Papua-New Guinea Visit
By National Executive

After their meeting in Brisbane last August members of the National Executive of the League made an eight-day visit to the Papua-New Guinea State branch to consider ex-service problems with particular reference to war-service land settlement.

The visiting party, which travelled in a Dakota aircraft provided by the Prime Minister's Department, comprised the National President (Sir George Holland), Secretary (Mr. Keith Newman), Treasurer (Air Vice-Marshal Bladen) and State Presidents Sir Raymond (Queensland), Dr. J. V. Yeo (N.S.W.), R. Bunting (Papua-N.G.), W. S. Lonnie (W.A.) and G. T. Cutler (V.C. (Canberra)).

Describing the visit at the first State Executive meeting he attended, Mr. Lonnie said that on arrival at Port Moresby the party had been entertained by the local sub-branch.

Next day they had inspected the agricultural research station and also cattle, rubber and experimental stations in the area.

Kokoda Memorial

Near the start of the Kokoda Trail they had inspected a war memorial erected by Army engineers in honour of the officers, N.C.O.'s and men who had given their lives in the campaign against the Japanese.

Mr. Lonnie said the party had visited a number of experimental stations in the mountains, where good progress was apparently being made with agricultural research. At one centre the number of Dutch scientists were carrying out a grafting experiment to increase their yields capacity.

The party had a visit at the Bomana War Cemetery, which was extremely beautiful. The Imperial War Memorial Cemetery was the first the party had visited in the Territory.

From Port Moresby the party had been transported by air to Rabaul, to be met by a guard of honour of ex-service men.

Gunners' Day Again

Gunners' Day at Guildford will be observed this year on Sunday, November 2, and the Royal Artillery Association of Western Australia is making a special appeal for a good roll-call for the occasion.

Gunners who are not even financial members are earnestly requested to join the others for the parade.

The assembly is timed for 2.30 p.m. at the accustomed place, with Mr. W. Masters as parade marshal.

The following list of office-bearers of the association is:

President: Mr. L. C. Morley (16 Boronia-avenue, North Doubleview).
Vice-Presidents: Mr. J. E. Bremer, Mr. C. S. Harvey, Mr. O. H. James.
Secretary: Mr. G. W. Bardsey (52 Seventh Avenue, Maylands).
Assistant Secretary: Messrs. A. G. Gunn and S. C. Harvey.
Treasurer: Mr. A. J. Snow.

W.A. MONEY IN THIS: When National Executive members visited Rabaul recently they inspected this Papua-New Guinea Native Ex-Servicemen's Association hut—the first of several erected and towards the building of which the State Women's Auxiliary of W.A. contributed £500. In this line-up of guests and their hosts the W.A. State President (Mr. W. S. Lonnie) is seen second from right of picture.
Vice-president Resigns

Acting on urgent medical advice Dr. R. I. Greenham, who has been a State Vice-President for some years, has relinquished all offices he holds within the League.

Resignation was accepted with regret by the State Executive at the meeting on October 8. An innovation called for by the State President in recognition of Greater Brisbane's past services to the League was honoured enthusiastically.

PERSONAL PARS

Miss MARY MEARES and Mrs. S. V. STOCKMAN (State President of S.L.) have undertaken the issue of tickets for the premiere of the film Dunkirk to be screened at the Metro Theatre, Perth, on Wednesday, October 11, at 4.30 p.m.

Mr. J. A. MIBLE has been elected chairman and Mr. H. M. GOODIN, the Deputy Chairman of the League Committee.

Mr. H. BURKE and Mr. R. T. BOEBERMAN have been co-opted to the Committee.

Mr. H. HALL is to act as Secretary during Mr. G. SMITH's absence while on National Congress this year.

What Leura Has Done For Its Youths

The following account—taken from the September 1 issue of "Reveille"—of what the Leura (N.S.W.) branch has done for youth of the district in the last few months should be of particular interest to sub-clubs here now that the N.S.W. branch has been made a cardinal activity of League activity.

The Leura R.S.L. Boys' Club was formed on August 7, 1957. The formation followed a letter issued to all sub-clubs in N.S.W.

A meeting of all interested parents was arranged, to elect a committee and discuss its constitution.

It was made clear that it was intended to supply all members of the club with uniforms without cost to the parents.

During the first club meeting, 20 boys were enrolled for instruction; this later grew to over 50.

Early equipment was second-hand, and somewhat crude (old bed mattresses as seats, empty cartons, horse, and exercises on a hard floor), but it served the purpose of the boys.

The enrolment reached over 250 by the end of November; the club had been enrolled over 50 boys and had arranged its first public display, which was held on November 27.

FAVERSHAM CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

Good Month For Visits

It is very gratifying to learn that the guests at the home are to have a number of visits during the next month from various sub-branches and their auxiliaries.

The old Diggers look for new faces that go with them. On Sunday, September 14, the 16th Battalion Association women's auxiliary entertained the home with music and afternoon tea.

On the 21st the Kellerer sub-branch and women's auxiliary put on afternoon tea and musical items.

On the 28th the North Dandalup sub-branch and auxiliary paid the home a visit and also entertained the guests with afternoon tea and a programme.

On the 24th the York sub-branch and auxiliary entertained the old chap with afternoon tea and a programme.

The following organisations booked to pay the home a visit during October:

- Wundowie women's auxiliary (Sunday, 5th) and President, the Secretary, and President, the Secretary.
- Yarralbin sub-branch R.S.L. (12th); York Rotary Club, give an outing and barbecue lunch (19th); Canning sub-branch (26th).

To these organisations the Favramesh House Committee tends its many thanks.

Donations

Donations received during the month of October include from the following auxiliaries:

- R.S.L. auxiliary (Jam); Red Cross (cigarettes and sweets); Kellerer auxiliary (1/2/6, eggs and boys and girls and sweets); North Dandalup auxiliary (books, cakes, cigarettes, tobacco, eggs and razor blades); Wundowie Hills sub-branch R.S.L. (books and books);

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League’s Vital Statistics

THE MODERN term “Vital Statistics,” the connoisseur tells us, applies to the female-department section as a certain feature-writer would say, and the more startling the statistics the more striking the figure.

ACCORDING to membership figures for this State since the second war the League has been undergoing a strict diet! Glance at these figures: 1946—34,332; 1949—20,006; 1952—18,077; 1955—17,080; and 1957—16,248.

THOSE figures are startling enough, but the making a point in evidence is that although Western Australia produced the highest percentage of voluntary enlistments in any of the wars, last year we were the only State to show a percentage decrease in League membership.

DIETING, then, must surely be, and from now on let us get back into the forefront and show the region to take the mean business. Many sub-branches have been very busy recruiting new members, and the results of this effort have been very real and valuable. On the other hand the general tendency has been to concentrate on new members and overlook those old members who have failed to renew their subscriptions. This is a serious matter, as although over 1,500 new members were enrolled in the last 12 months this gain has been entirely offset by tardy subscribers.

Who Really Gets Prospective Members to Join? The prospective members come into direct contact with them—sub-branches, and their members. Many sub-branches have considerably increased their memberships over the last two years, and several of them are in the older-established areas, too, but this can be attributed to the hard and methodical effort by the sub-branch. Sensitive planning for instance, and steady effort; zoning of the district and allotting sections to members; electing membership secretaries and membership committee and asking them to make regular reports; making the public look up to the League so that a prospective member will be proud to join; upholding Anzac and Remembrance Day in their proper tradition; taking a leading part in the social life of the community.

LAST, but by no means least, once they have got their new member into the League they can make him feel that he is a part of it—give him a job to do; get his wife and family along to social events (make sure that you have regular mixed and buck’s nights); get him interested in the workings of the sub-branch and its charitable efforts; get his wife to join the auxiliary and his children to join the sub-branch-sponsored youth club.

THEN, when he is safely into a working membership, send him out after new members.

Move For Closer Tie With Sub-branches

A State Executive decision has confirmed a Membership Committee proposal for more regular visits to sub-branches by their official representatives on the executive.

During discussion of the question some members said they had felt not entirely welcome on some of their visits. Others said they had only visited the sub-branches for which they were responsible when ex cessively time was needed. The committee’s recommendation was that members should visit each of their sub-branches at least once a quarter.

THE State President said it was constitutionally binding on the executive to look after metropolitan sub-branches, and that no sub-branch would be represented by the same executive member two years running.

Club Made Open To Cricketers

At the request of the Victorian Cricket Association the State Executive has extended honorary membership to Anzac Club members of the English Test team during their visit to Perth in October.

The executive has also informed the association that it will not entertain any exservicemen in the party.
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Billiards Final Won
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From J. B. WALMSLEY

The Anzac Club team secured the W.A. Amateur
Billiards title for season by a three-game
victory in the finals against Tatts at the Freemas-
on Club premises (neutral ground) on
September 15.

The team comprised Tom
Bindeman (captain), Ossie Bridnal
(vice-captain) and
Syd Rosser who all, after
playing magnificently through the year, excel-
led themselves on this vital
premiership.

The club team has gone
down to defeat in the first
final against Tatts
with Ossie Bridnal the only
winner, but in the second
final—against Civil Ser-
vice—it won two of the
three very hard-fought
matches.

The club snooker team’s
performance during the sea-
son was very strong and
finished sixth on the
premiership list. Although
the players enjoyed their games
and are hoping to put on a
better show next season.

As chairman of the Bil-
liards and Snooker Com-
mittee I would like to take
the opportunity of thanking all
players and supporters who
helped to make the season
such a wonderful one. With
out their cooperation the
club would not have achiev-
ed the success it did. They
have brought the name of
the club high with the other
clubs and that is something
to be proud of.

I am especially apprecia-
tive of the great assistance
given by Tom Bindeman,
Ossie Bridnal, Stan Powell
(club manager) and Allan
Woods.

The club would welcome
any new players, so that in-
terested members are in-
vited to contact any of the
above-named.

The clubs which took part
in the W.A. Amateur-Billiards
Association competitions
were Anzac, Buffalo
Club, O.S.C., Claremont Bowling
Club, C.T.A., Civil Service,
Freemasons, Fremantle
Commercial Club, Fremantle
Club and Tatts.

Seats For
Premiere
Available

On going to press with this
issue donations in connection
with the Dunkirk Film
premiere had been received
from 53 R.S.L. sub-branches
and four unit associations.

That leaves a lot of scope
for other sub-branches and
associations to give a solid
lift to the War Veterans’
Home Appeal fund and at
the same time qualify
for an evening’s entertainment
of a high order.

The premiere is to be
held in the Metro Theatre, Perth,
on October 13 commencing
at 8.15 p.m., and donations
in respect of it will be ac-
cepted up to 8 p.m.

Tickets are also being
made available to members
of the public who make
donation to the appeal fund;
either at the office of Anzac
House at any time during
working hours or at the
theatre on the evening of
the premiere.

Club Plans Social
Evenings

To foster good fellowship
amongst members the An-
zac Club Committee pro-
poses to run a series of
social events at the club.
The first of these evenings
is a “Bucks’ Night” to be
held on Thursday, October
23, at 8 p.m.

An excellent evening
has been arranged and all
members are urged to “make
a date”.

Further information may
be obtained from the club
manager (Mr. Stan
Powell).

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Civil Defence Today

The Necessary Organisation

Civil Defence planning is based on the assumption of the use of a bomb of maximum power, on the grounds that preparations to meet the worst possible attack include any lesser situations which may arise.

Civil Defence is basically the voluntary efforts of individuals and in groups, together with local, State and Commonwealth Police, to protect themselves, their families and homes, as well as communities from industrial establishments and other community facilities against the effects of air raid and natural disasters.

Its success will depend on the availability of volunteers and the extent of training of the individual to protect himself and his property and to aid his neighbour in a similar endeavour.

The organisation is based on established principles:

(a) The utilisation of existing facilities.

(b) Recruitment and training of voluntary workers, including the augmenting of necessary services by volunteer organisations, including Civil Defence fire brigades, Hospital and Ambulance Services.

(c) Public warning systems.

The broad subdivision of the existing responsibilities to be carried out by Federal, State and Local Authorities is:

**Federal Responsibilities:**
(a) Ensuring adequate Federal legislation to implement the programme in the State, which overlap State boundaries.
(b) Co-ordination where the operations affect more than one State.
(c) Liaison to States in the integration of State plans and in particular, in the provision of transport facilities.

**State Responsibilities:**
(a) Ensuring adequate State legislation for State plans.
(b) Dispersal of targets, mutual aid and reception zones, and the co-ordination of all services in developing an evacuation plan and integrating local plans.

(c) Direction of evacuation operations within own area.

(d) Assist local authorities in developing systems for registration of evacuees and making surveys of personnel and facilities for the local evacuation zone and reception zone in planning.

(e) Development of a plan for the economical use of transport facilities within the State.

(f) Development of a plan for the distribution of supplies and the maintenance of populations dispersed throughout the State.

(g) Establishment of zone and group controls.

**Local Responsibilities:**
(a) The development and execution of a local evacuation or reception plan within the framework of the State plan.
(b) Completion of a survey of available accommodation and services in the local area.
(c) Designing section co-ordination and provision of wardens.

In previous articles of this series—presented by Mr. H. G. Holder, of the State Executive—consideration has been given to the effects of nuclear weapons, high-explosive bombs, chemical-warfare gases, and other weapons which may be used in time of war. This article deals with the Civil Defence organisation necessary to minimise these effects as well as to combat natural disasters, such as floods.

**At Headquarters**

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Junior Set at Bunbury Has Raised £2,400

The junior auxiliary of the Bunbury R.S.L. sub-branch has raised over £2,400 over the last 12 years and most of the money had been devoted to League purposes.

About £1,300 of the total was contributed to the R.S.L. Memorial Hall. Well parcels have been sent overseas regularly to young Australian servicemen.

The State President, Mr. Lonnie, reported this to his executive recently.

"It is a wonderful effort for children of 17 or 18 to work consistently and to good purpose like this," Mr. Lonnie said.

It was not often one heard of a junior auxiliary in action.

Mr. E. O. Davies said the North Perth sub-branch had had a very effective junior auxiliary a few years ago.

The executive put on record its appreciation of the efforts of the Bunbury junior auxiliary.

Shield Games

The McKinley Shield games are now in full swing, with 12 teams competing.

The first round resulted in a win for the following teams: Applecross, Cottesloe, Subiaco, City of Perth and Swanbourne.

Auxiliary Round-Up

Auxiliary Of Ausitralia

The Bunbury branch of the R.S.L. Junior Women's Auxiliary was formed as an independent body in January, 1946, with a membership of ten. Office bearers were Coralie Prior (president), Mary Spilsbury (secretary) and E. Tilley (treasurer), while Mrs. Mawdsley was liaison officer.

The auxiliary was formed to help—financially and otherwise—the senior R.S.L. branch in raising funds. There have been running of weekly dances in the Bunbury R.S.L. hall at which supper and drinks were served by the girls. Cool drink stalls and raffles have also been held at various fairs, concerts and sporting carnivals and novelty evenings arranged at small functions.

The social activities of the auxiliary are barbecues, picnics and concerts, and annual meetings are arranged at small functions.

In the earlier years two basketball teams were formed, and also softball teams, but they were disbanded.

Thus, the total amount of money raised over the last 12 years is over £2,400. Most of this has been donated towards the renovations and additions to the R.S.L. hall—£1,300, towards the upkeep of the hall, as well as over £150 to various charitable organisations and £45 for the Memorial Fund.

Cards and many parcels of books, cakes and so on have been sent overseas and also to the Red Cross and other organisations.

In 1952 Bunbury was successful in winning the Wilson Cup for most money raised during the year for ex-servicemen. The junior auxiliary no longer competes for this, but it is very much interested in the cup.

At the beginning of 1959, the auxiliary was disbanded, as all other such organisations had already broken up because the majority of servicemen had returned and there was no further cause for which to work.

The auxiliary was then not recognised by the senior R.S.L. however after much discussion and argument it was decided that the junior auxiliary should continue as a sub-branch of the R.S.L. Women's Auxiliary.

"Pop" Horne was one of the staunchest workers in the junior auxiliary, and the girls were sorry when he departed for Perth.

There are at present 17 members of the auxiliary, office bearers being Maureen Rodgers (president, deceased to beginning of 1955), Panlice Smith (secretary/treasurer) and Mrs. D. Price (liaison officer).

The main activities now are to raise money for the hall and help out any organisations—charitable mainly—which may require assistance. Many parcels are still sent away.

Recent Visits

On September 9 an invitation to the South Perth birthday dinner was accepted by the State President (Mrs. Stockin), and the Secretary (Mrs. Ames), and members of the Auxiliary and Executive and their husbands. This proved a very delightful dinner, and a most enjoyable evening with exceptionally good artists.

The State President of the League, Mrs. Long, extended an invitation to one State President to accompany them and other members of the League to visit the Williams sub-branch on September 13. This invitation was accepted, and as the hospitality of the sub-branch was accepted en-route a very pleasant weekend was spent by all members of the party.

On September 14 the State President laid a wreath on the State War Memorial in connexion of Air Force Week.

Transfer Method Changed

League members wishing to transfer from one sub-branch to another must now apply to the secretary of the sub-branch they wish to join.

Hitherto they have been required to apply to the secretary of the sub-branch they were leaving.

The change has been made under the direction of Congress.
Land-settlement Matters

Report from the League's LAND COMMITTEE

As a result of a meeting with the Land Settlement Board on September 3 the Land Committee was able to obtain information which should prove of value to sub-branches with any of the settlement problems discussed.

The greatest courtesy and consideration was shown by Mr. A. R. Barrett, chairman of the board, in replying to questions put by the delegation from the League's Land Committee, which comprised Messrs. F. J. Milne (chairman), G. Gordon (president), A. J. Kelly (vice-president) and P. L. Lawley.

Butterfat Prices

Particular attention was given to the difficulty confronting dairy farmers, as Mr. Milne explained that it was desired to obtain information of a nature which would enable the committee to formulate a policy for the submission to sub-branches.

In his reply Mr. Barrett emphasised that the board was prepared to try to solve the problem as it affected dairy farmers and drew attention to the fact that, where in commodity prices did not apply only to this class of producer, that board was not prepared to make a hasty decision.

Assessments were based on an estimated figure which was considered a commodity price, and should average for the season prove to be lower than this estimate, and if in the opinion of the board the present assessment be considered unfair, it might be subject to revision, but at present it was not anticipated that any assessment could be made.

Mr. Barrett said that assessments were calculated on the basis of the sale of surplus cattle. Normal working expenses were included in the opinion that if the full quota of cows were produced, it would be possible for settlers to meet their commitments.

Mr. Milne said that he felt that the retention of a surplus of settlers was declining. Mr. Barrett maintained that the committee was not one which should engender feelings of pessimism at present.

Land Valuations

Mr. Milne said that land valuations had been a subject of considerable interest and requested information on which could be based the correct advice for submission to sub-branches. It was desirable that the present policy was to value a property when it had reached its highest market price, but it was the stage when full compensation could be paid. Normally valuation was based on cost, but where this could not be sustained, Clause 5 (b) became operative.

It was the duty of the appropriate State and Commonwealth officers to assist the applicants. No valuation was used in the interim until final valuation could be given. A tentative valuation only was normally adopted.

Rights under Wills

Mr. Barrett said that under the regulations of the Vogel Service Land Settlement Scheme Act the widow of a settler was eligible to receive the tenant of the scheme in respect of the holding held by her husband as the tenant of the scheme. The benefits were not extended to any other relative, except the widow or the deceased's wife was entitled to the Commonwealth Land Settlers' benefit. Adult sons or daughters were not entitled to the rights of their father's war service settlement.

Should the holding have been willed by the lessee to a person other than his widow, or if the lessee could be transferred to him (or her) only after the lessee's death, the holding had been repaired to the Crown.

The new law was not entitled to credit facilities and the department was not encouraged to give any such facilities.

Living Allowance

Mr. Milne pointed out that the claims of procurement orders could make serious inroads to the settler's allowance.

There was no suggestion that the board would make claims at the expense of the settler's family. The policy of the board was to extract returns due to the department only after the end of the year, in cases where proved hardship existed, claims were treated on their merits. Any objections under the system was a matter for the board, as Supervisors had no authority to deal with matters pertaining to finance.

Mr. Milne referred to the visit made to Denmark by Mr. Barrett and the Senior Field Supervisor, and sought information regarding the outcome.

Mr. Barrett said that all assessments had been made, and so far no repercussions had been felt, and he considered the present position to be satisfactory, even if in one case there was a possibility that the view of the board was to be transferred to a more suitable property.

Timber Rights

Lessees who had been in occupation of their holdings over five years could appeal to the Forests Department for 50 per cent of timber on the holding. The amount transferred would be paid to their credit account and drawn on by them in the normal manner.

Where a lessee was not yet in occupation of his holding, the amount would be paid to the land settlement authority. The mortgage would be payable to the credit account, and subject to the payment of repairs due to the Crown.

Waiting Applicants

The board had advised, in reply to representations concerning the estimated waiting lists, that the number of applicants, that anticipated sufficient -farmers' sons and personal applicant.

Spring 1959 of absorbing practically all the applicants that the settler was required to supply farms.

The balance, mainly at Enneabba and Denbarke, should be ready for settlement by the following Spring.

Congress Items

Three resolutions carried at the last Land-Committee Conference were referred to the sub-committee and 7 on the Notice of Meeting. Nos. 6 and 7 had reference to wages for president of the committee, G. Gordon (secretary) and it is anticipated that the information gained by an informal discussion with the settlers will be of great value to the committee, and will be communicated to the settlers as soon as possible.

At Pemberton Members of the Land Committee met with the Pemberton sub-branch on October 3 and 4 and were able to inspect three villages prior to holding a meeting with settlers from Pemberton and Northcliffe.

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Sub-branch Acts Rigorously

The Mt. Lawley-Ingoldale sub-branch has been a most active sub-branch, and has a rigorous programme for the rest of this year. On October 24 a social will be held and the Memorial Hall filled with the sub-branch's own fete which will be held in the sub-branch grounds.

On December 6 there will be a dance-social to mark the first anniversary of the half-ending.

The September meeting was well attended and members were pleased to see Mr. Fred Cheney, M.H.R., there, and also a younger-looking branch president, Mr. Laurie Collett attended the Bed- ford-Morley Park sub-branch meeting, and was received by the branch president, Mr. Wally Moyle.

Inquiries from sub-branches are asked to keep up to date with the carefully planned programme by attending meetings of the first Wednesday of each month and bringing along a mate.

Inspection At Enneabba

Members of the Land Committee are to make an inspection in the Enneabba district, on Tuesday, November 8.

That night, with other motoring enthusiasts, they will attend the annual reunion of the 15th Infantry Division, Three Springs A.C.T.

On the previous day the party is to visit the Coorow Rural Methodist Mission. The party will return to Perth in time for the Festival of Remembrance, which is to be conducted in the Capitol Theatre on the night of Sunday, November 5.

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R.S.L. clubrooms.
N.E. Fremantle: Last Mon-
day, N.E. Freemantle
Town Hall.
North Perth: Third Mon-
day, lesner town hall.
Nungarin: First Monday
in e.m. 8.30 p.m.
Onnerup: Fourth Frid-
day, Ansonia club rooms.
Osborne Park: Alternate
Wed., R.S.L. Hall, Main-st.
Pearl: Second Thursday
Mon. in E.M. Pemberton Mill hill.
PERENJORE: First Wed.,
excess 8.30 p.m., Perth.
Picton: Second Tues.
e.m., Monash Club.
Railway Crossing: First
Wed., e.m., 8 p.m., Pickering
brook Sports Club.
Relgiey: Last Frid. in e.m.,
R.S.L.
Pinjarra First Sat., every
second-month from (Oct.
1] 7.30 p.m., R.S.L. Hall.
Pithara: Third Mon. in e.m.,
8.30 p.m., C.W.A. rooms.
Port Macquarie: First and
third Wed., e.m. Public
Service: Third Tues., 8 p.m.,
Boona Cafeeteria.
Qualairing: First Tues.,
e.m., R.S.L. club rooms.
Quinninup: Second Tues.,
in e.m., in hall.
Riverton: First Mon.,
W.A.G.R. Institute, Welling-
ton, at Perth.
Rockingham: First Frid.
e.m., W.A.G.R. Institute, Welling-
ton, at Perth.
Rothwell Sisters: First
Thurs. in e.m., Anzac House.
Riverton: Fourth Frid.,
e.m., R.S.L. Hall, Riley and
Central roads.
Rivervale: Second Mon.,
e.m., Neoyongrd.
Rockingham: Second Tues.,
e.m., Trecadero Ballroom.
Rockingham: Second Frid.
e.m., R.S.L. Hall.
Salmon Gulf: First sun.,
e.m., in hall.
Sarabrook: Second Mon-
day, e.m., R.S.L. Hall,
Brighton-rd, Scarborough.
Scarborough: Second Frid.
every second Thursday
3.30 p.m.
Shenton Park: First Wed-
nesday e.m., R.S.L. Hall.
Onslow-rd.
Southern Cross: Forti-
nightly.

South Perth: Second and
thursday e.m., Swan-
street hall.
Spearwood: Second
Wednesday, 7 p.m.,
R.S.L. Institute, Rock-
ingham-rd, Spearwood.
Subiaco: Second Tues. and
Thursday, 8.30 p.m., R.S.L. Mem-
orium, 51, Swan town-end.
Swanbourne: Second
Saturday e.m. 8 p.m., Allen Park
tennis pavilion.
Swan Valley: Greenmount:
First Saturday b-month.
Swan View Hall.
Tannia: Fourth Thursday
in e.m. in hall.
Three Springs-Arripio:
Lesser hall, 8 p.m., R.S.L.
Toodyay: First Sat. in e.m.,
C.W.A. hall.
Turner-Yelken: 3 p.m.,
fourth Sunday in e.m. supper
room, town hall.
Upper Swan: Alternate
Swan Valley 8.30 p.m., Vista
Hall, Millendon.
Waverton: Third
Thursday 8 p.m., Naring-
aling.
Wauchope: First Friday
in e.m., Waving
Hotel.
Waroona-Hamlet: First
Friday e.m., R.S.L. Hall,
Waroona.
Wattley: Second Thursday,
8.30 p.m., R.S.L. R.O.M.
Wellspool: Second
Thursday 8.30 p.m. station
renewal room.
Weston: Second Frid.
e.m., W.A.G.R. Institute,
Weston.
Westonbirt: First
Wednesday.
Whiteman: First Wed-
eday.
Weston: Second Tues.
e.m., Taylor Park pavil-
ion (opp. school house),
Caversham.
Witchcliffe: Thirld Frid.,
W.C.A. rest room.
Wogalar: Williams: First
Saturday.
Wonoobooy Gorge: Wai-
ron Hall, 8 p.m. first
Thursday in e.m.
Woodalling: Third Mon-
day 8.30 p.m. road board
Wooroloo: Second Tuesday
in e.m., clara dining room.
Sanatorium.
Wubin: Fourth Wednesday
in e.m., sports club house, 8
p.m.
Wundowie: Second Mon-
day e.m. 8 p.m.
Wyalkatchem: Second
Tuesday e.m., Wyalkat-
cham Hotel.
Yamini: Approx. second
Sunday e.m. 8 p.m.
Yandana: Mingenew:
When called, C.W.A. rest
house, W.A.G.R. Institute,
Wanneroo-rd.
York: Second Tuesday e.m.,
8 p.m. Memorial Hall.

Mt. Magnet
Member Passes On
The following communica-
tion has been received from
the Mt. Magnet sub-branch
secretary.
I have to advise that re-
cently an old member of
this sub-branch passed on—Jim
Camon, late of the original
121th Battalion, and a Cal-
throp veteran.
A solid man in his day,
there is a story about him
which the old hands here-
abouts declare to be true. He
was to be the football
match in Mount Magnet and
Jim, a stalwart of the club,
was in the net before the
match with no means of
transport. He ran and walk-
ked the 12 miles and played in
the match.
Jim was the father of F/L
James Camon, D.F.C., who
was killed in tragic circum-
stances at Mt. Magnet
shortly after World War II.

The Last Straw
At the end of his tether
secon gravid
storm down to the
east and aches:
"If you don't stop playing
that blasted saxophone I'll
go out of my mind."
"I think that's too late,"
came the reply. "I stopped
two days ago."

Blackboy and Blithy
By BERT CROWLEY
Two moves taking place in R.S.L. circles are
again one striking example of the part played
by the League in various spheres.

The first of these is to have a memorial erected
on the site of the old Blackboy House.

This is being enthusiastically
received by returned
servicemen, especially those
who served overseas in
World War I.

The Swan View sub-
branch successfully moved
at the 1957 Congress that
it be obtained for a site
for a memorial.

This land was given by
the State Housing Com-
mission to the sub-branch
at Belvedere.

At this year's Congress
the Swan View sub-
branches obtained ap-
proval for the erection of
20 houses.

At present the hills
sub-branches are going fully
into the matter.

This move represents a signifi-
cant step forward. It is
because of the Birthplace of
the A.I.F. It is a part of the
Memorials and W.A.'s his-
tory.

It was at Blackboy that
veterans units were formed
and named.

It is fitting that a mem-
orium-week.

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The disposal of League ties
to the Papua-New Guinea
sub-branch is going very
well, several hundred now
being on order.
Reporting this to the State
Executive recently Mr. Len- 
nie said the first of the
island customers was the
Port Moresby sub-branch,
with an order for 50 ties.
When told about the
the second sub-branch had
promptly ordered 200.
A third sub-branch had
not wanted to be outside
either, because a day or two
later it had ordered 250.

Air Force Pay Rate
Makes Provision
For Accident Cover
In the last pay increases for aircrew of the
R.A.A.F. an amount of 1/6 a day was included to
cover additional insurance against death by
accident.
National headquarters of the
League has received a
letter from the official of the
Govern-ment to Air (Mr.
Osborne) to whom it had
inquired about the situation.

Referring to the letter at
a recent State Executive
meeting the State President
said: "This is not a com-
plete victory, but it is in
the right direction."

He said that the League
had been asking for more
cover for aircrew ever since
the fatal jet-plane
accident at Pearce in 1955 of F/O R.
J. Williams.

The executive was told at
that time that compensation
schemes was being equiva-
tent to the Workers' Com-
monwealth rate, and it de-
cided to press for more ade-
quate insurance coverage
for servicemen undergoing
risks not ordinarily un-
taken by the civilian popula-
tion.

The Minister's letter to the
League was as follows:
"I have received your let-
ter of the 21st August about
an adjustment to the pay
of aircrew of the perm-
nent Air Force to meet the
extra cost of loadings placed on
personal life policies by in-
surance companies.

"In the near future, there-
fore, all aircrew members of the Royal
Australian Air
Force should have some
personal insurance covering
death in service aircraft."

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LEAGUE RECEIVED IN RABAUL: During its recent visit to the Papua-New Guinea area the National Executive of the League was entertained by the local branch of the native ex-servicemen's organisation. Pictured here, from left to right, are:

BACK ROW: Samison Gila (secretary of the native ex-servicemen's branch), Anis (a committeeman), Topioli, M.M. (vice-president), and Mr. Geoff Edwards (Deputy State-Delegate for native ex-servicemen). FRONT ROW: Mr. L. M. (Pat) Henry (State Vice-President of the Rabaul R.S.L.), Bapi (treasurer of the native ex-servicemen's branch), Sir George Holland (National President of the League), Raymon Martin (president of the Rabaul branch) and Mr. W. S. Lonnie (W.A. State President).

Lower Enlistment Age For Entry To C.M.F.

Reduction of the lower age-limit for voluntary enlistment into the Citizen Military Forces from 18 to 17 years of age has been announced by the Minister for the Army (Mr. Cramer).

The decision, he said, would be of particular interest to youths who, at 16 or 17 years, had already acquired an interest in military training with school cadet units and who wished to continue with military training after leaving school.

The decision followed discussions, which included this subject, at a top-level conference of senior officers at Army headquarters in June this year.

It was hoped that the decision would encourage many young men in the community to avail themselves of the opportunity to serve with the Citizen Military Forces earlier than they could have done previously.

Many ex-cadets of the Australian Cadet Corps are today highly-valued officers and non-commissioned officers in units of the C.M.F.

Another Stage In Anzac House Alterations

Another stage has been reached in effecting the proposed changes to Anzac House—the State Executive has called for detailed plans from the architects, Messrs. Hobbs, Winning and Leighton.

The original intention to extend the mezzanine floor has been dropped.

The Women's Auxiliary has requested provision for a self-contained lock-up room on the office floor.

Hall Purchase: The Moora sub-branch has advised the State Executive of its recent purchase of the Department of Agriculture premises in Moora.

Rabaul Natives Grateful

Some little time after his return to Perth from New Guinea in September Mr. Lonnie received the following letter of thanks from Mr. Samison Gila, secretary of the Rabaul branch of the Papua-New Guinea Native Ex-servicemen's Association:

Mr. W. Lonnie, President R.S.L. & A.I.L.A., West Australia State Branch, Perth.

Dear Mr. Lonnie,

I am sending you this letter of appreciation which I received for your kindness in attending the Dinner held by the Rabaul branch of the C.M.F. We are greatly indebted to you for your efforts in assisting the branch.

The branch has been able to raise money for the purchase of new furniture for the hall which has been donated to the community.

Thank you again for your help.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Mr. Lonnie.

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Project Area Open For Sub-Branch Allocation

Building sites in the Rockingham Project camping area are now open for allocation to sub-branches. This has been announced by the State Executive.

Blocks measuring 600 ft. by 200 ft. at the Rockingham site are suitable for small cottages at Palm Beach are being offered at a ground rental of £50 per year, which is particularly suitable for those members who are not able to afford to build on their own land. The holiday camp is in two sections—a caravan park and the holiday cottage area.

The temporary price of caravan park bookings—£2 a week. Caravan bookings should be arranged at Anzac House through Mr. Webb.

Building Sites

Allotment of the building sites will be made on payment of the £50 ground rental and deposit. Fifty per cent of the deposit will be payable on the booking of the site and the remaining 50 per cent will be payable when allocated. Each member will be responsible for their own building and other expenses and will be responsible for electricity and water services.

Whereabouts

The holiday resort is situated at Palm Beach on the Rockingham side of the old Turtle Factory on the Port Kennedy Road. There is a notice identifying the site.

The development area is of five acres between the beach and the street which is ideal for children, having plenty of clean sand and easy-sloping shallows.

Building materials will be available from the building shop at Rockingham.

Guest-Speaker Plan For South Perth

In an attempt to arrest a decline in attendances the South Perth sub-branch is introducing guest speakers at its forthcoming meetings—starting from tonight.

The speaker for the meeting on November 27th is the State President. It is felt that for the evenings to be really successful there must be a big improvement on attendances over the last few months. A Monster Ladies' Night is being discussed for December.

Enrolments are static, and the finances of the sub-branch under the supervision of Mr. Letch—will improve. The sub-branch has not yet been allotted a date for its School Sports meeting, but plans to make the function as attractive as last year.
Any impression that the only people on earth who can hustle are our American cousins is quite false, as exemplified by the methods adopted by the State President to ensure that the League's affairs are kept moving.

As one instance of this, take the programme carried out over the weekend of October 1st and 2nd.

With two “Sputniks” (so called from the apparent tendency of the slightly antiquated “bombs” used by the executive to take to the air when certain members — to wit, Doug Henwood and Jack Sertiser — did their share of the roasting) the State President journeyed to Manjimup to attend the sub-branch meeting.

On the way, calls were made at no fewer than nine sub-branches — Vasse, Harvey, Brunswick, Dardanup, Donnybrook, Kirup, Busselton, Greenbushes and Bridgetown.

The party’s copybook was also rather thin on arrival at Manjimup, and it is not quite clear whether Sputnik 2 was responsible for this lapse from grace. Be that as it may, Bill Lonnie arrived as fresh as daisy although there were some indications of a pencilled line through the part of his colleagues.

It is also sad to relate that the State President, while triumphantly leading his colleagues (less one) to the festivities, took a wrong turning with the result that many extra miles were traversed and it was ultimately necessary to engage the services of the local ambulance in order to deposit the party at the venue in good order and condition.

But with a meal and a visit to the ambulance to the hall all were set for a jolly evening when it was also revealed that Sputnik 1 was still missing. One of the keen-eyed locals reported that he had seen an object falling resembling a spoutnik doing a line with a blonde barmad.

This cannot be verified and in any case he eventually turned up and the fun began.

An excellent four-course meal was provided, and even a speech by the S.P. did not detract from our enjoyment of the tasty Tucker which was so generously supplied.

Unfortunately, before the apple pie and cream was digested the gathering was subjected to a further gene-

rally correctable operation (by the S.P.) which had something to do with the wholesale destruction of Perth and its environs (and its inhabitants).

This caused a great deal of distress to everybody except Sputnik 1 who, with great determination, con-

tinued to plod through the “puddin’” for all the world as if the exploding of hypothetical nuclear weapons was just the kind of flavour he was accustomed to.

While the assembly was still recovering from the blast of the last atomic detonation, some high-pres-

suresales torted forth and sundry bomb-happy veterans (who incidentally came from all sorts of odd places) were rushing to buy R.S.L. ties at inflated prices.

It is possible worthwhile mentioning that certain ex-

club members of the Land Committee, namely Jack Milne and Arthur Kelly — together with a humble member of the staff, also attended the function after spending 24 hours in Pemberton in an endeavour to assist war-

service land settlers with their more difficult prob-

lems.

Confirmed In Office

The following sub-branch appointments have been confirmed at recent meetings of the State Executive:

**Sub-branch**  **Secretary**
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Gwelup & Northlands  J. B. White  R. H. Sasse
Esperance  W. J. Nash  G. W. H. Rann
Nannup  A. J. Conolly  A. J. Conolly
Northam  R. E. Gollan  F. P. Shattock
Rtd. Sentries  Miss S. White (Actg.)
St George  G. B. Trotter  G. B. Trotter
Hillman  C. H. Price  G. B. Trotter
Mullewa  R. D. Wright  H. J. Miller
Campbelltown  R. F. Wright  H. J. Miller
Bindi Bindi  C. E. Nock  A. E. Hutton
Cottesloe  A. G. Gibbons  C. Vally
Chewton  A. G. Gibbons  C. Martin
Rockingham  H. A. Christensen  A. J. Hartley
Mt. Pleasant-  Acting.)
Brenwood  A. J. Hartley  A. J. Hartley

Staff Officer Required

The League’s activities appear to be extending rather than waning, and in order to cope with the heavy demands being made on the Anzac House staff the State Executive has authorised the employment of an additional administrative officer.

Members who feel that they have the qualifications of a good staff officer are invited to submit their applications in writing on or before 15th October.

The successful applicant must possess a genuine capacity to work together with the ability to deal efficiently with varied correspondence, the recording of minutes and the compilation of reports, plus a diplomatic approach in the handling of personal interviews.

This is not just a job, and an essential qualification is a keen interest in the aims of the League. A post is a permanent one and it is hoped that the successful applicant will be able to give the League at least ten years’ service between the ages of 25 and 40.

Applications must be addressed to the State Secretary and marked “Staff Officer,” and give full details of qualifications, and League service.

Amend your Pocket Eligibility Rules

The National Secretary advises that the following amendments to the Eligibility Rules (published in a pocket form in last month’s issue of this journal) have been agreed to by the National Executive.

Please make the necessary alterations. Sub-branch secretaries can obtain fuller details on application to Anzac House.

In Peace and War!

**KOREAN WAR**

Delete "NO Allied Ex-Serv’r’s" and insert: "Allied Ex-Serv’r’s 1/3/50 to 27/6/53 (if naturalised)."

**MALAYA**

Delete "RAAF" in Malaya and insert: "British Comm’th. Armed Forces 28 days in Malaya."

**Sub-Wardenship**

The Highgate sub-branch has formally accepted State War Memorial sub-wardenship responsibilities for 12 months commencing on November 1st, when it will take over from the Public Service sub-branch.

Nuclear-minded;

The Queenscliff branch of the League is hoping to get the endorsement of National Congress for a plan to establish a £1,000 student scholarship in nuclear physics. This was reported to the A.A. State Branch recently.
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Notes From Subiaco
The Subiaco sub-branch
has had another win in the
A.R.M.S. games, this time
in the use of a cheer
contingent from Cottesloe.
At that, we only scraped
with some hoo-ha in
the man who had
in the paddock.
This proved good enough
for our opponents who are
human, like ourselves.
It is, of course, a
for some teams.
That thinks back, for
instance, to Gloucester Park
and Cliff Lamb returning a
point to take with the
the murmured remark, “I only
want five.” His — that
caused
our shooters to look at one
another. He did only want
five, too. The monthly general
meeting was again a quiet af-
fair, chiefly notable for an
impromptu speech by Sam
Nicholl apparently on the
subject of poppy wreaths.
Freedom of speech and
the secretary ought to write.”
George Legley was at
the meeting — complete,
with crutches and carpet slipper,
both of which, we were
pleased to hear, he expects
to discard shortly.
Another casual casualty, Bob
Griffiths, is progressing well.
It is to be hoped that
he will return to his
form soon after
the Railway
in the morning.
Further to last week's
report, Messrs. H. C. Mitchell
and S. A. Farquhar, who
will attend the meeting as a
visitor, were nominated for
the committee.

Hay There!
Murray'll Cart It
Murray's novel idea last
year of raising sub-branch
finance by hay-carting will
again be carried out this
season.

Already farmers have
approached the sub-branch
over the contract for carting.

The offers will be discuss-
ed at the next committee
meeting with preference be-
given to farmers whose hay was carted last
season.

The longer the hay re-
main in the paddock the
class it loses.
For this reason farmers
want it stacked in sheds as
soon after cutting as pos-
sible and the sub-branch
can give this service.

Hay-carting is heavy work
and many farmers have
ordered hay to be carted
now to avoid the expense
of last year's initial task.

Maylands Hall Opening
The official opening of
the Maylands R.S.I. Memorial
Hall will be performed by
Mr. F. C. Chaney (Immedi-
ate-Past-State President)
at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oc-
tober 10.
Mr. H. L. Pate, who
was to have opened the hall,
will be unable to attend.

The opening will be
preceded by a wreath-laying
ceremony at 2.45 p.m. after
which the hall will be dedi-
cated by a local clergyman.

The fall-in is scheduled
for 2.30 p.m. at the Eighth-ave-
ning complete, with cups
cautions and carpet slipper,
are asked to wear medals.

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16th BATTALION ASSOCIATION
The September committee
meeting was the longest
for some time owing to the
large amount of business
transacted.

The most important item
was a warning that owing
to the building alterations
the present rooms used for
the meeting might not be
available next year. As the
quarters are convenient for
all members the committee
hopes that some arrange-
ments can be made for an
accommodation in the new
building.

The proposed trip to Adela-
ide for next year's Anzac
Day celebrations was dis-
cussed, and the trip is "on"
tentiously.

Invitations were received from
kindred associations to attend
their reunions.

A representative was ap-
pointed to attend the meet-
ing of unit associations on
September 18.

Mrs. Parks wrote from
Adelaide thanking the
association for sympathy
expressed on the death of
her husband, Colonel Parks.

The women's auxiliary
visited Riverham House on
September 14. On these
visits patients are entertain-
ed with musical and
theatrical items and afternoon tea.

Reported sick were Mes-
ers.

The committee have been
completed for the reunion to
be held at the Railway
Institute, revised on Fri-
day, October 3.

Mr. D. Peacock, who at-
tended the meeting as a
visitor, was nominated for
the committee.

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SOUTH AFRICAN AND IMPERIAL VETERANS' ASSOCIATION - 1st Light Horse Branch, 1/9 Hutt Street, East Perth, President, Major, H. H. G. Ashman, Secretary, Staff Sergeant, C. M. West, 19 Hutt Street, East Perth.

ROYAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION OF W.A. - Meetings at Alice House, 77 Stirling-road, Subiaco, Hon. Sec, R. P. Glanville, 22 Alice Street, Subiaco.

11th and 21st BNS. AIF ASSOCIATION - President, R. W. Blay, Secretary, B. V. Gunson, 25 Kenmun Street, East Perth, Treasurer, H. B. Whitty, 21 Kenmun Street, East Perth.

1st HILL STREET (W.A.) - Meets monthly in Railways Institute, 112 Blaxland Street West, President: W. J. V. Amy, 495 Stirling Road, Subiaco.

2nd BATTLE and 1ST BRIGADE ASSOCIATION - Meets second Tuesday each month at Railway Institute, Perth. President, W. V. Verrall, 19 Stirling Road, Subiaco.

3rd BATTLE and 4TH BRIGADE ASSOCIATION - Meets second Wednesday each month at Railway Institute, Perth. President, W. V. Verrall, 19 Stirling Road, Subiaco.

4th BATTLE and 4TH BRIGADE ASSOCIATION - Meetings called when required. President, W. V. Verrall, 19 Stirling Road, Subiaco.

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Mr. W. Cook Receives an Award

At the Midland Junction sub-branch hall on September 19 a Certificate of Service was presented to Mr. Bill Cook by Mr. E. O. Davies, of the State Executive.

Mr. Davies spoke at some length about the splendid service given by Mr. Cook both to the League and the sub-branch during his many years of association with R.S.L. activities. Mr. Cook has been a member of the League since his return from overseas service in World War I, and will continue his membership with the local sub-branch.

The sub-branch president, Mr. John Briggs, then called upon Mr. W. Cook to move a vote of thanks to Mr. Davies, always a welcome visitor.

Mr. Lamb referred briefly to the wonderful work carried out by Mr. Davies during his many years association with the R.S.L. executive, and his ability and his success in fostering the needs of sub-branches. The vote of thanks was carried by acclamation.

A grand supper, specially prepared for the occasion by the ladies' committee, was a fitting climax to the evening's success. Mr. Bob Christie, who was in charge of the kitchen, did service even better than usual.

The guests of the day included a photograph of the Anzac Day Dinner held in Australia House which was published in the June issue of L.P.

W.A. Link With Ceremonial Parade Abroad

Of local interest is the news that the officer commanding the parade at this year's Trooping the Colour ceremony held at the Horse Guards Parade, London, (was Maj.-Gen. J. N. F. Moore, who was born in W.A. and who is commanding officer of the Household Brigade.

This information was included in a letter received from Frank Kennedy, a Victorian now resident in England who kindly supplied a photograph of the Anzac Day Dinner held in Australia House which was published in the June issue of L.P.

Hall Opening: The Maylands R.S.L. Hall is to be officially opened at 3 p.m. on Saturday, October 1st. There will be a display in the hall at night. Service decorations have been made ready for the afternoon function.
Help From The League

A recent widow whose husband was an ex-service man, has been assisted by the League to retain her equity of about £600 in a war-service home.

An application for assistance under the War Service Homes Scheme was approved about the time of the husband’s death in May. Meanwhile the couple had entered into an arrangement for temporary finance with interest at 8 per cent.

At its meeting on September 24 the State Executive was told by the chairman of trustees (Mr. R. J. Stoddart) that the creditor was now claiming £180 in settlement of the debt.

Efforts of the Housing Committee resulted in satisfactory arrangements being made with the co-operation of the Canteens Trust Fund.

Mr. Stoddart said that the Canteens Trust Fund was prepared to advance £400 at 4% for the widow’s pension and had found employment to enable her to meet the commitments on the house.

Post-Graduate Scholarships

Applications are being invited for two postgraduate scholarships (tenable for a three-year period) under the Services Canteens Trust Fund.

One of the scholarships, for which applications close on November 1, covers overseas study and is valued at £1,000 a year, and the other (for which applications close on January 10, 1958) covers study or research in any approved subject at any Australian university and is valued at £800 a year.

The scholarships are open to persons having (or having had) a parent who served with the Australian armed forces at any time between the outbreak of World War II and June 30, 1947.

The selection of applicants is competitive and based on merit, and the scholarships are not necessarily awarded each year.

Applications in this State should be made through the Regional Secretary, Services Canteens Trust Fund, Swan Barracks, Perth. Any further information on the scholarships may be obtained from that source.

Nurses’ Awards

As well the Canteens Trust Fund is making available two postgraduate nurses’ awards—one to the College of Nursing, Australia, and the other to the New South Wales College of Nursing.

The trustees will also consider applications for an award at a training centre overseas, provided equivalent training is not obtainable in Australia.

The awards will be tenable for the full period prescribed for the course selected.

The awards for the Australian courses cover maintenance at £1,000 a week as well as fares, fees, books and stationery. That for an overseas course will carry a sum of £2,000 a year.

Applicants must possess the qualifications prescribed by the training centre or college concerned. The Leaving Matriculation certificate is not essential.

Applications which close on December 1 must be made on the prescribed form—obtainable from the Regional Secretary, Services Canteens Trust Fund, Swan Barracks, Perth.

Valle, Victor O’Grady!

From J. Dobrigh, president of the Boulder sub-branch.

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Gratitude For Assistance

A university student sums up his feelings concerning the education awards provided by the Services Canteens Trust Fund as follows:

“I have now completed my third-year examinations and would like to sincerely thank your organisation for your help, without which I doubt whether I would have been able to continue.”

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