Rights, Privileges and Responsibilities

The native question with its more recent incidents has aroused an interest in the general public and it is felt that members should be kept informed on the policy of the League on this subject.

At the 1951 State Congress, Mr. Edan-Clark, the Geraldton delegate moved and Mr. Phillips of Narrogin Sub-branch seconded "That all Australian aborigines who served as members in the Forces, and were discharged with honour from their World War I or II, be given full citizen rights on application and proof of such service and honourable discharge." This resolution was carried by Congress.

The West Australian delegates took the resolution to the 36th Federal Congress where they were successful in getting this resolution carried.

The Prime Minister's Department replied to the League's representations along these lines: "Under the Nationality and Citizen Act, aborigines are Australian citizens and receive the rights and privileges which go with citizenship, such as the grant of Australian passports, the protection and assistance of Australian representatives abroad and the right of unrestricted re-admission to Australia.

"I would point out that a number of the disabilities suffered by aborigines are the result of a State rather than Commonwealth legislation. Under Section 41 of the Commonwealth Constitution enrolment for Federal elections follows directly from enrolment for State elections, and accordingly it is the State Governments who should be approached in the matter of the liberalisation of electoral laws with reference to the franchise for adult aborigines. The views of the Commonwealth and State Governments on this and related matters are set out in the statement of the decisions reached by the recent Commonwealth and States Conference on Native Welfare." And this is the preamble to this statement: The Commonwealth and States, having assimilation as the objective of native welfare measures, desire to see all persons born in Australia enjoying full citizenship. It is also desirable that there be uniformity throughout Australia in the enjoyment of the privileges of citizenship, and, in any limits which may be set on these privileges, by necessity, in the interests of the individual and of the community. At the present time, some anomalies are created by the various definitions given to the term native and aboriginal. The more correct statement of our views is that those people to whom the special legislation applies are wards of the State who, for the time being, stand in need of guardianship and who should automatically cease to be wards when they are able to assume the full citizen rights to which they are entitled.

To cover the Korean and Malayan theatres of war the Kalgoorlie sub-branch had passed at the 1952 State Congress this resolution: "That any native (within the meaning of the Act) returned serviceman with an honorable discharge, who desires citizenship rights be granted same on application." For the information of members of the League, there is nothing to prevent L/Cpl. Parfitt from applying to become an Australian citizen.

In this, as in every other case, which excites public interest, it behoves everyone to consider well the facts from every possible angle before forming what would quite easily be a wrong judgment. Sentiment cannot be the sole consideration and heart and head must cooperate.

The League is jealous of the rights of everyone who wears or has worn the Queen's uniform, but it has a duty at all times to ensure that all round justice is done. There are two sides to every question and each case can only be judged on its merits. There is also the fact of the impossibility of legislating for the individual.

MISLEADING PRESS RELEASES

It was resolved at the February 4 meeting of the State executive, that the matter of misleading Press releases of the activities of Australian servicemen in Korea be taken up at the next Federal meeting.

Reports recently of a personal being wiped out had caused great concern among relatives of men fighting in Korea. It subsequently transpired that only about three casualties were sustained.
Representations To Minister For Social Services

The Federal Executive has supplied the following information which will be of interest to ex-service men and women, who wish to build, or purchase, a War Service Home.

This information is the result of representations made to the Minister for Social Services (Mr. Townley) in respect to resolutions passed at the 37th Annual Congress meeting of the South African Veterans' Association.

The Federal Government, it has been announced, has made available to applicants at capital cost or valuation, whichever is the lesser.

RECENT SERVICE-HOME HOMES

The Commonwealth Government has asked to declare returned service men and women eligible for assistance under the War Service Homes Act, to the extent of 25% of the valuation.

The presentation was made by Mr. W. G. Bowden, who represents the South African Veterans' Association in this State.

Those who have been awarded grants and have not been able to purchase a home, are, in the opinion of the Minister, entitled to further consideration.

ALREADY ERECTED

Resolution No. 32: That facilities be made available through Commonwealth Government instruments for the construction of homes already erected.

Minister's Reply: At the outset, it should be clearly stated that facilities are available under the War Service Homes Act for the purchase of homes already erected, but not for the construction of homes that have been previously occupied or are in the process of being constructed.

During the current financial year, the sum of $28,000,000 has been allocated to the War Service Homes Act. This amount will not be increased beyond the figure already approved.

LAND AT COST

Resolution No. 81: That the Commonwealth Government readdresses itself to the States to request that the land cost of houses sold to applicants under the Act be reduced by 25%.

Minister's Reply: The Commonwealth Government has no jurisdiction to readdress itself to the States.

Housing Loans

Resolution No. 32: That housing loans to ex-service men under the War Service Homes Act be available on a deposit of 5% of the total loan.

Minister's Reply: The present amount of deposits, viz., 5% is adequate and the Government has no intention of altering this figure.

League Presentation

An Honour Bestowed On Bishop Riley

Bishop Riley, formerly of Perth and now of Bendigo, Victoria, has been made an honorary member of the South African Veterans' Association.

Bishop Riley is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Riley, who were prominent figures in the South African community.

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However, the Government feels that it would be economically unwise to deviate from the policy of making deposits as a condition of purchase.

Bishop Riley's son, Padre William Riley, is at present Chaplain to the Army in this State. Both his father and grandfather had occupied important positions in the Army.

In reply Bishop Riley said that when he compared his boyhood recollections of Boer War days with the present conditions, he felt that the changes were tremendous.

Yet the spirit of the men who served here and the men who have served in more recent times is the same.

That spirit was one of duty. It was not, what one could get out of it, but what one could do for others.

He considered it an honour and was proud to accept, honorary membership among the "fine old band of the South African veterans."

Bishop Riley went to Bendigo before the war. He has been there ever since and has now returned to Victoria.

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Anzac Day

With slightly more intensity than usual the pressure is being applied in some quarters to persuade the League to alter its attitude to the observance of Anzac Day, an attitude that has not varied during the League's existence, and an attitude that judging by recent Congresses, is not likely to change.

It would be well for all members of the League to remember that fact too. That, Congress, has made that decision, that delegates who represent and 300000 men gathered throughout the length and breadth of the State, have always arrived at a majority-decision to stand by and for the present arrangement. Though there may be and always will be some who do not agree, it is the majority of the returned men who think the same way about the question, and if successive Premiers and Governors of this State are correct, then the decisions arrived at by these Congresses are views that can and are appreciated. Anzac Day must remain more of a symbol than a celebration if we are to profit by the sacrifices of two World Wars, if we are to remain ever vigilant to the tragedies in to which this country may fall again, in lack of remembrance, as it can through lack of vigilance on the part of those concerned.

A Gatherlig Of The Clank

The many friends of Charlie Mitchell, Anzac Club and House manager, were down to see him off on annual leave. He left on the S.S. Manoora when eventually it did go on Friday night, for a brief trip to the East.

Since his appointment as the manager, Charlie has experienced quite a change in time and he has become a real clubman, he has been a very successful and a very enjoyable trip. He has always been a very successful and a very enjoyable trip.
Licensing Court Approves

New Rules Of The Anzac Club

The Licensing Court has approved of the revised rules of The Anzac Club. These rules are published below for the benefit of financial members of The Returned Servicemen's League, everyone of whom is a member of the Club.

RULES OF THE ANZAC CLUB

1. The Club shall be called "Anzac Club."

2. The purposes for which the Club is established are:

   (a) "Every subscribing member of the League shall by virtue of the payment of his subscription as a member of the League and without payment of any further subscription to the Club, become a subscribing member of the Club for the period during which the payment of his subscription to the League entitles him to be a member of the League and shall, during such period and subject to the rules of the Club to enjoy all the privileges of the Club."

   (b) The maintenance of a Club House in Perth for the use of members of the League.

3. Provided that no person shall be entitled to enter the premises of the Club or to enjoy the privileges of the Club without first exhibiting the Budge of the Returned Sailors' and Soldiers' Imperial League of Australia (W.A.) Branch Incorporated (hereinafter referred to as "The League"), showing that he is a subscribing and financial member of the League, or produce to the Secretary or the deputy of the Club other satisfactory evidence in proof that he is a subscribing and financial member of the League.

4. No person under the age of 21 years can be a member of the Club.

5. For the General management and the governance of the Club, and the carrying out and regulation of its objects, there shall be a committee of management, hereinafter called "The Committee."

6. The Committee shall consist of those persons who comprise the State Executive of the League as from time to time constituted under and elected or appointed in accordance with the Rules of the League as from time to time in force.

7. The auditor of the League who is elected to that office annually in accordance with the rules of the League, shall be Auditor of the Club.

8. At meeting of the Committee of the Club the State President or his deputy shall be Chairman and who shall take the chair at the meeting and/or adjourned meeting, and the Chairman at any meeting shall have a casting vote.

9. A Secretary shall be chosen and appointed by the Committee. He shall hold office during the pleasure of the Committee, at such salary and allowances as from time to time the Committee may think proper.

10. It shall be his duty to conduct the affairs of the Club, under the directions of the Committee, and to keep in books provided for that purpose a record of the Club, and shall also, when necessary, comply with the requirements of the Licensing Laws as to the renewal of the Club Certificate.

11. The Secretary shall receive all moneys, and his receipt shall be a sufficient discharge. All sums received are to be paid into the bank at which the Club transacts its business.

12. All payments shall be made on the authority of the Committee by cheques to be signed by two of their numbers and countersigned by the Secretary, or Acting Secretary of the Club.

13. Correct accounts and books shall be kept by the Secretary showing the financial affairs of the Club, and the particulars usually shown in books of account of a like nature, and the Secretary shall submit the same to the Committee at such times or at such times as the Committee may direct.

14. The addresses of members shall be communicated in writing to the Secretary, who shall register such notices in the returns delivered at or sent to such addresses shall be valid. If no addresses be given, any notices left at the Club-house shall be sufficient.

15. The Committee shall hold an annual meeting of all resolutions and proceedings of the Committee shall be provided for the purpose. Eleven members of the Committee shall form a quorum. In addition to the powers hereinafter specifically conferred upon them, shall have all the powers of the Committee in relation to the interests of the Club, power to engage, control and dismiss the Club's servants, and all such extensive powers as may be necessary for carrying out the objects of the Club in accordance with these rules.

16. HONORARY MEMBERS.

   (a) Members of Her Majesty's Imperial Navy, Army or Air Force, or of the Royal Australian Naval, Military and Air Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia, who are not stationed in Western Australia, and

   (b) Persons of distinguished position or attainment, and as Honorary Member, for a period not exceeding one year,

   (c) Any person visiting the metropolitan area, whose bona-fide intention it is to assist the State of Western Australia,

   (d) Those who have done conspicuous service to any person, or persons, and as Honorary Member, for a period not exceeding one year,

21. The election of an Honorary or Temporary Member shall be in accordance with the following:

22. No person who does not possess any of the qualifications aforesaid shall be entitled to enjoy any of the privileges of the Club, and shall be suspended from the exercise of any of the powers or duties of the Club, and shall be suspended from the exercise of any of the powers or duties of the Club, and

23. At any time not less than four weeks before the meeting of the Committee having been posted on the notice board and on the noticeboard or a member of the Committee, the notice or the member complaining, and the Secretary shall lay them before the Committee.

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The former G.O.C. Western Command (Major-Gen. A. R. Garrett) enjoys a story with Lieut.-Col. C. W. Symond (left) and Major L. G. Crockett on the eve of his departure to take up his appointment on Depolyment Staff at the General Staff. He was farewell and given a farewell by members of Western Command officers' mess at Hobbs Artillery Hall, Karrakatta. Major-Gen. Garrett sailed with his family in the Kamtoba on January, 31.

29. No alteration, amendment, deletion or addition to these rules shall be valid unless the same be made in accordance with the provisions of Rule 37 of the Rules of the League.

30. All resolutions passed at meetings of the Committee of the Club shall be conclusive and binding on all members of the Club provided that such meetings are held in conformity with the rules then in force in the Club, and that the resolutions are in harmony with those Rules.

31. No member is on any account to bring a dog or bicycle into the Club house.

32. No member shall take away from the Club any book, newspaper or other article belonging to the Club, and no member shall remove any article from one room to another, without the sanction of the Committee. A member damaging any book, newspaper, or other article shall pay the full price of its cost.

33. No member shall give any present, money or gratuity to a servant of the Club; and no servant of the Club shall receive any present, money or gratuity from any member or stranger admitted into the Club house, or from any tradesman or other person employed by the Club, on any pretence whatever, upon pain of instant dismissal.

34. Except in the administrative work of the Club, no person under the age of 18 years shall be employed in or about the Bar or in the delivery of liquor on the Club premises.

35. No stawrd, cook or other employee of the Club shall be employed for a longer period than those persons employed under the Public House, Hotel, Restaurant, or Coffee Palace Workers Award, and who may for the time being lawfully employed.

36. The Club house shall be open and ready for reception of members and shall close at such hour as the Committee shall from time to time determine, but liquor shall only be provided during the hours permitted by the Licensing Laws.

37. No provisions, wine or liquor shall be sent out of the Club for the use of any member without the sanction of the Committee. No liquor shall be sold or supplied for consumption elsewhere than on the Club premises unless such liquor is removed from the premises of the Club by the member purchasing the same.

38. Any member of the Club shall be at liberty to invite a friend or friends into the Strangers' Room and may order such refreshments as are usually supplied at the Bar, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 9 p.m., Monday to Saturday inclusive. A visitor shall not be supplied with liquor in the Club premises unless on the invitation and in the company of a member.

39. This rule has been suspended by resolution of Executive and permission of Licensing Court until New Building has been completed.

40. In the event of a dissolution being carried into effect the sets of the Club shall be realised, after payment of all liabilities, and shall remain the property of the Returned Sailors' and Soldiers' Imperial League of Australia W.A. Branch (Inc.).

41. Notwithstanding anything herein contained all subscriptions and fines owing by any member under these Rules and all monies owing or payable by any member of the Club for or in respect of any goods or liquors supplied or given to such member, or on any other account whatever shall be recoverable by action in any Court of Law against such member at the suit of the Secretary for the time being of the Club whether such member shall at the time of the commencement of the action have ceased to be a member of the Club, or not. And no person to whom such action shall be at liberty to defend any such action on the ground that as a member no action by the Secretary will lie against him or upon any other technical ground, but only upon the merits.

42. Every member shall be bound by the Rules of the Club and every member who shall enter the Club premises shall be deemed to have agreed to be bound by the Rules of the Club.

43. These Rules shall be read in conjunction with the Returned Sailors' and Soldiers' Imperial League of Australia W.A. Branch (Inc.) (Anzac Club Control). Act 1938 and any rule herein inconsistent with any of the provisions of the said Act shall to the extent of the inconsistency be invalid.
The Minister For The Army

Reviews The Australian Army
Of 1952

For the first time since the war, the Australian Army during 1952 attained a condition in which it is capable of properly playing its part in the Defence plans of the country, the Minister for the Army (Mr. Jos. Francis) said in a review of the Army's activities for the past year.

Development of the Army from the low condition, both in men and material, into which it had been allowed to decline after the war, was one of the first cares of the present Government. The Government was determined to produce an Army competent to honour our undertakings for mutual security within the United Nations and the British Commonwealth; and adequate to ensure the territorial integrity of Australia itself.

This involved careful planning and could not be achieved in a day. A beginning on steady recovery was made, and the Army was continued at increasing pace in 1951. It was during last year that the Australian Army consolidated its position.

Much still remains to be done, but the Army now has the men and materials required for efficient training during peace, and is taking the production without delay in an emergency.

The major factor in this very marked change from an unbalanced, and, somewhat anomalous, condition to one of robustness, was the National Service Training Scheme which went into full effect during the year.

CONTINUOUS BASIC TRAINING

More than 36,000 young men have now gone through the three-week continuous basic training under the scheme and entered the ranks of the Citizen Military Forces units which comprise the bulk of the field Army. These units are now, for the second time only in the history of our Army since 1911, at full strength. The added efficiency which this gives to them both for training, or for emergency mobilisation is apparent.

With existing C.M.F. units at full strength action has been taken to provide further units to accommodate the continuing output of National Servicemen from their basic training. These units have been carefully planned and located, to provide the many specialised units needed within the modern Army, and to take advantage of the individual skills predominant in the localities in which the young men who train there are drawn from.

The target for the Citizen Military Forces is 97,500 men, conscripting volunteers and National Servicemen.

The National Service quota will be filled according to program, and as each successive training group takes up the C.M.F. units which are required we shall need more volunteers. The target at present is 31,000.

The Regular Army has reached a strength of 28,000 men, a planned total of 33,000, for which some new units are being organised. This-strength is the highest we have ever had in peacetime.

Apart from the Regular units comprising part of the Army's field force, the Regular Army provides administrative and professional staff for the National Service and Cadet units, and for its own training units and specialised schools for Regular Army men.

In addition, it provides the men for our fixed defences, base installations and a number of essential administrative units.

In this way the Army has now reached a condition, so far as personnel are concerned, in which it is fit to carry out its commitments immediately without long delay involved in raising special forces for overseas service, which would have been forced to accept in the past two wars. In the condition of the world today such a delay is a risk that may not even be contemplated by us. No force would allow us the time and it would be unwise of us again to ask our allies to bear the strain until we were ready, as we did in the past.

Concurrently with its plans for raising the men needed for the Army action has been taken to place the required amount of the most modern equipment in their hands for their training and operations.

It is not sufficient simply to store the equipment needed for war. Troops must be trained in its use, and this involves developing and continuing cost for maintenance and repair and the staff to support the equipment itself.

CENTURION TANKS

During the year the Army has taken steps to use the Centurion tank in the field. All the necessary equipment, including mobile radio equipment, has been developed in action by any Army, modern British radio sets, and the latest pattern radio-signalling equipment, has now been made available to us by our electronic industry.

Many new items are in process of introduction. This year the Australian Army has no difficulty in meeting the requirements for the Centurion tank. Regular Army use can be made of this equipment at all times.

"To ensure" economy, both in men and money, care has been taken to ensure that the operation of the British Commonwealth General Equipment and Maintenance Maintenance 120,000,000, at total of £25,000,000, was based on an annual share of £7,500,000. In the current 1953-54 combined budget.

The expansion of the Army has already involved the provision of accommodation for its installations and quarters for its men.

STANDARD OF COMFORT

The policy is that the standard of comfort in barracks and married quarters must be comparable with the condition the soldier would have if he was in civil life. Because of limited labour and material, work has proceeded slowly, and during 1953 was carried out principally in barracks, and in new quarters near existing camps such as Puckapunyal, Ingleburn and Waol., but the programme is vigorous and will continue.

Participation of women has been given to provision of large, well-equipped modern kitchens and messes. A total of 157 married quarters has been provided throughout Australia.

Women's services became an integral part of the Australian Army in peace, as well as in war, during 1952 with the establishment of a regular Army company of the Women's Royal Australian Army Corps, and its extension to meet the demands for its first unit. The Royal Australian Nursing Service was reorganised to combine it with the functions of the Women's Auxiliary Army Nursing Service. The Royal Australian Army Nursing Corps, training, which now forms part of the basic curricula of the training, began in Canberra. One of the first officers to qualify was in action within the year.

ARTILLERY OFFICERS

The course for artillery officers and for work, flying aircraft themselves, began in Canberra. One of the first officers to qualify was in action within the year.
in Korea. Troops of the Army pilots in flying light aircraft were used.

The Pacific Islands Regiment is a Regular Army unit of native
soldiers in the Australian Regiment in the service of officers and N.C.O.s.

In peace it is available to support
the Civil Administration in maintaining order. It is organization
under the command of a Regular Army unit in New Guinea.

In war it is charged with the protection of native settlements.

In Malaysia, a detachment of 30 men, under the command of a Regular Army
unit, is acting as observers, keeping abreast of the latest jungle fighting
developments.

In the U.K., the support of the United Nations in Korea continues. It is a
major element in the Army's war plans. Both battalions of the Royal
Australian Regiment are active service there. Both battalions, throughout the
districts of the country, have been under the highest morale. Their
firepower and rifle fire have been at a high standard since the beginning of
the campaign by the Third Australian and Royal Australian
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best advantage in the training duties in Australia.

In war, the finance to produce the minimum requirements for
Australian defence today involves a heavy commitment.

Arms and equipment, with the complexity brought by scientific development,
are expensive and the cost of producing many problems in feeding, clothing,
and maintaining the Army's members.

The increased costs required are set out in the tables below:

**DEFENCE SERVICE VOTES**

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**ARMS VOTES**

| A.R.A.     | 11,000.00| 16,894,000.00| 22,930,000.00|
| C.M.F.     | 11,357,000.00| 4,449,000.00| 3,387,000.00|
| Rifles Clubs | 53,000.00| 63,000.00| 97,000.00|
| R.M.C.     | 180,000.00| 132,000.00| 175,000.00|
| Arms and Equipment Maintenance | 2,984,000.00| 6,000.00| 10,500.00|
| Forst and Korea | 600,000.00| 1,743,000.00| 2,991,000.00|
| General Services | 1,454,000.00| 1,880,000.00| 2,611,000.00|
| Civilian Armament | 2,200,000.00| 3,000.00| 14,390,000.00|
| Armes Armament Buildings and Works | 5,310,000.00| 8,205,000.00| 10,179,000.00|
| Miscellaneous | 37,000.00| 107,000.00| 177,000.00|
| TOTAL      | 27,177,000.00| 47,411,000.00| 75,370,000.00|

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Battle Of The "S".

Storm In Teacup Over Change Of Title

After a stormy passage, a motion granting the name of Applecross Districts to what was previously the Melville sub-branch of the R.S.L., was passed at the State executive meeting on February 4.

The president (Mr. Chaney) described the debate as being "largely futile and petty." The trouble began when a request from the Melville sub-branch that its name be changed to Applecross Districts was incorrectly submitted.

The secretary of the Melville branch wrote to the Executive, asking that the name be changed to Applecross. The request was granted.

Then the Melville branch members on the State executive complained that that was not the name they had requested and moved that the word district be added.

It was pointed out that this would require notice of motion, so the matter was postponed until the next (February 4) meeting.

Opposition to the amendment was strong. Padre Riley, who seconded the amendment, pointed out that an honest mistake had been made by the secretary (who had since been replaced) and an honest attempt to rectify that error had also been made.

If it was the wish of the Melville sub-branch to have the title Applecross District, then why should not the State executive assent to this request?

This produced a further storm in a teacup.

Mr. Guillet asked whether it was District or Districts and emphasised the vast difference that the addition of an "s" made.

A prolonged discussion of the merits and demerits of the "s" ensued, but was cut short by the curt remarks of the president and a gag motion.

The title of the Melville sub-branch of the R.S.L. will henceforth be officially known as Applecross Districts' sub-branch of the R.S.L.

Among the chief worries of today's business executives is the large number of unemployed.

Ernie Cooley's Dead Horse

This item concerns Mr. Hawthorn's Secretary, Ernie Cooley. One early morning last week, a weary horse strayed off the road, and, observing Ernie's nice green lawn, and the weather being a bit warmish, decided it would be a very pleasant place for a siesta.

Unfortunately, when it got down it could not get up, so it decided to give up the ghost. (This is not exactly what happened but for the purpose of our story it will do.)

Imagine Ernie's surprise and dismay when he went out to collect the paper and found a dead horse on his lawn.

We have often heard the exclamation "it's a dead horse," but it is the first time we have heard of it being delivered right to the front door.

Anyhow, there was too much meat on the horse to use it for feeding, and not too many people are that fond of horses that they will eat it at a barbecue. So there was only one thing left and that was to have it removed.

This was easier said than done, but after protracted negotiations and wordly debates with the Health Dept., the City Council and other bodies, the carcass of the dear "dead horse" was eventually removed, but not until it had reposed on the front lawn from 2.30 a.m. one day until 4.30 p.m. the next.

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Fine Achievement Of Men Behind The Mail

An Australian digger of two World Wars commands the handful of British Commonwealth postal men who handled a new record mail over the Christmas and New Year period for British Commonwealth members of the three services in Japan and Korea.

He is Major Noel Child, R.A.E., of Lakemba, Sydney, who, apart from war service in France, the Pacific and Japan, has worked in the Australian G.P.O. all his life.

He commands five other officers and 50 rank and file. Between them they handled a mail which was 25 per cent increased from the holiday period last year.

Another officer from Sydney under Major Child is Captain Jack Roher, R.A.E.

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FAVERSHAM HOUSE
The Editor.
Easter Saturday, Previous to Sunday, 31st March, 1933,
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luggage room of the Hotel Victoria was increased by
hour, from 5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. The Chute was
immediately upon arrival at the Station, to
be conveyed to the Hotel, and there the 
Chute was placed, and the luggage
room was opened in the usual manner.

This innovation will have the
effect of preserving the clothes of
the passengers, and brightening up the appearance
of the Bar.

The Committee is greatly concerned about
the lack of space in the Bar, and has
already drawn up which will be discussed
by the Committee with a view to making use space available.

Visitors' Room

Several refuges have been made to the
Committee in order to
provide a visitors room where
people could bring their
friends with whom they were not willing
to be members of the Bar.

This matter was previously before
the Executive and it was
decided to defer the provision of
a visitors room until the new
building was completed.

The Licensing Court agreed to
this proposal, and the
Committee now feels that it
would be better to
accept the
space available.

Readers are asked to give
this question some thought and ad
the Committee along
constructive lines.

In this regard Members should bear
in mind that Anzac Club
is not an ordinary club and that a
special Act has been passed in
the Legislature, and that all
members of the League automatically become members
of the Club.

Consequently, the policing of
the Club presents an entirely
different proposition, to
that of other Clubs where a
different Act was in
force, and the rules of the
Club are subject to a
special Act.

However, in view of the fact
that the provision of a
visitors room was
approved, the
Committee decided to
consider
the extension of the
scheme. The
Committee hopes that
the extension of the scheme
will be
welcomed by
the members of the Club.

The Committee also has in
view the possibility of
facilitating bladder
functions in the near
future.

The rubber lining of the Billiard
Room has passed the test of
years and members will agree
that the floor is in a great
condition, and adds
much to the comfort of those
members who use the
Billiard Room.

Club Rules

The revised rules of the Club
have been submitted to the
members for
acceptance, and the
Committee
is determined to
rigorously enforce the rules.

Saturday Trading

The Club still provides a
favourable meeting place of
members
from 11 a.m. until 11 p.m.

Sunday Trading

The Club will remain open
from 11 a.m. until 11 p.m.

February, 1933
Coronation Contingent Protest From 460 Squadron

From the R.S.L. on both the Federal and State levels comes this protest to the Prime Minister from the 460 R.A.A.F. Squadron Association. In their protest they state: 'The R.A.A.F. members of this state were largely ostracized, despit the fact that this State leads the rest of Australia with monotonous regularity, any recruiting campaigns in time of peace or war. I must, therefore, urge in the strongest terms that the two above nominees be accepted to represent Australia at the Coronation Parade, and shall be glad to receive your views on the matter at your earliest convenience.'

Yours Faithfully,
P. C. Firth (Hon. Sec.)

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OUR BEST YEAR.
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The election of officers resulted in Mrs. Witter being elected as President, Secretary, Mrs. Swannell Jun., Treasurer, Mrs. Morgan, and vice-presidents, Mrs. Brooke, Thompson and N. Martin; Trustees, Misses Beatrice Chance, E. Martin and Twine, Publicity Officer, Mrs. Swannell, Snr. The branch is determined this year to keep up the good work especially with the Hollywood hospital visiting.

PRAISe.
The President's report by Bill Robertson of Kensington has this to say: These ladies do a fine job for the Sub-branch. They are not a big body and could be augmented a great deal more by members' wives. But even though only a few, they are keen and tenacious when it comes to doing something to help the sub-branch and are always there when called upon. To you ladies I give you mine and the Sub-branch's thanks and hope that in the coming year your membership will grow and your success continue as it has in the past. The sub-branch is proud of its Women's Auxiliary.

PAST PRESIDENT FAREWELLED.
After a well-attended meeting on 23rd January, the Victoria Park ladies farewelled Mr. and Mrs. Barrett on their way for a six months' holiday in England. The Auxiliary all wish them Bon Voyage.

EDWARD MILLEN HOME AND HOLLYWOOD.
Although in recess the usual visits were paid, and appreciated by the patients. Cakes, sweets and the usual amenities being provided by the Auxiliary.

SPORTS.
Teams were selected and our first match was with Gonsells on Feb. 6th.

DONATIONS.
Northam: £5/5/- each to Hospital visiting, Faversham House.

F. C. L., Dave Evans, War Blinded, £2/2/- each to Legacy and Edward Millen Home.

Karlgrove: £10 to Xmas Cheer.

Busselton: £2/2/- each to Xmas Cheer and Korean Comforts Fund.

Baywater: £2/2/- Sunset, £1.5 Lemos, C.F.L. £1, Edward Millen Home £2, S.S.T. Fund £1, T.B. Assoc. £1/5 - War Blinded £2 1/2, T.P.I. £2, Legacy £2.

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Collie: £10/10/- Xmas Cheer

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Belmont: £2/2/- each to Xmas Cheer and Korean Comforts Fund.

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Excellent Show At Nannup

New Officers Installed

By J. Walmsley

A party of three Executive members, Messrs. W. S. Lonnie, vice-president of the League, J. B. Walmsley, District Representative, and K. Keeley, visited Nannup on Saturday, January 31, 1953, for the sub-branch’s Annual Meeting and Election of Officers which was held in the Nannup Road Board Hall.

On arrival the party was accommodated at Phil Carter’s Nannup Hotel where the service and atmosphere were most acceptable. The Annual Report disclosed the fact that the sub-branch had made great progress during the year and the Balance Sheet showed that finances were in a very healthy condition.

The evening was a very excellent one and there was plenty of good fellowship manifested. In fact we would say that Nannup sub-branch was one of the most friendly sub-branches that we have had the pleasure of visiting. The sub-branch President, Roy Hall, did a great job and he was very ably supported by his Secretary, Hubert Gilbert.

Both these officers did all that was possible to make the evening the undoubted success it certainly was. Dave Blyth and his team of stewards did a splendid job looking after the thirsts of some very thirsty members. The ladies, too, carried out their work in a manner which was, indeed, a credit to them. Particular praise should go to Mrs. Ellis and the ladies concerned, for there was a great effort.

The election of officers was very successful and they were installed by Mr. J. B. Walmsley in a very efficient manner. He carried out his duties like a veteran.

Each of the Executive members were given an opportunity to speak and each dealt with a section of the League’s activities. Bill Lonnie was given a particularly good hearing as were the other speakers, we feel that Bill has a stake in Nannup. A feature of the evening we would say was the attendance of many members of the Blyth family, there were present Bill Blyth senior, Bill Blyth junior, Dave and Marj and Blyth senior, has given remarkable service to the sub-branch and the League generally and his sons are following in his footsteps and they are all valuable members.

Sunday morning saw cleaning up in progress under the hands of Percy Fredericks Wooka and Harry Jenkijls. Another High Schools. The ladies, too, carried out their work in a manner which was, indeed, a credit to them. Particular praise should go to Mrs. Ellis and the ladies concerned, for there was a great effort.

At the invitation of the Chairman of the Nannup Road Board, Harry Ford, the State Executive members history of the work of the League was described by Mr. WRIGHT and he said that Mr. WRIGHT and his daughter provided a very nice afternoon tea. Again they express their appreciation to this family for their kindness and hospitality.

At Warooma more hospitality was extended by “POP” and Mrs. BREARLEY, “POP” is a remarkable chap and he and his family were steeped in military tradition. We were privileged to view some very rare and interesting photographs of Kitchener of Pharaoh, General Roberts and Baden-Powell, leaders under whom “POP” served. The reminiscences of soldiers in the early days when the war was less than a shilling a day were very interesting. “POP” daughter, Alice had been the Nursing Service during World War 2 and saw service in the Pacific. Her two boys are in the Permanent Military Forces.

Altogether the trip was a very enjoyable and educational one and it was the opinion of the sub-branch president that the fact that three members of the sub-branch were present including Vice-president W. J. Walmsley.
FROM THE LISTENING POSTS

State President enjoys Entertainment.

FRED CHANCEY thoroughly enjoyed the Christmas family picture show which was held in the Mount Lawley-Inglewood sub-branch. The success of the evening was due to FEN SLA VIN who was assisted by an enthusiastic band of male and female helpers, among whom it is desired to mention for his help on this and past functions, ARTHUR CARLSON, one of the Old Sixteen.

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Monthly Luncheons Resume.

The Public Service sub-branch will resume its monthly luncheon at Borms in the Fashion Hall, 4th Floor, on the third Wednesday, the 18th February, at which a 30-minute moving picture show has been arranged to commence at 12.00 noon. All subscriptions, if unduly paid for 1953, are overdue. Under the Constitution every member who has not paid his subscription by 1st February is deemed unfinancial. Two persons have withdrawn, from the sub-branch because they objected to the regular meal that the 1953 pubs, were due on 1st January. The right place to raise any objection to the policy of the League (or of the sub-branch) is at a monthly sub-branch meeting.

Treasurer BILL BOYD of the Rand J. Bank likes writing receipts. The next monthly meeting: 7.45 p.m. at Anzac House on Tuesday, 17th February.

Vigorous Sub-Branch Loses President.

Kensington sub-branch has lost its president, BILL ROBERTSON, who through the loss of his wife has been transferred to Boulder. That district will be missed by many personalities and a League leader, and Kensington, who have so much to thank Bill for, will be the losers of a worthwhile President.

The membership now stands at 90. We all hope that this meeting will see a further increase in the total, the average attendance was 13 per meeting, and is something of a record amongst other branches with its bigger membership. It is hoped that it is kept up. Secretary MICK MCKAY, who has done such an excellent job for the branch, has resigned, and N. L. McKee has taken over the duties for this year. JOHN WALTON, again accepted the Treasurer’s job, a job that entails a lot of work, a job that has been done by JOHN MILLER and Bill Robertson.

The Edward Miller Home has been visited regularly each month by the sub-branch with the help of the Women’s Auxiliary. Bill Robertson concluded his report with these words: "The W.S.L.S. C. Pigott has stood in high prestige in Australia; it is an organisation that you and I, and our children are proud to be a part of. Let us try and continue to stand in its high status and fight in this turbulent world of ours to maintain that which is dear to ourselves: ‘The Price of Liberty is Eternal Vigilance.’"

The Old Sixteen.

Anzac Day arrangements are well in hand by the Committee of the Old Sixteen, and engaged, and after the Parade members of the Association will gather with their wives and children to view the displays, the entertaining being done by the Ladies Auxiliary.

The Kentington Sub-Branch has been received from GEORGE BRACKENRIDGE of the Kentington Sub-Branch."

Approved Changes In Sub-Branch Officials

ARTHUR RIVER: President. J. Johnson.
APPLECROSS: District President, 24 Kimball-road, Applecross.
BALINGUP: Secretary A. Sharp, 41, BALINGUP.
BENGBAIN: President. George Gibbs.
BIG BELL: President E. W. Martin, M. Moore.
BRUNSWICK: Vice-President, Jones, c/o P.O. ROELANDS.
COOGLIE: President: E. Cauld.
DARLING: Secretary: JOHN REES.
DARLING RANGE: President: J. F. Millett; Glyde-road, (LEOMINSTER, Tel 32).
KENWARD: President R. C. KENWARD.
KINDRA: President: A. H. Johnson.
MORDUA: Secretary: H. R. Liddow.
MUNDARING: President J. O. Moffatt, Secretary N. F. Harris.
RIVERTON: President H. P. Warren.
SCARBOROUGH: Secretary: J. ROBERTSON, A. K. ROBBINS.
SHENTON PARK, President: C. Klemem, 41, Smythe-road, SHENTON PARK.
WATERLOO: President: Albert A. Hurrell.
WEST PERTH: Secretary: H. G. Robson, 51, Thomas-street, POINSETTIA.
WYALKATCHEM: President: S. Parks, Secretary: George Kitchin.
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JAMES BERNARD WALTZ. 

Mr. Wm. Magee of the Publicity Department of the company will be quite a good choice to represent the company at the meeting of the New England chapter of the International Association of Fire Underwriters. The meeting is scheduled for March 15-16, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City. The meeting will be held to discuss the latest developments in the field of fire insurance and to exchange information and ideas among the members. It will also provide an opportunity for networking and building relationships within the industry. The event is expected to attract professionals from various organizations and companies involved in fire insurance. Attendees will have the chance to learn from experts, participate in discussions, and explore new developments in the field. 

Relief was wonderful

James H. Sharrock, 294 Burraneer Bay Rd, Campbelltown, (via club 81) Up to the last twelve months I frequently got up cold one after another which used to put me to bed for days. A friend advised me to try BB Powders which I did, and the relief was wonderful. Whenever I felt a sudden or after coming-on I immediately take one BB Powder and I can assure you I am as bright as ever next morning. I advise BB to all come in contact with this wonderful product.

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Keep free from colds this simple way

The best way to protect yourself from upper respiratory infections is to take the following precautions:

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Keep your distance from people who are coughing or sneezing.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces that are frequently touched.
- Get vaccinated against influenza.
- Stay healthy in general by eating nutritious foods, getting adequate sleep, and exercising regularly.

These steps can help you avoid catching a cold or flu, and can reduce the severity of your symptoms if you do catch it. If you do get sick, be sure to take any medications prescribed by your doctor and follow their instructions carefully.

To the 150 members present at the meeting provided quite a lot of interest and keenly contested.

LAMBERT TROPHY

South of the river sub-branches each year hold inter-sub-branch games, a day of comradeship and these functions are very successful. The final of the Lambert Trophy were played in the Como R.S.I. Hall on Thursday, February 25th and was hotly contested by competing sub-branches, being South Perth, Kensington and Como.

To the 150 members present at the meeting provided quite a lot of interest and keenly contested.
Is Made Up Pay Assesable Income?

A Judge's Summing Up Of A Test Case

The case concerned an ex-serviceman who enlisted in the A.I.F. on July 12, 1940, and served in Australia and overseas until he was discharged on December 13, 1945.

He had, until his enlistment, been employed by a firm who made up his military pay to the amount he would have received had he remained in their employment.

His taxation payment was assessed by including this amount as taxable income. He objected and a test case ensued.

The question in the case was whether a sum provided by an employer to make up during war the difference between the military pay of an employee who had enlisted for the duration, and the amount he would have received in his civil occupation, forms part of the soldier's assessable income.

BOARD OF REVIEW.

The Commissioner of Taxation included the amount of made-up pay in the taxpayer's assessable income.

The Board of Review decided that the amount provided by the employer as the difference between the soldier's military pay and the pay the soldier would have received had he remained in his former occupation, forms part of the taxpayer's assessable income. From that decision, the Commissioner appealed.

COMMISSIONER'S CASE.

The question whether the amount of made-up pay, or the salary paid, was assessable income depends on the meaning of the Income Tax Assessment Act. The Commissioner's case was based on the government's understanding of the act.

The Board of Review decided in their judgment that the income of the ex-serviceman was taxable as income of personal exertion.

DEFINITION OF INCOME.

It does not go to matter whether these employers are regarded as his former employers or others, or to a suspended employment. In the definition of income from personal exertion, the expression "the income of personal exertion" is used. The income of personal exertion is not taxable if it is held by the Commissioner of Taxation to be income from personal exertion as defined in the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936-1944, of the expression "industry income from personal exertion." These words were "bonuses, pensions, termination allowance, retiring allowances, and gratuities, and payments made by employers to employees, or to any person in respect of the capacity of employee or in relation to any service rendered." The judgment said that "allowances are given by employers to employees in respect of their services, in the capacity of employees or in relation to any service rendered." In the case of the Commissioner of Taxation, the judge said that "the judgment said that it is income from personal exertion as defined in the Income Tax Assessment Act."