organisation that was above party politics. It was not slow to express its disapproval of anything carried out at any time by any Government that would adversely affect the affairs of the community.

Other speakers were Mr. Vic. O'Grady, Secretary of the Boulder sub-branch, and Mr. F. J. O'Dea, Vice-President of the Kalgoorlie sub-branch.

The position of State President of the R.S.L. was a big job, full of responsibility, but one that had a lot of compensation, said Mr. Hunt. The R.S.L. had progressed over the years and had rendered outstanding service to the community and to its members.

It was the policy of the State Executive, and it would be his endeavour, said Mr. Hunt, to reach as many of the men outback as possible—men who had served the League faithfully and who had been good soldiers. These men, by reason of the localities in which they were situated, were not able to make comparisons with others.

When asked by the Lotteries Commission to visit Esperance for the opening of the Goldfields Fresh Air League Home, he had seized the opportunity and had had a very interesting trip. Many men had been seen on the way down who had not previously been visited by an official of the League. Norseman, without warning or prior notice, had arranged a meeting on the occasion of his visit.

This sub-branch had done excellent work in the town in which it was located and had at one time won the Newdegate Cup. This was recognised by the R.S.L. as the hallmark of perfection.

At Salmon Gum, he was able to have a talk with local members and also at Esperance, where they were keeping the banner flying despite their isolation.

Mr. Hunt said that in pursuing this policy of trying to reach the outback officials and to encourage them in their work, he hoped to make a trip north in the future.

There was no need, he said, for him to recapitulate the value of the work being done in Kalgoorlie—Boulder. These sub-branches were recognised as a sort of second headquarters. They represented gold-mining centres and were faced with particular problems different from any other place. They were remarkable for their sane outlook and the value of the contribution to League policy.

Enlistments from the goldfields had been outstanding as elsewhere in the State. As the men served in time of war, they gave valuable service in times of peace. Mr. Hunt said that he sought to inspire younger men to take up the responsibility of leadership in the organisation and it was necessary to encourage men who could give it time. There should be no discrimination between the men of World Wars I and II. This created a conscious difference whereas the younger men should go in and take normal membership.

The high standard of the League that had been built up over the years had to be maintained; continued Mr. Hunt. There was no place in the League for those whose actions and policies were subservive to progress. The constitution enabled such persons to be very effectively dealt with. There was no room for anyone who was disloyal.

The League, over the years, had maintained excellent relations with governments of all kinds. Next Tuesday, as State President of the R.S.L., he would organise a reception for Mr. Chifley, the Prime Minister. "No one will be more pleased to give Mr. Chifley a reception than I will," said Mr. Hunt.

Complimenting the members of the 2/28th Battalion Housing Scheme at South Kalgoorlie, Mr. Hunt said there was no other similar scheme anywhere. He had the highest admiration for what had been done, and it would give him much pleasure to tell the League about it when he returned to Perth.
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AMBITIOUS PROGRAMME CARRIED OUT AT CLAREMONT SHOWGROUNDS GYMKHANA HELD 26th JANUARY

On Australia Day, 26th January, 1948, the Swanbourne sub-branch launched one of the most ambitious projects ever undertaken by an individual sub-branch, when it conducted a gymkhana on the Claremont Showgrounds.

The whole plan was conceived as a means of raising funds for the erection of a much-needed hall for the use of the sub-branch at Swanbourne.

The Lieut.-Governor (Sir James Mitchell, G.C.M.G.) officially opened the gymkhana, which was later attended by the Prime Minister (Mr. J. B. Chifley). The State President (Mr. W. J. Hunt) and members of the State Executive were also present, in addition to a large number of women from the auxiliaries who gave willing services towards the carrying out of the gymkhana.

The principal event was the R.S.L. Gift for professional footrunners. There was also the 880 yards handicap. A full nine-event programme for professional cyclists under the W.A. League of Wheelmen was also arranged.

There was everything that goes towards making a full programmed gymkhana, and in fact it was really a Royal Show people’s day on a smaller scale.

The whole plan of the gymkhana was boldly conceived and carefully thought out.

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C. W. MITCHELL: PRESIDENT
CITY OF PERTH SUB-BRANCH

The newly elected President of the City of Perth sub-branch of the Returned Servicemen's League is Mr. Charles W. Mitchell.

Mr. Mitchell is a returned man from World War II, who served with the 2/11th in the Middle East.

The City of Perth sub-branch is the largest in the State, with a membership of 1,700 at the end of December.

A MAYOR'S QUIP

The Mayor of Kalgoorie, Mr. R. G. Moore, who is recognised for his frite sayings and humorous quips, aptly described the Secretary of the Boulder sub-branch of the R.S.L. recently when he said that Mr. Vic O'Grady was as well known as the town clock. He was speaking at a civic reception to Mr. W. Hunt, State President of the R.S.L., and was paying tribute to the work of the local sub-branches and their officers. Mr. Hunt concurred with the Mayor's description and said that no sub-branch secretary was better known in the State.
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Dear Sir,

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I have arranged to see the Federal President of the R.S.L. in Adelaide and to call on the R.S.L. in all the State capitals and I shall be eager to tell them of my happy contacts with the R.S.L. in Perth.

As President of the A.A.A. in Auckland, New Zealand, I shall aim to have for our members, some day, a headquarters and club as well designed and comfortable as Anzac House, Perth. Your Executive and members are to be congratulated most heartily on the obvious success of the R.S.L. in Western Australia.

I shall be visiting the R.S.A. centres in the cities of New Zealand and shall convey to them a message of good-colleagues in the R.S.L.

Finally, my lady joins me in sending our sincere thanks for your personal assistance and hospitality during our short visit to your lovely city. Already we are looking forward to our next visit to Western Australia.

With kind regards to you and your colleagues in the R.S.L.

Yours sincerely,

K. R. PARK.

PRIME MINISTER VISITS ANZAC HOUSE

During his brief visit to this State last month, the Prime Minister (Mr. J. B. Chifley) was accorded a reception by the State Executive in the board room at Anzac House on Tuesday, January 27, 1948.

Mr. Chifley expressed his pleasure at being thus honoured, and complimented the League on the useful work it was performing, not only on behalf of the returned ex-serviceman, but also to the community as a whole.

Mr. Chifley signs the visitors’ book at Anzac House.

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The fault, we are convinced, lies with the scheme itself and any criticisms that are made by the League, now or at any time, are levelled not at individuals, but at the scheme as such.

Wonderful on Paper
On paper it is a wonderful scheme, but the League is convinced, and unfortunately time has proved, that it is too idealistic to be easily carried into effect. The delays which have taken place are almost entirely due to that cause.

There is good cause, it is felt by the League, for great dissatisfaction and discontent amongst ex-service men regarding the activities in connection with the scheme.

In support of this, the fact that even at this late stage properties have been acquired to provide farms for only 296 men. It is a matter of great concern to the R.S.L. that not one of these farms has reached the standard of development agreed to by the authorities and that only a few of these farms have been allotted, and then only under a temporary arrangement.

Push the Plan
The League considers that the establishment of a board of control to push the plan and to administer its affairs is long overdue and the State Government is to be commended for this latest move towards the speeding up of the scheme. This board, which is to be established, should, the League thinks, be farmers' representatives selected from experienced, practiced and successful farmers nominated by the R.S.L. and representative of the dairying, wheat and sheep sections of the industry.

No doubt the most unsatisfactory aspect of the War Service Land Settlement Scheme has been the apparent lack of coordinated effort on the part of both governments to work together towards a solution of this much-vaunted question of War Service Land Settlement. If there has not been a lack of understanding on the part of the two governments, there at least has been a lack of sympathy and, as a result, the scheme has suffered.

It is alarming to learn the extent to which this state of affairs exists today and which have been confirmed by the findings of the committee.

Bottlenecks
This only proves what the League has been afraid of for a long time, that the bottle-necks caused by dual control bring the inevitable results of stalemate. If progress is to be made these delays must be removed and there must be a closer co-operation and policy of mutual give and take between the two departments controlling the scheme. This is an urgent necessity.

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The League has pressed for a more ready acceptance by the Commonwealth and the recommendations made by the State Government and a new setup must be effected if the desired results are to be achieved.

For instance: The League is of the opinion that representations should be made by the State Government for the Commonwealth to delegate greater authority to the Commonwealth representative here to enable him to make decisions to meet the local needs. The scheme throughout Australia has only a very general application to the Commonwealth as a whole, but each State must have its own peculiar problems which require to be handled locally, where they are better understood by the man on the spot.

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WAR WIDOWS' HOUSING CONDITIONS

Evidence Before Royal Commission on Housing

Mr. J. B. Fitzhardinge, a member of the State Executive, gave evidence before the Commission. He stressed that very little consideration was given to the position of war widows in their housing difficulties.

Many of these widows, he said, were living in accommodation far above their means and nothing appeared to be done to alleviate this condition, which he believed was the responsibility of the Government.

At a recent deputation to the Minister for Housing (Mr. Ross McDonald) the Housing Committee of the R.S.L., led by Mr. E. O. Davies, pointed out that the erection of flats on the same basis as Commonwealth Rental Houses would materially assist to solve the housing problems of many war widows.

The R.S.L. also had a deputation to Mr. Nelson Lemmon, Commonwealth Minister for Works and Housing, when the question of war widows and housing accommodation was again stressed.

Mr. Lemmon advised that he would instruct the officers of the State Housing Commission to be more liberal with regard to war widows' cases, particularly in the matter of finance.

Mr. Lemmon stated that in the Eastern States a very liberal interpretation of the Act was being practised and many widows were being assisted in the matter of housing.
**Poppy Day**

A large representation of metropolitan sub-branches attended a meeting at Anzac House on February 4 to discuss certain matters connected with Poppy Day.

Letters had been received from several sub-branches urging that a better poppy be offered to the public for sale and that the wreaths be of a more substantial nature.

A recommendation has been submitted to and approved by the State Executive, as a result of this meeting, that an improvement in the quality of the poppy is desired and that the standard of the poppy of previous years be maintained.

It was also recommended and approved that poppies be issued to sub-branches four days prior to the actual day of sale.

Regarding stickers: It was further recommended that they should be dated and that only the corners of the stickers be gummed. Also that sellers should not be required to display a seller’s badge of such large dimensions. It was decided that the seller’s ticket half the present size would be suitable.

The State Executive is anxious to ensure that Poppy Day loses nothing of its former significance and that members and the public generally should be kept informed of the meaning and origin of the Red Flanders Poppy, so far as it relates to ex-service men and the honouring of the memory of those who were left where the poppy blows.

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**BELLIGERENTS IN GREAT WAR NATIONS ENGAGED**

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**ENEMY NATIONS**

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Bolivia: April 13, 1917

Honduras: May 17, 1917

San Salvador: June 11, 1917

Santo Domingo: June 17, 1917

Peru: October 6, 1917

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WORLD CONFERENCE OF P.T. EXPERTS

Physical educational experts from all parts of the world have been invited by the Government of the United Kingdom to attend an International Congress in London immediately before the Olympic Games, from July 23-26 next.

The congress will be opened by Mr. George Tomlinson, the Minister of Education, and the administrative costs will be met by a grant from the Ministry. Hospitality will be provided from a special fund, to which interested organisations and individuals are subscribing.

The aim of the congress will be to bring to the notice of the many countries represented at the Olympic Games the steps being taken in Great Britain to develop physical education in schools and colleges, physical recreation among the post-school population, and rehabilitation in the Services and industry.

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Features of the interior equipment of the new coach include tilting seats, fluorescent lighting, double "glare-resistant" windows and a highly efficient air conditioning system.

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An outstanding advantage of the stainless steel coach, however, is its lightness. It has accommodation for 16 passengers in its first-class compartments and for 30 in the third-class. It weighs 29 tons, 5 cwt., which compares with the 34 to 36 tons which is the average weight of the more usual coaches in use for the express services on the main lines of Britain's railways.

A new factory has been erected in Scotland where it is hoped to build the new coaches on a considerable scale. If the present plan is successful, then a substantial proportion of the output will be set aside for sale to railways in other countries.

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**HONOUR FOR STATE PRESIDENT, WOMEN'S AUXILIARY R.S.L.**

Mrs. Mary S. McKinlay, M.B.E.

Congratulations are offered to Mrs. McKinlay on the honour conferred upon her recently in recognition of her long and useful work as State President of the Women's Auxiliary of the R.S.L. Mrs. McKinlay has been State President continuously for the past 14 years and the honour is well merited.

The Women's Auxiliary, under her leadership has stood behind every effort of the R.S.L., where their services were essential to the success of that effort.

The League in Western Australia is the only branch which has a State Executive controlling and co-ordinating the affairs of the Women's Auxiliary throughout the State.

It is interesting to note that this is the second honour which has gone to the McKinlay family recently, as her husband, Colonel J. L. McKinlay, has the Ribbon of the O.B.E. in connection with his Second World War services.

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Did You Know?

That ex-servicemen taking up land may now be paid a living allowance from the date of taking over.
That the R.S.L. had asked that ex-service settlers be paid sustenance from the date of occupying a farm.
That the lag in subscriptions to the State War Memorial Extension Appeal appears to be due to apathy.
That it is incorrect to state that the public generally do not agree with the object of the appeal.
That nine out of every ten people approached for donations have donated.
That at present less than 2,000 people have contributed in this State.
That an appeal of this nature should not be allowed to drag over a long period.
That once being committed to the scheme it should be followed through to a successful conclusion with as little delay as possible.
That the R.S.L. is honoured to be made custodians of the Victoria Cross of the late Private A. S. Gurney.

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Cross the late Private A. S. Gurney.
That the cross will be suitably housed in a glass case and exhibited in an appropriate position in Anzac House.
That this is the second occasion on which a West Australian Victoria Cross has been handed over into the custody of an organisation.
That the previous occasion was when the V.C. won by the late Private O'Meara was bequeathed by him to the 16th Battalion (Militia).
That the cross is preserved with the battalion trophies in the 16th Battalion Drill Hall, Bazaar Terrace.
That the appointment of the new Land Board is a welcome move by the Minister.
That the League hopes that one of the first results will be a high and effective priority in materials and machinery under the scheme.
That the Government should exert greater efforts to acquire heavy machinery for land clearing, particularly in the South-West.
That under the present system of acquiring farms, the supply will fall far short of the number required to meet the waiting applicants.
That privately owned lands not being used to their full extent should be compulsorily acquired.

That the pegging of agricultural land at 1942 values is limiting the number of good farms available to the scheme.
That many sub-branches feel that the poppies offered for sale on Poppy Day are not worthy of the occasion.
That the pre-war poppy should be reverted to as soon as possible.
That the symbol of the Red Flanders Poppy has a very deep symbolic meaning.
That poppy wreaths are too severely conventionalised.
That they could be of a smaller size and more substantially built.
That the wreaths sold by the B.E.S.L. are the ideal.
That these wreaths may occasionally be seen in the war cemetery at Karrakatta.
That our poppy wreaths suffer tremendously by comparison.
That Anzac Day falling on a Sunday should not affect the attendance at the parade.
That it behoves every sub-branch and unit association to ensure that there is a good roll-call from each unit.
That each ex-serviceman on parade should realise that by his presence there on that day he is paying homage to those who did not come back.

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That ex-servicemen throughout the years have regarded their attendance at Anzac Day parades not only as a privilege, but also as a duty.

That care should be taken by every ex-serviceman to preserve the old landmarks.

That every member of the League should pay particular heed to the warning in this issue to keep himself financial.

That the unfinancial badge indicates that the wearer is at the very least careless.

That the growing number of ex-members of the League wear the badge and expect the privileges of membership without paying their annual subscription.

That many ex-members who seek advice and help from headquarters are quite unashamed of the fact that they ceased to be members through lack of payment years ago.

That members should be careful to note that three months after the expiration of their subscription they cease to be members.

That during the three months' grace they are regarded as unfinancial members.

That membership carries with it many privileges, but it also implies some responsibilities.

That many worthy ex-servicemen, who through no fault of their own do not qualify for membership, would give anything to wear the badge.

That careless ex-members should bear this well in mind.

LAST POST

I regret to inform you of the passing of one of our members: 3076, McIntyre, J. W., 3rd B.A.S.C., A.I.F. Mr. McIntyre was one of our staunchest members. A great man to work with, he was our past Chairman, latterly a Vice-President, and Executive member. He passed on to higher orders on January 26, 1948. His coffin was draped with the flag and a guard of honour lined the graveside whilst a bugler sounded "The Last Post.

We as a sub-branch and the League are very much poorer to lose such a man as Jack.

P. E. McGlinn,
Secretary,
Dumbleyung Sub-Branch

VIGILANCE OF BROOME SUB-BRANCH

Value of Alertness in Out-Lying Parts of the State

The State Executive received the following letter from the Broome sub-branch Secretary and decided that the matter was of such importance as to warrant further action.

Accordingly, a copy of the letter has been forwarded to Federal Office, with a request that the attention of the Minister for Immigration (Mr. Calwell) be drawn to the contents of the letter.

Incidentally, the State Executive passed a resolution congratulating the Broome sub-branch for its vigilance and stressed the value to the community as a whole of the alertness of sub-branches in matters affecting public policy and safety.

The letter is set out hereunder:

The State Secretary, R.S.L.,
Anzac House, Perth, W.A.

Dear Sir,

Commonwealth Government's Immigration Policy

I have to report a motion brought up at the last meeting of the above sub-branch.

It reads as follows: "That the State Secretary be requested to make inquiries relative to the immigration of permanent immigrants of non-European origin being brought into this country by air via Darwin. This sub-branch considers that a flagrant breach of the White Australia Policy is being perpetrated."

This matter has been causing a great deal of comment in this town and especially amongst members of this sub-branch. We are of the firm belief that the people of the country are being hoodwinked in the matter of the types and racial origin of these immigrants.

For some time now, planes have been passing through this town, bringing in these so-called immigrants, namely Greeks and Southern Europeans and, during the past six weeks, refugees from Burma and India.

The majority of the first-named types are of a very poor class, carrying all their worldly possessions with them, and it has been noted that practically without exception they cannot speak one word of our language. It is considered that these people will be responsible for a marked lowering of the living standards in this country.

We realise that other members of the League are aware that these people are being brought into the country and it is our wish that the R.S.L. makes its voice felt in this matter. The latter-named immigrants are really the cause of the above motion and we would be very pleased if the State Executive takes drastic steps to have an official enquiry made into the matter.

All members of this sub-branch have remarked that among these Burmese refugees are numbers of undoubtedly half-caste Asians.

Naturally, we have not been in a position to question the people themselves, but our eyes, being used to the sight of coloured races and their crossbreeds, alone tell us that these people are definitely not of European stock.

It is the opinion of this sub-branch that the Government, in allowing the entry of these people of Asiatic blood, is making a flagrant breach of the White Australia Policy, to which the R.S.L. is bound to support by its own constitution, and we most adamantly condemn this action.

In support of our claims we submit that the hotel proprietor who billets these travellers during their overnight stay in this town has complained bitterly about the filthy state in which these people have left his premises. They appear to have no ideas about such things as sanitation, etc.

My comrades would appreciate if you would treat this matter as one of national importance and that the policy of the Federal Immigration Department be questioned. The people of this town know only too well what a catastrophe it is to allow people of Asiatic origin to be allowed the same privileges as the Australian people. This town is a practical example of what the country as a whole would be if the White Australia Policy is abolished or these breaches, as here detailed, are allowed to continue.
The Late Pte. A. S. Gurney, V.C.
R.S.L. given custody of V.C.

The brother and sisters of the late Private Gurney decided that the Victoria Cross won by their late brother could not better be taken care of than being housed in Anzac House.

At a recent State Executive meeting, the sisters of the deceased V.C. winner, namely, Misses James H. R. Clues, A. McDougall, D. Johnson, and the brother, Mr. G. F. Gurney, attended and formally handed over to the State President, Mr. W. J. Hunt, the treasured award.

The State President received the cross on behalf of the League and assured the relatives that it would be preserved in a fitting manner by the League and held in perpetuity as custodians on their behalf.

The State President then handed to each of the relatives a document acknowledging receipt of the Victoria Cross, which contained a copy of the Citation on which the award was made to the late Private Gurney.

The document was signed by the State President and State Secretary and each of the four donors also signed.

The Citation reads as follows:

"The company to which Private Gurney belonged was held up by intense machine-gun fire from posts less than 100 yards ahead, heavy casualties being inflicted on our troops, all the officers being killed or wounded. Private Gurney charged the nearest enemy machine-gun post, bayonetted three men and silenced the post. He then continued on to a second post, bayoneted two men and sent out a third as a prisoner. At this stage, a stick grenade was thrown at Private Gurney, which knocked him to the ground. He rose again, picked up his rifle and charged a third post, using the bayonet with great vigour. He then disappeared from view and later his body was found in an enemy post. By this single-handed act of gallantry in the face of a determined enemy, Private Gurney enabled his company to press forward to its objective, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. Private Gurney was born in 1912 at Perth, Western Australia.

It is proposed by the State Executive to have the Victoria Cross suitably encased, together with a photograph of the deceased soldier and with a copy of the Citation. This case will then be installed in a safe and suitable position in Anzac House.

A BUILDING PARADOX

The Chairman of the R.S.L. War Service Homes Committee (Mr. E. Davies) claimed that more building materials were being produced than could be handled by the tradesmen available.

He said the situation had arisen where a local governing authority refused a permit to an ex-serviceman because there were no bricklayers available, although there were plenty of bricks.

Mr. Davies warned that the position was likely to result in a black-market for labour, which would be impossible to control without directing workmen to employment.

MOSMAN PARK

Outing to Raise Funds for State War Memorial

The social committee advises that the next function will take the form of a moonlight river trip on March 23. Boat leaves Mosmans Jetty, at 8 p.m. sharp. Tickets are 1/6.

The hall committee is actively engaged arranging structural alterations to the hall. The object is to obtain more floor space for dances and our many social functions.

To raise funds for the State War Memorial extensions and our local Memorial Park, a barbecue will take place at Mosmans Bay on Easter Saturday from 2 p.m. to 11 p.m. The S.S. Emerald will leave from Perth and will pull in for the evening.

All told some thousands of visitors are expected. Everybody welcome.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. DUNSTAN'S

Local Men to be Selected

A special committee of the Repatriation Commission in Perth has finished interviewing fifteen blinded ex-servicemen who are seeking special training at St. Dunstan's in England.

A number of recommendations have been forwarded to the Repatriation Commission in Melbourne for finalisation.

The special training at St. Dunstan's concentrates on making blinded men economically independent and on building up their morale, so that they may take their place in the community as ordinary citizens.

1947 COLLETT MEMORIAL SHIELD COMPETITION

Special April Appeal

The committee intend opening a State-wide appeal on Anzac Day this year to assist the sub-branches to raise their target. A flag day period has been arranged and the appeal will be for one-week's duration.

It is hoped that speakers on Anzac Day services will stress the necessity for the war memorial extensions, and that the sale of badges will commence from then on.

A flag or badge day will be held throughout the State on Friday the 30th, and all sub-branches and women's auxiliaries are urged to make a strenuous effort to obtain their quotas by that day.

Targets

Dongarra and Kondinin sub-branches have reached their target, and it is excellent reading to see that the country sub-branches are rallying to the State in this matter.

Other sub-branches in the country are nearing their quota, and it is hoped that all will take advantage of this April appeal to clinch the matter so that the public will know throughout the State that the League is solidly behind its objective to "erect monuments to their valor."
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Until a few months ago the writer was not aware as to what the badge represented, but since a board of medical officers decided that my health condition was such that I should not continue in active work, I have joined the association and have gained a knowledge of its general constitution, aims and ideals.

In the interests of the association, I would like to pass on to readers the following information:

DO YOU KNOW...

That at present there are over 270 members of the association in this State alone, and that according to records there is still a large number who are eligible for membership?

That 75 per cent. of them are also members of the R.S.L.?

That eligibility for membership is as defined in the first paragraph of the second schedule of the Repatriation Department, which define degrees of incapacity?

That, included in our membership, are two members of the original State Executive of the League, an immediate past vice-president and several ex-sub-branch presidents, secretaries and other officers?

That sub-branches of the R.S.L. have power to make members of this association honorary life members of the League?

That the badge of the association is not very well known because the majority of the members are, by virtue of their incapacity, unable to display it to the same extent as can be done by members of other such associations?

That a very prominent Perth citizen once named us "the living dead." Sounds a bit morbid! Can anyone suggest a better title somewhat on the lines of "Wingies and Stumpies" as applied to the Maimed and Limbless Association. Writer's suggestion is "They look so well, but..." Suggestions will be welcomed by the publicity officer of the association.

That the association has rest rooms on the fifth floor of Glenden Buildings, and anyone who is interested will be very welcome to visit these rooms at any time between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays and up to mid-days Saturdays?

That these rooms are a refuge for members who are, to a great extent, medical cases without any outward marks to signify their disability?

That the association holds a monthly meeting on the first pension day of each month?

That, in the case of one member, at least, this meeting is his only outing for the month, he having told the writer that his wife brings him to town at 2 p.m. and collects him at 4.30 for return to home?

That, on an average, there are always 30 members of our association in hospital, and that we have hospital visitors (our own members) who keep patients supplied with tobacco and other amenities and give them any advice or assistance they may require?

That the average age of our members is 61?

That the association has been formed approximately for seven years, and that during that period 110 members have died and their names have been placed on our honour board?

That outings are arranged each Sunday morning for members in Hollywood Hospital? Our thanks go out to those people who have made cars available, but volunteer drivers are still required.

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Upon the death of Sir Isaac Isaacs, on this date, the following Press statement was released under the name of the Federal President:

"The Federal President of the R.S.L. (Mr. Eric Millhouse, K.C.) said: 'Ex-service personnel will mourn the passing of a great Australian. In 1931 he was paid the honour of being elected the first and only civilian patron of the R.S.L., a position he held at the time of his death. He was an ardent supporter of the League and never hesitated to give his expert advice on all matters affecting the welfare of those who served their country and the Empire. Sir Isaac Isaacs held definite views that those who so served their country were entitled to a just reward for their self-sacrifice.'"

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Sub-Branch Activities

ALBANY

The President and members wish to convey to the relatives of two of their members who have answered the last call their sincere sympathy—R. Wolfe and S. Lively. The general meeting was held on Friday, February 6, at which the usual stallions attended. The committee are still hopeful that peace will turn up in the near future. The President welcomed Mr. L. A. Hall, a visitor from Mosman Park. The management committee have thoroughly discussed ways and means of attracting members to the meetings and presented various suggestions for consideration. Games, Debates, Cards, Darts, etc. This needs no elaboration. Come and see for yourselves. It has been suggested that the R.S.L. form its own cricket and football teams. Does this appeal to the younger members? If so, get in touch with the President (J. E. Murray), members of the committee or the Secretary. It is also proposed to form a dare team to enter the competition. Any members interested please send their names and any suggestions for the social committee meeting to be held on Monday, February 16, 1948. War Memorial Committee: A meeting of the representatives from the Sub-Branch, Legion and Women's Auxiliary will be held on Wednesday, February 18, at 7.45 p.m., to keep this ball rolling. Try hard enough and something will eventually happen. There is a notice on the books for the meetings to be held on the first Thursday. Turn up and express your own opinion and wishes.

ARMADALE

The monthly meeting was held in the clubrooms on February 11, Mr. R. G. Prior, Senior Organizer of the State War Memorial Appeal, attended and made an appeal for funds for this purpose. Another visitor was Mr. J. P. Wild, MLA. Mr. Wild served with distinction in the last war. The main business of the evening was to deal with a notice of motion: "That the date of meetings be changed from the second to the third Wednesday in each month." This was carried by a majority vote. Other business was mostly routine.

BEVERLEY

Although attendance was very disappointing, a successful annual meeting was held at the clubrooms on Saturday, December 13, and judging from the cooperative spirit evidenced the sub-branch commences another year in its history full of confidence and zeal. The retiring president (Mr. R. G. C. Prior), in presenting his annual report of the activities of the sub-branch, stressed the subject of greater support to the League from all returned men and, in passing, mentioned the main activities for the past 12 months. The R.S.L. Ball was, as usual, the unqualified success as in past years. The annual Anzac Day parade, wherein all kindred organizations took part was probably one of the best to date. The Faggy Day appeal was a record, a total of $18,000 being sold. The deep appreciation and creditable thanks go out to the ladies' auxiliary for their splendid co-operation and hard work throughout the year to make these functions such a great success. To the public, the sub-branch extend their appreciation for its loyal support during the year.

The statement of receipts and expenditure and balance sheet showed the finances of the sub-branch to be in a good position. Although slightly lower than the previous year's figures, this being due mainly to a large donation list, amounting to approximately £700, to needy and worthy organizations. During the coming year an appeal will be launched to raise funds for the State War Memorial appeal and the people of Beverley are requested to continue their very able support as in the past. The following office-bearers were elected: President, Mr. A. E. Williams; secretary, Mr. W. W. Sidaway; treasurer, Mr. W. A. Wright (temporary for three months); vice-president, Messrs. R. G. C. Prior (senior vice-president), A. D. Smith, W. A. Gillespie, trustees, president, secretary, treasurer; executive, Messrs. A. B. Moxon, Ron Simmons; L. A. Wright; W. Rule; J. McLean; W. E. Edie; E. D. Simmons; H. E. Schilhans, social committee, Messrs. T. C. Grieve, C. P. Ridge, W. A. Gillespie, land committee, Messrs. T. C. Grieve, C. P. Ridge, W. A. Gillespie; financial committee, Messrs. T. C. Grieve, C. P. Ridge, W. A. Gillespie; inquiry committee, Messrs. T. C. Grieve, C. P. Ridge, W. A. Gillespie; hon. auditors, Messrs. A. B. Brown. At the conclusion of the meeting, refreshments were ported and the opportunity was taken by Mr. M. D.

UNIT HISTORIES

REQUIRED FOR R.S.L. WAR ENCYCLOPAEDIA

Federal Executive is planning to publish an R.S.L. Year Book and War Encyclopedia and is anxious to obtain a list of all unit associations in this State. One of the features of the proposed publication will include the names of all units, with a short history of their battle histories, names of unit association officials, date of meetings, etc., and this can only be accurately compiled by contact with unit officials. Association secretaries are therefore earnestly asked to communicate with the General Secretary of the League, Mr. J. C. McGeachie, Kelvin House, 127 Collins Street, Melbourne, as soon as possible, when the proposed publication will be discussed in detail.

Walsmsley is 42 years of age to occupy this high and responsible position. Mr. Walsmsley has a good record of war service to his credit. He enlisted in 1940 and went overseas with the 2/7th Field Ambulance and saw service in the Middle East. He was discharged in 1945.

Mr. Walsmsley had the distinction of rising to the rank of Major from Private in four years.

He is the son of George Walsmsley, late of the 28th Battalion, First A.I.F., who is well known in League circles.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO PRESIDENT WAROONA SUB-BRANCH

A great honour has fallen to the lot of the President of Waroona Sub-Branch (Mr. Norman Raywood Walsmsley) by his election as President of the Royal Agricultural Society. Mr. Walsmsley has been a member of the Council of the Society since 1938, in connection with the cattle section.

It is somewhat of a record for a comparatively young man (Mr.
Smith to propose the health of the retiring President (Mr. H. G. Price). Mr. Smith referred to the good work that had been done by the branch and its Auxiliary in the past year. Mr. Price, in reply, said that he was very pleased to have the opportunity of addressing the branch.

At the conclusion of the business, the President, Mr. Price, thanked Mr. Smith for his vote of thanks. The meeting then adjourned for a short interval. At the reconvening of the meeting, the President announced that the branch had been selected as the branch for the next year, and that it would be the duty of the branch to look after the welfare of its members and to support the work of the League in the coming year.

BULLSBROOK

A very pleasant evening was spent by members of the BULLSBROOK branch on Thursday, November 30, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. D. Fordham. The branch was represented by Mr. D. D. Fordham, Mr. J. G. Pickard, and Mr. G. J. T. Riddell. The dinner was served at 8 p.m., and was followed by a lecture on the history of the branch by Mr. R. D. D. Fordham. The members then adjourned to the smoking room for a friendly chat.

CARLISLE

Carlisle makes its reappearance in "The Listening Post." The year 1947, now in the past, was a very turbulent one for Carlisle. The branch, which had been in existence for many years, had seen many changes and had been through many trials. The branch was represented by Mr. G. J. T. Riddell and Mr. J. G. Pickard, who gave a most interesting account of the activities of the branch during the year.

COTTESLOE

On Tuesday, February 3, the State President (Mr. J. G. Pickard) and the State Secretary (Mr. J. G. T. Riddell) were guests of the sub-branch and members of the branch held a meeting to discuss the affairs of the branch. The meeting was well attended, and was an enjoyable one.

KATANNING

At the January meeting of the Katanning sub-branch on Wednesday, January 12, in the League Rooms, Carew Street, considerable consideration was given to the matter of the sub-branch's place in the framework of the State branch. The sub-branch was represented by Mr. J. G. Pickard and Mr. J. G. T. Riddell.

KONINGS

At the November meeting of the Konings sub-branch, it was decided to request the B. W. J. to become a sub-branch, and to request the State branch to consider the matter. The sub-branch was represented by Mr. J. G. Pickard and Mr. J. G. T. Riddell.

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MUNDARING

The annual meeting held at Mundaring Hall on January 10 was preceded by the election of Mr. Harry Muller, President. The following officials were elected: President, Mr. Harry Muller (re-elected); vice-presidents, Messrs. Harry Horner, Ron Low and Alex Broekler; Hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. H. E. Smith; assistant secretary, Mr. Harry Wilson; auditor, Mr. Neil Kirkby. After presentation of the annual report and the auditors' reports, the meeting adjourned to the festive board. Among the many visitors who attended were Mr. Roy Greenham and J. Clag (representing State Executive), Tom Stonehouse (Collingwood), Eric Hayward (Darling Range), D. G. Johnson (Midland Junction), Lou Sanson (Mt. Helena) and others. Apologies were received from Mrs. H. Delisi, M.H.R.; Linda Thorne; Thorton, M.A., G.P. Wild, M.L.A. After the Annual Meeting was submitted by President and duly honoured, Mr. H. Rutherford (a past president and secretary) proposed the toast of the State Executive, which was very ably responded to by Dr. Greenham, who was supported by Mr. Jim Craig; Jim Whitmarsh, a foundation member and past president, very ably handled the toast to Visiting Sub-Branches, Roy Hayward (Darling Range) very eloquently responded and was supported by Lou Sanson (Mt. Helena). The toast to Mr. G. V. Thompson, the President of the Reserve Bill Millard paid some well-deserved compliments to the Hospital staff who contributed so well toward the harmony of the evening, among whom were Jim Batty and his two musical colleagues, the Meado Quartette, Neil Kirkby.

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OSBORNE PARK

The first annual dinner was held on Monday, December 22, 1947, and what a roll-call attendance there was! It was held in the R.S.L. Hall. Mr. Jack Pitcher was the chairman and his mems were greeted with a shampoo and some very humorous sketches that were enjoyed by all.

Amongst those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kidd, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. P. Heath, Mr. and Mrs. E. Pedersen, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Garbutt, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. F. Leighty, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. D. Heath, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Garbutt, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. F. Leighty, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. D. Heath, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Garbutt, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. F. Leighty, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. D. Heath, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Garbutt, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. F. Leighty.

The President would like to see more members attending. The building fund is increasing as a result of a number of donations, which has now been in full swing again, and the President hopes to see more members attending.

PUBLIC SERVICE

A new departure in the activities of the sub-branch was commenced with the inauguration of a new luncheon, which was held in the R.S.L. Hall on Saturday, January 25, 1945. The luncheon was well attended, and a number of members were present. The luncheon was well attended, and a number of members were present.

The President, Mr. J. P. Grey, welcomed the guests and introduced the speaker, Mr. A. M. Briscoe, who discussed the history of the R.S.L. and its achievements. The luncheon was enjoyed by all present, and a number of members were present.
from the Wembley sub-branch of the Legion of Ex-Servicemen and the R.A.A.F., and a pleasant evening was spent after routine business was finished. Our genial Treasurer (Bert Pyke) presented the balance sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1947, and it was well received by the members present. The building fund at present is well over £2,500. This is a pretty good effort. Members are earnestly requested to make an effort to get along to the meetings, which are held twice a month (2nd and 4th Monday) at each month a dinner is given, and are various schemes, etc., which are being organised by the new committees. Members are also reminded that they are for the current year are due. The passing of our old esteemed member and comrade, the late Bill McCulloch, was deeply regretted by members, and the sub-branch's deepest sympathy is extended to his widow and family. Bill was a good member and a great worker for his sub-branch. We shall miss him very much.

A most enjoyable evening took place in the Lesser" Hall, York, December 6, among the members of the sub-branch, their wives and members of the local auxiliary. Dancing, interspersed with items, was the order of the night. The music for the dancing being donated by the Secretary's four-piece band, (Chairman, last Tuesday) and, from the outcome of that meeting, the sub-branch should forge ahead in the New Year. The sub-branch will need to pull up his weight. Any York members down in the city or any member of the League for whom he needed that Dig-

eren is still in hospital (Royal Perth) and would be of great help.

WAROONA-HAMEL

The Waroona-Hamel sub-branch conducted its annual reunion in the Waroona Memorial Hall on Saturday, February 14. President Ray Walmsey was in the chair. Guests included the Mayor, Mr. T. Sten, State Vice-President; and Mr. John Chappell, State Secretary. Also present were members from Yarloop, Coolup and Pinjarra. "Daily Routine Orders" were issued to all present. The toast list was not a lengthy one and speeches were short. The catering was in the hands of the women's auxiliary and, once again, they did their usual fine job, which was praised by visitors and "the home team" alike. Harmony was provided by a capable team of artists, whose efforts were also rewarded with considerable praise. There's little doubt that the large attendance held a thoroughly enjoyable evening. Friday, March 6, is the date of our annual general meeting and election of officers. Congratulations have been showered upon our popular President (Ray Walmsey) following his election to the post of President of the Royal Agricultural Society of Western Australia.

MANJIMUP MUSINGS

- Widespread regret was evidenced within the Manjimup sub-branch on the occasion when, after six years in office, genial Lou Thompson declined re-election as President. Lou piloted the sub-branch through difficult times and long before he aspired to the helm was linked with the sub-branch in its hey-day. No one will regret him this respite for, if ever there was a staunch Digger helping those less fortunate than himself, it was friend L.T.

- Another Digger obeying the inward command for an "easy-all" is Laurie Sims, of the Manjimup sub-branch. He declined office in several spheres at the recent meeting, something which he had previously endeavoured to do, but accomplished only in his 18th year as a member. So now L.I.S. can "kick the pickets" and still help where he can.

- The initial Diggers' Day golf outing arranged by the Manjimup sub-branch, and held recently, proved a spontaneous success. Inclement weather barred many from surrounding districts attending and, for that reason, the starters in the 18-hole one- stick event fell short of anticipations. But the locals who made it had a marvellous day, thanks to the Manjimup Golf Club, who made available the course, and members, their sticks. Organisers N. Scott, K. Crisp, F. Mazolletti and C. Fox earned generous praise for the completeness of their arrangements. V. Cribb and M. Dunn tied for the Diggers' trophy and in the play-off the latter took the honours. A. Evans (Pemberton) won lowest and T. Burns highest score trophies.

28th BATTALION ASSOCIATION

All members of the old 28th Battalion are invited to bring their wives and friends to a picture evening at 22 Alexander Street, Wem- bly (take trolley bus to Wembley Hotel) at 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 25. The pictures will be shown by N. Uren, Superintendent of Visual Education, and, judging by the shows he has put on in the past, it will be a thoroughly enjoyable evening. The order is still. help wherever he can. 

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STATE EXECUTIVE

On February 2 members of the Executive met again after a short recess. During this recess, hospital visiting continued as usual and Mrs. Henderson (Chairman of the Royal Perth Hospital Committee) reported 300 bedside visits were made with consorts for service patients during this time, and Mrs. Randall reported that Hollywood visiting by auxiliaries was carried out as usual.

Reports from members regarding Christmas cheer were received and letters of thanks were read—one from the Lady Commissioner for Repatriation and one from the Matron of Hollywood Hospitals both contained expressions of appreciation for the gift of hydrangea to beauty and brighten the wards.

From the Eastern States, where Matron McDonald, of Lemnos, is spending a well-earned holiday in her home town, came a letter of thanks. Quoting from some extracts: "... what a wonderful opportunity to realize what their Christmases and other donations mean to patients here.

"I want to express my thanks to those auxiliaries who have done so much for us at Lemnos throughout the war and wish them a happy and prosperous New Year. There is no need for me to repeat what I have said so often before. In doing so much to make the patients happy they have also helped the staff."

I received several letters from patients telling me what a happy time they had during the month of Christmas and mostly their thanks are due to the women’s auxiliaries."}

I am sure all auxiliaries will appreciate these very nice remarks from Matron and they, in their turn, will wish Matron a happy holiday and good health during the coming year.

Flowers were sent to our very good friend and honorary Life Member, Lady Mitchell, with Christmas greetings on behalf of all auxiliaries. Lady Mitchell sent a letter thanking members for their very kind thought and good wishes.

Letters of thanks were received from Matron of Faversham Convalescent Home in the form of books, and from Scandinavian for Christmas parcels.

Their quests, Meddames Henderson, Prue, Kielkra and Randall accompanied the patients. Thanks again are due to Red Cross Transport and also to noble nurses and attendants who gave up their Sunday to come with the men, as without them outings would be impossible.

List of Latest Donations

Candela, for Lemnos comforts, £3.5/-; Tamlin, War Memorial Fund, £5; Comforts for Lemnos, £1.2/-; Gracemere; Grafton, Clothing Fund, £5; Claremont; T. & P. 1, £5; Age Set. S., £5; War Veterans’ Home, £2; Woollens, £2, Blinded Soldiers’ Association, £2; War Nurses’ Hostel, £2; Legacy, £2; York, War Memorial Fund, £1/1/; Christmas Cheer, £2; Hospital Visiting, £2; Margaret River; Christmas Cheer, £2/2/.

Official Visits

January 16: Mrs. McKinlay attended a reception given by the R.S.L. to Sir Keith and Lady Park.

January 25: Meddames McKinlay, Brown and Russell took comforts to ex-service patients at Claremont Mental Hospital.

February 15: Mrs. McKinlay, Mrs. Stockman took comforts to patients at Hollywod Hospital Visiting.

They entertained patients from Lemnos, Senset and Edward Miller to tea.

Mrs. McKinlay reported on the excellent tea and entertainment provided for their guests. The thanks of the auxiliary are sincerely given to the members of Over Cross Trans- port who made transport of these patients possible.

December 28: Bullbrook auxiliary entertained patients from Claremont Mental Hospital to lunch and afternoon tea in the Bullbrook Hall and a happy time was spent by

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