GOVERNOR UNVEILS EXTENSIONS TO STATE WAR MEMORIAL

In the presence of a large gathering of people at the State War Memorial on Sunday, November 6, His Excellency the Governor (Lieut.-General Sir Charles Gardiner) performed the unveiling of additions to the memorial in commemoration of those men and women who made the Supreme Sacrifice in World War II.

The additions were made under the direction of the East Australian branch of the Returned Servicemen's League, on behalf of the people of Western Australia at a cost of £30,000.

The ceremony involved the unveiling, first, of the bronze name-plates in the underground of the memorial, and then of the Court of Contemplation.

On his arrival for the ceremony His Excellency was received by the president of the King's-Party (Sir Thomas Meagher), and then inspected the guard of honour consisting of R.A.F.F. personnel.

He then entered the Court of Contemplation.

Inviting the Governor to unveil the memorial to the soldiers, sailors, and nurses who lost their lives in World War II and also to hand over the key of the extended memorial to the custody of the East Australian branch of the R.S.L., the Premier (Mr. Hasluck) said he was sure that nearly everyone in the State would like to have attended the gathering.

Post-graduate Scholarship

Applications for a post-graduate scholarship sponsored by the trustees of the Services Canteens Trust Fund, close with the general secretary of the fund, Victoria Barracks, St. Kilda-road, Melbourne, on January 10.

This has been announced by the directorate of Army Public Relations.

Application forms and any information required may be obtained from the W.A. regional secretary of the fund, Swan Barracks, Perth.

Valued at £600 a year for a period up to three years, the scholarship is for study or research in any approved subject at any Australian university.

Those eligible to apply are children—including stepchildren, adopted or ex-nuptial children—of persons who served in the Australian forces or in the nursing or women's services between September 3, 1939, and June 30, 1947.

Selection is to be competitive and entirely on merit, and the awards in such scholarships are to go to applicants judged to have outstanding ability and suitable character, and the likely to obtain lasting benefit for themselves and for their country.

Applications for a similar scholarship (valued at £800 annually) for overseas study in a course including aeronautics and nursing closed last month.

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FAVERSHAM COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

KINDNESS TO VETERANS IS APPRECIATED

To hand from the Lighthouse, Cape Leeuwin, is a letter of thanks and a donation in appreciation of the care and kindness shown to their brother Dan during his stay at Faversham and of the respects paid to his memory at his funeral.

It is indeed heartening to members of the committee to receive appreciation of their efforts, for too often destructive criticism is voiced or there is no acknowledgment at all.

Since last issue two sub-branch visits have been paid to Faversham and the veterans have visited Perth. On Saturday, October 1, members of the Toodyay sub-branch paid the veterans a visit, taking with them smokes to be distributed.

On Sunday, October 2, Canning sub-branch members and their families visited Faversham, treated the guests to music and afternoon tea and made generous donations—details below.

On Sunday, November 6, the veterans and staff were present at the unveiling of the additions to the State War Memorial by His Excellency the Governor (Sir Charles Gardner).

Their attendance was made possible by the generosity and forethought of members of Highgate sub-branch who arranged for two buses to convey their guests from York to King's Park, and return.

Mr. Doug Dargie provided afternoon tea at his home in the hills, and luncheon and afternoon tea was arranged for at the Armadale Hotel.

Responding to Highgate's welcome—voiced by the sub-branch's senior vice-president (Mr. Jim Burgham)—Mr. Sutherland proposed a vote of thanks to the sub-branch for its co-operation and interest in the welfare of himself and fellow veterans.

As Mr. Sutherland said, it was a "Red Letter Day" for our old comrades.

The committee's grateful thanks to Highgate for their generosity and thoughtfulness.

Interest in Faversham is not confined to sub-branches and members of the League. Mr. P. Wholahan, of York, is a consistent donor to the home and, of his own accord, solicits donations and interest from all farmers in the welfare of our veterans.

All praise to Mr. Wholahan and other such friends of the home.

On October 23 Air-Marshals Charles Williams and Lady Williams visited Faversham in connection with the proposed additional Air Force Wing. Sir Charles expressed his interest in the home and its efficient management.

It is to be hoped that the Air Force Association is successful in its endeavours to obtain a proportion of the prize money for the purpose of erecting a wing at the war veterans' home.

Another Visit

The City of Perth sub-branch has planned a visit to Faversham House on Sunday, November 27.

A bus will be hired to convey the party from Monash Club, King-street, leaving at 1 p.m. and returning to Perth approximately 4.45 p.m. for the return journey.

Any members of the City of Perth sub-branch desiring to take this opportunity of visiting Faversham must book their seats with the Monash Club not later than Friday, November 18.

Donations

To the following donors the League and the veterans express their sincere appreciation and gratitude:

Canning Sub-branch (Tobacco, cigarettes, tinned fruit, cream, milk and puddings).—Toodyay sub-branch (cigarettes).—Quadrangling Women's Aux. (Cake and periodicals).—R.F.V. Club (Tobacco and cigarettes).—H. J. Sykes, Kondinin (two bags wheat).—E. J. Burke, Swan View (cigarettes).—Beverley Women's Aux. (£5, roast beef, apples and ice-cream).—D. McRae, Quadrading (dressed lamb).—Waroona-Hamel Women's Aux. (£6/15/ and lounge chair).—W. G. McColl, Cape Leeuwin (£2/10/).

Wholahan, York (dressed sheep and 18lb. schnapper).

Sub-branch Formed At Maddington

A new R.S.L. sub-branch was opened recently at Maddington by a State vice-president (Mr. E. O. Davies)

The president of the new sub-branch, Mr. W. Byas (senior), and the secretary, Mr. Compton, can both claim a long record of service with the R.S.L.

The opening ceremony was performed in the presence of H. R. P. (membership); Mr. J. Mendrick (New Australians and the League); Mr. J. F. Milne, an ex-Kellerberrin farmer (a new member's impression of the executive); Mr. E. O. Davies (R.S.L. work in general).

Mention was made of the organisation of inter-sub-branch tennis nights to add to the zest of meetings and maintain the esprit de corps.

In a short address Mr. G. W. W., M.L.A., urged members not to take mental stock to see if they could not do a little more for the League.

The new sub-branch received a promise of support from a representative of the local road board.

Members of the State Executive: Mr. E. C. Townsends, a trustee (on Faversham House), Mr. G. W. W. (membership); Mr. E. O. Davies (membership), also well represented.

Mr. Davies said that the new organisation provided the formerly missing link in the chain of continuous sub-branches from Perth to Armadale.

Borden To Have Sub-branch

Authority has been granted by the State Executive for the formation of a sub-branch at Borden, which is to be staffed by ex-servicemen, 11 of whom are financial members of the Gnangara sub-branch.

This follows the receipt of a petition signed by 14 eligible ex-servicemen, 11 of whom are financial members of the Gnangara sub-branch.
Their Full Sacrifice Entails Obligation On The Living

Visits To All Sub-branches Aimed At

Korea Diggers Have A Date

The Price of Liberty is Eternal Vigilance

NOVEMBER, 1955

A LEAGUE OBLIGATION

THOSE privileged to witness on Sunday, November 6, the ceremony at the State War Memorial in King’s Park, when His Excellency the Governor, Sir Charles Gairdner, unveiled the plaques containing the names of the men and women who died in World War II and the new section of the Memorial erected to their memory, must have been impressed and will, no doubt, have the occasion indelibly imprinted on their minds.

HIS EXCELLENCY’S address during the course of the ceremony provided food for thought and resolve.

THE STATE PRESIDENT of the League, Mr. W. S. Lonnie, in accepting from His Excellency the custody of the new Memorial, pointed out that some 25 years ago the League accepted a similar trust and he paid tribute to those men of World War I who discharged their duties for a quarter of a century with quiet pride and efficiency.

FOR THE COMPLETION of the new section of the Memorial — a truly beautiful structure — the League should record its grateful thanks to those whose far-sighted planning and vision made possible the realization of all that had been hoped for. To the honorary architect of the new section of the Memorial (Colonel Athol Hobbs) must go the League’s deepest appreciation and sincere gratitude for a job well done.

IT IS INDEED fitting that the association of his illustrious father, Lieut. General Sir J. Talbot Hobbs, with the original Memorial should be so splendidly continued by his son.

IN THIS magnificent Memorial are enshrined all those things in which men believe. In the peace and beauty of the surroundings to the Memorial we can find the answer to the question: “Was their sacrifice worthwhile?”

WHAT HAS BEEN entrusted to the League is no ordinary structure of brick and stone. The Memorial conveys a message warm and breathing, a message of inspiration. That trust is the unceasing care for the children of those who died, the easing of the burden of the widows and the lightening of the load of the sick and aged who gave the best of their years in the service of their country.

THE MEMORIAL is built upon something more endurable than rock and stone. Its corner stones could be said to represent freedom, justice, honour and peace. It is for these things that men and women laid down their lives. It is for us, the living, to see that the Memorial and its foundations remain forever unshakable.

IT MAY NOT be too much to hope that this and future generations as they pass or pause to admire its beauty will recall the lofty example of those who fell — men and women of courage with unflinching devotion to noble ideals, faithful and loyal, who in their silence are yet eloquent pleaders for the best causes of mankind.

That the Supreme Sacrifice of those who fell in the service of their country entailed great responsibility on the living was emphasized by His Excellency (Lieut.-General Sir Charles Gairdner) at the unveiling ceremony at the State War Memorial on Sunday, November 6.

The gathering, Sir Charles said, had met to pay tribute to those whose names were inscribed on the memorial, and it was altogether right and proper that they should do so.

On such an occasion it was inevitable that most people would be turning their minds back and recalling memories of the past and wondering, perhaps, whether the sacrifices made had been in vain.

Whether that was so or not depended not on those who had made the Supreme Sacrifice — because they had already given their last full measure of devotion — but rather on the living and the way in which they, in the comparatively short days of peace, rose above themselves to face the problems of the day with the same spirit of comradeship and courage as in time of war.

The nation had never been lacking in valour in wartime, but peace required just as high qualities of courage as though perhaps of a different kind. There was no place for the corroding could-not-careless attitude.

Sir Charles said that one of his most vivid recollections was the way in which, with the outbreak of war in England, the whole nation had seemed to be a man of one mind, and had been sustained by internal backing right up to the declaration of war.

But with the needs of war all dissension had been put aside and there had been a wonderful feeling of oneness and cooperation all over England.

Unfortunately, that spirit had not long survived the advent of peace, and in the spirit of comradeship was shared in the last degree with those the gathering was honouring.

In war, and in that way exact double assets; in peace, no less glorious than that achieved in war.

Visits To All Sub-branches Aimed At

A list of sub-branch visits by the State president, State Secretary and executive members since 1952 has been compiled by the R.S.L. membership committee.

The purpose of the list is to indicate that eventually all sub-branches will be visited by members of the State Executive.

This was reported to the State Executive meeting held on October 26 by the chairman of the membership committee (the Rev. L. W. Riley).

The forms on which the information was recorded will be bound into book-form for reference at future executive meetings.

Korea Diggers Have A Date

Cricket-minded Australians serving with the First Commonwealth Division in Korea are making-up a date in Melbourne on their return to Australia.

Last year, on the eve of a match between Australian and English members of the division for the Korean Ashes, a message arrived from Australian test-cricketer Keith Miller, wishing the diggers luck in their match and expressing confidence in a double ash- series result.

Miller threatened to take the Australian test team to Korea to dump the soldier cricketers in the Imjin if they lost the match, and promised the diggers that they could return the compliment to his team-mates in the Yarra if they lost the test series in Australia.

Australia did lose the Ashes, but the diggers won their match and are looking forward to carrying out their side of the bargain on their return.

This year’s Australian team in Korea is drawn almost entirely from the 1st Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment.

It is led by Lieut. I. G. McElhon — of East Malvern, Melbourne — who captained the Duntroon eleven last year and also played with Keith Miller for the Prime Minister’s eleven in the match against the English team at Canberra.
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R.S.L. Sub-branches Form Link

A district committee embracing the Manjimup, Bridgetown, Pemberton, Northcliffe and Quilpinup sub-branches has been formed at Manjimup.

Reporting this to the R.S.L. State Executive meeting held on October 26 the chairman of the membership committee (the late L. W. Riley) explained that it be known as the No. 1 District Committee.

Mr. F. A. Hare had been appointed chairman and Mr. A. McDonald secretary, the Rev. Riley said.

The decision to form the district committee was made by representatives of the sub-branches attending at a meeting presided over by a State vice-president (Mr. E. O. Davies) and also attended by Messrs. N. Davidson, the chairman of the State Executive.

After the meeting Mr. Davies said he had been given assurance that there were many land problems to be solved, and that, with the growing financial restrictions being encountered, there should be the greatest possible degree of unity between sub-branches.

The State Executive members had agreed to the number of sub-branches to get to know one another for the common good, he said.

The Manjimup sub-branch had been thanked for its part in the formation of the district committee.

New Faces Seen At Meeting

The attendance at the latest monthly meeting of the Victorian Park sub-branch was augmented by new faces. On that occasion it was Eric Nicholls and Cyril Croucher who were made welcome.

With them was an old hand in Charlie Diggles.

It is encouraging to members to see new arrivals, and 1956 is expected to bring in much membership figures for some time.

Sub-branch committees are described as heavy. Poppy Day called for a special effort and it was hoped to turn in better figures than in recent years.

The annual Rotary Carnival is to be held at McCallum Park on November 18 and 19. Any member who can "make himself available for an hour or two" on the sub-branch will be very welcome.

A picture night in aid of the Medical School appeal has been arranged for Wednesday, November 23.

Members are being invited to take their families and friends.

The next general meeting will be held on November 18, and the annual report on December 16.

Mr. Davies said that while in Manjimup he had met the State Executive members who had attended the annual reunion of sub-branches, and visited homes for the aged erected in the district by the State Lottery Commission and the Commonwealth Government under the aged Persons Act.

A donation from the sub-branch had materially assisted the furnishing of the homes.

He had been surprised at the quality and comfort of the homes. Three separate sets of flats—one for married couples, one for single women or widows, and a third for single men or widowers. The foresight and generosity that had led to the erection of the homes was commented on, Mr. Davies said. A long-needed scheme seemed to be materialising at last.

Roses Brought £148 for Big Appeal

Roses sold in the city by members of the Ex-Service men's sub-branch of the R.S.L. on Rose Day brought in a sum of £148 for the Medical School Appeal.

This has been reported by the sub-branch secretary (Miss C. Baptiste).

Some roses had been delivered to hospitals in the metropolitan area, Miss Baptiste said, and the homes were grateful for the Red Cross workers who had assisted and to the Rotary Club which had provided transport for collecting and delivering the flowers.

The sub-branch had been very active. Soft furnishings had been made and installed at the Victory, November 7 rooms at Faversham House, York, and on October 2 the sub-branch had entertained 31 patients from Lennox Hospital.

The patients had been taken by the Red Cross for a drive and then treated to high tea and music at Anzac House.

The president of the social committee left for a holiday in Europe:

The sub-branch had expressed its gratitude to its former representative on the State Executive (Mr. Townshend) for the help he had given.

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HOUSING CUT EMBARRASSING, SAYS OFFICIAL

It had been embarrassing to the war-service homes division of the State Housing Commission to have to tell certain applicants that the money was not available, the chief executive officer of the division (Mr. F. Graham) told a special meeting of the housing sub-committee of the R.S.I.E. at Anzac House early this month.

The meeting was called to put before West Australian members of the Commonwealth Parliament the R.S.I.E. view point regarding the recent cut of £600,000 in the Commonwealth allocation for war-service homes in this State.

Parliamentarians present were: Senators Agnes Robertson and H. S. Seward, and Messrs. K. E. Beazley, T. Burke, G. Freeth, L. W. Hamilton and C. H. Webb, M.H.R.

Mr. Graham was answering one of several questions put to him by the sub-committee chairman (Mr. R. F. Stoddart).

Mr. Graham said that the war-service housing allocation to this State had recently been cut down from £4,000,000 to £2,800,000, but that his division could easily use the larger amount.

Last May the programme for 1955-56 was to be the same as for the previous year, but in August it had been reduced by almost £2,000,000.

Consequently the commission would be unable to sign up more than 350 housing contracts this year compared with nearly 1,100 last year.

By October it had become committed for the whole of the funds available for new building for the year.

The cut in the programme had been so sudden that the commission was not ready for it.

There were 640 applications waiting for approval, and to satisfy them would require another £600,000.

An amount of £975 paid in deposits on a home by an applicant was being held by the commission.

Mr. Graham said that a number of applicants, who had purchased ready-erected houses with the authority of the commission, and who had arranged temporary finance, had been advised that the lifting of the mortgage might have to be delayed.

At present about 1,300 approved applicants were waiting for completion of purchase of their homes, and 1,627 applications had not been approved.

Tenders had been called for groups of homes to be built at Geraldton and at Bunbury, but the majority of the applicants concerned might have to wait a long time.

The reason for the cut, Mr. Graham said, was that commitments in other States had left only £2,800,000 for new work in the whole of Australia, and that the waiting period in Western Australia had been longer than in other States.

A question from Senator Robertson as to whether the building potential in this State had reached saturation-point so that an increase in the allocation of money would not result in a significant increase in building, Mr. Graham replied: "Definitely not."

The prices in tenders had come down about 10 per cent, and many more tenders were now coming to hand, he said.

Expressing the League view, Mr. Stoddart said it was a sorry state of affairs to find that ten years after the cessation of hostilities there was still a large number of applicants whose demands were not yet satisfied.

The League, he said, was particularly worried about the halving of the allocation for new homes in Western Australia. The cut was affecting applicants, builders and tradesmen.

Many builders here specialised in the construction of war-service homes and they had had that side of their business curtailed by the cut back.

It was felt that more money should be provided, Mr. Stoddart said.

The direction to curtail the scheme had come at a time when many of the commitments had been made, and when repayments by applicants and tenants had increased substantially—about £3,000,000 for the last year. That had reduced by that amount the actual money to be found for this scheme.

As the finance was provided from revenue the allocation could be increased, he thought, but not by an amount which would be fully met by the forecast of revenue for the year.

The record of the department was that commendable, and the League had been very satisfied with the way the scheme had been operating.

More homes would be needed, he thought, for the population of this State and for the other States.

Money had also been provided for the purchase of ready-built homes.

Applicants were now told that they could apply, but they had to make initial provision for private finance until the scheme could take over the liability.

There had been a problem in all States where ex-service men and women to pay extortionate rates of interest to money lenders.

The League felt that some of the money allocated should be used for the purchase of ready-built homes, he said.

Thanking Parliamentarians for their attendance the R.S.I.E. president (Mr. W. S. Lonnie), who presided at the meeting, said he hoped that the raised interest of the League would result in benefits to this State.

The League president (Mr. W. S. Lonnie), a State vice-president (Mr. F. O. Davenport), members, Messrs. J. F. Milne and S. R. King.

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North Perth, £1/1/ Medical School appeal.
Mt. Barker, £30 Christmas Cheer.
Newcastle, £20 Christmas Cheer.
Kalgoorlie, £15 Christmas Cheer.
Swan View-Greenmount, £5 Christmas Cheer.
Moora, £4/4/ Christmas Cheer.
Mawson Regatta, £10 Christmas Cheer.
Cottesloe, £35 Hospital Visiting.
North Beach, £2/2/ Hospital Visiting.
Harvey, £3 each Christmas Cheer.
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**Women’s Auxiliaries**

**Official List Of Visits For October**

The official visits-list of the R.S.L. Women’s Auxiliary for the month of October has been made available by the secretary (Mrs. J. Ames) and is as follows:

October 11: The State president (Mrs. S. V. Stockman) and country vice-president (Mr. Baxter) were guests of the Quinaring auxiliary at its 30th birthday.

October 19: The State president and State secretary (Mrs. J. Ames) attended the Mt. Helena auxiliary meeting.

October 23: The State president and secretary attended the Yoko-Joondanna outing for Claremont mental ex-servicemen.

The State secretary, Mrs. Young and Miss Hammersley visited the Claremont Memorial Hospital and distributed amenities to ex-servicemen.

The State auxiliary attended the Nedlands high tea for "Diggers" from Sunset and Lemon nos.

October 29: The State president, secretary and executive members visited the Kenwyck.

October 31: The State president and executive members attended the Soldiers’ Children’s Scholarship Trust meeting.

**REUNION WAS JOVIAL**

The annual reunion of the South Perth sub-branch was jovial and happy, a League vice-president (Mr. E. O. Davies) said recently.

Mr. Davies attended the reunion in company with two other members of the State Executive—Mr. B. Keeley and Dr. W. H. Harris.

As chairman for the occasion, Mr. Davies (the branch president) (Mr. R. W. King, a former president of the sub-branch) had done an excellent job, Mr. Davies said.

The chairman of the South Perth Road School (Mr. R. W. King, a former president of the sub-branch) had interested the gathering with some reminiscient remarks.

Dr. Harris—a new member of the State Executive—had presented a Certificate of Service to Mr. J. Lord, a foundation member of the sub-branch.

Repeating, Mr. Lord had spoken of the happy times members had had together during the early struggles of the sub-branch.

Mr. Keeley had spoken in happy vein, and an outstanding address had come from Commander Shaw of the Royal Australian Navy.

Captain Shaw had stressed the importance of maintaining modern and active forces for Australia’s defence, and expressed the service’s appreciation of R.S.L. support.

Mr. Davies said he had been very pleased to see the South Perth sub-branch holding its own in spite of the formation within the district of other sub-branches.

He was looking forward to the sub-branch’s achieving its new hall, which would be not only a practical project of the zeal of present-day members.

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Australia stands in high regard in many countries because of its great vigour, its ability to solve its own problems and its strong Returned Servicemen's League.

Sir Frank Beaurepaire, a former Lord Mayor of Melbourne, said this at the State Executive meeting held at Anzac House on October 26.

"I feel that in this country we have the strongest movement of ex-servicemen in the world," Sir Frank said.

That view had received support when delegates to the British Legion conference in London earlier this year had convinced the Empire movement that its next conference should be held in Australia.

The conference would probably take place late in 1957.

Sir Frank said he felt very deeply honored to be present at the meeting of the State Executive.

He was a close friend of the Federal president of the R.S.L. (Sir George Holland) and had promised him that he would call on the State branch.

Sir Frank said he would always do anything that was reasonably possible for the R.S.L.

Welcoming Sir Frank to the executive meeting, the senior vice-president (Mr. E. O. Davises) said it gave him the greatest pleasure to see him wearing the Legion collar.

He was pleased to extend to Sir Frank a real West Australian R.S.L. welcome, Mr. Davises said.

"Ludo" Cartoon Copy Goes to Bridgeport

A copy of Norman Aibert's "Daily News" cartoon "Do you think we might bring out the ludo now it has been in existence for 15 years?" appeared today and said wistfully: "I see a picture on the wall showing a huge ludo tree but it has been cut down. I do not see an axe, so I presume it has been buried."

Mr. E. Marshall, the Bridgeport president (Mr. Marshall), thanked Mr. Aibert for his gesture.

Mr. Marshall also took the opportunity of conveying to the president of the Manjimup R.S.L. (Mr. J. E. Marshall), a position he has held for nine years.

Regret has been expressed within the sub-branch at the loss of the services of Mr. Regret Elms as auditor—"a position he has filled for nine years."

Mr. Elms is retiring from office in order to take his wife and children on a trip to the Old Country.

Mundaring Function Highlights

At a Mundaring R.S.L. sub-branch gathering recently in the spacious local town hall Mrs. E. Stirling was presented with a Certificate of Service.

Mrs. Stirling has served the branch as secretary of the Women's Auxiliary continuously for nearly 20 years.

With well-chosen words Mr. J. R. Rollie, on behalf of the State Executive, handed the certificate to Mrs. Stirling, saying in addition to a suitably inscribed memento—to mark the occasion—from members of the Mundaring sub-branch.

The second event of the evening was the handing over of the annual Shield, by Mr. Townshend, to the president of the Mundaring sub-branch, Mr. Rolfe and members of the Eastern Hills branches.

A special meeting of the sub-branch has been called for November 14 (nomination day 1956).

General meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month.

New Sub-branch Has Vision Of Expansion

"If the present progress can be maintained members can feel quite confident of the future," said the president (Mr. J. Davies) of the recently formed Manning Park sub-branch at a recent combined general meeting and ladies' sports evening at St. Peter's Hall, Manning Park.

The evening was a complete success and paved the way for the launching of a women's auxiliary.

The sub-branch is small, but enthusiastic, and with the district growing in space increased membership is expected after the New Year.

The application for land for club purposes and bowling green has been submitted to the Perth Road Board.

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No Reason For Smugness Members Told

There seems no reason for the League to sit back smugly, a member of the State Executive (Mr. H. James) told members of the Manjimup sub-branch at their annual reunion dinner recently.

- The tradition of comradeship forged on the field of battle is exemplified in this picture of a group of R.S.L. stalwarts taken just prior to the official opening of extensions to the State War Memorial.

He was responding to the toast of the League.

The League, he said, was dedicated to helping those no longer able to help themselves—male or female and financial or unfinancial ex-service personnel.

The founders of the League had had a hard row to hoe. This had been impressed on him by a conversation he had that day with a past State secretary (Mr. D. M. Benson).

Mr. James said he was delighted to have had an opportunity of inspecting the Duncairn cottages. They were a credit to Manjimup and to the sub-branch, which had had a hand in the project.

He was pleased, too, that the district committee had been formed; this could achieve nothing but good.

He urged members not to regard Anzac House as an "un-touchable" but a cooperative source to help clean up misconceptions and assist in any way it could to foster the wishes of sub-branches.

The majority of members of the executive today were World War II men, and with Mr. Lonnie now State president, there was a fine team whose aim was to coax back all old members and enlist new ones.

A State vice-president (Mr. E. O. Davies) proposed the toast of the Manjimup sub-branch.

He praised the branch for setting up the favourable conditions for the re-establishment of the district committee.

He wanted to see young men induced back to the league so that unity would be preserved.

"We members know what real comradeship is; two wars have been the testing ground and we should never let the material things overshadow the spiritual side of the League's objects," said Mr. Davies.

Today, one in five of the adult population of W.A. are strangers to its shores and here was a vast potential to help absorb newcomers.

"Australia today must rightly be regarded as the Britain of the Pacific and whilst U.S.A. is still our friend, we have to do as much as we can to preserve the ideals of a united and contented nation," Mr. Davies said.

The chairman (Mr. F. Hastie) thanked Mr. Davies for his comments and said that the Collect Cup, displayed in the hall for the first time that night, was tangible evidence that the sub-branch was active.

Two objects were being achieved within the branch. One was its rehabilitation as far as members concerned, and the other was to assist deserving charities.

One of the highlights of the year was that closer liaison had been achieved between the branch and the local women's auxiliary.

He believed the formation of the district committee was a step towards unification and a means to solve common problems.

About 60 members and guests from neighbouring sub-branches—along with three members of the State Executive and R.S.L. auxiliary representatives—attended the function.

Achievement Certificate

The State Executive has decided to give further thought to a suggestion for the granting of certificates of achievement to sub-branches gaining membership increases of 10 per cent.

The suggestion was made at a meeting on November 9 by the chairman of the membership committee (the Rev. W. Riley) who said that 5S certificates of the kind had been presented in Victoria this year.

Dr. R. Greenham, a-League vice-president, thought the certificate would be valueless on a 10 per cent basis as a sub-branch with 30 members could gain a certificate by recruiting three members.

Gloucester Park Sub-branch

Members of the above sub-branch are being invited to a special meeting of the sub-branch convened by the R.S.L. State Executive and to be held on Thursday, December 1 at 8 p.m. in Wembley Hall, 347 Hay-street (east), to discuss sub-branch affairs.

The special meeting will be followed by the general meeting of the sub-branch.
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Commando Training Realistic

Special courses are being held at Nelson's Bay, New South Wales, to give members of the recently raised commando companies of the Citizen Military Forces realistic training in water assault.

The Minister for the Army (Mr. Francis) said this recently.

Royal Marine commandos and an officer of the Royal Australian Navy were cooperating in the instruction, which was centred on the School of Land/Air Warfare at Williamstown, N.S.W., Mr. Francis said.

Training commenced on October 10 and will end on November 4.

Students attending the courses are from Victoria and New South Wales C.M.F. commando companies.

Members of these units were selected C.M.F., volunteers accepted for commando operations due to their physical fitness, alertness and initiative.

The training at Nelson's Bay is new for the C.M.F., and includes small-boat handling in relation to night assaults and underwater operations.

The Chief Instructor is Major Peter Seddon, who commanded the No. 2 C.M.F. Commando Company, Victoria.

He is being assisted by a team of Royal Marine Commando instructors under Capt. J. D. Slim of the United Kingdom Army Liaison Staff in Australia.

Capt. Slim served with the British Special Air Service Regiment in Malaya, and saw service also in Burma and Korea.

Underwater swimming instruction is being given by Lieut.-Commander M. S. Batterham of the Royal Australian Navy.

Vital Meeting Faces Sub-branch

The South Belmont-Rivervale sub-branch will hold its most important meeting for the year on Monday, December 12.

As the meeting will be the occasion for the annual election of officers a record roll-up of members is expected and competition for the positions available is likely to be keen.

As usual for the occasion refreshments will be "on the house."

It is felt that 1955 has been the most progressive year in sub-branch history as a very active part has been taken in district activities and many functions have been conducted within the sub-branch itself.

Activities for the year will be wound up with the usual Christmas party for the children of members, and members are being requested to nominate their children at the next meeting.

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UNUSUAL FEATURES IN NEW ARMY BUILDING

In its building, design and manner of construction the new Australian Army Canteens Service warehouse at Maribyrnong, Victoria, incorporates a number of unusual features.

The Minister for the Army (Mr. Francis) said this when officially opening the building last month.

The planning, architectural design and construction, with the cooperation of a private contractor, had been completed about 28 weeks. The plans and specifications were prepared by the Directorate of Fortifications and Works and construction was supervised by the Army architect.

Measuring 285 by 100 ft., the warehouse was constructed of pre-fabricated steel resting on high, factory pre-cast concrete slab walls. This provided structural strength at least three times that of conventional brickwork and reduced maintenance to a minimum.

The 2ft. pre-cast sections also enabled all doors to be made to doorways and openings, it was required, simply by their removal.

The building was believed to be by far the biggest in that type of construction in Victoria.

The concrete floor had been designed for the operation of fork-lift loaders and vehicles throughout the store area. Another feature was the high ceiling, enabling greater storage facilities for bulk storage, up to a height of 23ft.

The warehouse would be operated as the central distribution centre for canteen supplies in Southern and Tasmania Commands, and as the dispatch centre for certain bulk supplies to other commands throughout the Commonwealth.

It would also service Melbourne and metropolitan area army messes and units. The new set-up was to be entirely self-contained and would greatly improve the efficient and speedy handling of canteen supplies.

The annual value of goods passing through the store approaches $500,000 and the average daily stock holding was $85,000.

The canteen organization, it appeared, played an important role in meeting the requirements of troops on the amenities side.

Mr. Francis said that the building had been financed not from consolidated revenue but from funds made available for the running operations by the canteens service in Japan. The total cost involved was £70,710.

Other money from the same source had been allocated to other-ranks’ clubs, and contributions had been made for building and equipment in the form of general amenities in various army camps and installations.

In addition, ten mobile canteens had been purchased and equipped, and had proved invaluable for C.M.F., National Service and A.R.A. camps bivouacs and exercises in the more remote areas.

The new achievement was a further practical example of the fine work being accomplished by the Army Canteens Service for the welfare of the Australian Army.

Ex-services Body
To Hold
Reunion Dinner

The Imperial Ex-services Association’s tenth annual reunion dinner is to be held in the Venetian Room, on November 18, at 7.30 p.m.

The secretaries (Mr. D. Black) said that no effort would be spared in making the function the most successful in the history of the association.

Mr. Black said that tickets, priced at £5 each, could be obtained from the executive officers or from Messrs. Mason and J. N. Emery and himself. The postmark address of the association would be Box 157, G.P.O., Perth.

It had been arranged for the sale of tickets to cease on November 10 to assist the catering arrangements.

A social evening would be held in the Scouts Hall, 45 King-street, Perth, on November 21. A State council meeting would be held in the same hall on November 14 and an executive meeting on November 28.

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Scholarship Trust Terminates Service

A West Australian organisation that for nearly 40 years has been securing for the children of deceased and incapacitated soldiers educational benefits that war had deprived them of has ceased to exist. It was the Soldiers’ Children’s Scholarship Trust.

Since its inception in 1916 it has allocated over 1,500 scholarships to secondary schools, business colleges, and universities and provided school books for nearly 7,000 children. Nor did it ever have recourse to a public appeal on behalf of its charges. The necessary finance was made available to it by its well-wishers in the community.

Now, in view of the parallel activities of governmental authorities, the Senators thought that the need for its continued existence has come to an end.

The termination was marked by a gathering of friends and supporters in the Anzac Houseballroom on the evening of October 31.

There, tributes to its work and to the many individuals, business houses and institutions which have supported it, were paid by the Commonwealth Minister for Repatriation (Senator Cooper), the chairman of the Repatriation Commission (Major-General G. F. Woodten), the Deputy Premier (Mr. Tonkin) and Senator Ross McDonald.

Outlining the history of the Trust and its president (Professor A. D. Ross) said that the idea of an organisation to assist the education of children of fallen or incapacitated soldiers was first suggested to the executive of the Friendly Union of Soldiers’ Wives in 1916 by the late Mrs. Mary Foster.

The suggestion was approved and the support of the Returned Soldiers’ Association obtained. A joint deputation had approached the then Minister for Education, Mr. H. P. (later Sir Hal) Colebatch who promised to provide 20 special Government scholarships.


Public schools and business colleges had provided scholarships to a total value of over £5,600.

The trust had been formed in the first year under the chairmanship of the then Governor (Sir William Ellison Macartney), with Col. Baty as chairman of the committee of management and Mrs. Foster as secretary. In addition to the members of the original committee it included the Chief Justice of the day (Sir Robert Menzies), Mr. Colebatch, and Professor Robs (representing the University).

As the work of the trust became better known aid came from all quarters. Additional Government scholarships provided for study at the University, the Perth Technical College, the Kalgoorlie School of Mines and the Narrogin School of Agriculture. The public schools granted free places for day tuition and for boarders, and business colleges also provided free tuition.

Free scholarships rose to a total annual value of over £15,000. The Employers’ Federation had granted priority of preference to children of fallen or incapacitated soldiers.

The Commonwealth Government had provided for study at the 28th, 44th, 88th and 51st Battalion organisations and the Women’s Auxiliary of the R.S.L.

When the Commonwealth Government had launched its scheme of education benefits for similar children it had paid a compliment to the trust by constituting its members as members of the Commonwealth Soldiers’ Children Education Board in this State.

The board had relied on the trust of some difficulties, particularly as regards the provision of living expenses. Below are seen three principals of the occasion.

Meeting Over Gymkhana

Another meeting of sub-branch representatives to decide whether the R.S.L. should hold a gymkhana in aid of the Medical School Appeal has been called for November 30. This was reported at the last meeting of the State Executive by the chairman of the appeal fund committee (Mr. J. White). Only 13 sub-branches were represented at the meeting held on November 2, he said.
They Gathered To Pay Homage

Payments To Australian Ex-Prisoners-Of-War

The general position as to further payments to Australian ex-prisoners-of-war has been set out as follows in a letter by the Secretary to the Prime Minister’s Department (Mr. A. S. Brown) to the General Secretary of the League (Mr. J. C. Neagle).

The Prime Minister has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 9, 1955, in which you ask for information concerning further payments to Australian ex-prisoners-of-war by the Japanese.

An effort is at present being made to obtain information concerning payments by Canadian and American governments to their nationals who were prisoners-of-war of the Japanese.

In respect of payments to Australian ex-prisoners-of-war by the Japanese, the latest information available is contained in the Prime Minister’s letter to the House of 1955, by Mr. V. McKinder, M.P.

The Prime Minister said: The present position is that an agreement between the International Committee of the Red Cross and the Japanese Government was initialled on November 30, 1954, under which the Japanese Government agreed to pay £3 million sterling to the International Committee of the Red Cross (a sum, less May, 1955).

In addition, the Red Cross is holding an amount of $120,000,000 United States dollars paid to it under an agreement signed on July 30, 1953, between Thailand, the United States, and the United Kingdom on Japanese assets in Thailand.

Distribution of these sums cannot be made by the Red Cross until all countries concerned have submitted lists of their prisoners-of-war eligible to benefit under Article 16 of the Peace Treaty with Japan. So far Indonesia and the Philippines, who have not ratified the Treaty, have not submitted lists.

The International Committee of the Red Cross is however working out a basis for an equitable distribution of these moneys in accordance with Article 16 of the Treaty.

In common with the other nations who have completed their claims, Australia is rendering the Red Cross all possible assistance to resolve the question.

W.A. Applicants For Gowrie Scholarship Are Diminishing

Over the last three years the number of West Australian applicants for Gowrie scholarships has diminished considerably, though the previous success of candidates from this State was remarkable.

So said the Secretary in this State of the Gowrie Scholarship Trust (Mr. K. Currie) in a recent letter to the League. Mr. Currie said there were three types of scholarships offered annually by the Trust—postgraduate research travel scholarships of £500 sterling a year, the University Scholarship of £75 a year and the secondary school scholarships of £40 a year.

All scholarships were on a Commonwealth-wide competitive basis, and since their commencement 11 years ago 181 awards had been made covering 21 research, 54 university and 106 secondary school scholarships.

West Australians held a proud record of success in the wide competitive field and during the past six years had gained four of the 12 research scholarships, five of the 28 university and eight of the 58 secondary school scholarships.

Despite these successes the local committee of the Trust wished to stress that:

• The number of applicants for secondary and university scholarships was diminishing each year.

• Each scholarship was to be regarded in an extremely high educational honour.

Mr. Currie said that the committee also desired teachers to encourage suitable children to apply.

All scholarships were open to citizens of the Commonwealth or to permanent residents (men and women) of the Commonwealth Forces who served on active service in a combat area during World War II, or to their children.

Application forms were obtainable from the Trust's Gowrie Scholarship Trust Fund, Box 2069, G.P.O., Sydney, N.S.W., or from the headmasters of secondary schools.

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This means that never again will there be 1,000-bomber raids; nor will there be enormous air forces as in the 1939-45 war.

This was claimed in a statement made by the Chief of the Air Staff (Air Marshal Sir John McCauley) in connection with Air Force Commemoration Week held during September.

Today’s air forces were potent weapons of destruction and interception, Sir John said, and in its development the Royal Australian Air Force was keeping abreast.

The R.A.A.F. today had first-class modern aircraft, but that situation was temporary. The Air Staff was continually watching overseas developments and planning for the future.

Aircraft replacement must be decided several years ahead of actual operation of the replacement type.

This year the Air Staff have been studying replacements for present types, for the next step was to fighters flying at perhaps one and a half times the speed of sound.

Several countries were already flying prototypes of that speed.

The lesson from this—as from all air experience—was one of constant change, tireless vigilance and, as always, hard work. That was true in 1939-45, and it is true today.

More Speed
Air Force Commemoration Week this year had come at the right time, the R.A.A.F. was re-equipping its fighter wing with 700 m.p.h. Avro-built Australian-built Canberra bombers.

In those days, when the first Australian military pilots were being trained at Point Cook, it was possible—and of them had said recently—to crash an aircraft and walk out of the ruins because of the low speed.

The man who had said that was Sir Thomas White, now Australian High Commissioner in London.

Another of the first four was Air Marshal Sir Richard Williams, now Director-General of Civil Aviation.

Air Force Commemoration Week was known in England as Battle of Britain Week, to commemorate the noble deeds of R.A.F. Fighter Command in the autumn of 1940.

The aircraft which saved Britain in 1940—the Spitfire and Hurricane—had little more than half the speed of the R.A.A.F. modern jet fighter, the De Havilland DH115 two-seat Vampire.

The Winjeel three-seat trainer—an experimental propelled biplane—had better performance than the fighters used in the Pacific in 1940-41.

The first Winjeels from the Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation’s factory in Victoria were handed over to the R.A.A.F. on the Friday of Air Force Commemoration Week. They were entirely Australian-designed.

Realistic
The R.A.A.F. now has a great backing of post-war operational experience from its commitments in Korea-Japan, Malaya, and the Middle East. That experience was being sharpened continuously by the constant technical training given R.A.A.F. squadrons in war-like and realistic air exercises in Australia and abroad.

Last July, for instance, No. II Squadron’s Neptune bombers had surprised observers in the Singapore-based exercise N岁 Z "000.

Those long-range ant-submarine bombers, the finest in the world today, had made the first flight in ten of a new type of submarine-detecting gear for locating submarines under the seas. They had "unk" more than ten enemy submarines and detected many more.

In Australia operational exercises were so arranged that every squadron of the Permanent Air Force and the Citizen Air Force wasard each a couple of weeks at Darwin under tropical conditions.

An air force did not depend entirely on its flying equipment. There must be intricate and expensive radar and electronic equipment on the ground both for training and operational purposes.

Lister this year the R.A.A.F. would test its first electronic simulator-ground-trainer, each of which costs about £25,000. This was a facsimile of an aircraft’s cockpit so complete that the pilot could really believe he was flying. He could even set his aircraft on fire.

The R.A.A.F.’s simulators were British-made, and were diesel-engine driven.

Radar equipment which would track enemy aircraft in flight was now being installed at a new unit at Yarrawonga.

A similar unit would be sent to Malaya with the fighter wing, but such units would not be formed independently around the country at a cost of £1,000,000 each in peace-time.

The ground-trainer and the new radar equipment were two examples which demonstrated the degree to which intrinsic modern aircraft must be backed by intricate ground equipment.
Regular Army Battalion Has Had Record Life

The First Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment, serving with the Commonwealth Division in Korea, recently celebrated its tenth anniversary.

This makes it the first infantry battalion of the Australian Regular Army to have had ten years of unbroken history as a unit.

The battalion was formed in Borneo in 1945 with seven companies and 2,000 men. It was the first infantry battalion of the Australian Army to be formed in the Far East after World War II.

The battalion also played a major role in the Korean War, serving from 1950 to 1953. During its time in Korea, the battalion was involved in some of the most intense fighting of the war.

The battalion was renamed the 6th/7th Battalion in 1958 and continued to serve in various roles, including with the United Nations in Korea and in various peacekeeping missions.

In 1995, the battalion celebrated its 50th anniversary with a special ceremony in Sydney.

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THE 6TH/7TH BATTALION—Celebrations on 25 March 1944, were held in the battalion's camp on the Injin River, by having a gala day of sporting fixtures and competitions between companies and with the troops of neighbouring units.

The battalion also threw a big party for 100 Korean war orphans who were brought 40 miles to the camps by truck from their orphanage near Seoul, the Korean capital.

The battalion Commanding Officer (Lieutenant-Colonel G. M. Combes, of Warrnambool) received the following message from the American G.O.C.: 1 Corps (Lieutenant-General Robert M. Montague): "On this, the tenth anniversary of its organisation, I am proud to tender a special salute to the officers and men of the First Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment, in Korea. Long our two nations have fought and striven for peace in the world. In every clime, in every realm, we have advanced together towards that goal. Our teamwork in this common cause has made world democracy strong. We of 8 Corps are proud to serve with you in the defence of liberty. It is our hope that, from these concerted efforts, an ultimate and lasting peace will evolve."
The Field Marshal Blamey support in this State from the Lord Mayor, the Mayor of Fremantle and the State Executive of the R.S.L.

The proposed memorial is to take the form of a statue of the Field Marshal—to be erected in the King's Domain, Melbourne, immediately opposite the Monash Memorial—and an annual award (to the three services in rotation) to the serviceman under 21 years of age with the most outstanding qualities of leadership.

In addition to the "Blamey Medallion" it is hoped that a sum of £500 per annum will be made available as a grant for the extension of studies.

On the left is pictured a sketch-model of the Statue, and beneath it the reverse side of the Blamey Medallion.

The appeal was launched earlier this year by the Acting Prime Minister (Sir Arthur Fadden) in association with the Lord Mayor of Melbourne (Cr. Frank Selleck) and the then Premier of Victoria (Mr. Cain).

The Federal Executive of the League has donated 100 guineas towards the construction of the memorial.

Expressing his commendation of the appeal to this State the Lord Mayor (Mr. James Murray) said that as citizens of Victoria had already subscribed a substantial sum for the erection of the statue it was now proposed to approach West Australians for their support of the fund for the annual award and study grant.

As all were aware, he said, Field Marshal Blamey was a great national figure. He was Commander-in-Chief of the Australian forces during World War II and with the passing of the years that nation had come to realise how much it owed to his ability and leadership during those critical days.

The public generally knew of his association with the City of Fremantle in his early life and how he had subsequently risen to the highest position it was possible to attain in the Army and had become the first Australian to be raised to the rank of Field Marshal.

Mr. Murray said he felt that the West Australian quota for the appeal was quite modest and he commended the appeal to the public so that the State might play a worthy part in the establishment of the memorial to the wartime leader.

The Mayor of Fremantle (Mr. W. F. Samson) said that he had urged the appeal to all West Australians, especially ex-servicemen and more particularly the citizens of Fremantle where Field Marshal Blamey had been a member at the Fremantle Boys' School in 1905 and 1906.

At that time he was a Lieutenant in the Australian Military Forces and was in charge of the cadet corps at the school.

Mr. Samson said that Field Marshal Blamey was one of the greatest, if indeed not the greatest, of Australian soldiers.

He trusted that the appeal would be a reflex of the success it deserved.

It has been requested that contributions to the fund be forwarded through League associations, either through sub-branches or direct to Anzac House, Perth.

Donations of £1 and over are deductible for income tax purposes.

A.R.M.S. GAMES, 1955

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2nd Semi-final: City of Perth v. Mt. Hawthorn, won by City of Perth, 6pts to 4pts.

Final: Darling Range v. Mt. Hawthorn; to be played at Mt. Hawthorn, Thurs., Nov. 17.

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The immediate past-president of the League (Mr. F. C. Chaney) told the State Executive meeting on October 26 that arrangements were already in hand for the next tour.

The executive was considering a recommendation from the Welshpool sub-branch that no R.S.L. overseas tour be organized next year.

It was proposed that, instead of the tour, overseas returned servicemen's organisations should be invited to participate in time for the Olympic Games.

The recommendation was made in view of the hospitality received by the sub-branch president (Mr. G. D. Milne) during the last R.S.L. overseas tour.

Mr. Chaney said that the sub-branch was to be complimented on its suggestion, which had much merit.