Goodwill and Peace underlined in Naval Visit

Of the many receptions accorded to visitors at Anzac House none gave greater pleasure than those tending to cement the bonds between kith and kin, State President Lonnie said when welcoming a party of officers and men from the visiting British fleet on September 4.

The party included the flag officer, British aircraft-carriers, Rear-Admiral H. R. B. Janvrin, and the commanding officer of the Victorious, Captain P. H. Compton.

The renewing and strengthening of the ties was always worthwhile, Mr. Lonnie said.

Australia was slowly and surely finding her feet as a nation, nevertheless it was wonderful to have in the background the strong and vital traditional attachments.

UNSHAKEN

Great Britain might not be the greatest Power any longer yet the belief that there would always be an England could not be shaken.

Responding, the admiral said the hospitality both to the officers and men of the fleet had been overwhelming.

Much had been done officially and otherwise but not the least pleasant had been the great goodwill shown by the general public. People had been constantly ringing up the ships to offer hospitality, and motorists had been hailing sailors in the city and offering to take them home.

“I want, on behalf of all of us, to thank you very much for all you have done for us,” he said. “Our only regret is that we are not staying longer.”

The services throughout the Commonwealth were like a huge club; a number of the members had served together in war—and some in two wars—and now continued to serve together in peace.

That, he considered, was one of the most important things today—the preservation of the close, comradeship engendered throughout the Services.

People sometimes wondered what the place of the Services was in the modern world when, by pushing a button, a large hunk of ironware could be sent thousands of miles through the ether and landed right on the required area.

Rear-Admiral Janvrin said he had been asked, during the visit, the reason for it. Why have these large and expensive pieces of machinery that would never be used?”

His reply was that if the costly hardware were never used the Services would be doing its business. Its motto could well be that of the United States air command: “Peace is our responsibility.”

That idea was one of the best expressions of what the Services were doing—trying to maintain peace.

At the conclusion of his address the admiral presented the League with a framed photograph of H.M.S. Victorious and replicas of the insignia of the ships of the fleet (see pictures, Page 9).
Accord Seen In Views On Asian Migration

The policy of the R.S.L. and that of the Commonwealth Government on the question of migration of Asians into Australia were in complete accord, Immigration Minister Opperman told the League recently.

He was commenting on a resolution at last year's National Congress in the following terms: "That the R.S.L. continue to strongly oppose any move to bring into Australia any mass migration of any race." The Minister said:

"I am pleased to have this evidence of support by the League for the established immigration policy. I note with particular satisfaction that the terms of the resolution are in so complete accord with the Government's views.

"In recent years there has been a growing awareness, politically, socially and economically, between Australia and nearby Asian countries. The administration of the policy currently takes account of this.

"Nevertheless, there has been no departure from the basic principles of the policy, and its primary objective, which is to maintain the predominantly homogeneous character of the Australian population, will be preserved.

"The Minister then outlined in brief form the manner in which the policy is at present being administered and confirmed the Government's intention to adhere to its basic principles.

"By maintaining a predominantly homogeneous population, he said it was hoped to avoid difficulties and economic problems.

"It was fundamental to the policy that those living in Australia for permanent residence should be capable, both economically and socially, of ready integration into the community. Consequently, preference in admission was being given to persons of European origin.

"Australia was not alone in seeking general homogeneity as a matter of prudence, as a basis of economic, social and cultural integration. It was the right and duty of every nation to determine its own demographic composition.

"The Australian practice was not one of the total exclusion of persons of other-than-European origin. The immigration laws governing residence in Australia permitted the Minister to exercise a discretion.

"The policy so administered took into account the qualifications of persons wishing to settle here and the merits of the case including considerations of a humanitarian nature and broad international interests.

Club To Have Lounge For Members

A Club Committee proposal for providing a lounge for the use of members at the Anzac Club was agreed to by the State Executive this month.

The proposal involved the disposal of one of the two billiard tables—the lower table—and the partition wall of the area of the billiard room.

The innovation is designed to provide facilities for those who wish to sit quietly for a while. The executive was told that there had been no great demand for use of the tables recently, although there was now no charge for this. It is proposed to furnish the new lounge comfortably.

Purpose Of Poppy Day

The purpose of Poppy Day should be to raise the maximum amount of money for the welfare and relief work undertaken by the League, State President Longie said at this month's executive meeting.

"In whatever is decided let that thought be kept in the forefront," he urged.

He was looking during consideration of an agenda for a metropolitian presidents and secretaries meeting, to be held at Anzac House on September 29.

The meeting will deal largely with plans for Poppy Day.
State President On U.S.S. Enterprise

With the V.I.P. party flown from Perth on a visit to U.S.S. Enterprise—the world's mightiest warship—on August 31 was State President Lonnie.

Recalling the experience at the executive meeting two days later Mr Lonnie said: "To say that one was most impressed by the demonstration of fire-power is putting it mildly."

The nuclear-powered carrier, with its 41-acre flight deck, was astonishing, he said. It could sail several times around the world without refuelling.

It had been said that the Queen Mary and the Queen Elizabeth would have room to stand side by side on the flight deck.

The ship had now been eight months at sea and after returning to base would be capable of again circling the globe without putting in anywhere.

She was bristling with new ideas.

Of the demonstration of fire-power Mr Lonnie said: "The Sidewinder missile is simply astonishing. You could see it in its headlong course corresponding instantly to every movement of the flare-target and finally striking dead-centre every time, and no mistake.

The acrobatics had been magnificent. Phantom interceptors had flown at 1,200 m.p.h., and being supersonic could not be heard—until they broke the sound-barrier and then the noise had been terrific.

The Premier, Mr Brand, had received a 19-gun salute.

There was an internal television aboard and pilots could watch playbacks of their landing performances.

The briefing-rooms were manned day and night.

The 41 aircraft in the exercise were seen leaving the ship three at a time on occasion.

There had been a demonstration of rescue by helicopter.

The cost of the ship had been put at £273,000,000.

BELOW: The huge flight deck of the mighty U.S.S. Enterprise.
Thoughts On The League In Its World Setting

In his annual report to Congress this year the State President dealt at some length with the achievements and aims of the League as a whole.

At national level, he said, much had been achieved. The new headquarters at Canberra had been opened by the Governor-General in August, 1963. It was a splendid building and financially sound.

A consolidated programme of State Congress resolutions on housing matters had been submitted by delegation to Federal Cabinet.

The main points covered were war-service homes for single and widowed ex-service-women, and for C.M.F. personnel in Darwin during the operational period; also an increase in loans from $3,500 to $4,500, with reduction in deposits would be in.

The capital expenditure by the War Service Homes Division to date was $900,000 and 232,000 homes had been provided.

In the Voyager Appeal $40,000 had been raised by the R.S.L. throughout Australia ($40,000 in W.A).

The Port Said Memorial project at Albany was now in final phase.

The casting of the statue had been completed and the barge and surroundings were in readiness.

Splendid co-operation had continued between the R.S.L. and the Repatriation Department.

The Pensions Plan for the year had again been approved by delegation to the Prime Minister.

At 257,209 the Australian membership figure was at its highest level since 1952.

ABROAD

The most disquieting developments during the year had been the expansion of both Chinese and Soviet Communism.

The situation in Vietnam continued to be explosive.

In Burma, Thailand, Cambodia and Laos the clouds were darkening.

To the north Dr Sukarno's policy of confrontation continued to prevent dangers to Australia.

Fortunately, and at last, Australian Government had dug its sword in and said there would be no further appeasement.

That was in keeping with R.S.L. thinking.

The abrupt handing-over of West New Guinea to the Indonesians was one of the worst follies.

In Indonesia the Communist Party was a growing force. At the last election, (1955) 2,000,000 communist votes were recorded. The membership of the party was said to have grown to 8,000,000.

Sixty-one seats in the Indonesian Parliament were held by Communists and the Governors of six States are avowed Communists.

DEFENCE

The R.S.L. National Defence Committee had continued its representations to build up the strength of the services. Here again it is generally agreed its advocacy of these matters had been a factor in conditioning the Australian public to the need for greater defences.

The role of the armed forces was four-fold:

1. Australia was pledged under the Seato Treaty to give assistance to Pakistan, Thailand, South Vietnam, Philippines and New Zealand, should they be attacked.

2. Under the Anzus Pact with the United States of America and New Zealand, could be committed to joint action in South-East Asia.

3. We were committed to the defence of Papua-New Guinea.

4. The Prime Minister had made it clear that Australia would support Malaysia against aggression.

Against that background the League continued to seek an even greater build-up in strength.

A number of the submissions made by the League had been accepted.

It was regretted that submissions in respect to national training had not yet been accepted.

In the League's view the system of voluntary recruitment would be successful at present.

In two polls on the question of national service for Australia's youth the public has supported the recommendation.

In 1962 67 per cent of the people favoured a two-year full-time military training period for all young men; this figure had risen to 69 per cent in a second poll in August of 1963.

The R.S.L. would continue its efforts to have service units located in Western Australia.

Dinner At Manjimup

The Manjimup sub-branch will hold its annual reunion dinner on Saturday, September 26, at 7.30 p.m.

Miss Pat Morrow, the Sub-branch president, has appealed for this year's Miss Crowning Glory contest, and her chaperon, will be among the guests.

Mr. J. McBeatty has been put in charge of all arrangements for raising money for the Miss Crowning Glory entrant.

Sub-branch president, M. Dunn, has appealed to all ex-service men in the Manjimup district to attend the dinner.

Mr. Dunn also used his influence to boost attendance at the civil defence and emergency services meeting held in the Manjimup Shire Hall on September 7.
A Newer Look For Service Careers

The Government's decision to grant substantial increases in army pay and allowances, to accelerate housing programmes for married servicemen and grant tax concessions for members of the Citizen Military Forces would be welcomed by soldier and citizen alike, Army Minister Dr. A. J. Forbes said recently.

He was commenting on the announcement by Defence Minister Shane Fallridge that the Government had approved new pay-rates, conditions of service and other concessions for members of the defence forces.

Dr. Forbes considered that the changes which followed detailed consideration of their claims by the Services would indicate the realistic attitude of the Government to the major problems facing the nation in building an efficient and adequate defence organization.

The substantial rises in pay, considered together with other advantages that would accrue from the Government's decision, would make service life more attractive to both officers and other ranks and serve as an added incentive to young men to join the Army, he said.

The improvements should dispel the previous impression that servicemen were at a disadvantage when their rates of pay and allowances, and conditions of service, were compared with those in civil life.

An immediate effect of the decisions should become evident in more satisfactory recruiting figures and an improvement in the re-engagement rate.

The increases in officers' pay took cognizance of the conditions peculiar to service life and of the professional status of officers, and should produce a highly attractive career.

The weekly increase of £2 12s. 13d. for unmarried soldiers and £3 2s. 6d. for married soldiers, which included the recent basic wage, together with the prospect of elimination housing improvements, would considerably improve the lot of other ranks and prove a decided incentive to recruiting.

Incidentally the increase in "hard-lying money" would be applicable to eligible Army as well as Navy personnel.

The tax-free concession of increased earnings granted to members of the Citizen Military Forces would be universally endorsed.

The decision to grant that concession, together with the increases in rate of pay on a similar scale to those applicable to the regular forces, was an indication of the great importance placed on the role of the C.M.F. in its contribution to the nation's defence preparedness.

The overall effect of the decision would greatly stimulate the morale of all ranks serving in the Army, establish service life as an attractive and remunerative career and enhance the prestige of servicemen within the civil community.

Finance For Pilgrimage

Following is the text of a communication from National, Secretary A. G. W. Keys at Canberra:

A letter has been received at this headquarters from the Coptic Credit Corporation Limited, advising that a scheme for "Travel Now, Pay Later" is available from this finance organization to assist individuals who desire to take part in the Gallipoli Pilgrimage.

I assume the same service is also available from other finance companies.

I draw your attention to this fact because it is possible that some of your members may wish to avail themselves of this service.

Operation Handshake

Operation Handshake has been a great success. The proverbial hospitality of Western Australian people was proved again during the Royal Naval visit early in the month.

The crew of His Majesty's Ship Victory, Cavendish, Caesar and Tidespring were entertained all over the metropolitan area.

The League played a prominent part with its Operation Handshake, which commenced with honorary membership of the Anzac Club, a dance given by the Anzac Across sub-branch on Thursday night, a State Executive reception to Rear-Admiral Janvrin and about 30 of his officers, a barbecue and social given by the Riverina sub-branch to 100 of the sailors on the Friday night and a club social for a further 50 on the Saturday night with the Bellevue Returned Servicemen's Club and Bellevue R.S.L. as hosts.

On the Sunday the Riverina, Millen and Rivervale sub-branches, organized a picnic barbecue in the hills and a cavalcade of cars transported many British seamen to Jarrahdale and other beauty spots.

Holder For Hobart

Mr. H. G. Holder will be co-delegate with State President Lonnie for Western Australia at this year's National Congress of the League. The Congress will be held at Hobart late next month.

Mr. Holder was selected by ballot from six nominees at this month's State Executive meeting. State Country Vice-President Dr. H. Hanrahan was named as emergency.

Mr. Holder last served as State delegate to National Congress about seven years ago.

VISITOR: Mr. T. Yanner (ex-12th Battalion, 1st A.I.F., A. and E. Coyts) is on a six-month visit to W.A. and would like to contact any ex-12th mates. His address is 45 Wichmann-street, Attadale.
Marble Bar Again

A slightly protracted (and somewhat unusual) silence from the Marble Bar quarter has been broken at last by the following interesting report from local R.S.L. secretary Mrs. P. Smith.

Though with clear conscience we cannot state that we have done a lot of hard work recently, we feel that if Marble Bar did not come up with something to refute any suspicions that "North-West Corner" is getting into a decline it would not be doing all it should do.

While we were unable to send a representative from here to the 48th State Congress which is reasonably represented by Country Vice-President Dr. H. Hanrahan, who is doing a mighty job by looking after the interests of several northern sub-branches, we are indeed indebted to Dr. Hanrahan.

Though, as I have mentioned before, we have not done a great deal as a Sub-Branch recently, individually a number of us have been busy with different community affairs. Since last writing to "The Listening Post" (quite some time ago) one of our members, Mr. F. Welsh, has been elected president of the Marble Bar Shire Council—a very popular win for a well-liked and respected man.

The sub-branch president, who is always busy on others' behalf, is taking a very active interest as head of a committee of management of the local Native Schoolchildren's Hostel.

Several of us belong to the local branch of the P. and C. Association, and just so that our secretary can get a mention too, she has been elected president of the local branch of the Country Women's Association, and though probably most of the male members are doing more for the community, for "usualness" our Secretary is to the forefront as modest as she is, there cannot be too many sub-branch office-bearers who are also office-bearers in the C.W.A.

Marble Bar district has had its annual race-meet, which is more of the nature of a social affair. We managed to get in touch with a few old members who so far have neglected to pay their yearly subscription, and so were able to add four to the financial membership.

Four may not sound many, though it represents a membership rise of about 20 per cent, which sounds much nicer, we think.

If In Trouble Turn To The League

If you know of any returned serviceman needing help, or hear of any returned serviceman's family having a problem, you can't go wrong if you suggest a call on the secretary of the local branch of the R.S.L.

If the local secretary cannot be of assistance himself he will probably know where help can be obtained, and in any case can contact League headquarters if need be.

Every League officer stands pledged today to render service to the sick, the disabled and the bereaved.

Take advantage of this service, and also see that no family within your area goes without it from a lack of knowledge of the facilities the League has for helping.

Even if the League is unable to meet the need itself it may have a worthwhile suggestion to make.

It is extraordinary how often a new mind on a subject will, in a flash, provide the answer to a problem that has been a personal worry for months.

In any case worries discussed with a sympathetic listener never seem so darkly afterwards.

The point that needs stressing most is that every officer of the League can be trusted to regard as confidential things that are confidential.

Congratulations, Nollamara!

Once again Nollamara headed the list of organisations providing sponsors for Operation Stand-in.

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Belmont Plays Host For Return Visit

In the coming weekend (September 19 and 20) the Belmont sub-branch will entertain a party of Murray sub-branch members and their wives.

This is in return for the visit Belmont paid to Pinjarra in the early part of the year.

The party from Pinjarra is expected to arrive in the early afternoon of the 19th, and will be met by Belmont members and taken on a conducted tour of Perth Airport.

In the evening they will attend a gala night at the Leake Street Hall, where big crowds are expected.

Among the guests for the evening function is State President Bill Lonnie, who expressed a wish to attend. He can be sure of a great welcome from both sub-branches.

On September 20 the guests will be taken on a visit to the War Veterans' Home at Mt. Lawley, and will there be shown around by Superintendent, Major O. Howes.

Belmont takes a keen interest in the veterans and is planning to make an interesting visit to them in the near future.

The September general meeting will be held on the 21st and the sub-branch's Spring Fete on the 26th.

Dads Found For 286

Due to the unprecedented interest shown by the enthusiastic public this year's Operation Stand-In was the most successful ever.-286 Junior rangers were entertained for the day on Father's Day (Sunday, September 6) by about 150 families.

An eleven-hour research quest for hosts for boys from the British aircraft-carrying Victorian meant an additional appeal for volunteers. However, kind associations, Press, TV and radio co-operated so readily that the response exceeded the demand.

The Youth Welfare Committee, on behalf of the lads, thanks all who opened their homes to the young ratings.

It seems that many last-living friendships will be formed because of the gesture of these West Australians.

Housing Of Colours

Work on the housing of the colours of former distinguished West Australian army units in the State War Memorial is now virtually complete and an unveiling ceremony is arranged for November 29.

This was reported by State Secretary Webb at the executive meeting on September 2.

Giving Youth A Lead

On the motion of Mr. F. Stahl (Denmark), seconded by Mr. G. Gordon (Bickton-Falstaff), Congress this year authorises the State Executive to raise and expend funds for the organisation of youth-welfare activity.

Mr. Gordon had proposed the formation of a central committee to which interested sub-branches could be co-opted.

His own sub-branch had taken a prominent part in such activity for a number of years.

Sword Commemorates Dead Midshipmen

Navy Minister Chainey has announced details of an annual award to perpetuate the memory of eight midshipmen who have lost their lives at sea since graduating from the Royal Naval College last year.

Mr. Chainey said the parents of the eight midshipmen had initiated the idea and generously donated a fund which would enable an ornamental sword to be presented each year to the midshipman gaining highest marks in the seamanship examination.

The first award was presented to a fellow of the deceased midshipmen, Midshipman N. H. Hammond, of Frankston, Victoria.

The sword was presented to him by the Flag Officer commanding the Australian Naval College, Rear Admiral O. H. Becher, at a ceremony on board HMAS Melbourne shortly before the flagship sailed from Sydney for South-East Asia.

Some of the parents of the lost midshipmen were present.

With the sword went a memorial scroll reading: "In October 1963 and February 1964 eight midshipmen had graduated from the Royal Australian Naval College. In the first year of the Royal Australian Naval College, lost their lives at sea. They were Midshipmen A. H. Mayger, P. G. Mulvany, G. J. Pierce and D. J. Sanders of H.M.A.S. Sydney, and Midshipmen K. F. Martin, R. W. Maund, B. T. Lindsey and F. J. Morgan of H.M.A.S. Voyager."

"As a memorial to their families of the officers desired to present each year a sword to the midshipman gaining the highest marks in the Midshipmen's Seamanship Examination, the sword, which is known as the 'Royal Australian Naval College Jubilee Year Graduates Memorial Sword', is presented to you accordingly."

Membership Improving

Membership registrations for August were 1,001, the highest monthly figure for some time.

This was reported at the State Executive meeting on September 2, by Membership Committee chairman, Mr. R. Holland, Membership at August 31 stood at 17,675, which was 303 less than at the same time last year.

Mr. Holland said the membership was now up from 16,657 on the 1962 figure.

This year's good results, he said, were largely due to the dispatch of 3,000 circulars to members who had not renewed membership for the past three years.

Mr. Holland said the approach was now being made to those who had not paid subscriptions in the 1962-63 period.

"A very fine recovery," commented the State President, Mr. G. Gordon Early this year the position looked far from good."

GOOD PROGRESS AT KARRINYUP

With an experienced president (Lionel Claflin) and a live wire secretary (Stan Evans) plus a large district in which many eligible ex-service men reside—the Karrinyup sub-branch is making big progress.

It meets at the Morris Hotel (upstairs lounge) at 8 p.m. on the last Wednesday of each month and any eligible ex-service man living in the district (which includes Inglewood, Dunsborough and Karrinyup) is given a hearty welcome and real persons.

Sailors Feted

Among sub-branches which took the opportunity afforded by the visit to Fremantle early this month of H.M.S. Victoria and escorting ships was the Riverton sub-branch.

Riverton entertained 100 of them at a barbecue and an excellent evening was spent by all.

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The Desert Mounted Corps Memorial

The unveiling of the Desert Mounted Corps Memorial at Albany is to be performed by the Rt. Hon. the Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies, on 23.30 p.m. on October 11.

On this significant and historic occasion a large and representative gathering of ex-servicemen and the general public is expected.

Background

Shortly after the battle of Romani on August 4, 1916, the commanding officer of the 3rd Australian Light Horse Brigade, Brigadier-General J. R. rotary, CMG, suggested that a memorial be erected by the members of the Australian and New Zealand Mounted Division (commonly known as the Anzac Mounted Division) to their comrades who lost their lives in the Sinai campaign.

It was originally intended that the memorial should be erected at Kantara, where the Division crossed the Suez Canal on the 23rd April, 1916, but this site was discarded for two reasons: because Kantara was to become a large military base, and because it would rarely be seen, as all passenger ships pass Kantara during the night.

Port Said was selected instead. At a later stage it was decided to include the Australian Field Artillery Corps and all other Australian units or formations serving in that campaign.

Funds Raised

A sum of £5,400 was subscribed by the troops in the field and an additional £10,000 was provided by the Australian Government. The New Zealand Government subsequently contributed a further amount of £2,000.

In 1922 competitive designs were invited from Australian and New Zealand sculptors. It was stipulated in the conditions that the design should be of simple composition, sculpture typifying both Australian and New Zealand horses.

The winning design was submitted by Mr C. Web Gilbert (sculptor) and Messrs. Stephenson and Meldrum (architects) of Melbourne.

Unfortunately Mr Web Gilbert died in October, 1925, when arrangements were made with Sir Bertram Mackennal, R.A., to complete the sculptural group as originally designed.

Preliminary work on the foundations commenced in 1927 under the supervision of the Imperial War Graves Commission.

Web Gilbert's conception for the memorial was a striking one, depicting two light horsemen confronting a bursting shell. One horse was rearing back in terror, the other was reared up, and the shell was about to hit it.

Although Sir Bertram Mackennal died on 10th October, 1931, all models for the structural group were by then out of the sculptor's hands, the last having been dispatched to Mackennal on the morning of his death.

UNVEILING

On 23rd November, 1932, the magnificent memorial was unveiled at Port Said before a gathering of notables by Mr W. M. Hughes, Mr H. H. H. Hughes, and Sir Alexander McClelland, Que. It was approved that as Australia's war-time Prime Minister he should have been commissioned by the Government of the Commonwealth and the New Zealand Government to perform this ceremony.

On the pedestal was the following inscription:

"This Memorial is erected by the comrades and the Government of Australia, and New Zealand in memory of the Members of the Australian Light Horse, the New Zealand Mounted Rifles, the Imperial Camel Corps and the Australian Flying Corps, who lost their lives in Egypt, Palestine and Syria, 1916-1918."

Twenty-four years later - and after a war in which Australians had fought on the same soil as their fathers - Egypt, Palestine and Syria, 1940-1942 - the memorial was removed to the site of the former Memorial Park, Albany, and then replaced by a new memorial to the men who had saved their country from an invader.

During the Suez crisis in December, 1956, a group of civilians were confronted by a worsening situation. On the 23rd December, 1956, unruly vandals wreaked such damage on the memorial that it was subsequently found to be irreparable. However, in 1958 the United Arab Republic agreed to discuss the possibility of furnishing the memorial for shipment to Australia along with the damaged figure of the. Light Horsemen.

Planning

Following the decision to remake the memorial a controversy arose as to its siting. It was decided that the memorial should be sited in accordance with the wishes of the New Zealand and Australian Governments, and erected for the Commonwealth War Graves Memorial at Albany in Western Australia as it was in King George's Sound during the Great War.

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It was pointed out that Albany would be a very lonely place for such an important memorial, and that very few Australians would ever see it. Nevertheless, this decision was accepted by the Australian Government for some thousands of Australians.

In August, 1969, a contract was let for the rebuilding of the memorial on Mt. Clarence, Albany, of the granite shipped from Egypt in 240 crates, and in September, 1962, Ray Ewers' plaster cast of the new Desert Mounted Corps Memorial was acquired for casting in bronze.

The recast statue, weighing 41 tons, arrived from France in July, 1964, and will be placed in position within the next few days following the re-opening of the access road from the present parking area to the site of the memorial.

Transport

A four-day Reso-type tour is being organised by the W.A.G.R. in conjunction with the ceremony, and this offers an ideal opportunity for those in position to be able to make a short holiday under comfortable conditions.

The overall charge, including transport and accommodation, is £25 and inquires should be directed to the Tourist Department, W.A.G.R., immediately.

This train is scheduled to leave Perth at 6.10 a.m. on Friday 9th October, and a special bus service from the Albany Town Hall will be arranged for the convenience of those arriving by train. The Health Department of the Albany Town Council has arranged for the provision of drinking-water points, the erection of temporary toilets, and for the provision of a first-aid centre and an ambulance.

Albany Torchbearers have made plans for refreshment stalls at strategic points and propose arranging some entertainment.
League Given Mementos Of Naval Visit

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form of entertainment for visitors on the Saturday night.

REUNION
The sub-branch reunion, re-arranged to coincide with the weekend of the ceremony, will take place in the Winter Court of the Premier Hotel at 7 p.m. on Saturday, October 10.

A buffet dinner and refreshments will be provided at a cost of $1 per head and a warm invitation is extended to wives.

ACCOMMODATION
Both hotel and motel accommodation is likely to be fully booked and intending visitors should make early reservations.

The Albany Tourist Bureau is willing to assist in this direction and a direct inquiry to Miss Burling, of the bureau, will receive prompt and courteous attention.

The State branch of the League is the proud possessor of facsimile insignia of the four Royal Navy ships which called at Fremantle early this month.

They are the aircraft-carrier Victorious, the destroyers Cavendish and Caesar and the fleet tanker Tidespring.

The insignia were presented, along with a framed photograph of Victorious, by the flag officer, Rear Admiral H. R. B. Janvrin, D.S.C., at the Anzac House reception to officers and men of the fleet on September 4.

The admiral said: "I would ask you to accept on behalf of all of us—officers and men—a small memento of this very happy occasion. I hope that some time when you look at this it will remind you that you have given us one of the highlights of our visit to the Far East."

ABOVE: Rear-Admiral Janvrin hands the insignia to State President Lonnie.

RIGHT: The insignia of the four ships of the fleet.
Polish Ex-Servicemen And Repatriation Benefits

At the February meeting of the National Executive it was resolved: "That in view of the fact that Polish ex-servicemen are not accepted as a responsibility by the Polish Communist Government, that the Commonwealth Government be asked to examine their position for certain repatriation benefits."

The question was referred to the Minister for Repatriation who has replied in the following terms:

I refer again to the request of your National Executive that the position of Polish ex-servicemen in Australia be studied with a view to assisting them if it is considered possible.

You may know that consideration has been given in the recently past to the position of former members of the Polish forces who have settled in Australia, and the repatriation benefits available to them. You will find it helpful if I briefly state the facts and the decision taken by the British authorities in accordance with the provisions of the Repatriation Act.

The policy of the British Government has been that the responsibility for repatriation benefits should lie with the country in whose forces the member has served.

EXTENSION

An extension of this principle has been made in regard to certain of the benefits available under Commonwealth repatriation legislation to include persons who at the time of their enlistment in the forces of another part of the Sovereign's Dominions were domiciled in Australia.

This is a logical extension in the interests of the persons who had retained their Australian domicile, and their enlistment in the forces of Poland or the forces of another allied country other than the United Kingdom, is not likely to be found themselves at the particular time.

During the last war, members of the Polish forces served under the command of Allied nations as well as their own.

In the case of those who served under British command and who were repatriated to Poland, the Polish Government has made provisions under the Pensions (Polish Forces) Scheme, 1943, for awards of pension or death grants on this basis.

The benefits provided are very similar to those provided for British ex-servicemen, and are available to the eligible Polish ex-servicemen in British or in any other country with the exception of Poland.

The fact that a Polish ex-serviceman becomes a naturalised Australian citizen has no bearing on his eligibility for benefits under the British scheme.

BRITISH AGENT

My Department acts as agent in Australia for the British Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance, which administers the Polish pensions scheme, and as such pays a number of pensions and provides medical treatment for Polish ex-servicemen living in this country.

Those men who sustained incapacity while serving in the forces of Poland, or the forces of some allied country other than the United Kingdom, look to the Government of that country for repatriation benefits.

The foregoing explains the attitude it has adopted, but to the general object of the Polish ex-servicemen in the discharge of this responsibility the British Government at an early stage recommend acceptance by the Australian Government of the Polish ex-servicemen in whom you are interested.

In view of the priority to which the British Government has necessarily to give to Australian ex-servicemen in the discharge of this responsibility, the British Government of the stage recommend acceptance of Australian-sponsored benefits for Polish ex-servicemen in whom you are interested.
Funerals Of Servicemen

Action has been taken by the Commonwealth Government on Resolution 137 of the 47th National Congress, which concerns arrangements and costs in respect of funerals of serving personnel. The resolution was worded:

That representations be made to the proper authorities to amend the current regulations governing the burial of serving personnel of the three Services, so that a member who dies or is killed in Australia, in other than his home State, be brought back to, at least, the capital city of his home State without financial prejudice to his next-of-kin, Darwin to be considered a capital city in respect of the Northern Territory.

The new regulations are as follows:
A. Deaths in Australia
(a) A funeral will be arranged by and at the expense of the Department at the nearest civilian airport to the place of death.
(b) Subject to the following paragraph, where the next-of-kin elects, the Department will arrange and meet the costs of preparation, transport of the remains to an elected locality in Australia, and for the subsequent funeral. The cost of such funeral will be reimbursed up to a maximum of $60.

B. Deaths at overseas localities
(a) Where a member of the Forces dies while on "special service" as defined in the Repatriation (Special Overseas Services) Act 1952, the provisions for burial and the costs of the funeral at the locality of death will continue to apply.
(b) Where a member of the Forces other than in (a), dies while serving on intermediate or short-term duty overseas, and the next-of-kin elects to provide the remains returned to Australia, the cost of the transport and interment in Australia will be met by the Commonwealth as in (a) above.
(c) Where the dependant of a Serviceman dies at an overseas locality, the cost of the funeral, the cost of preparing and transporting the remains to Australia will be met if required by the next-of-kin. Where the funeral takes place at the locality of death, the Commonwealth will consider reimbursement of so much of the necessary funeral expenses as exceeds normal Australian costs.

The next-of-kin (only) will be provided.

Election Results At Victoria Park

The July meeting at Victoria Park saw the officers of the sub-branch elected for the ensuing 12 months. Results were as follows: President, Bert Squires; vice-presidents, Mssrs. Evans and Hine; secretary, George Chell; treasurer, Merv. Hine; trustees, Mssrs. Robertson, Hansen and Evans. Other officers were unchanged from last year.

Some committee members were elected but there are vacancies. Any member would care for this service, they would be appreciated.

Mr. Gus Stewart, once again accepted the office of patron, and members are looking forward to seeing him soon.

Members should by now have received their copy of "Attack". Apologies are extended for its lateness, which was due to publication difficulties.

Sub-branch finances are steadily improving, and the money borrowed for hall alteration is steadily being repaid.

The hall committee has various money-making schemes in mind, and with the support of the members hopes to eliminate the commitments in the next couple of years.

The next general meeting will be held on Friday, September 10.
Expansive Spirit Is Shown At Bellevue

The Bellevue sub-branch continues to be active in its battle to enlist new members to the fold, and is catching up with quite a few who have left country districts and now live in or around Bellevue.

It has also taken a very keen interest, and at times an active part, in the Midland District Youth Organisation movement. Mr. T. Gurney, being a member of its committee, keeps the sub-branch informed of the various activities. The sub-branch co-operated with a safety-week drive conducted by various organisations from September 8 to 11 throughout the Midland area.

Active interest has also been shown in the Good Neighbour movement of W.A., it being a policy of the sub-branch for many years to encourage migrants and other eligible nationals to come along and join. The sub-branch believes it is time a sub-headquarters of the Good Neighbour movement was formed in the Midland area. A donation of £50 to the Collie-Cardiff sub-branch was gratefully acknowledged.

On Saturday, September 5, in response to the headquarters appeal for metropolitan sub-branches to assist in Operation HandsBack, the sub-branch entertained 50 ratings from visiting British ships at a social evening on club premises.


Question On Voting

A question was raised by Mr. B. M. Pettinger at this month's executive meeting as to the fairness of marking the names of retiring members of the executive on Congress ballot papers with an asterisk. The President replied that the question had been raised some years ago. It had been decided then, he said, that it was necessary to indicate to Congress who the outgoing members were.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY NOTES

Secretarial Sorrows

The following piece of prose seems to have something to do with secretaries. It was sent in by the honorary State Secretary, Mrs. L. Rowe, who received it from her forerunner, Mrs. Stockman.

If the secretary writes a letter it's too long; if she sends a postcard it's too short.

If she issues a bulletin she's a spendthrift; if she attends a committee meeting she's butting in; if she stays away she's a shirker.

If she offers a suggestion she's a know-all; if she says nothing she's useless.

If the attendance at a meeting is slack she should have called them up; if she calls them up she's a pest.

If she asks a member for her subscription she's insulting; if she doesn't ask she's lazy.

If a meeting is a success the committee gets the praise; if it's a failure the secretary gets the blame.

If she asks for advice she's incompetent; if she doesn't she's swolled-headed.

Ashes to ashes and dust to dust, if the others won't do it, the secretary must.

At Geraldton

Peter Barden, publicity officer of the Geraldton sub-branch, has advised that the sub-branch will extend written congratulations to the women's auxiliary on the successful in winning the Country Cup for the best auxiliary in W.A.

It is the third time the auxiliary has won the cup in five years, having been runner-up on the other two occasions.

The sub-branch will also congratulate the auxiliary on the splendid manner in which its motions were handled by the president, Mrs. W. J. Cunningham, at the State Conference, particularly the motion on which stressed the need for the introduction of selective national-service training.

News and Views

• In the last "Listening Post" notes it was stated that the Auxiliary Conference was officially opened by Mrs. Lonnie. This was a mistake, as Mr. Lonnie performed the official opening.

• The date of the "At Home" to be held in Anzac House has been changed from 9th to 14th October. Any country members who will be in Perth on that date will be most welcome.

• The State Executive is desirous of contacting all past members of the executive, so if you were a member or know a member would you please send the name and address to the State secretary, Anzac House, as soon as possible.

• The Australian Post Office will issue three stamps in April next year to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Anzac landing.

• All three will show "Simpson and his donkey".

• The stamps were designed by Mr. Carl Anderson of Brian Hill (Vic.), who based his design on the Simpson statue (by Mr. Wallace Anderson) at the Shrine of Remembrance, Melbourne.

• New Zealand and Turkey also will issue Anzac stamps.

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Official Visits

Saturday July 25: Mrs. Ames attended the Ricton-Palmyra dinner and birthday party.

Friday July 31: Messrs. Cottrell, Kemp and Tomich visited C. M. H. to distribute cigarettes and sweets to the servicemen.

Tuesday August 4: Mrs. Ames attended a Lennons board meeting.

Wednesday August 5: Mrs. Ames was present at a Mental Health Association fund-raising meeting.

Monday August 10: After the executive meeting the State President left by train for Boulder for the auxiliary's 25th birthday celebration on Wednesday 12th. There was presented Certificate of Service to Mrs. Weiland.

Thursday August 13: Mrs. Kalgoorlie auxiliary entertained Mrs. Ames to morning tea. In the afternoon she attended a civic luncheon for the unveiling of a plaque commemorating the centenary of the telegraph line in Boulder.

Wednesday August 12: Mses. Cullen, Guinan, Stockman and Tomich visited the War Veterans' Home.

Friday August 14: A meeting of metropolitan, South Australian and secretaries was held at Anzac House.

Thursday August 20: A special Mental Health Association meeting was attended by Mrs. Ames.

Friday August 21: Soldiers' Children's Education Board meeting was attended by Mrs. Ames.

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NOTES FROM UNIT ASSOCIATIONS

3rd Machine Gun Squadron

A Special General Meeting called under the 10th-L.H. Association Act on August 24 to hear R.S.L. secretary Bill Webb explain arrangements for the memorial unveiling ceremony at Albany on October 11 drew a big attendance.

It included ex-gunnery Harry Riseborough, Allan Locke, Ted Haswell, Neil McLaughlin, "Darkie" Sayers, Jack Middleton, Dick Hummerston, Jack Bremer; Eric Davies, Tom Soutar, Taffy Andrews looking about thirty, Bob Fernie (in the presidential chair assisted by Jim Fitzmaurice, next president of the 3rd M.G. chaps), "Winnie" Beards (as assistant-secretary), Jack McSherry, "Legs" Bain and Don of the same pedigree and Frank Radford (who takes over as flag-bearer from George Whitehurst who is not well enough to carry on).

On the Divvy Sigs side were Clarrie Shalders, Charlie Knight, Jack Perry, Ray Young, Charlie Caulthird, Sidney Johnston, Geoff Girding, Sonny Prior, Bill Martin (boss of the Camels), Barney Quinn, Ernie Corbett and some others.

Dick Hummerston and Jack Bremer will be in Albany for the big day. Jack lives there, but is in his cell at 32 Festing-street after October 9.

All gunners of any brigade are being asked to meet at 1600 hours at a point to be made known as the assembly point for the procession bus convoy to take troops to the starting point of the march to the cemetery.

Lighthorsemen of any regiment in this State will be issued with identity cards at the assembly point to identify them from other regiments or battalions. These are distinctive and also available to campers.

Can any person locate Air-Commodore Frank Luttrell, F.R.A.F.? He'd like to have him on parade as our one-time Sergeant.

Records of the 10th Battalion

Records are being compiled in South Australia of original members of 10th Battalion, A.I.F., still on deck after 50 years.

Below, with their regimental numbers, are some whose whereabouts are unknown. Would anyone with knowledge of any of them kindly contact Mr. H. Sealey (89 Keymer-street, Belmont) who will pass the information to assistant-secretary of headquarters in Adelaide.

28th Battalion

Members of the 28th Battalion, A.I.F., have arranged that the association's annual reunion will be held on Wednesday, 30 September (Show Night—8 p.m.) at the Harper Hall, 292 Hill-street (next door to Royal Mint), Perth.

The secretary requests members to forward subs early so that catering arrangements can be attended to.

Victorian members send their greetings—and the association everywhere send their president, Mr. J. Milburn.

12th and 52nd

A special meeting of the association was held on 30th August and Business was quickly dealt with.

After the meeting the secretary adjourned to the Criterion hotel where they were met by the president, Frank White, and a copy of the association's price card was arranged to pay respect, goodwill and good wishes to a very dear member—the president, Arthur White.

He is leaving the metropolitan area for a well-earned retirement at Busselton. Senior vice-president Bill Thornton presented Arthur with a case of pipes and praised his fine services for the association.

On the same trip, the pay tribute were Messrs Jim Renner and Wally Bower and (on behalf of the ladies) Mrs. Bower.

The president responded with much feeling, and said he would always be pleased to meet any of the old 12th and 52nd Diggers, either in Perth or at the annual reunion.

The association meets at the Anzac Club premises at 7.45 p.m. on the first Friday each month.

EX-P.O.W.

The latest raffle was drawn on August 17 by Mr. F. McNamara, an R.S.L. Trustee, Miss C. Hall, of 178 Preston Road, East Fremantle, was the lucky winner of the return Perth-Melbourne air ticket.

The committee appreciates the support of all units and members.

2/4th A.F.W.

Members of the 2/4th Railway Field Workshop Association regret the loss of Stanley Leslie, who was killed in a train accident at Narrogin recently.

Harry Fulcher has been discharged from Hollywood after a lengthy spell due to a partial stroke. He is still convalescing at home.

Contact has been made with Frank Carrick, who will be remembered as a Sergeant Tech. Storeman, with the parent unit at Balcolm.

We feel after a spell of sickness, has now been put out to grass permanently.

Our erstwhile Taffy Edward is organising a get-together which will in all probability be held in September or October.

16th Battalion

At the annual meeting of the 16th Battalion Association the official bearers were re-elected.

The Australian Returned soldiers and Sailors' Imperial League's annual reunion—to be held at the Prince of Wales institute, Perth, on Thursday, October 1—were completed.

The Governor-General-in-Chief has been notified; 16th Battalion men who are non-members are also invited to make the day. Please notify secretary O. C. Young (36 2334) if coming.

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Games Final Near

While this issue was in the hands of the printer four teams were hitting, throwing, bowling and shooting away in the Anzac House basement to decide the grand finalists for the 1964 A.R.M.S. Games.

On Monday, August 31, West Leederville-Wellington-Floreat Park met Northbridge in the first semi-final. Two nights later Mt. Hawthorn and City of Perth met in the second.

Scheduled dates for the final and grand final are Wednesday, September 9 and September 16 respectively. Members of any sub-branch, and their wives, are invited to be present on these nights at Anzac House.

Big things are in mind for the 1965 series, to commence in March, and details will appear in our next issue.

FINAL POSITIONS
Progress-results before the first semi-final on August 31 were:

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Reunion With Past

Two army officers—an American and an Australian—had a reunion with the past at the Royal Military College, Duntrurn, recently.

They are Brigadier-General John J. Tolson, United States Army, and Major-General L. G. Canet, Master-General of the Orduance. Both were attending the annual exercise conducted by the Chief of the General Staff, Lieutenant-General Sir John Willson.

Brigadier-General Tolson, now Director of Army Aviation, Washington, D.C., is making his first visit to Australia in more than 20 years.

On the last occasion he was a lieutenant-colonel commanding 3rd Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment. On September 5, 1943, he was the first man to parachute from the waves of transport aircraft which carried 2,000 parachutists of the 503rd Regiment in the Markham Valley for the battle of Nadzab.

With the Americans was a group of courageous Australian gunners who, with little previous training, made the first operational parachute descent ever by an Australian army unit.

The gunners from 2/4th Field Regiment, took with them four 25-pounder short artillery guns to provide initial support to the Australians while they secured a vital airbase for air-borne landing of the Australian 7th Division.

ABOARD the first plane to land on the newly-opped airstrip was Major-General Canet, then a lieutenant-colonel at Headquarters, 7th Division.

One of the same type of guns air-dropped is now in the Royal Military College grounds. At their recent visit the senior officers inspected the old gun and recalled the events that brought them together 21 years ago.

Brig-General Tolson said the Australian soldier of today was no different from those of the World War. "They have always been good soldiers and I would rather serve with them than anybody else," he said.
Associations Of Ex-Servicemen

FEDERATED T.B. SAILORS, SOLDIERS AND AIRMEN'S ASSOCIATION (W.A. BRANCH) 2nd Floor, Wellington Buildings, King-street, Perth. Second Monday, President, L. Symes, Secretary, G. Piesley.


ROYAL AR'tILLERY ASSOCIATION—W.A.—Meetings are called, President, L. J. Horton 16 Brassy-street, Mt. Lawley, Secretary, E. B. Powell 168 Alfred-road, Mt. Claremont (3 1225).

16TH BATTALION AND 4TH BRIGADE ASSOCIATION—Committee meets second Tuesday at Railway Institute, Perth. President, W. L. Lilleyman 52 Chaddle-avenue Floreat Park (87 450). Secretary, O. C. Young 28 Oakover-street, East Fremantle.


16TH BATTALION WOMEN'S AUXILIARY—President, Mrs. Ketterer 190 Adelaide-place, Perth, Secretary, Mrs. P. Gray 68 Bennett-street, Perth (2 9702).


28TH BATTALION ASSOCIATION—Meets Anzac House when called. President, T. Jackson 39 Clarenc-street, Joondalup Heights, Secretary, W. J. Reid 55 Armadale-street, Victoria Park. Annual reunion Show Week.


2/32ND BATTALION ASSOCIATION—President, I. R. Blamont, 74 Morley-street, Secretary, R. N. Cleland 28 Charles-street, South Perth. Executive meet 141 Stirling-highway, Claremont 4th Thursday each month. Anzac Reunion (Jubilee) Anzac Ballroom 7 p.m., Friday, October 10th.

44TH BATTALION ASSOCIATION—Committee meets 4th Friday in January, April, July and October at Anzac House (President, S. Powell 207 Hetherington-street, Secretary, H. S. Brown 123 Second-avenue, Mt. Lawley (71 1636).

28TH BATTALION ASSOCIATION—Meet 4th Friday in January, April, July and October at Anzac House. President, S. Powell 207 Hetherington-street, Secretary, H. S. Brown 123 Second-avenue, Mt. Lawley (71 1636).


2/4TH M.G. BATTALION A.I.F. ASSOCIATION—President, E. Fraser 83 Alexander-street, Wembley (87 1834). Secretary, E. Zappa 13 The Promenade, Mt. Pleasant, President, Committee meets Anzac House next Tuesday.

EX-PRISONERS OF WAR ASSOCIATION OF W.A.—President, B. Westley 72 Mosman-street, Perth, Secretary, Mrs. F. Miners Boans 2nd Floor (3 2556).

BRITISH EX-SERVICES ASSOCIATION—Meet 2nd Tuesday in Forsyth's Hall, 8th St. Francis, Fremantle, President, J. M. McIvor Secretary, D. Black (Box 5 1547, Q.P.O., Perth).

COUNCIL OF UNIT ASSOCIATIONS—President, E. MacLeod, 55 MacLeod-road, Applecross (64 1053). Secretary, Treasurer, S. C. Harvey 5 Webb-street, Cottesloe. Committee meetings as called.

32ND BATTALION (1ST AIF) ASSOCIATION—President, J. A. Milne, 28 Flat 3, Somerton, 246 St. George's terrace, Perth. Secretary, J. Shaw 11 Collier-road, Mt. Lawley (71 3311). Committee meetings as called. Annual reunion Monday nearest Friday to July 19.

2/5TH AUST. COMMANDO ASSOCIATION—President, C. A. Broome, 31 Beswell-avenue, Como (67 3089). Secretary, J. Menzies 40 Lindin-street, South Perth (67 2067).


RATS OF TORBURK ASSOCIATION (W.A. BRANCH) President, Eric Holmes 46 Gregory-street Wembley, Secretary, Dave Kilpatrick, P.O. Box 44, Nedlands. Committee meetings, Fourth Monday each month.


MAIMED AND LIMBLESS EX-SERVICESMEN'S ASSOCIATION "Wingles and Stumpies" President, A. T. Bingham, Secretary, H. W. Gilks (21 3885). Meetings in Throsby, Torrington, one each month except January.

EASTERN GOLDFIELDS GREECE-CRETE WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION—President, R. Baugh, Hannan-street, Kalgoorlie. President, R. Baugh, Hannan-street, Kalgoorlie. Meetings every second Wednesday at the Criterion Hotel, Kalgoorlie.

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The Miss Crowning Glory competition, now in its sixth year, has proved a fine money-spinner for the War Veterans’ Home and Lung Association having produced a total of £25,600 hitherto.

Further big fillip is expected this year.

Given the encouragement it deserves, Crowning Glory should have a long life and a profitable one.

This competition means a lot to the R.S.L. and to Legacy. As all readers know, the needs of service organisations tend to be passed over these days in favour of the more popular and general charitable appeals. At the same time the passage of years has increased the requirements and need for revenue of any Service organisation, which has the necessity of taking care of its members.

There is no doubt, whatever, that if joint committees, which conduct the Crowning Glory competition can maintain this competition on an annual basis, the revenue produced is going to become more and more important to the respective organisations each year.

MORE EXTRACTS

To date this year 24 candidates have sent in their nominations, which is 10 candidates more than were received at the same time last year.

If the increase can be maintained up to the closing of nominations then this year, could be a record.

Several sponsoring organisations are working extremely hard and expect to send in their representatives with quite large amounts of money.

In some cases districts not previously represented in the competition are in for the first time.

Northam is doing a particularly fine job and this year there will be five, and possibly six, candidates from that district.

It is some years now since there has been such a large number from the district, but last occasion it was Collie which nominated six girls, all of whom attended for the judging and final ceremonies. 

Crowning Glory is now an essential part of the fund-raising efforts of both the R.S.L. and Legacy in W.A., and needs the support of all members of both organisations—a support which will be more necessary for each successive year in the future.

NEW ENTRANT

Among recent comers to the lists is Miss Pat Morro, the Manjimup sub-branch entrant. With her championship she will be attending the sub-branch reunion on September 26.

Of medium height Pat is 20 years of age and has average-length hair and hazel eyes.

For the past two years she has been a nursing aide at the Warren District Hospital at Manjimup.

Her hobbies are dressmaking and tennis, and before going to Manjimup from Perth, where she lived formerly, she enjoyed fencing.

Pat is engaged to be married.

A “Cellar-shake” in aid of Legacy quest-entrant Robyn Hall was held on September 13 in the Anzac House basement.

Music was provided by “Russ and the Nomads.”

His Death Is Regretted

It is with deep regret that the Lake Grace sub-branch reports the death of Mr. C. H. Robinson, better known as “Charlie.”

The late Mr. Robinson celebrated his 86th birthday on August 12. Lake Grace R.S.L. members gave him a party there and he cut the cake and enjoyed the visit from his friends.

He was later transferred to Hollywood Hospital, where he died a few days later.