SPECIAL ANZAC DAY ISSUE

25th April, 1962

They gave their lives. For that public gift they received a praise which never ages, and a tomb most glorious—not so much the tomb in which they lie, but that in which their fame survives, to be remembered forever when occasion comes for word or deed.

LEST WE FORGET

As we remember, with deep gratitude those who suffered pain and gave their lives for us, let us resolve to do all in our power to preserve the freedom we hold today.
Anzac Observances

On Anzac Day, April 25—47 years to the day since the epic landing of Australian and New Zealand troops at Gallipoli—the State branch of the League will conduct its traditional observances in Perth.

The League invites ex-service men and women and the general public in these solemn observances.

This year, by way of a prelude, the Governor, Sir Charles Gairdner, will give a telelaxed Anzac address over the T.V. Channel 2 at 7.55 p.m. on Sunday, April 15.

DAWN SERVICE

The parade for the Dawn Service will assemble at the Queen Victoria Monument in King's Park at 5:35 a.m. to be led to the State War Memorial by buglers and drummers.

Wreaths may be laid on behalf of unit associations and other organisations at the conclusion of the official wreath-laying.

An official register of silence private wreaths may be laid.

Other wreaths may be left overnight at the King's Park Lodge.

Following the Dawn Service, the War Memorial is open to visitors during normal hours.

Sub-branch Services

Details of sub-branch arrangements—as supplied by them—for their Anzac observances on this day.

Applecross: April 29—8.30 a.m. at Kintail-road hall. Afternoon tea will be served.

Ballidu: April 25—Dawn Service followed by service in hall.

Carramar-Morley Park: April 29—2.30 p.m. assembly; service at 3 p.m.

Cottesloe: April 25—8.45 a.m. at the sub-branch rooms; march to memorial. Service will be held in open air weather permitting.

Belmont: April 29—11 a.m. at war memorial, Great Eastern Highway.

Bunbury: April 25—6.45 a.m. Dawn Service; parade for morning service moves off 10 a.m. from memorial station service at the war memorial at 11 o'clock. Cottlesloe: April 22—7.45 a.m. service at Civic Centre.

Darling Range: April 29—2.15 p.m. assembly in Honor Avenue for march to memorial.

Freemantle City: April 22—2.25 p.m. assembly in Arrowsmith-street near Town Hall; arrive Memorial Reserve 3.15 for service and wreath-laying. Charles Gairdner and Lady Gairdner have agreed to attend.

Geraldton: April 25—5.40 a.m. Dawn Service; assembly for morning service at 11.15 a.m.

Glenn Forrest: April 25—2.30 p.m. at Post Office; assembly for service at the war memorial at 3 p.m.

Gosnells: April 25—6 a.m. Dawn Service.

Kelmarscott: Anzac Day, 3 p.m. the usual service in the Kelmarscott hall followed by wreath-laying at the obelisk.

Kalgoorlie: April 25—at War Memorial.

Kojonup: April 29—2.45 p.m. assembly opposite Royal Hotel,

Mandurah: April 29—2.45 p.m. assembly at railway station; wreath-laying at 3 p.m.; service in hall 3.15.

Mt. Hawthorn: April 25—8.30 a.m. at Memorial Hall.

Norseman: April 25—5.45 a.m. Dawn Service; parade at 10 a.m. from Post Office. Parade 10.45 a.m. opposite Railway Station.

Northampton: April 25—Dawn Service; March 11 a.m.

Shenton Park: April 25—7.30 a.m., service at memorial, Onslow road.

South Fremantle: April 25—7 a.m. combined service with Cottesloe sub-branch at Cottesloe Civic Centre. Memorial Reserve 29—7.30 p.m. special Anzac Service at St. Oswald's Church.

South Perth: April 25—7.30 a.m. at war memorial, corner Loutherboore-road and Angelo-street.

Victoria Park: April 25—8.15 p.m. assembly at R.S.L. Servicemen's Memorial, Fremantle, and open air weather permitting.

West-Leederville-Wembley: FLOREAT: April 29—2.30 p.m. at Leederville Town Hall. At 11 a.m. at memorial a plaque honouring former district residents who lost their lives in the Middle East campaign will be unveiled.

Wangara: April 29—2.30 p.m. wreath-laying at flagpole; march to hall for service at 3 p.m. afternoon tea to follow.

CHURCH SERVICES

(Sunday, April 29)

Suburban Congregational Church, at 7.30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, at 11 a.m.

St. George's Cathedral, at 11 a.m.

SCHOOL SERVICES

Tuft Hill High—April 26 at 11 a.m.

Transport For Dawn Service

The Metropolitan Transport Trust has advised that bus arrangements for the Dawn Service are as follows:

Ex-Fremantle: 5 a.m., via Striling-highway and Holly- wood road, and via Canning highway.

Ex-Victoria Park: 5 a.m., via Albany-highway, Hay and Havelock streets.

Ex-Englewood: 5 a.m., via Beaufort, Hay and Havelock streets.

Passengers will disembark and reembark at a point near the Edith Cowan Memorial. Normal holiday services will be operating throughout the day.

No History This Month

Because of pressure of space in this issue, the usual instalment of Mr. J. R. Duncan's history of the Act has been deferred for a month.

Procedure In Operation Reconnoitare

The plan for phase 2 of the 1962 metropolitan campaign—to be called "Operation Reconnoitare"—will commence on April 16 and is as follows:

(1) The State Executive through its Membership Development Committee, to arrange much publicity as possible.

(2) The sub-branch to arrange for members to participate in a house-to-house canvass. Each member will be supplied with special interim receipt books and cards describing the League's current activities.

(3) The object of the plan is to make new members as possible and to regain former members.

(4) Posters to be supplied or distributed in each sub-branch area before the event, and a special card to be left in cases where the person called on is not at home.

(5) The committee to endeavour to use every modern approach, and all sub-branches are asked to cooperate in this organised drive for members.

Hospital visiting

The League's Corps of Hospital Visitors is in urgent need of more members.

This phase of League work is fully deserving of support, and membership is greatly sought after among retired men who are prepared to devote a portion of their time to attending the needs of less fortunate comrades.
LEST WE FORGET

AS YOU read this it is clear that you have not forgotten, for by your League membership you are enabling the League to carry on the tradition of service born in the days of war.

YOU MAKE known to the world your preparedness to assist by the very badge you wear with pride in the lapel of your coat.

TO ASSIST the League to go on increasing its strength every able member is expected to take part in “Operation Reconnoitre,” a door-knock campaign with a difference.

THE W.A. branch of the Returned Servicemen’s League has planned the biggest drive in its history to seek new members and bring back to its ranks those men and women who have allowed their membership to lapse. The difference with this door-knock is, basically, that the League wants to give rather than receive.

THE 16,000-odd members scattered all over the State, knowing the benefits of R.S.L. membership, will go out in force as from April 16 in an all-out effort to enlist every eligible man and woman and thus substantially increase the present strength of the R.S.L. to its maximum potential to enable it to give even greater service to those who need it.

IN KEEPING with the R.S.L. motto—“The price of liberty is eternal vigilance”—it is hoped that the League’s efforts will meet with success even though it may not be possible for all to take an active interest.

AS SIMPSON with his donkey helped his mates on Gallipoli so the R.S.L. maintains its tradition of service to all, especially ex-service men and women and their dependants.

THE LEAGUE confidently expects a substantial rise in membership as the result of “Operation Reconnoitre” commencing on April 16.

Service For Veterans

The second annual Anzac Eve Sunset Service will be held at the War Veterans’ Home, Alexander-drive, Mt. Lawley, at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 24.

An invitation is extended to members of sub-branches and allied associations to attend or be represented at this act of remembrance.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, service organisations, relatives and friends who wish to pay further tribute to loved ones may place wreaths or flowers in the Plot of Remembrance.

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Gnowangerup Message

Of Gratitude

In a letter to headquarters—enclosing a donation of £2 2/-—the Gnowangerup sub-branch has expressed its gratitude for services rendered by the League’s Corps of Hospital Visitors to Gnowangerup members (and others) undergoing treatment at the Hollywood Repatriation Hospital.

Gnowangerup is not the only sub-branch to have paid tribute to the fine voluntary work of corps members.

The corps is keen to extend its work and will only too glad to accept the services of any other volunteers for the work—particularly retired persons with some time on their hands and the desire to help “those in a spot.”

Please Lend A Hand In The Street Appeal

The League, this year, holds its Annual Street Appeal on Friday, May 4.

The proceeds of the appeal, as usual, will be donated to the welfare and relief of ex-servicemen, their widows and dependants.

Collectors, young or old, are wanted urgently. Even an hour or two spent collecting will help the League to meet its obligations to mates in need.

If you can help, just fill in the coupon below and post it to Anzac House, or, if you prefer, telephone Mr. Tom Marshall at Anzac House (23-2271) and he will do all he can to meet your wishes as to where and when to collect.

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First Diggers' Cup

The Western Australian Turf Club will feature the first Diggers' Cup at the race meeting at Ascot on the afternoon of Anzac Day this year.

The race will be run over nine furlongs and will carry a prize of £500. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Charles Gairdner, will be present and will present the trophy to the winning owner after the running of the race.

A varied supporting programme has been arranged for the day, which falls between Easter Monday and the final day of the Turf Club's Easter Carnival. Special provision has been made for marchers and spectators to be served with an attractive luncheon at the course. The new Palm Court restaurant provides a cafe-style meal in attractive surroundings for those who prefer to sit down to lunch, and the cafes will also open in time for those going direct to the course.

Bars and beer gardens will open at 1 o'clock, the profits from these and the cool drinks stalls going to the fund.

Bookmakers will begin operations on the Eastern States races at 1 o'clock in enclosure and leger rings which are new since last year's Anzac Day meeting.

Army brass bands will provide music and marching exhibitions, and teams of Marching Girls representing four States will be seen in action between races. Mannequin parades will also add to the all-round entertainment of the afternoon.

The freedom of the attractive leger enclosure at Ascot provides an ideal opportunity for those who are not regular race-goers to enjoy a family outing on this special afternoon. Admission for the whole family is only 6/ (men 4/, women 2/ and children free) and the car may be driven right inside the leger trees for 1/.

Leger bookmakers also bet on Eastern States events after 1 o'clock offering win, place and concession odds and doubles.

Electronic quoins machines to operate on all local races have been installed in both enclosure and leger since last year's meeting.

All profits will go to the Anzac Day Trust.
**NORTH-WEST CORNER**

**Wyndham Accepts A Challenge**

At its first meeting this year—held over until late in February—perhaps because of the "wet" and partly because of the absence of many of the members—the Wyndham sub-branch lost no time in taking up what it considered to be a challenge from Marble Bar sub-branch secretary P. Smith.

In the January issue of "The Listening Post" Mr. Smith was reported thus: "I am a fairly broad-shouldered individual but I am getting a bit tired of carrying the whole of NORTH-WEST CORNER on them. So what about you other N.W. sub-branches coming in and helping me out?"

To take some of the load off those broad shoulders the Wyndham sub-branch forthwith set about appointing a publicity officer and two sub-committees to cope with problems. Mr. and Mrs. Gladys Steer, its only woman member, was just about the only one of the bunch to do the district justice.

Mrs. Steer now writes: "The sub-branch's P.R.O., hereby acknowledges Mr. Smith that news will be sent from this sub-branch with unfailing regularity."

The other main business of the meeting was the election of officers, which gave the following results:

President, Mr. Dudley Morris (for his fourth term at Holyoake vice-president); Ray Brawn and Douglas Slim (re-elected unanimously for his fourth year of office); treasurer, Mr. E. Dobson; auditor, Mrs. Gladys Steer.

Members are looking to a new president (Mr. Morris), secretary, Mr. Alan Laidner, and assistant secretary, Mr. Alan Pearse, to undertake the duties of the office. Another member of the new sub-branch will be participating.

View of the Wyndham War Memorial, built by R.S.L. members and completed in time for last year's Anzac Day ceremonies. This year it is hoped to have two 25-pounder guns—recently shipped from Fremantle—placed on each side of the memorial in time for the Anzac Day ceremonies, in which members of the newly-formed Kununurra sub-branch will be participating.

Stalwart Lost
To Northam

Northam sub-branch has recently lost a stalwart in the person of Jack Bristow, who, having retired some months ago from the position of instructor in mechanics at Marri Agricultural College, has now left Northam to reside in Claremont.

Jack is an ex-Imperial, having served with the Royal Engineers in the Gallipoli campaign during the 1915-18 war.

For many years he was a staunch member of the Northam sub-branch and was rarely missing a meeting.

Perhaps his most notable contribution was his devoted band led by Jack Adsett, who did a mighty job over the years to make possible the building of Northam War Memorial Hall.

Before leaving, Jack expressed his intention to join the Claremont sub-branch. There is no doubt that Northam's loss will be Claremont's gain.

**Scarborough Sub-Branch Breaks Print Barrier**

The Scarborough sub-branch has broken the print barrier so far as these columns are concerned with the following contribution about itself.

Our new President, Dick Peterson, took over the helm this year from Russ Hughes who was president for the previous two years but didn't stand for the office this year.

The secretary is Bill Devaney and the treasurer Josh Bartlett, one of the original members of the sub-branch. This year has been quite a good one as far as meetings are concerned, the average attendance being around 30.

A combined meeting with the women's auxiliary is planned for May to discuss ways and means of improving social, as well as general, activities. Russ Hughes, immediate past-president, has been an asset to the branch. To thank the women's auxiliary for a sterling year's work the men decided to give them a dinner, which they did.

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**BISCUITS**

For an understanding Service
Resume of Operation Rockingham
By "Roonek"

The day of the South African and Imperial Veterans' bus picnic to Rockingham, March 21, was well chosen. It was what an Australian poet, Victor Daley, would have called "a day of blue and gold"—the sapphire blue of river and ocean seen along either side of the route throughout the trek, and the gold of mellow autumn sunshine.

The veterans and their ladies assembled and boarded a special bus at Anzac House at 10:30 a.m. Camera shots of a very happy gathering which appeared on television that night were taken at the starting point, and the trip continued with commendable punctuality. The arrangements for the day had been well planned by a member of the association, Mr. Jim Keightley, who gave an instructive and often humorous commentary, pointing out objects of interest seen on the outward and the return journey.

The first halt was made at Kwinana where the visitors were welcomed and taken charge of by the broken Hill Proprietors' public relations officer, Mr. D. C. Rowe. He showed the visitors round the extensive works and gave the party an opportunity to see steel-rolling in process.

After due thanks had been returned Mr. Keightley conveyed the information that the South African War had lasted for two years and eight months, and that during that long and arduous conflict not a single pint of petrol had been used. At Rockingham the party had lunch at the Trocadero tea-rooms, where the visitors were welcomed by Mr. J. M. Jillings, Rockingham Shire Council president Powell.

The return trip was made through the beautiful township of Medina, where the passengers were entertained by the lovely lawns and the well-laid-out streets. Medina is a standing tribute to what the B.I.P. has achieved in bringing work to and stimulating the development of that part of the State.

The enjoyment of the outing was enhanced through the musical delight everyone. It was provided by Mrs. Glass, one of the association president, with a melodion. Mrs. Glass played the old songs that were popular at the time of the South African War and during the years that followed. Everybody joined in, and the singing was led in a spirited manner by Mrs. M. Hall of North Beach.

The items rendered were very happy reminders of the days when songs sounded like music and the words meant something. The grateful thanks of members are due to these ladies for their contributions to the enjoyment of a wonderful day.

The outing was an exhilarating experience of which the lingering charm must always be faced up to. The routine of this workaday world. The memory of the day will long remain in the minds of those who had the fortune to be able to make the trip.

Air Of Enthusiasm At Upper Swan Meeting

With one or two new members and several old ones gathered back into the fold there was an air of enthusiasm at this year's annual general meeting of the Upper Swan sub-branch which promises well for the year ahead.

The attendance of members was the biggest the sub-branch had at any meeting for a number of years. After four years of faithful service, during which he piloted the sub-branch through a very difficult period, Keith Symes was granted a well-earned spell and now reigns in celestial ease as vice-president. Under Keith's direction the sub-branch has become, if possible, more closely knit than ever.

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Ex-servicewomen Are Proud Of Their Veterans’ Home Wing

In the Clifton wing of the War Veterans’ Home, catering for former servicemen and nurses, members could justifiably feel proud, Miss M. Laing said in her annual report for the year ended on January 31 to the Ex-servicewomen’s sub-branch.

Miss Laing paid tribute to the excellent work of Mrs. Piggot and her furnishing committee in making the lounge-room of the wing so attractive and inviting.

Much had been achieved for women at the time by working in collaboration with the Returned Sisters’ sub-branch. Miss Laing said.

The senior vice-president and secretary of the Clifton Wing “At Home” at Christmas and had voted it a most happy and pleasant occasion.

While the sub-branch could not provide for the residents of the home, it was continuing to work for the comfort and wellbeing of the residents.

On Anzac Day a wreath laying was held at the Dawesville Service and 26 members had marched in the parade. Later that day, the sub-branch entertained about 200 ex-servicemen and luncheon had been attended by the presence of Lord Mayor and Lady Howard, the State President and State Secretary of the R.S.L. and members of the New Zealand and delegation.

Several members had attended the opening of Congress at which the sub-branch had been admirably represented for the second successive year by Mrs. John Lloyd. The sub-branch motion for bringing returned ex-servicemen respondents within the ambit of the War Service Homes scheme had been adopted and members would continue to press for the acceptance of this principle by the Government.

The sub-branch had continued to supply and serve supper to the Blinded Ex-Servicemen at their monthly meetings—bears which there was never any lack of volunteers. It had also catered for and served afternoon teas at their conferences.

The sub-branch had equipped themselves for any civil defence emergency that might arise six members had attended the July course of lectures at Anzac House, and seven the

Two members had attended the dedication ceremony of the new section of the War Graves Cemetery at Karra-Katta where a commemorative plaque was unveiled.

The stall held at the Hollywood Hospital last September had yielded £201 for the sub-branch amelioration fund.

On Poppy Day 350 poppies had been sold by the sub-branch, raising the sum of £8.25. Members had made personal contributions to the War Veterans’ Home fund amounting to £1.45 and throughout the year donations were made to the Red Cross Appeal, the Slow Learning Children’s appeal and the British Legion’s Scholarship appeal. Christmass gifts were made to inmates and assistance given during the year to those in need.

Miss Laing said that many of the 53 members were unable to attend meetings regularly and that the average attendance was 20, on an average of 8.4.

Much had been achieved and much remained to be done.

She concluded by thanking the other office-bearers for their assistance and cooperation.

Improved Attendances At Victoria Park

Attendances at meetings of the Victoria Park sub-branch have improved of late and the executive officers are delighted to see some of the older members back again. Interest in sub-branch matters has sharpened considerably.

A hall committee has been formed to delve into all aspects of improvements likely to increase hall bookings and generally smarten things up.

In a short time considerable success has been achieved. Busy-hens have been called for such lots as re-paving the hall floor. Another will be held shortly to provide incineration.

Subscriptions not yet paid should be handed to the secretary without delay. The Mr. G. Ched, 107 Raleigh Street, Carlisle. It is hoped to start the evening course in the Victoria Park area soon. Films and lecture for members and local organisations will be held about mid-June and, if the response is good series of lectures will follow.

The local sporting season starts in May with Victoria Park and Millen fielding separate teams this year.
Appointments To Land Board Questioned

There have been strong complaints from the country as to two recent appointments within the War Service Land Settlement Board, the State Executive was told at its meeting last month.

Mr. M. Williams, Country Vice-President for the northern region, said the board had received a number of nominations for the offices of deputy-chairman. Some of the nominees were very outstanding ex-servicemen, but the position had been filled by the appointment of a non-ex-serviceman.

Mr. Williams said he thought the League should investigate the circumstances of that appointment and take what steps it could to ensure that in future such appointments should take cognizance of ex-servicemen.

He would like the board, if possible, to consist entirely of ex-servicemen.

The State President said there had been complaints that neither the chairman nor deputy-chairman of the board were ex-servicemen. The meeting directed the Land Committee to make appropriate investigations and present a suitable case to Lands Minister Nalder.

The chairman of the board; Mr. J. M. Clayton, received his appointment in January following the resignation of Mr. A. R. Barret. About a month later Benger farmer W. J. Clarke was appointed deputy-chairman.

Australia-wide P.O.W.
"Date" Planned

The Tasmanian State branch of the League wishes to obtain the names and addresses of secretaries of West Australian units associations "whose members consist of former P.O.W.'s."

The information is sought in connection with a proposed "Australia-wide reunion of former Japanese P.O.W.'s to be held in Hobart towards the end of February, 1963.

Film Inspires

An inspiring colour-film on the War Veterans' Home in Perth was shown at a recent R.S.L. reunion at Geraldton.

After the film members subscribed more than £11 to the home.

Both women and men are accommodated at the home and the demand has been such that a new block for 30 extra male residents is to be built.

Sub-branches in the Geraldton region have contributed liberally to the home, and the Geraldton sub-branch has furnished one of the rooms.

Bowling Green Tried Out

Residents at the War Veterans' Home were joined in a social game on a recent Sunday by 40 members of the Inglewood Ladies' Bowling Club.

The ladies were the first visitors from a local club and they found the new green very much to their liking.

An appeal is made on behalf of the bowlers at the home for bowls of the following sizes: 4½-5½in, 4¾-5½in, 4½-8½in, 4½-16½in. Can any League members assist in obtaining these?
Veterans' Home Celebrates First Anniversary

March 11—the first anniversary of its opening—was a gala day at the War Veterans' Home this year and the many visitors enjoyed perfect weather in strong contrast to the trying conditions experienced exactly one year before.

A three-part programme was highlighted by the opening of the bowling green, which was formally handed over to the chairman of the board of management (Mr. E. C. Townsend, M.B.E.) by Mrs. Ames, State President of the Women's Auxiliary.

On completion of the formalities the green was immediately put to use by a number of bowls enthusiasts who arrived in full regalia, keen to test this latest amenity.

The green was in splendid condition and reflected the greatest credit upon those who had brought it to such a pitch.

Mr. Fred Chaney unveiled the Sir Ernest Lee Steere commemorative plaque. This was originally installed at Faversham House, York, but it is now affixed in a prominent position in the main lounge of the new home. The ceremony was witnessed by Mr. Ernest Lee Steere, who expressed his appreciation of the gesture to his late father.

A ship's bell, from H.M.A.S. Kurrajong, was presented by Senator George Branson on behalf of the Naval Board and accepted on behalf of the home by Mr. R. B. Marris. Music by the Western Command Band contributed greatly to the enjoyment of the afternoon.

An iced ca on a bowls motif was prepared, complete with one candle, by Mrs. Mitchell—a gesture indicative of the ready cooperation of all members of the staff.

ABOVE: Pictured here are Mrs. J. Ames and Mr. E. C. Townsend, who took the principal roles in the formal handing-over to the home of the bowling green.

BELOW (left): Mr. R. B. Marris, at right of picture, receives the ship's bell on behalf of the home from Senator Branson.

BELOW (right): Mr. F. C. Chaney, M.H.R., and Mr. Ernest Lee Steere are seen reading the inscription on the plaque in honour of the late Sir Ernest Lee Steere.
The Last Post

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WORRINGTON I. 51st Bn., Geraldton.
YULE E. 1/14th Bn., North Perth.

Kenwick News

The March meeting of the Kenwick auxiliary was well attended. Mrs. McKenna, the secretary, reported on the opening of the bowling green at the War Veterans’ Home. A visit by those who have not yet seen the home has been suggested.

The auxiliary decided to join with other auxiliaries in support of a candidate for this year’s “Crowning Glory” contest. It has been decided to apply for a raffle permit for the September fete.

On May 16 Mrs. Cooper will give a horticultural demonstration at the R.S.L. hall.

Northcliffe Has Something To Talk About

The Northcliffe sub-branch—not referred to often enough in these columns—has broken silence at last with a report on its Labour Day activity this year.

On that occasion it conducted a most successful sporting event, raising about £40 for itself in the process.

The sub-branch wishes to thank all who contributed to the success of the day, and especially its women’s auxiliary and the management of the Northcliffe Hotel.

Interest Shown In Civil Defence

Great interest was shown by about 50 people who heard two lectures on civil defence in the Keimacott shire hall on March 23. The talks were arranged by the local R.S.L. sub-branch.

The speakers were Mr. V. C. Rowe, of the Red Cross Auxiliary, and R.S.L. State President Lonnie.

The talks were followed by the film “A Tale of Two Cities” and “Disaster.” In attendance as representatives of the Armadale-Kemacott Shire Council were the president and three councillors.

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Another Diggers' Day Held At Mandurah

To passers-by who inquired what was going on when three bus-loads of happy people drew up at the R.S.L. Hall, Mandurah, one Sunday recently the answer was: "The Annual Diggers' Day,"

This is the day when the North-East Freemantle branch of the R.S.L. Women's Auxiliary combines with Mandurah branch to entertain Diggers from the various homes to a "day out" at Mandurah. The North-East branch arranges the transport and Mandurah does the rest.

Mandurah branch president Mrs. Sherlock welcomed the guests on arrival and a round of cooling drinks was served. A sumptuous luncheon followed at which the Mandurah branch president Mrs. Eristowe, Mandurah R.S.I. president Price and representatives of the various homes.

A programme of items complying with the theme was arranged for the afternoon's entertainment and time was enjoyed by all.

During the afternoon Sir Ross Lett and "the Digger's Friend," spoke to the guests. He said it should be satisfying for those who served in the cause of liberty and peace to know that their efforts and sacrifices had not been forgotten, as was demonstrated by the function they were attending. The branch congratulated both branches on the work they are doing.

Several of the old "regulars" were missing, having answered the "Last Roll Call."

"The thanks of the organizers go to Messrs. May and Digby, Mr. and Mrs. R. Davies and Mr. Joe Simmons for entertaining items, and to the musicians, Messrs. Messers, Osten and Davies and Mrs. Marshall as compères. The marathon job done by the members in the kitchen and members of the sub-branch.

Cool drinks and cigarettes were handed around several times, and a dainty afternoon-tea was served, after which the Diggers were en route for home.

Committee Man Collapses at Barbecue

To the consternation of all present, Nollamara sub-branch committee member Sydney Levy suffered a heart attack at a sub-branch barbecue on February 17.

Recent cricket fixtures of the sub-branch have included social matches with the John Barrie and Fremantle sub-branches.

An alarming encounter Nollamara only managed a first-innings score of 59 against the hotel team's 138 but batted better in the second and knocked with a score of 127 (G. Anderson, 40; R. Craig, 36).

Mt. Hawthorn, strong late in合伙人 damage Nollamara's T4 (made in even time). The Nollamara auxiliary has now challenged the men's team.

The day was held again last month.

Office-bearers for 1962 are: President, Mr. C. Anderson; vice-presidents, Messrs. T. Green and R. Tucker; secretary, Mrs. R. Zehnder; public officer, Mr. Veitch; treasurer, Mr. and Mrs. Ray; membership sec., Mr. F. Wood; committee, Messrs. G. Fletcher, D. Noach, A. Andovich, J. Williams, M. Ray and R. Creally; social secretary, Mr. T. Green.

Much-prized Member

There is no question that Major R. Phillips, OC at 6 C.A.D., Springhill is an acquisition to Northam sub-branch, which he joined recently.

On the afternoon of Anzac Day Major Phillips (Bob to his fellow members) will make available the nine-hole golf course at Springhill for a "Digger's Day" tournament. This will be conducted on the traditional Digger golf lines, with eccentric handicaps replacing the more orthodox sort.

Another activity inspired by Bob Phillips is a small-bore rifle match to be held at Springhill. This will be a three-cornered event between teams from 6 C.A.D., Northam sub-branch and Muresk Agricultural College.

An infusion of new ideas from someone in a position to complement them, as Bob Phillips is, must be invaluable to any sub-branch and the members are fully appreciative of this.

"Who's Kissing Her Now?"

The following item has been supplied by Mr. W. A. Wilkins of Perth who, on his return from World War I in H.M. transport Marathon, conducted a "newspaper of sorts." In his covering letter he says: "I should be curious to learn how the child mentioned survived Australia. Who's kissing her now?"

Extract from the Ship's Journal "The Marathonian," H.M. transport Marathon, at Sea December 1914:

"An event of considerable interest especially to the Ladies took place last Thursday at the convenient hour of 4 p.m.

It was indeed the birth of a baby girl to Private and Mrs. Tempest.

In accordance with ancient custom the child has been already named Hilda Marathon and the registration documents will be handed to the Shipping Master on arrival at Fremantle. This Officer will duly register Miss H. M. Tempest as belonging to the parish of Steepshay being such the procedure with children born at Sea.

W. A. WILKINS,

Editor The Marathonian

(Other State Branch Journals please copy.)

Shield Winner Waives Claim To Possession

By defeating Mundaring in the grand-final of the Mundaring Shield games competition last month the Chidlow team registered its third successive win, thus qualifying to retain the trophy permanently.

But because receiving the shield—from the hands of State executive member Steele Birchard and captain Ken Clemens—asked him to take it back so that the Mundaring team could proceed without the necessity for providing a new trophy.

Chidlow was warmly applauded for gaining possession of the cup and even more so for putting it back in currency.

The shield was donated by State Vice-President E. C. Townsend some years ago for competition among the Hill's sub-branches.

Unable to be present at this year's grand final Mr. Townsend is represented by Mr. Bishop.

A very good gathering for the occasion, and in the Mundaring Hall included representatives of all Hill's sub-branches.

The evening was spent by the supper, the presentation of the women's auxiliary's and committees, was more in the nature of a banquet.

Musical items were given by Mr. Dick Fields, Mr. Hett and sub-branch member John Ellis was thanked for the competent manner in which he had organised and conducted the games.

Margaret River President Is Farewellled

Rosa Brook-Rosa Glen district members joined forces with the Margaret River sub-branch recently in a farewell to Margaret River president Mr. Scruton, who has been transferred to the Kalgan branch of the R.

The gathering took place in the Margaret River Hall. Mr. Scruton was presented with a presentation box for Mr. Scruton of his sub-branch and was eulogised by Rosa Brook-president for the work he had done for the R.S.I. in the district as a whole.

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- Allenby's biographer, Wavell, has mentioned that at the beginning of the Palestine campaign men recalled an ancient prophecy to the effect that the Turks would hold Jerusalem until "a prophet of the Lord brought the waters of the Nile to Palestine." A pipeline had already been laid across the desert to the border of Palestine by Allenby's predecessor, Murray, and it was continued into Palestine under Allenby's direction. Those who recalled the old prophecy also pointed out that Allenby's name, transliterated into Arabic, was "Allah en nebi" ("the prophet of the Lord").

- During the final phase of the Palestine campaign Allenby's head-quarters were at Ludd which, according to ancient tradition, was the birthplace of England's patron saint, St. George. Allenby himself was born on St. George's Day (April 23), 1856. As mentioned in a previous issue, Oliver Cromwell, from one of whose daughters Allenby was descended, was born on April 24, which we now celebrate as Anzac Day.

- Among officers who won the D.S.O. while still lieutenants were two who were well-known in Western Australia. They were the famous Tom Todd who commanded the 10th Light Horse in Palestine, and A. J. Bessemer-Brown who was appointed the V.D.Q. in 1918 during World War II. Each was a lieutenant when he won the D.S.O. towards the end of the Second World War 1949-1952.

- In the 17th century Field Punishment No. 1 was to sit astride the wooden horse "the fool" that was wired by an acorn.

- Nursing and other women's units have long been on the establishment of the Australian Women's Auxiliary, and many of our gallant lassies were decorated for their work in the war. Among them were two of the "Jug-jockeys" kept busy.

The Long and Short at Pinelly's Reunion

Long drinks and short speeches set the pattern for the annual reunion of the Pinelly sub-branch the other night, and the "Jug-jockeys" were kept busy.

About 50 members, joined by visitors from other sub-branches, sat down to a sumptuous spread, supplied and arranged by the women's auxiliary.

The State Executive was represented by Messrs. R. H. Rutter, Neil Davidson and J. Mendrick. Under the leadership of sub-branch president Len Shadrick the proceedings got under way at about 8.15 with the Loyal Toast followed by a silent toast to fallen comrades.

During the night and long into the small hours, most of the members of the sub-branch collected entrance fees and annual subscriptions. Talks by executive members on ex-service matters were well received, and Mr. Davidson gave pleasant memories of Mr. Charles Robinson who was presented with the League's Certificate of Service by country Vice-President Ray Messenger.

Responding to a toast to the ladies—proposed with ardour by Mr. George Evelyn—two of the auxiliary president, Mrs. Messenger, said they had received more practical help for their work in three minutes than they did at home in 12 months. After the toasts were concluded (or were they condensed?) the evening followed the lines of all reunions, everyone trying to out-talk the next man. The Navy-Army or Air Force is still unsettled.
Northampton Members Told Of Good Work

At a recent special meeting of the Northampton sub-branch State President Lonnie told members of the progress made by the League during the last few years in its work for ex-service men and women and their dependants.

Among the points raised by Mr. Lonnie was the big improvement in war widows' pensions, especially for those with dependent children.

Another major step forward was the fact that the War Veterans' Home and memorial in which the sub-branch is now eligible for treatment at reparation hospitals and vice-pensioners also were now able to gain admission to these hospitals.

Of more general value was the increase in the maximum loan for War Service Homes to £3,000.

Mr. Lonnie was accompanied on his visit by State Assistant-Secretary G. Sher- rington and sub-branch President M. Williams.

Also in the official party were State Assistant-Secretary R. A. Magee and secretary R. Charlton.

The decision that a meeting would be held at short notice, sixteen members being present.

Mr. Williams spoke of the War Veterans' Home and memorial, which was intended to build another wing soon to accommodate thirty more residents.

The cost of the new building would be £30,000, which meant that all residents must face the responsibility of supporting the home.

The need to continue the membership drive was the subject of an address by Mr. Sherrington.

There were 230 sub-branches in Western Australia now, he pointed out, but at least 8,000 veterans in this State eligible for membership had not joined.

At the conclusion of the meeting members of the official party were guests of Northampton Shire President A. C. Hevily at dinner before they left for Narrabull.

Trophy For Smaller Branches

At last year's State Congress Geraldton sub-branch President Andy McDonald presented his sub-branch with a trophy to donate an efficiency trophy for competition among smaller country sub-branches.

The plan was brought to fruition at last month's State Executive meeting when Northern Region Commander W. Williams handed over the trophy - the Geraldton Shield - to the State President.

Speaking on behalf of the sub-branch Mr. Williams said it was intended that the trophy should be competed for by sub-branches with less than 100 members.

The Geraldton sub-branch had won the Collett/efficiency trophy for the last four years running, and felt that an award specifically for the number of weaker sub-branches must help to stimulate their keenness.

The receiving Mr. Williams for the trophy the State President said: "It is inspiring to see this concrete interest in the smaller sub-branches. I am sure Geraldton will receive the good wishes of everyone in appreciation of this very fine gesture."

An Innovation At Geraldton

The non-denominational Anzac Day observance at Geraldton, which has grown in leaps and bounds since being introduced five years ago, was held again with Mayor Eadon Clarke taking the salute from the dias, in front of the Anglican Cathedral.

It is believed this will be the first time there has been a mass partake during the Anzac Day observance at Geraldton.

Schools, as well as the Scouts, Girl Guides and other youth groups, have been invited to take part in the march for which the assembly has been listed at 11 a.m.

The procession will feature the new brass band, the C.F.M. unit and school cadets.

Another innovation will be a R.S.L. colour-party which will carry the R.S.L. and national flags.

A civic commemoration which is being held jointly by the R.S.L. and the Geraldton Council will also be held at Birdwood House where various organisations will lay wreaths.

A dawn commemoration will be held earlier in the day before the official partake of others assembling at 5 a.m. and marching to Birdwood House as well as the war memorials.

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Table Tennis Challenge At Rivervale

At the May meeting of the Rivervale sub-branch an I.S.A.S. table tennis team will endeavour to wipe the floor with R.S.L. players.

Members who fancy themselves at the game will be invited to present to uphold the sub-branch laurels.

On Monday night, complete rifle shoot will take place at the Victoria Park hall.

Recent sub-branch events were the annual meeting and presentation of prizes for the Twentywells social (April 6) and cricket match with the auxiliary (April 1).

Opening Of Hall At Mingenew

An R.S.L. memorial hall was opened at Mingenew on 4 April by the President Lonnie for the Mingenew auxiliary.

Congratulations on the sub-branch on a fine effort Mr. Williams said.

He said the new Mingenew hall was a tribute to the fine work of those who died and suffered for the freedom which R.S.L. members held so dear to their hearts.

A gavel was presented to sub-branch president Les Pettitt as a token of appreciation from the State Executive.

The sub-branch was formed 40 years ago.

A certificate of merit was presented to Mr. Stan Brands, who has been sub-branch secretary for the past nine years.

A feature of the new hall is its plan, which is equipped with the latest in sound equipment, and featuring a fine surround sound system.

The hall has been well received by the Mingenew Shire Council and was welcomed by the President W. C. K. Pearce.

Hall-extensions At Kojornup

To finance additions to the hall to provide rooms for the auxiliary's use the Kojornup sub-branch is to hold a series of fund-raising fixtures. These include a street-stall to be held on May 6 and two dances in the sub-branch hall on May 11 and August 23.

Donations for the street-stall will be kept and a "too shoot to obtain funds is also being considered.

The building committee and the auxiliary will submit reports to the proposed additions at the next meeting.

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UNIT ASSOCIATION NOTES

I1th and 2/11th Battalions

I1th Rec. Section
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This year's reunion of the 11th Reconnaissance Section was held on 23rd February with a very large number of members and their wives attending. The gathering was at the Railway Institute, and at the end of the evening the tone of the diners raised the roof.]

The Secretary

28th Battalion

The 1962 annual meeting, held at Anzac House, saw Tom Jackson again installed as president, while Jack McMeeking took over the job of treasurer from Jack Williams who retired through ill health. Jack was retained vice-president and Bill Reed as hon. secretary. The committee look forward to a good muster of the ladys of 14/18 on the Anzac Day parade.

Anzac Day Thoughts

By Ern. McLeod

If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders' fields.

These words of Col. John McCrae are equally applicable to the 1939-45 war as for that of 1914-18. They also speak to us, of the young men who have fallen in the service of their country while fighting for their freedoms.

It is incumbent upon us who live to grate that they have not died in vain.

Anzac Day each year gives us the opportunity, collectively and publicly to manifest our remembrance...at the Dawn Service, with our silent minutes of silence; at the laying; at the march and public service, with our witness to the public that we are united in our memories and proud to have served in units with those who have perished. Each step in the march recalls another name that was known by country men, whom we fought and whom we remember proudly. It is this excellent reason why we should march on Anzac Day. Let us hold our heads high and show the world that we do indeed remember them.

No apoligy is made for the distaste of a policy which seeks to protect the short period of Anzac Day to 1 p.m. left to us.

Old Unit Mates Remember

The widow and parents of the late ANZAC, Private A. C. Paul, will be deeply moved recently when, with Bellevue Sub-Branch President, Jack Rolfe and Mrs. Rolfe, attended a barbeque held at the Sub-Branch to pay tribute to the memory of A. C. Paul, who was a special guest of the unit members.

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The parade will be laid on behalf of the battalion at the Dawn Ceremony, and the Memorial Service will also be observed in the King's Park Honour Avenue.

The fall-in for the city parade will be near Anzac House as usual.

The Committee invites all members and their wives to the association gathering in the Railway Institute building, Wellington-street, after the parade. There refreshments are provided. In past years no formal little get-togethers have proved most enjoyable.


A letter from Mr. C. Williams concerning the collection of 10/- patch badges will be dealt with at the next meeting.

Remember, by the request of the R.A.A.F., we are equally alive to the fact that the last five Anzac Days have been disturbed through Easter, and that the R.A.A.F. desires that Anzac Day should be our Anzac Day.

This day must not be allowed to be just another bank holiday. All members should come down to the Railway Institute, and cooperate with the committee in remembering the sacrifices.

Our memory is too short, and a visit to Hollywood, Ch. L. Lombard, Edith Way, etc., would only remind us that thousands of men and women still suffer in the area, and must be aided by their country. Surely those few hours one Anzac Day should be given to them and those already passed on.

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Scrap-drive Finances

Painting of the interior, exterior and roof of the R.S.I. Institute at Narrogin last year was largely financed by a scrap-metal drive suggested and organised by Leaguer stalwart Ted Turner.

This was reported at the annual general meeting at the Narrogin sub-branch by President H. T. Digweed. The sub-branch raised a sum of £317/15/6 and the contribution to the Institute was probably the largest of any sub-branch's greatest practical achievement for 1961, Mr. Digweed said. As well £158/10/0 from the general fund had been spent on renovation of the Institute.

The total draw on the account for the year amounted to £919/15/6 and included a 500 bob debarment repayment, a donation of £20 to the R.S.I. Veterans' Home, and an expenditure of £31 on a set of carpet bowls. The sub-branch collaborators in the field of stock was 'very good, with two or three enterprisers who were doing a good job. "We had two calves out grizzling on the properties of several members, who were to be thanked for their continued assistance. Membership had dropped by eight but attendances at meetings had been a shade brighter.

There had been the usual run of entertainments, with guest appearances, especially of men's auxiliary, Apex, the local fire brigade and the state welfare donors. There had been the annual picnic and the Christmas party had been as successful as usual.

The change in the form of observance of Anzac Day had worked out well. The T.Q. Car Club had generous assistance by way of a fashion show for the sub-branch. Mr. Digweed said he was pleased to announce that the success of a war-service farmers assessment appeal had been extraordinarily strong in the support of the sub-branch.

He referred with deep regret to the passing of "Bob" Joss, former secretary Wally Nimmick. The Future Of Australia

In his Australia Day press release on the morning of the 26th the National President said:

"In uncertain times the commemoration of Australia Day assumes a new and more urgent significance. It is vital that a strong and free nation now be developed in the coming generations of Australians.

Others similarly have reminded us of the courage, the sacrifices and the strength that country the virile young nation is today. It is equal and americable to reflect on the greatness of our future—a greatness that can only be fully achieved by our united devotion to the tasks that lie ahead. "Population is the key to the development, the defence and the very future of Australia."

Anzac Day Sports

At Carnamah

Prize-money, totalling £450, is being provided for Anzac Day sports meeting to be conducted by the Carnamah, Three Springs, Arding and Exehba sub-branches this year at Carnamah. Fireworks for the main event—the Carnamah Shelfie Open Sports had been advertised—was £15 (entrance fee £1/1/1/1). The 75yd. open sprint and the 880yd. open each carry a first prize of £20 (entrance fees 10/6). As well there is a big programme of races for children (no entrance fee for most events)

Nominations close with Mr. Cousins, P.O. Box 28, Three Springs, on April 18.

MISSING PERSON

Mrs. L. M. Gidalley, of 72 Guildford-road, Mt. Lawley, would like to know the whereabouts of VX40368 LAING D. F.

Another First-war D.S.O. Subalbter

The name of another first-war subalter has been awarded to the D.S.O.—the late Lieut. J. B. Minchin, D.S.O., M.C.—has been supplied for publication. Others similarly have been encouraged who have been rewarded in recent issues of this journal were the late Dick Cornish—Lieut. G. Shrock and Lieutenant Stanley George Burdus.

MEDALS FOUND


A Scarborough sub-branch member has found a Pacific War medal. Address can be had through the sub-branch of L. G. BOOTHY, WXS269.

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Debutantes at the Harvey R.S.L. women's auxiliary ball on Friday, May 11, will be received by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Charles Gairdner, and Lady Gairdner.

The ball is to be held at the Westbrook Hall, Harvey, with dancing from 8:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Table bookings will be accepted at Yeomans.

New Secretary For Bicton-Palmyra

A pleasant surprise for members at the March meeting of the Bicton-Palmyra sub-branch was the nomination of Mark Neyland for the secretaryship, and his acceptance of office.

Members are asked to help him in his important job by attending to the following matters:

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- Advising any change of address.
- Co-operating in sub-branch functions.
- Attendance at meetings with all the criticism in the world so long as it is constructive.

Mr. Neyland, who has attended the sub-branch for three years, has served with the 3rd Battalion in Korea and has remained in the Army. He and Mrs. Neyland have three daughters and live in First Street, Bicton.

JOB WELL DONE
Retiring from the secretaryship after five years' service, Mr. Ross Clark was guest of honour at a sub-branch function recently.

Mr. Clark was presented with an inscribed wallet containing some folding money and thanked for his valued services by President Tudor Lee and State President Lonnie DOBBIN.

April 15 was selected as 'doorknock' date for the sub-branch's 1962 membership drive.

The other main fixtures for the remainder of this month are: faction games night (24th), Anzac Day parade, reception for the Edinburgh and the Diggers' Cup race meeting at Ascot (25th), and the clash with the N.E. Fremantle in the shield tussle (26th).

The seedy match in this year's Theo Brennan Shield competition was against Hamilton Hill Bicton-Palmyra, although defeated by Hamilton Hill in the grand final last year, won this time with a score of 4-1.

Prominent players for the winners were K. Roe, W. and D. Shearer, and for the losers C. Cross and L. Greaves.

The quots saw a close tussle, as did the darts, and the standard of play, particularly in the quots, was very high.

Mr. P. J. Fandy and Padre T. Burt have joined the sub-branch.

Brunswick Receives A Boost

A "boost to declining interest" is reported from the Brunswick Franchise in favour of the sub-branch. The boost was effected by State President Lonnie and State Vice-President Townshend and assistant-secretary George Sherring.

Mr. Lonnie urged members to restore enthusiasm and interest in local sub-branches via the League and the League in general.

He spoke on several important league matters, including the War Veterans' Home, service pensions and assistance to returned servicemen.

Mr. Lonnie was not in favour of quarterly meetings, and it was suggested that a monthly meeting might be held in the future.

New Small Sub-branch Is Out To Do Good

Formed about a year ago the S.E.C. sub-branch now has about 30 members and has been encountering some difficulty in its endeavours to increase that number.

This was said at last month's meeting of the sub-branch, which was held at the States Executive by its secretary, Mr. D. Rubbery, who was present by invitation.

Mr. Rubbery said there were numerous other ex-service clubs in South-West, but with the S.E.C. but that most of them belonged to other sub-branches.

The S.E.C. sub-branch held its meeting in rooms adjacent to the Anzac Club. The secretary and assistant-secretary C. Townshend said the R.S.L. Veterans' Home was deeply appreciated by the members of S.E.C. and has done for it.

As an instance of that service, the sub-branch had held a Christmas gathering and expressed the spirit of the season for resident soldiers successfully by installing extensive illuminations at the home with considerable success.

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