We Will Remember Them

Text of the 1957 Perth Anzac Day address by the R.S.L. State President (Mr. W. S. Lonnie)

On this, the 42nd anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli, we are gathered to consecrate the road of memory—pass yet another milestone in the march of time.

We greet this day with reverence and proud sorrow. Today Australians, wherever they may be, are bound to their homeland by thoughts of gallant men and heroical days.

An every city, town and village in Australia throughout New Zealand, in London, in Danada, Singapore and Malay, the impact of Anzac Day will be felt. By hundreds of thousands of homes and families the fighting men of Australia will be remembered.

At Dawn

"They landed at dawn" is a phrase common enough in Service language, but the landing of which we now think has no parallel in history.

The dawn of April 25, 1915, heralded the opening of a day of supreme and unparalleled drama forever with Australians the lay of savage and deadly combat, of alternate gaiety and loss, of near triumph and near disaster; a day in which men from our cities and towns proved to an adoring world that they had inherited the courage and endurance of the British stock from which they had sprang.

The cost was heavy; the thrill of thousands of Australians ebbed on the beaches and the scrubby hills of Gallipoli. Our comrades-in-arms, the New Zealanders, the United Kingdom—troops, and the French also, suffered grievously yet none faltered even till that tragic but noble day.

There can be no greater tribute to the men of Anzac than the words of the Official Historian:

"At the end of the second and third day of the landing, when they had fought without sleep until the whole world seemed dream and they scarcely knew whether it was a world of dream or reality, the Australian battalion had been annihilated and no prospect of them existed."

Anzac Spirit

The spirit of Anzac was a spirit which was to take Australia’s sons and daughters through two great wars, through Korea and Malaya; a spirit which inspired the men of the Royal Australian Navy, of the R.F., of the Royal Air Force, the British Army, the Navy, and all gallant women of our services.

"They knew that for the very fight they fought and for the very fight that they won, and where they knew they would win."

Today a nation remembers those who fell.

For a brief moment the material things of life take their place in the everlastinig qualities of loyalty, sacrifice and love of country.

The parade before us today is a fine and moving sight, as those who have served their country in war and peace are proudly arrayed behind their unit standards.

Last Roll-call

Memories abound, on this day, of gallant men who fought the good fight, of men who loved and laughed, who loved and were loved, of the “Blueys,” the “Snowies,” the “Curtis.” They answer the last roll call in faraway lands; they are the silent members in the ranks.

So, too, it is a timely reminder of obligations and responsibilities; of the debt we owe to those who died of the sympathy and assistance required for those left behind, and the mental worry of service.

We welcome members of the Armed Forces to this assembly. May their presence recall to our minds the price of liberty—external vigilance.

These young men—thousands of thousands throughout Australia—are trained to defend this country should danger again threaten in the future. They will not fail their country.

Notwithstanding the development of newer and frightening instruments of war there is not yet nor will there be—any replacement of the human qualities of leadership, courage and devotion to duty.

The development of these traits of character is a factor in our service training for which no substitute exists in the cold and impersonal fields of science.

Great Changes

Today we are witnessing vast and far-reaching changes in our military preparation. The emphasis is changing from trained manpower, trained service, trained personnel, to trained and efficient service. The impact on our present system of national service training cannot be accurately assessed until the results of the deeper considerations which impose these changes.

It is not possible, however, that ex-service members through the State and in President’s orders of the year, will view with grave concern the new procedure by which the national obligation of young men to serve their country will be determined upon the luck of the lot—without the exercise of conscious choice. No element of chance, or a swept办好, can ever replace that which should be the proud responsibility of youth.

The year which has passed since Anzac Day last year had its periods of difficulties and dangers, and to each and all of us is due our thanks.

Great Britain, as the head of our Commonwealth, can only be passed in silence any replacement, and from without in her efforts to buy a lasting settlement of the warlike issues in Egypt. Perhaps we are all prone to overlook the massive contribution that Great Britain has made to world peace in the troubled years since 1915. To have given voluntarily freedom and national independence to 4½ million people in India, Pakistan, Burma, Ceylon and the Gold Coast is an achievement magnificent in its conception, fearless in its execution and unequalled in the history of the world.

On this day, therefore, let us take pride in our membership of that Commonwealth of Nations, and in the ever-growing part which our young men are playing in the world scene.

The men of Anzac would have had it so. The Commonwealth of battle shared by Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the United Kingdom must endure as a vital and living force for peace within, that great organisation.

This land we love is on the threshold of a new era of expansion and development. The name of Australia is reaching out to the most distant parts of the globe. It is certain that more and more people from war-torn countries will seek its kindly sanctuary. That sanctuary must never be denied.

With God’s blessing and a resolve let us face the wide horizons of the future. The vision splendid is indeed before us.

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Kings Park Pool

Opposed

(To The Editor)

Sir—When it was decided to give the Day a high profile, it was in order to honour our fallen comrades, Kings Park was chosen as the locale for the events. The beauty of the view; probably a more cogent reason was that the war, which would offer solace to those who went there to mourn their lost ones. For the same reasons trees of remembrance were planted in the park, where friends and relatives could walk in quietness, and think. The grandeur around those trees, and along those drives, is sacred ground. It has at least the solemnity of a church. It is hallowed ground.

At least it is to everyone except—Pert Huddleston's leading citizen. At his meeting called to discuss the siting of an Olympic Pool at Kings Park, the Lord Mayor or said that he could not see any reason why the Drive was hallowed ground.

It's time Mr. Howard was held accountable for what he said at this point. The trees of remembrance may mean nothing to Mr. Howard, but they mean something to him. Nothing to him that the sitting of a pool in Kings Park will end the end of the sacredness, and quietness of our tree-lined streets. Kings Park is sacred to many people, not just from the Liberal. It has much to thousands of ex-servicemen and the mourners who have attended the annual meeting of the Gosnangrup H.S. Sub-branch. On that evening, the hall of the newly formed Borden sub-branch will be officially opened.

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FAVERSHAM CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

Awakening Interest In
The Veterans' Home

Evidently last month's notes under this heading have been thoroughly read in most sub-branches, for many inquiries have been made as regards visiting the home and the type of donation most suitable.

Harvey sub-branch is donating 200/- and some tons of baled hay—both very acceptable, as warm clothing can always be used by the veterans. At the present time the cows are being hand-fed.

Donations

The following visits and donations have been made during April:

York S.B.—transport for veterans to Anzac Day celebrations; also provided high tea and music on Anzac Day.

Mr. W. Shannon, Tranglen—two bag oats and four bags of hay. (Mr. Shannon's address is 43 High St., York.)

Mr. H. Martin, Capel—one bag oats and four bags of hay. (Mr. Martin's address is 125 High St., Capel.)

Mr. H. Rushon, Brookton—fifty pounds of flour.

Bridgeport Rotary Club—two bags apples.

Arthur River S.B.—books, tobacco and cigarettes.

Mr. Ben Walters—periodical of the Royal Flying Corps.

Our thanks to all the above.

High Tea For
Old Diggers

On Sunday, April 28 members of the R.S.L. Women's Auxiliary entertained old diggers from Sunset and Lennons to a high tea and concert. Approximately 70 ex-servicemen from the two areas attended. Our sincere thanks go to Miss Colleen Clifford and Mr. and Mrs. O. Davies (representing the State President and his wife) were among those present.

COMING EVENTS

• May 18—the State President (Mr. Lonnie), accompanied by Dr. Keith Harris, Miss Mary Meares and Mr. E. A. Dowling, will attend the annual dinner of the Gosnangrup R.S.L. Sub-branch. At that event, the hall of the newly formed Borden sub-branch will be officially opened.

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PERTH ANZAC DAY ADDRESS

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So it is written clearly in the Bible that we must keep evergreen the memory of those who gave their lives for freedom. We must keep it evergreen if we are to save ourselves from the same destiny.

We must keep it evergreen for the sake of the men who lie at rest in faraway places. We must keep it evergreen for our own sons and daughters. We must keep it evergreen because it is at the core of our national existence. We must keep it evergreen because we do not wish to have another war.

PERHAPS the most satisfactory method is for the sub-branch to communicate direct to the War Office (or the League executive) which in the momentous crisis of national existence, led them to lay aside the lesser and tragi-cal things of life. 25th of April is not a day of higher activities. It is one of lower activities. It is one of the days when we should try to be away from the turmoil of the world. It is a day when we should try to be away from the turmoil of our own lives. It is a day when we should try to be away from the turmoil of the world and from the turmoil of our own lives. It is a day when we should try to be away from the turmoil of the world and from the turmoil of our own lives. It is a day when we should try to be away from the turmoil of the world and from the turmoil of our own lives.

They shall grow not old as that it left grow old. Age shall not weary them. Nor shall the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them.
Anzac Day After-Thoughts

ANOTHER Anzac Day has passed, having once again stirred memories of many of those barren wind-swept heights where the name of ANZAC was originated. The letters stand for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

MAYBE too many of us are apt to regard that memorable feat of the Gallipoli landing as an Australian event alone, and we as Australians are certainly and justifiably proud of the part we played in it. But let us not forget our comrades from our sister Dominion. They also shared with us the struggles and privations, and the glory, of those eight months on that narrow foothold which we held, and which cost us so much for so little.

LATER, throughout the campaigns in Palestine, France and Belgium, and again 20 years later in Syria, North Africa, France, Crete, New Guinea and the islands nearer home, they once more shared our struggles. Wherever there was fighting to be done the lads from Australia and New Zealand were never far from each other and always gave at least as much as they got.

THERE we learned to respect and regard each other as members of one family, and now we have further cemented that regard by an interchange of visits each year when parties from both countries intermix and exchange views on each other's problems—land settlement, rehabilitation, pensions and all matters of interest to ex-soldiers and people generally.

EACH party is in effect a team of ambassadors for its respective homeland, and no Agent-General is doing a better job in advertising what each has to offer.

NEW ZEALAND is a rich and beautiful country, and Australia a vast one with unendless possibilities, and as no nation can live unto itself alone it is essential that we two young democracies—tucked away in this corner of the globe—should have a complete understanding of each other's problems and be ready at all times to assist each other in solving them.

WHILE other parts of the old British Empire are showing signs of discontent and are inclined to break their bonds with the Old Country, we both still maintain our love and respect for our beloved Queen and little old England, and should the catastrophe of another world war be forced upon us—which God forbid—Anzacs would be to the fore again.

BUT—in the meantime let us work together as a family for each other's welfare and show the world what co-operation between governments and people can do.

Success Of Anzac Eve Dinner

The first annual Anzac Eve Dinner, held in the Anzac House Ballroom, Perth, on April 24 was voted a huge success.

The ballroom was suitably decorated for the occasion by Mrs. Lonnie and Miss Mary Meares, flowers for the purpose being donated from Sources.

The ballroom was packed to capacity with only room for stewards and waitresses to serve food and drink. Between 450 and 500 people attended the occasion. Over 100 of those in attendance were guests of the League, the highest percentage of whom were those who took part in the land Gallipoli on April 25, 1915.

The State President (Mr. W. S. Gardner, A.M., C.D.), at the commencement of the proceedings extended a welcome to all present and expressed a hope that everyone would enjoy himself. The toast list was as follows:

The toast to "The Queen" was followed by that to "Veterans of the Land," very ably proposed by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Charles Gardner, K.C.M.G., C.V.O., C.B.E. His Excellency's remarks, tinged with pathos and humour at the appropriate time, were appreciated by the large audience.

Following His Excellency's remarks the ceremony of Dipping of Colours of the 11th Battalion took place on the stage of the ballroom. During this ceremony the Minister for Lands, Mr. L. Hamilton, M.H.R., and Councillor Spencer of the Perth City Council, the toast to the services, was proposed by Mr. F. C. Chaney, A.F.C., M.H.R., and responded to by Major-Gen. Dykes, C.B.E., C.I.E., Commodore Morow, C.B.E., D.S.O., D.S.C. and Group Captain Davies, O.B.E.

In the entertainment side good-service was rendered by Mr. W. B. Brice as toastmaster. The R.S.L. Memorial Band did a striking job.

The pianists for the evening were Miss Elaine Isles and Mr. George Grey.

Bagpipe items were rendered by Pipe Major J. Whitecross and Pipe D. Lane.

On the evening the Florest Four (John Morrison, Cyril Carter, Erran Rand and 'Chap' Allen) gave a fine exhibition as a quartet party.

The evening was featured by Val Hough.

Big Official Backing At Capel Occasion

Seven State Executives members and representatives of four visiting sub-branches were among the gathering for the official opening of the Capel R.S.L. Memorial Hall by the State President (Mr. Lonnie) in March.

The executive members were Mr. E. O. Davies (a State Vice-president) and Messrs. J. White, S. MeNair, L. Love, H. Herdman, J. Mendrick and E. MacLeod, and the sub-branches were Busselton, Boyanup, Boyup Brook and Bunbury.

Addressing the gathering the Capel sub-branch president (Mr. E. W. H. Maslin) said the hall was the culmination of efforts that had started over 20 years ago. Its cost was over £1,000.

Mr. Maslin said that when the building fund had stood at £700 Mr. E. Summers, an original member, had offered a free-of-interest loan of £500 if the sub-branch were to raise a similar amount.

The sub-branch had so far raised about half that amount. Other loans and gifts totalled over £50, and as well a considerable amount of equipment and labour had been provided by members and others.
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NORTHAM

Favoured with ideal weather conditions, the ANZAC Day parade and service at Northam was very well attended.

The parade, which formed up in Fitzgerald street front of the Northam R.S.L. at 10:15 a.m., under the control of Parade Marshal, Miss. R. E. C. (C.M.F.) musters about 60 ex-service men, 20 members of 10th Australian Light Horse Regiment, two platoons of Northam High School cadets, 40 troops of Boy Scouts and Wolf Cubs, Girl Guides and Brownies, and about 55 S.S. St. John Ambulance cadets.

To music provided by the Northam Salvation Army band, the Parade headed by R. W. (Bob) Martin, president of the Northam R.S.L., marched to Bussell street where about 500 members of the general public were assembled for the service.

The prayer for peace and fellowship was said by Mr. J. R. Officer, Presbyterian, pastor, and that for international goodwill by the Rev. Dr. A. G. Bott of St. John’s Anglican Church.

The president, who gave the address, was supported on the dais in addition to the two ministers, by the Mayor of Northam (Mr. A. F. Rushion) the chairman of the Northam R.S.L., Mr. J. M. Doolan, and R. W. (Bob) Martin, president of the Northam branch of the Australian Army League. Major L. S. Howes, Area Commander, Northam Military Cadets and R. E. Gollan, secretary of the R.S.L. sub-branch.

A very fitting words was suspended from the flag-draped dais for the service, and what was given to the hall and placed in the Memorial Niche.

A wreath was then laid by the selected members of the sub-branch and their friends was held in the R.S.L. Memorial Hall.

MARGARET RIVER

Led by the Busselton Band, ex-service men marched to the Margaret River railway gardens where an open-air service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. G. B. Snell. At the same time the address was given by the sub-branch president (Mr. J. R. Officer). The service and the address were most impressive, and the gathering of ex-service men and others was one of the largest that the district has known.

CARNAMAH

The gathering in the Carnamah Road Board Hall and service this year was the largest in the history of the sub-branch.

The service, which commenced at 3 p.m., was conducted by the Rev. P. Armstrong, presiding at the Carnamah Mission and R. C. S., and the address given by Mr. L. A. Logan, president.

After the service, led by Messrs. Solling, Logan and T. Starcevic, V.C., ex-service men, in Boy Scouts, Girl Guides and Brownies marched to the war memorial. There a twenty minute silence was observed and Reveille sounded.

At a subsequent gathering for refreshments at the R.S.L. Memorial Hall, a special exhibition of folk-dancing was arranged.

MIDLAND

This year, once again, a large attendance on parade and an excellent public response marked the ANZAC Day commemoration service of the Midland Junction Town Hall.

Service of two world wars and Korean veterans, together with numerous Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, members of the Volunteer Fire Brigade and St. John’s Ambulance, assembled at the local railway station for the flag-lowering at 6.45 p.m.

Mr. Andy Muir, the parade marshal, moved the column into position for the service in the town hall to music supplied by the Salvation Army Band.

The sub-committee vice-chairman (Mr. Tom Griggs) carried the Australian flag at the head of the column, lowered by Mr. Muir, the president (Mr. W. Lamb) and secretary (Mr. Harry Kynaston). Mr. G. Walters represented the State Executive.

On the stage at the town hall with the local sub-branch executive and Mr. Walters were Councillor and Mrs. Gray and representatives of the Salvation Army, the Church of England and the Methodist Church.

The Last Post and Reveille were played by Mr. Herb McCauley of the Salvation Army Band. The laying of wreaths followed as the public was asked to join in the appeal for funds.

The service was followed by the usual social gathering.

MEDINA

Fifty ex-service men and friends took part in Medina’s first ANZAC Day parade.

Among them were a Boer War veteran (Mr. Keatley of Rockingham), three members of the crew of the R.S.A., eight members of the Medina Volunteer Fire Brigade, and 20 Boy Scouts. Services of the St. John’s Ambulance Brigade, 20 Boy Scouts, 24 Services, 30 Bands and Wolf Cubs.

The parade was Mr. E. Brown, president of the Medina State School.

A large crowd of spectators watched the march past, and there was considerable enthusiasm on the flagpole at Medina Hall.

There a two-minute silence was observed by about 200 people. The service was opened by Captn. Pilley of the Salvation Army, and the flag address was delivered by the Medina R.S.L., sub-branch president (Mr. B. Manwaring).

Participating in the service was the Rev. R. Ped- son, who addressed the congregation.

PINJARRA

“Mr. President, I congratulate you and your committee in the manner in which you have organised today’s Anzac Day parades. I have never seen so many ex-service men on parade or so much interest in the service,” said Sir Ross McC. Lardy in his address on Anzac Day.

Sir Ross was foundation secretary of the Murray R.S.L. sub-branch.

Pinjarra’s parade and service were the result of hard work by Boer War veteran 75-year-old Jim Dewar, there were 121 registered service men in the march. With pipers and a drummer leading (last time this has happened at Pinjarra) there were also 30 C.M.F., three troops from Rockingham, and one each of Boy Scouts and Cubs. Crowds lined each side of the main street to watch the march.

The Memorial Hall was fittingly prepared for the ceremony at the cenotaph.

Said piper Bobby Sinclair: “I have attended Anzacs Day parades for many years but I have never ever seen anything so impressive as this.”
CANNINGTON

The Anzac Day service at Cannington was the best and most inspiring to date. The service was conducted from Wharf-street to the Memorial Park headed by the Seventh Day Adventist Band.

The park is now blossoming into a picturesque feature of the town.

Servicemen of all wars and all sections had pride place behind the flag carried by Mr. R.ing. Then came Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, church organisations and elderly veterans who had a little trouble keeping up with the snappy pace set by the marshall (Mr. E. E. Hambley).

The Rev. Miley introduced the various speakers, chief of whom was Mr. C. Townshend, of the R.S.L. State Executive, who spoke feelingly when he said the day was a sacred one.

Mr. Townshend welcomed the newcomers and the veterans who had come to share the memories of the sacrifice made for freedom and truth.

The Rev. Miley, Mr. H. H. Woodley, the Rev. Blackwell and Mr. A. Smith spoke on the reverence of the day.

Some beautiful wreaths were laid by the service by the sub-branch, Services, Scouts, Guides, Church youth organisations, Canning A.I.P. and schools of the district.

KENWICK AND MADDINGTON

Kenwick R.S.L. sub-branch in conjunction with Maddington sub-branch had a very successful service on Anzac Day.

The lawn-fronting the memorial was packed to capacity with approximately 200 members of the public seated, flanked by 44 members who paraded.

The service was conducted by Minister Preston of the Salvation Army Fortress) who has seen the service grow over the last three years.

The Gosnells Salvation Army Band led the march and singing. A member from the Salvation Army played 'The Last Post' and 'Reville'.

A school choir of 50 children was very much appreciated.

An appropriate address was given by the sub-branch president, Mr. Val Stevens. The women's auxiliaries provided a marvellous afternoon tea.

During the service wreaths were laid by the Kenwick and Maddington sub-branches, the women's auxiliary and several members of the

VICTORIA PARK

Several hundred people, among them parliamentary representatives, and counsellors of the City of Perth, gathered at the Victoria Park Memorial Gardens to attend the Anzac Day service. Veterans were present at the ceremony, which was arranged by the R.S.L. and the Municipal Council.

No members of the clergy took part in the proceedings, which were purely of a civic nature. The church masses and services had been held earlier in the day.

Observance of the day started with a parade in which about 100 ex-servicemen took part. The oldest member of the parade was 28-year-old Mr. R. L. Russell (ex-44th Battalion).

At the civic ceremony in the afternoon about 100 ex-servicemen, as well as Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, school children and members of the 10th Light Horse Regiment, marched through the main street to Birdwood House.

The address was given by the President of the R.S.L. sub-branch (Mr. W. J. Cummins).

Twenty-five wreaths—a record number—were laid on the War Memorial, which was guarded by members of the 10th Light Horse. A country vicar (Rev. Mr. J. B. Biddle) laid a wreath on behalf of the State President and members of the State Executive.

The Mayor of Geraldton congratulated officials of the sub-branch on an excellent show.

PINCHELL

At Pinchell the 42nd anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli was commemorated before one of the largest day gatherings the town has seen.

Ex-servicemen marched from the R.S.L. Memorial to the Town Hall led by Messrs Jack Treacher (World War I) and Vic Walmsley (World War II).

The R.S.L. president (Mr. Fred Frusher) opened the service and prayers were offered by Pastors Robins of the Baptist Church and the Rev. R. Davies of the Methodist Church.

The address was given by Mr. Peter Treasure.

A very creditable part was played by the school choir.

The parade then marched to the Memorial Park where wreaths were laid by Messrs Charlie Ford and Rob Inman, who represented the women's auxiliary followed by the relatives of fallen soldiers.

parade off for the service in the Mechanics' Institute to the strains of the Coastal Scottish pipers. The parade was headed by two Gallipoli veterans—Messrs Joe Gurney and George Deane.

The service was very well attended.

Messrs J. Rolfe and J. Merson represented the State Executive, and the Rev. Quinan the Church.

Wreaths were laid on behalf of the sub-branch, the women's auxiliary and private individuals. Prayers were offered by the Rev. Quinan.

Gift from R.S.L.: The State branch of the League has received from the British Empire Service League a photograph of its Grand President, Earl Mountbatten.

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TAA VISCOUNT

The Pinjarra R.S.L. sub-branch has opened a lending-library at its Pinjarra headquarters.

Each Monday and Thursday evening between 6.30 and 7.30 p.m. Mr. K. R. Payne— the originator of the scheme—is in attendance at the clubroom to record the borrowings.

At the April meeting of the sub-branch, when the scheme came into operation, members expressed astonishment at the number and range of books available.

In order to join the library members are required to donate a book and the borrowing fee has been fixed at 5s. a week for each book borrowed.

The scheme is believed to be unique for sub-branches in this State.

Support For Country Protests On Rail Closures

Protests from country sub-branches of the R.S.L. on the proposed closure of certain railway services have received the support of the State Executive.

At the executive meeting on April 23 the chairman of the land committee (Mr. E. O. Davies) said that 13 sub-branches had lodged protests and supplied the names of 201 ex-service men who would be affected by the closures.

The executive resolved on immediate approach to the Minister for Railways on behalf of the settlers concerned.

It also agreed to seek the approval of the forthcoming State Congress of the League for a request for a searching inquiry into the management of the railway services and the functions of the State Transport Board in matters which had affected the railways.

Another recommendation agreed to by the executive sought an approach to the Commonwealth Minister for Primary Production (Mr. McManus) for his views as to how ex-servicemen in Western Australia were likely to be affected by the railway closures, and what he was prepared to do in the matter.

Mr. Davies said that ex-servicemen of both world wars would be affected by the proposed diversions, and that cases would be put out of business by them, in addition to many cases in which the affected were dependent upon wheat cartage. As things stood some settlers were being affected by the railway closure, he said.

The railways had been established to develop the country, and while freight had dropped the number of men working for wool as well as wheat, it was expected that the reduction in traffic would be correspondingly small.

How long would the roads stand up to the traffic to be diverted, Mr. Davies asked. There should be some system by which a proportion of the petrol tax money should be used to keep the traffic off the roads, and there should be a close inquiry into the matter.

Mr. F. C. Chaney, M.H.R., said he considered the closing of some sections of the railways should give rise to higher efficiency on other sections which should be of advantage to the State, he said.

While 200 ex-servicemen were objecting to the closures there might be 2,000 others adversely affected if no action were taken.

An examination of the statistics showed that the closures would be hard on many individuals but that the Government must proceed, Mr. G. H. Gordan, said that the transport board should be allowed settlers to use road transport, where it would reduce the problem, he said.

Lonnie Opposes Ballot For Service Trainees

"Personally I am strongly opposed to a lottery system of selecting national service trainees," the R.S.L. State President (Mr. Lonnie) told his executive at its meeting on April 23.

"The psychology of men going into the army under such conditions would not be very good, he suggested. The obligation to serve was one of the sacrifices which a democratic society is prepared to accept, he said.

The executive was considering a recommendation that the League press for the proposed balloting system to be conducted on a family rather than an individual basis. The idea was that only one individual in any family should be required to undergo the ballot, in order to spread the obligation to serve as far as possible.

Mr. Lonnie said that if the League were to oppose the system it "ease would be weakened by adapting the recommendation. No action was taken.

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MAY, 1957
Money-raising Ventures At Narembeen

To raise funds this year, the Narembeen auxiliary plans to hold two sales of work and a dance, and towards the end of the year to raffle a Christmas hamper.

The March and April meetings were very well attended.

The new president (Mrs. Redderick) has welcomed two newcomers to the auxiliary. Three of the old members have resigned on account of leaving the district, and two more expect to do so.

Each departing member has been farewelled at afternoon tea and received a presentation from the auxiliary.

**R.S.L. Women’s Auxiliaries**

£40 Raised At Bridge

The R.S.L. Women’s Auxiliary conducted a successful Bridge Party in aid of Fawoersham War Veterans’ Home, Anzac Day, on April 11.

This resulted in £40 being added to the funds for the Fawoersham Drive.

Thanks go to the donors of prizes—Messrs. F. O’Boyle, W. Lucas, N. Temperley, E. Sandover, N. Wedgewood, Barnett Bros., Caris Bros. and G. J. Coles; to auxiliaries who supported the sale; to the chairman, Maime and Limbless Ex-servicemen’s Women’s Auxiliary, T.P.L., and Returned Sisters sub-branch for loan of bridge tables; and to members of the Women’s Auxiliary State Executive who worked so hard to make this function a success.

The raffle (lottery) permit was won by Mr. R. C. Mitchell, of Anzac House.

**President And Secretary Are Retained**

When nominations for the State Presidency closed on April 15, Mrs. S. V. Steiling (representing State President) and Mrs. J. F. Ames (representing State Secretary) were the only nominees prepared to stand for re-election.

Those who declined were Messrs. W. Brown, G. Randall, E. Young and V. Mortimore.

Similarly, both State Secretary—the present office-holder (Mrs. J. F. Ames) accepted nomination, but Messrs. E. Cottrill and N. Ferres declined.

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Bullecourt Anniversary
Commemorated
(16th Battalion Association Notes)

At the State War Memorial on Sunday, April 14, an impressive ceremony commemorated the 40th anniversary of the battle of Bullecourt.

The service was well attended by the public. For the occasion troops of the 16th Infantry Battalion (Cameron Highlanders) with a colour party marched to the memorial from Havelock-street. At the entrance to King's Park they were joined by representatives of the 16th, 2/16th and Cameron Highlanders’ Associations. The 16th Battalion Association was led by its President (Mr. W. A. Waterman) and a good roll-up of members.

Following the wreath-laying by Brigadier A. W. Potts, addressed the gathering, and the ceremony concluded with a march-past at which Brig.-Gen. E. Lloyd, honorary colonel of the present battalion, took the salute.

On Anzac Day a good roll-up of association members again participated in the parade and march. Consular officials addressed their advancing years and the fact that many of them had attended the Anzac Eve dinner at Anzac House they stood up to face the march very well. A number of country members were on parade. As in previous years, members and their wives gathered at the Railway Institute for refreshments after the parade.

Members will be sorry to hear of the death of Mr. William Martin. Bill was a energetic committee-member and loved the old battalion. To his relatives the association extends its deepest sympathy.

A popular member, Mr. Jack Courtney, is an inmate of Hollywood Hospital.

Sub-Branch Appointments

Confirmed in office by the R.S.L. State Executive recently were the following sub-branch officials:

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ANZAC CLUB NOTES

By

Doug Dargie

Anzac Club had the pleasure of entertaining the four members of the New Zealand Delegation over here for the Anzac Day commemorations. We believe that their stay in Western Australia was a memorable one. The members of the State Executive really turned on the hospitality and gave the delegation a taste of Western Australia on Easter Monday and gave them an idea of what is available each Saturday evening.

Matters and plans are now in course of preparation for extensions and alterations to your club and will be presented to next State Congress for consideration.

Your club committee is very confident that the plan as submitted will be approved by the club and it is hoped that it will be for it is imperative that the existing facilities be considerably improved.

All members, I feel sure, will join me in extending our general staff member, Douglas Fraser, our deep sympathy in the loss of his wife.

A drive is to be made forthwith to raise funds for the purchase of a motorised wheel chair to be presented to a legless Digger at present immobile and a patient at the Home of Peace.

Now, boys, this is a very deserving case and I'm sure that all members would like to subscribe to it as a worthy cause. If you are not coming into the club in the next few weeks please send your donation to the club manager.

Billiards and Snooker: The first matches were played on Wednesday, May 2, with the visiting East Fremantle Bowling Club, new to the association—winning the snooker 3-4, while Anzac Club won the billiards 2-1.

A lightning snooker competition will be held during May.

Darts: The darts competition is now well under way and Anzac along with other new clubs is settling down and becoming absorbed in the spirit of the game.

The initial games were hotly contested, and although the club suffered several narrow defeats in each division, it is confident of maintaining a high standard of play and concluding the season well up on the premiership table.

The acquisition of several new players has strengthend the various grades and it is expected the approaching games will result in favour of the club. Outstanding among new members are Bill Britten, Bob Hall, Joe Turner and Ron Shaw.

Incidentally, the club had the pleasure of a visit from our president, Mr. W. S. Lonnie, during one of the games, and he proved an interested spectator. The president renewed an old friendship with Bob Hall, a fellow member of the A.F.F. during the last war.

Games so far played have resulted in a win for both the A and B grades. A reserve has yet to score, and with the return of Neil Keane to the team it should not be long now. In the opening game of the season, A-reserve taken advantage of an early lead and could have notched a comfortable victory.

The win by B grade over Newcastle proved an exciting game, with the standard of play the equal of any top division team. Bill Britten playing for the Anzac in his first year of competition darts has pegged out for the team on 3 occasions, including 97 with two darts.

The conditions under which some of the games are played leaves much to be desired. On several occasions in the past the place at home the opposition has been heard to express a favourable opinion of the club's set-up. For this the Anzac Dart Club is deeply indebted to the executive of the club, particularly to Mr. Neil Catt, whose whole-hearted cooperation and support has enabled the club to enjoy the privilege of playing in such genial surroundings.

Remember, the club is still looking for playing members as well as non-playing members, and any one interested should contact the secretary (Mr. John Butterfield) either at 26 Queen Street, Perth, or on Thursday nights at the club.
Carnival Helps Hall-plan

By concentrated effort the Carni-
val Sub-Branch has been
made a profit of about £150 at the local
swimming and athletic carn-
ival last week. Its purpose was to raise
funds for the renovation of
the hall.

To make the carnival a
success, the sub-branch
members have been actively
assembled. Several
improvements in the
hall have been completed.

The improvements include:

- The laying of a running
track,
- Construction of two
swimming platforms,
- Provision of a
diving board,
- Refreshment
booth,
- Shelter sheds and
- General cleaning

of the area.

It is the intention of the
carnival to continue the
improvements and to
improve the benefits
to the benefit of the
city.

TROPHIES FOR

MT. HAWTHORN

CRICKETERS

Trophy-winners this year
in the Mt. Hawthorn R.S.L.
club are as follows:

- Fred Browne
- Joe Barlow
- Bert Brown
- Bert Brown
- Ern Cooley
- Bert Brown

Because of difficulty in
securing a hall, the
cricket club is planning
a meet-up/-s�ons have
determined to continue.
(Seniors are
expected to work
with the town.)

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Successes Seen In League Bid
In Aid Of Men Serving In Malaya

About 60 per cent of the recommendations of the League's Malaya report have been agreed to by the Commonwealth Government.

This was said by the State President (Mr. Lonnie) at a recent meeting of the State Executive.

Mr. Lonnie told the executive that the recently constituted League defence committee had considered the question and taken the view that the reports obtained from various Ministers were reasonably satisfactory.

But the committee would continue to press for similar repatriation benefits to apply to seamen and shore-based personnel, he said. At present certain benefits were withheld from naval strategic personnel.

The headmaster (Mr. M. McLeod) in conjunction with the executive of the Midland R.S.L. are to be congratulated on the magnificently successful first service to be held at the new school.

Outside of the Kings Park broadcast, the Midland Districts High School arrangements must easily rank next in order as the most successful in the State.

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Captain MacIntyre also supplied the music for the service on his piano accompaniment.

Wearing service medals, Andy Leitch and Alex Alexander represented the local R.S.L. sub-branch.

The Financial Position
At Manjimup

In his annual report the chairman of the Manjimup R.S.L. sub-branch (Mr. M. Dunn) said there were 171 financial members last year.

Total receipts had been £1,117, but the credit balance in the working account had dropped from £338 to £171. This had been offset by half improvements costing £481.

The funeral fund had a balance of £481, and £1,433 towards the amelioration fund.

Mr. Dunn was re-elected.

New High School Has
An Anzac Service

An outstanding schools' Anzac service was held at the Midland Districts' High School at West Midland on Wednesday, April 24.

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THE LAST POST

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HUNTER, B. D., 4th Di.H.Q., 18th Br., Gloucester Park.
LEE, W. J., 3rd D.A.C., 10th L.H., Southern Cross.
MATHIESON, T., Tunnellers, Narrogin.
PASCOE, M. N., Believe.
THOMSON, A., 51st Br., Gloucester Park.
WEBB, G. F., R.F.C., Perth.

CORRECTION

Under "The Last Post" in the March issue of this journal appeared the name of W. Calder. This was published on information supplied by a sub-
branch and now found to be incorrect. Apologies which extended to the member, who was very much alive—at 98 Goodwood-parade, Rivervale.

Geraldton Mayor Talks Of League Tolerance

By B.J.B.

The Mayor of Geraldton (Dr. J. Mcaleer) in proposing a toast to the Returned Servicemen's League at the Geraldton Sub Branch annual reunion on April 13, stated that one of the R.S.I.L.'s greatest virtues was tolerance.

Referring to the Federal Certificates of Merit were Government's policy of presenting to Messrs. L. W. Broad with immigration and the Hall and J. Russell need of assimilation, Dr. McAlister spoke of the work done by Mr. R. S. L. in the past years, as part-time, and said that Mr. Russell (83) had seen the value of visiting the Geraldton hospitals and handing out tobacco and cigarettes to ex-servicemen, and generally helping to cheer up the patients.

Progress Made On Maylands Memorial Hall

The walls of the new Maylands R.S.I.L. Memorial Hall were now placed on the site, with the Maylands Town Hall as the main hall, and the building will be completed in the next few months. The local sub-branch is calling tenders for the completion of the building.

For this purpose it will be necessary to raise money on loan.

On April 12 the sub-branch held a fused social reunion. Mr. Russell spoke of the work of the R.S.I.L. and the Maylands Town Hall committee, who are now paying the rent of the new hall, and the Maylands Town Hall every "pension" Thursday night.

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League Flashbacks

WHAT THIS JOURNAL WAS SAYING 35 YEARS AGO

"Yarloop's Greatest Day"

Unveiling Porcelli's Masterpiece An Impressive Anzac Ceremony

What has been described as the greatest day Yarloop has ever seen occurred on April 25th—Anzac Day, 1922. On that day the unveiling took place of the Memorial erected by the residents of Yarloop and district in memory of the glorious dead and the heroic living. Signor P. Porcelli was the sculptor, and the monument is freely described as Porcelli's masterpiece.

At 11 a.m. a combined memorial service was held, when Capt. Chaplin Moorhouse officiated, assisted by the Wesleyan Methodist minister. The service terminated with Psalm 150 and the sound of 'Last Post'.

About 30 guests sat down to the luncheon at Mr. Col. Manling's hotel, including Lieut.-Col. C. C. Farnell, O.B.E., Mr. W. A. H. George (Minister for Works), Hon. J. Ewing, M.L.C., Mr. W. R. Evans, M.L.C., and Chaplain Capt. Moorehouse.

At 1.30 the Coastal Pipe Band, under Pipe-Major Lindsay, marched to the hall and the buglers sounded the assembly. A memorial guard marched to the post of honour, followed by a naval seaman guard, an artilleryman, a Light Horse unit, and a number of civilians, including the one-sounding on the monument by the sorrowing parents, relatives, and sweethearts of those who sacrificed all in the cause of liberty.

The "Last Post" was beautifully rendered by Buglers J. Farnell and W. O'Dwyer, and the sound of "Last Post" was made by the "Last Post" buglers on parade.

Some 500 bags of loaves and fruit were distributed to the children in remembrance of the great day. In the evening a patriotic concert was held, when the pipers rendered great assistance, especially Mr. T. Prior, the leader, and the accordion player, Mr. E. Prior.

The concert was well attended, and the atmosphere was one of respect and enthusiasm. The mood of the Yarloop Memorial Committee has still a number of souvenirs left, which are available at 1/- each. The souvenirs included the names of the heroes of the land and living soldiers, and a photograph of the Yarloop Memorial. The dedication of the memorial was made at Yarloop on Tuesday, May 22nd, with a marvellous display of lights at each corner of the park.

The Chairman of the Yarloop Memorial Committee, Mr. W. Ewing, has expressed his pleasure at being invited to take part in the dedication of the memorial, and he expressed his hope that the members of the committee would consider it a privilege to attend the ceremony.

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President

State Executive

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Mr. Jack Weston has succeeded Mr. R. Mahl as president of the R.S.L. sub-branch.

In his annual report, the retiring president said social events, the Christmas tree and the part played in the 1936 Apple Festival had proved successful, even if the membership, at 171, was slightly lower than in the past.

He expressed thanks to fellow officers, but was disappointed at the apathy of some members towards the activities which stood to benefit them so much.

He did not wish to stand for re-election.

Other officers elected were:

vice-presidents, Messrs. J. Blackwell and P. Hastie;

secretary, Mr. J. Blackwell;

ensigns and standard-bearer, Mr. N. Liddelow;

publicity officer, Mr. E. Blackwell;

treasurer, Mr. W. Tempest.

The meeting was opened by the Federal President, Mr. W. Ewing, and the meeting was adjourned.

The Victoria Ins. Co. Ltd.

On April 25th, the gate of the Victoria Ins. Co. Ltd. was opened by Mr. W. Ewing, who was accompanied by Mr. J. Blackwell. The gate was opened in the presence of a large number of members and guests, including Mr. W. Ewing, Mr. J. Blackwell, and Mr. N. Liddelow.

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MT. LAWLEY-INGLEWOOD SUB-BRANCH
CHANGE OF MEETINGS

The monthly general meetings of the sub-branch will in future be held in ST. PATRICK'S HALL, Beaumont Street, Mount Lawley, at 8 p.m. on the FIRST WEDNESDAY, each month. Next meeting: WEDNESDAY, June 5th. Supper and Refreshments.

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ANZAC LANDING: Familiar picture of the Gallipoli landing—reproduced as a mural at the Anzac Eve dinner.

Victoria Park

More motions for Congress were forthcoming at the April meeting of the Victoria Park R.S.L. sub-branch.
Mr. R. W.arnett was appointed Life member with Legacy.
New members welcomed by the president (Mr. A. Jolliffe) were Messrs. Bacon, Jones, Connor, Roberts and Kempe.

Another visitor was Mr. Bill Tomlin, who only visits Perth every three years but never fails to pay his respects to the sub-branch.
The first A.R.M.S. game of the season—played against West Leederville—was lost.

ASSOCIATIONS OF EX-SERVICEMEN
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FEDERATED T.B. SAILORS, SOLDIERS AND AIRMEN's ASSOCIATION—Meet 1st Monday, 6th Monday in each month at 8.30 p.m. The Grand Hotel, Perth, Main Street; Secretary, J. G. Weatherall, 114, Bannister Street, West Perth (B3459); Treasurer, Mr. R. L. Taylor, 69 Harbour Street, Subiaco, Phone 5860.

SOUTH AFRICAN AND EMPIRE VETERANS ASSOCIATION—Meet 1st Monday and 3rd Monday in each month at 8.30 p.m. The Grand Hotel, Perth, Main Street; Secretary, J. G. Weatherall, 114, Bannister Street, West Perth (B3459); Treasurer, Mr. R. L. Taylor, 69 Harbour Street, Subiaco, Phone 5860.

10TH LIGHT HORSE ASSOCIATION—Anzac House, bt-monthly, Fourth Thursday, 8.30 p.m.; Secretary, B. E. Jones, Mitchell Street, Perth; Treasurer, B. E. Jones, Mitchell Street, West Perth; Phone 5363;

ROYAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION OF W.A.—Meetings Anzac House, 4th Monday, 8.30 p.m. Secretary, J. G. Weatherall, 114, Bannister Street, West Perth (B3714).

ROYAL ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS ASSOCIATION—Meetings Anzac House, 4th Monday, 8.30 p.m. Secretary, J. G. Weatherall, 114, Bannister Street, West Perth (B3714).

ROYAL NAVY ASSOCIATION OF W.A.—Meetings Anzac House, 4th Monday, 8.30 p.m. Secretary, J. G. Weatherall, 114, Bannister Street, West Perth (B3714).

11TH AND 3/11TH BNS. A.I.F. ASSOCIATION—President, C. W. Mitchell; Secretary, B. E. Jones, Mitchell Street, Perth; Treasurer, B. E. Jones, Mitchell Street, West Perth.

11TH BATTALION A.I.F. ASSOCIATION—Meetings held on 1st Monday, 7.30 p.m., at the Subiaco Hotel, Subiaco; Secretary, W. G. Brown, 150, Metalo Street, Subiaco (B4676).

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EX-PHYSICIANS OF WAR AND RELATIVES' ASSOCIATION OF W.A.—President, John Johnston, 1, Tafe Street, Leederville (W3347); Hon. Secretary, S. G. Forrester, 1, Tafe Street, Leederville; Treasurer, W. G. Brown, 150, Metalo Street, Subiaco (B4676).

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The First Day At Gallipoli

By Brigadier D. M. McWHAE, C.M.G., C.B.E., V.D.

I am writing this after that never-to-be-forgotten gathering at the Anzac Cove dining room, where I had heard Brigadier Louch's and other speeches. I realise that a soldier engaged in fighting does not have time to pause, but in a position to give more than a local description of what happened on April 25, 1915, when a naval officer of the British fleet stationed off the coast of the small Turkish island of Gallipoli, by mistake, landed 17,000 British and French soldiers. The hostile river and heavy shrapnel fire made an awful noise. It was too dark for accurate counting, but a general idea of the events of that day was gained.

The 33rd Field Ambulance was a composite unit from Queensland, Tasmania and New South Wales. The position was a non-commissioned officer of the 12th Light Horse. The troops were from the 12th Light Horse, and they were under command of 17th Bn, which had just left to Maniace, a tiny fishing village near Anzac Cove. Two sailors were wounded, and it was found that there had been many more casualties. The section had probably because they were more crowded with troops. Fortunately there was a detachment of 150 troops from 7th Bn, which had brought them to the beach. They landed one of the wounded and a third officer and 35 unhit or slightly wounded men. The situation was very grim, but there was a great deal of pain. The medical officer was called to give assistance. A sub-lieutenant was shot through the head while supervising the landing. The night ended close to the shore. It was too dark for accurate firing, and the only three casualties on the ship.

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Under Fire

C-section, consisting of an officer, an N.C.O., and three stretcher-bearers of four men each, was the first duty of the men - the only task that could be done. There were 17 men, of the 12th Light Horse, 480 yards north of Anzac Cove and the firing was coming from the Fisherman's Hut. They landed one of the wounded and a third officer and 35 unhit or slightly wounded men. There was a great deal of pain. The medical officer was called to give assistance. A sub-lieutenant was shot through the head while supervising the landing. The night ended close to the shore. It was too dark for accurate firing, and the only three casualties on the ship.

During the early morning, the troops had to get in touch with the enemy - the first duty of the soldiers. The man in charge of the C-section and ascertain its progress. The men were divided into two areas - the others had finished its work, and this was their big job. In addition to the casualties on the beach, 150 injured men were rescued and those in the area nearer the water were more likely to be seriously wounded. Two of the wounded men were from a small item on the beach, and they were crowded onto the beach. When the section arrived, there was great excitement. For 100 yards the water was crowded with wounded men and they were close together that it was difficult for the officers of the Casualty Clearing Station to walk between them. Col. House was in urgent need of help from all available medical officers so that the men could be evacuated in the shortest possible time. It was not until 3 a.m. that the beach was cleared; 1,700 casualties were evacuated and of the last 500 more than half were stretcher cases.

Note: Shortly afterwards Brig. McWhae was severely wounded in the head, causing the loss of an eye, and he was evacuated to Alexandria.

Worthy Causes Espoused At Pinjolly

The Slow Learning Child and the Worthy Causes Committee of the Pinjolly R.S.L. conducted a street appeal for the Worthy Causes Committee on behalf of the Worthy Causes of Pinjolly on April 12.

Messrs. C. Ford, Steve Maher and Frank Maher made the collection and the Worthy Causes Committee of Pinjolly on behalf of the Worthy Causes of Pinjolly on April 12.

The sub-branch agreed to conduct another street appeal on behalf of the Worthy Causes Committee on behalf of the Worthy Causes of Pinjolly on April 12.

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Lord Carrington Now A League Member

At a reception to him at Anzac House on April 18 the United Kingdom High Commissioner in Australia (Lord Carrington) was made a member of the League.

Prior to his appointment as High Commissioner last year Lord Carrington was one of the youngest members of the United Kingdom Government. In 1951 he was appointed Joint Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, and in 1954 Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Defence.

Now 38 years of age, Lord Carrington was educated at Eton and the Royal Military College, Sandhurst. He was commissioned in the Grenadier Guards and served during the second world war, reaching the rank of major and winning the Military Cross in the course of the campaign in North-Western Europe.

In 1946 he retired from the Army in order to take up farming at his home in Buckinghamshire, where he specialised in rearing cross-bred Herefords as beef store cattle. His family have been connected with that country for several generations; various members have been Deputy Lieutenants, and the second and third Barons were Lords Lieutenants of the County.

The present Lord Carrington followed family traditions, became a Deputy Lieutenant and a Justice of the Peace; he has also served as a member of the Buckinghamshire County Council and as Deputy Chairman of the Bucks County Agricultural Executive Committee.

In Parliament, Lord Carrington interested himself in all aspects of agriculture.

In 1951 he led the U.K. delegation to the sixth conference of the Food and Agriculture Organisation in Rome.

Dawn Service Held At Kuala Lumpur

About 300 people, including troops, attended a dawn ceremony of remembrance at Kuala Lumpur (Malaya) this year.

The service at the cenotaph was organised by the Australian Commissioner for the Federation of Malaya (Sir MacGill) and a wreath on behalf of the Government.

The service was conducted by the Rev. A. V. Kingsland and included hymns, prayers and the following Anzac dedication:

"At this hour upon this hallowed ground we received its baptism of fire and became one of the immortal names in history.

"We who are gathered here think of the comrades of the past who did not return, and contemplate the life of the spirit we preserve for our children.

"We, who are here, are the sons and daughters of all those who have fought and gone before us to the fields of the Great War but did not return. They are our brothers and sisters near us in the spirit. We wish to be worthy of the great sacrifices made in the past. Let us therefore forever more dedicate ourselves to the service of the ideals for which they died. As the dawn even now has pierced the 'night, so let their memory inspire us to work for the coming of new light in the dark places of the world."

The 'Kiwis' Here For Anzac Day

Once again we have had the pleasure of the company of our Kiwi colleagues here to join us in remembrance of those who did not return, and again they were a great team and fell in well with the arrangements made for their visit.

The Kiwis' (leader), Harry L. Hay, Thomas McGrail and Alex Hay.

Alec Hay, of Hawke Bay, accompanied HarryStanbury, King George and Boulder, the first N.Z. representative on the field and enjoyed the Goldfields hospitality.

The most enthusiastic member of the party, Tom McGrail, did not intend to miss the Dawn Service and rode 100 miles to join the memorial, with the guard and later visited the streets of Boulder.

The League extends its thanks to all those bodies whose representatives took a visit a memorable one, and we are looking forward to welcoming more of the boys in the future. Contributed.

Katanning Sub-Branch Membership At 215

The membership figure of the Katanning R.S.L. sub-branch reached the 215-mark last year.

This was reported to Anzac House by the sub-branch president (Mr. George A. O. Lowndes), recently.

Certain structural improvements had been effected at the hall; the honour boards were removed from the town hall and placed in the sub-branch hall, and the baby Memorial was placed on the Katanning War Memorial with good effect.

Some of the cement work of the memorial had been painted, and a new stove room and woodshed had been built at the hall. The old tankstand had been demolished and another erected in its place, and a black and white foot was constructed at the front end and on the side of the hall.

Attendances at general meetings had been disappointing, with an average of only 17 members present.

The McCaughey Bequest

The secretary of the Sir Samuel McCaughey Bequest has written to the League.

"Due to the rapid depletion of the funds of the Bequest the Trustees in meeting decided that as from the 31st March, 1957, they would no longer feel justified in accepting fresh applications in respect of children ineligible under the Soldiers' Children's Homes Act in a new form to be administered by the Department of Repatriation.

"It is inevitable that this question should come for some such action as a precursor to the final closing-down of the Trust's activities, and it is with a keen sense of regret that the Trustees are compelled to do this."

Reunion At Bullsbrook

Eighty or more people attended the Bullsbrook and districts R.S.L. reunion and social in the memorial hall at Bullsbrook East on April 13 and enjoyed an evening of dancing, competitions and community singing, followed by a delicious supper served by the ladies' auxiliary.

The R.S.L. State Executive was represented by Messrs. Hartley and M. H. Leslie, N.R., and in R.S.L. Women's Auxiliary by the State Vice-President, Mrs. Young.

At supper, following the toast of loyal toast, an impressive ceremony was carried out. The replica of the War Memorial flanked by the two sub-branch women was won by the congregation. The 15-mark travelling fund established in 1957 was won by the treasurer (Mr. Cunningham), and the two vice-presidents — Messrs. Cunningham and Jack Walker.

The R.S.L. Trading Company (Hay street, Perth) has been of great assistance to the League for many years and at present is having a sales drive. The attention of all members is drawn to circular from the company advertising their range of goods. By purchasing from the company you assist the League and also yourself.

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