Quest target is $30,000 this year

The target for the 1971 Miss Crowning Glory quest has been set at $30,000—about 60 per cent more than the amount actually raised last year.

This has been announced by the joint committee representing the two promoting organisations—the League and Torchbearers for Legacy.

Already more girls have entered the competition than reached the finals last year, but in view of the big figure aimed at the joint committee is not altogether satisfied.

PLEA FROM TOP

Its chairman (R.S.L. State President Pearson) is urging League sub-branches and auxiliaries for still more support. He says:

"This year's quest appears to be quite promising but the support from League quarters is not yet evident.

"It is disappointing to the organisers to see this as it will not be possible to achieve the $30,000 target without a lot of candidates.

"The young ladies who have joined the quest so far are a very attractive group of girls. They are enjoying gatherings to meet each other and were guests of the W.A. Turf Club at Ascot on April 24—when one of them placed the sash on the St. Leger winner, Major Reward.

"On May 2 they visited the R.S.L. Veterans' Home and Legacy's Craig House, the visit having been arranged so that they could see what they are working for.

"More get-togethers are planned for them before the final judging night, and a Gala Presentation Ball will bring the quest to a close.

"Sub-branches which have not already done so can help the organisers—the joint committee—by sponsoring an entrant.

LEND A HAND

"This does not involve members in a lot of work, as once the entrant is guaranteed her nomination fee by the sub-branch, and receives its encouragement, she can form a committee of her friends and get to work with the fund-raising.

"The need for financial support of the Veterans' Home and of Legacy is growing, and these organisations depend as much as they ever did on the goodwill of R.S.L. sub-branches and auxiliaries.

"I would ask them, therefore, to study this year's list of prizes and see what they can do to make this year's quest the best ever."

PRIZE DETAILS

Once again the competition is being conducted in three sections and the prizes—available—with the cash values shown in brackets—are as follows:

Miss Crowning Glory
(The Personality Girl with the finest head of hair)

- six months' membership ($60); a Celebrity Wonder wig from L.J. Mitchell & Co. ($30) giving a total value of $3172.40.

Golden West Girl
(Special prize for top fund-raiser outside metropolitan area)

- Return first-class Ansett Golden Jet Boeing holiday for two to Surfers' Paradise ($899.20); two weeks' hotel expenses ($240); spending money ($200); three months' membership ($35); a Celebrity Wonder wig from L.J. Mitchell & Co. ($30) giving a total value of $4100.

Miss Charity Princess
(Quest's top fund-raiser)

- Qantas round-trip for two to London with right to stop-over in England for a period of up to a year ($2250); hotel accommodation ($250); new savings bank account by Commonwealth Banking Corporation ($200); Boans wardrobe of clothes ($150); a Joyce Spiers Modelling School department course ($42); tiara and watch by J.R. Wallace and Co. ($50); new jewellery by J.C. Taylor Ltd. ($50); Silhouette (Figure Form International) ($50);

- Return first-class Ansett Golden Jet Boeing holiday for two to Surfers' Paradise ($899.20); two weeks' hotel expenses ($240); spending money ($200); Boans wardrobe of clothes ($150); tiara and watch from J.R. Wallace and Co. ($50); Silhouette (Figure Form International) ($50); a Celebrity Wonder wig from L.J. Mitchell & Co. ($30) giving a total value of $1995.40.

(Continued overleaf)
R.S.L. TRAVEL SERVICE

R.S.L. 17-day HONG KONG CHRISTMAS TOUR

The League has arranged a special 17-day Hong Kong Christmas tour, taking in Bangkok and Singapore, with departure from Perth by Qantas on Christmas Eve (24th December, 1971).

The fare of $646.20 applies to a party of 20 or more adults travelling together and includes return air-travel, hotel accommodation, all excursions but no meals. The inclusive fare is actually lower than the normal return fare alone—$646.20.

It can be seen from this saving that the tour presents an outstanding opportunity to visit the Orient over the Christmas holidays at a low cost, and it is felt sure that the proposal will be very well supported by members.

Members' families may be included and also friends if sufficient seats are available.

Those interested should fill in the coupon below and send it to the State Secretary, Anzac House, Perth, immediately, enclosing a registration fee of $3 per person.

Proposed itinerary:

DAY 1 (Fri. 24 Dec): Fly to Hong Kong by Qantas.

DAY 2: Transfer to Hong Kong Hotel; free day.

DAY 3: Free day, Hong Kong.

DAY 4: NEW TERRITORIES—behind bustling Kowloon lies the New Territories area, scene of this day's sight-seeing. Passing new industrial projects, villages and farms, you travel right up to the Chinese border for a glimpse over the "Bamboo Curtain." Return to Kowloon is along the coast via the fishing villages of Tai Po and Shatin.

DAYS 5 & 6: Free days.

DAY 7: HONG KONG ISLAND—after crossing the harbour by vehicular ferry you commence a round-island tour of Hong Kong Island. Highlights include a cable-car ride to the top of Victoria Peak, the Happy Valley Racecourse, Aw Boon Haw Mansion, Tiger Balm Gardens, Repulse Bay and the floating village of Aberdeen.

DAY 8: (Friday 31): Free day.

DAY 9: (Jan. 1): To BANGKOK morning transfer to airport for Malaysia-Singapore Airlines flight to Bangkok. You will be met on arrival and transferred to the Asia Hotel for accommodation.

DAY 10: RURAL LONGS cruise—afternoon excursion commences with a thrilling ride by long-tail boat through narrow rural canals, passing schools and villages on the way. Then board our rice-barge for a leisurely trip downriver to a typical Thai farmhouse, before continuing on a mission owned by a Thai prince, where dinner will be served.

DAY 11: Free day.

DAY 12: To PATAYA—you leave Bangkok this morning and drive to the new international beach resort of Pataya, where accommodation has been reserved at the Pattaya Palace Hotel.

DAY 13: Free day.

DAY 14: CORAL ISLAND CRUISE—morning exciting trip takes you across the crystal-clear waters of the Gulf of Siam to one of the many offshore coral islands where you may spend the morning relaxing on the beach, passing the multi-coloured coral reef which surrounds the island.

DAY 15 (Fri. 7): CHAMBU ICS GEM MINES—full day tour through beautiful mountainous countryside to the Sapphire Mines at Chamburi. See also the villages of Pha and Saun Song and a waterfall set in thick jungle country.

DAY 16: Return to Bangkok—full day cruise from Singapore to Malaysia. Overnight accommodation at Cuscaden House Hotel.

Optional visits to Kranji Memorial and Changi Prison can be arranged.

DAY 17: Evening flight to Perth, arriving early Monday.

Group travel to the U.K.

In the February issue of "Listening Post" the travel feature on Page 3 contained an article on Group Travel for members of the R.S.L. and their immediate families or relatives living with them.

This offer by B.O.A.C. covers a saving of $527.60 per person, which reduces the normal fare ($1,022.50) to $494.90.

To obtain this full concession it is necessary to have at least 40 people in the group, and so far we have only 22 candidates for this trip which is for seven weeks' duration and departs Perth on 7th August, 1971.

This will be the last chance for members to take advantage of this wonderful offer and you are therefore requested to contact the State Secretary at Anzac House, Perth, immediately.

R.S.L. BALL

You are reminded that the 1971 R.S.L. Ball of the Year will be held on Thursday, 19th August, at the Sublaco Civic Centre.

It is hoped to make this a great social success, and this depends on as many members as possible joining us for the event.

Double tickets—including drinks, canapés and all refreshments—are available at $10 each and will be allocated on application from your sub-branch or Anzac House (phone 259799—Miss D. Turney).

The Premier, Lord Mayor of the Opposition and Lord Mayor have already accepted an invitation to attend the ball and the State President would at this stage extend a cordial invitation to all members and friends as possible, whether a Brunette, blonde or redhead, may enter the competition.

Any girl (17 years of age or more) or woman, married or single, whether a Brunette, blonde or redhead, may enter the competition.

She may be sponsored by the League and accepted for support and entry in the competition.
Moral and material preparedness urged

Australia’s defence must rest on moral and spiritual as well as material readiness, the State President, Mr Pearson, said in his Anzac Day address this year.

The address was as follows:

It is a pleasure to welcome to our midst representatives of the Returned Services Association of New Zealand who are present with us today in this commemoration. We trust they will take back happy memories of their visit and carry with them assurances of this country’s high regard for, and an awareness of the close ties with, our sister Dominion.

Our two countries share a common heritage. We come from the same British stock; we are contending with the same problems of growth, and in a significant way we are finding our place in the pattern of world events in close association with our neighbours to the north.

Fifty-six years ago on another Sunday morning and afternoon, at 5 a.m. men clambered over the sides of transport vessels into the small boats that were to take them ashore. At 4 a.m. they cast off and made their way to the beach at Gallipoli.

These were the men of Anzac, the men of Australia and New Zealand, whom we honour this morning.

HEBOISM

In that moment of peril and exposure, and in the terrible days and weeks that were to follow, these men of Anzac were to display such heroism in the face of overwhelming odds that their noble deeds have an indelible place in the history books of both nations.

It is perhaps significant to record that this morning, at the State War Memorial in the course of the Dawn Service, a wreath was laid by a representative of the Turkish migrant community in our midst.

Such is the reputation of our Anzacs in the country of their birth, that they have won a place of admiration and respect in the minds of these folk—that on coming part of our Australian people they should wish to pay their respects in this moving manner.

Let us remember again all who died in the three arms of the Service—Army, Navy and Air Force—and all who at the call of duty were maligned and otherwise disfigured, whether in body or in mind who still crowd our repatriation hospitals.

These are men and women who paid their price in the conflicts of World War I and prior wars, but also of World War II, Korea, Malaysia, Borneo, Vietnam and elsewhere who still pay a price that deserves our respect and must be the best that our country can give them.

We remember also those whose bereaved are loved ones and who, in the face of adversity, have struggled on and who themselves in so many cases have made a valuable contribution to this country.

SIDE BY SIDE

On this occasion the older veterans are standing side by side with the new generation of sailors, soldiers and airmen, and how they conduct themselves in their respective training establishments, that the traditions are being carried forward into the present and the future.

We are grateful to the uniformed personnel on parade—that you have seen fit to provide for us a shield against any potential aggressor. We hope that the “knockers” in our community will not discourage you in what you are doing on our behalf.

It is appropriate that we should acknowledge the presence and sacrifice of the Royal Australian Air Force which is representative today in the Fly Past and in the Guard of Honour inspected earlier by His Excellency the Governor-General.

This arm of the service with its record of daring in its early days even before the establishment as an R.A.A.F., while it was known as the Australian Flying Corps, deserves our admiration and gratitude.

With its very sophisticated equipment the Service is demanding the skills of many with tertiary education in the fields of the professions, trades and administration, and we extend our best wishes for the future of the R.A.A.F.

The veterans on parade this morning have no doubt been recalling the frustrations, the privations, the dangers, the noise of battle, the sorrows experienced by the loss of comrades-in-arms. And yet out of all this there has emerged a quality of comradeship that brings so many together on a day such as this, to renew old acquaintances and to pay homage to those no longer able to answer the “Fall in.”

In spite of what may be lacking in the ideals we have for our country, Australia is still a great country to live in. And if there should be anyone in doubt then talk to those who have visited overseas, who are always very happy to come home again.

It is a country worth protecting, and it is well to remember that “Freedom is not free.” Freedom brings with it the obligation for self-discipline and often demands restraint, and indeed at times, sacrifice.

In times when there seems no immediate threat, it is easy for us to lose sight of potential dangers, and we may be inclined to drop our guard.

Should the worst happen, then let us not be caught unprepared as we were in 1914 and again in 1939.

With the upgrading of Naval and Air Force facilities, it is to be hoped that the proposed Army Task Force Base for Western Australia will proceed, to provide the balanced force envisaged.

In the provision of part-time defence forces, a component which in the past has played an important part in our defence planning, the country has not only to rely on the response of the volunteer but must have the co-operation of industry and commerce.

If there should be inconvenience in arrangements for staff engaged in military service, this should be dealt with as another management problem to be overcome.

We should be keeping our treaty arrangements under constant review in concert with Great Britain, America and New Zealand (all coming from the same British background) and our other allied friends with

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THE ANZAC DAY ADDRESS

(From previous page)

a view to bringing stabili-

ty in those areas which

our several countries re-

gard as spheres of influ-

ence.

It is not sufficient how-

ever, that we should be look-

ing to the build-

up of our defence struc-

ture, without looking to

those moral and spiritual

values. The development

of this will provide us

with the backbone to

withstand the shock of

assault should it ever oc-

cur, but better still, will

give to us the motivating

and generating power

which to take in

breaking down barriers of

prejudice, and in the

building of friendship

for which we look in

providing us with the basis

of a lasting peace.

The world is in a dilemma.

The United States of America and the U.S.S.R.

have both shown a

enough potential stored

in reserves of nuclear

weapons to destroy every

vestige of life—man, ani-

mal and vegetable—on

the face of the earth.

INDICTMENT

What an indictment on

the whole of mankind

that we should have

reached this point! This

being so there is a dra-

matic and urgent need for

mankind across the

world to find a formula

for peace.

In spite of the horri-

fying possibilities that

could arise from the

trouble spots of Europe,

Asia, and Africa, all over

the world one sees at

tempts to provide ways

and means of breaking

down barriers—even to

ring-porn. Perhaps some

of us should start prac-

tising up.

One can scarcely escape

the approach of Anzac

Day commemorations

this Easter weekend

that, only a matter of

days before, we have

commemorated the

important events of

Easter weekend and

that this One who has been

called the Prince of

Peace has provided us

with a formula, which

because of man's selfish-

ness has not been given

us as a fair task, so that

in almost two thousand

years of Christian grace

we find ourselves in this

sad mixed-up condition.

It has been stressed be-

fore on previous occa-

sions what to me is the

important concept of the

Fatherhood of God and

the Brotherhood of Man.

Our American Consul,

Mr. John Lachlan, in an

address in this city

said, among other things:

"We should never forget

that the origin of

Western civilisation

upon Asia, even after

two centuries of ex-

posure remains tenu-

ous. In order to de-

velop the bonds of un-

derstanding we should

approach our religions

respectfully, realizing

that God's love manifests

itself in many ways and

in many lands."

BASIC CONCEPT

As men of different na-

tionalities, and colours,

and religions come to

accept with greater clarity

this basic concept, it

seems we have a com-

mon denominator at

which point all men may

meet in understanding

and tolerance.

When we say "different

nationalities", we are not

saying "other nationali-

ties", this includes us;

and the extent to

which we accept our

share of responsibility in

this direction will be

judged by future gen-

erations of Australians.

There are those in our

community who in their

business and professional

contacts with people

overseas have a won-

derful opportunity for

developing international

understanding.

If we are going to ac-

ccept a responsibility in

this regard, then this in-

volves each one of us,

you and me, for while

we may amount to noth-

ing much of ourselves,

collectively we constitute

the character of the na-

tion.

Then under God, let us

address ourselves to the

task, each in his own

way, old and young,

respecting the best we

know into our profession,

our industry, our craft,

our church, our club or

whatever our pursuits

may be.

If we do this we will

demonstrate the merits

of a Christian democracy

a world of peace and

brotherhood, and we

may yet justify the sacri-

fices that we commemor-

ate this morning.

If we work hard enough

at the task it could be

that the historians of

the future will be able to

record that in this late

twentieth century and

beyond, we worked

together to establish the

first world of universal

peace, justice and

freedom.

If you subscribe to what

I have imperfectly been

trying to say, then as we

draw this service to a

close, will you follow me

with the words of this

prayer and may we

catch up some of the

spirit of its content...

"As Thou makest the going

ings of the morn-

ing, to rejoice, so lift up

the light of Thy countenance

upon us and make us glad

with Thy communications

of love. Be Thou with us O

Lord, and let Thy grace

follow us all the days of

our life. Be Thou our

guide unto death, in death

our comfort, and after

dearth our portion and

happiness everlasting." Amen.

(Benjamin Jenks).

Stout effort at Boulder

Members of the Boulder

Ex-Servicemen's Associa-

tion by their efforts last

year raised $4562.73 for

needy causes.

Details of the resulting

donations are:

Kalgoorlie Regional

Hospital, $84; Coolgar-

tie, $49; Personnel's

Lodge, $211.46; Boulder

Senior Citizens, $150;

Anzac Luncheon,

Memorial Hall, $14.20;

The Children's fund,

$100; wood for pension-

ers, $141; Scout Walk-

about, $6; Salvation

Army, $20; War Veter-

ans Home, $200; Red

Cross Society, $300.

Two other going, $150;

Coolgardie Hospital pa-

tients, $25.38; Epilepsy

appeal, $200; Muscular

Dystrophy appeal, $200;

Braille Society, $200;

R.S.I. Hall, $200; Legacy

appeal, $200; Special

Education Centre, $200;

E.G. Native Centre, $100;

White City Youth Club,

$100; members (sick-

ness), $46.16; families in

Vietnam, $4.84; family

in need, $50. TOTAL,

$4562.73.


Australia's first war-dead

The remains of the first three Australian soldiers ever to be killed in action on foreign soil have just been moved to a new resting-place.

The names of Trooper Victor Stanley Jones, Trooper David Cumming Macleod and Private J. S. Jones, all Queenslanders, are now inscribed on the main cairn in the beautiful Garden of Remembrance at Kimberley, South Africa.

These three men were among the 262 Queensland volunteers who sailed for South Africa on November 11, 1899, at the start of the Boer War.

PROUD FIRST

It should be noted that Queensland was the first territory—this was before Federation—in the Empire to offer its services to the Mother Country.

This also was the first time that Australian troops had gone into action overseas.

Consequently, the first Australian war memorial to be erected on any battlefield was erected at Sunnyside, near Douglas, in Cape Colony, before the crest of the Queensland Mounted Infantry, commemorating a battle fought (and won) on the first day of the 20th Century.

RE-INTERMENT

The Sunnyside battlefield is about midway between Belmont and Douglas, some 60 miles from Kimberley.

About five years ago the South African War Graves Commission decided to bring all the graves from the battlefields to a central place in the Kimberley Cemetery, where millionaire industrialist and diamond king Harry Oppenheimer recently opened the Garden of Remembrance.

In the same way, the Commission arranged recently for all Boer graves to be brought together in their own Garden of Remembrance near the Magersfontein battlefield.

The remains of Trooper Jones and others were subsequently reinterred at Kimberley while the headstones which were in poor condition were crumbled up and included in the communal burial place.

The headstone of Trooper Jones, which was misplaced and was not broken up, was presented to the town of Douglas, by the War Graves Commission several months ago.

The association is a historic one, as the Sunnyside battle was fought for the relief of Douglas. After the battle the British forces evacuated the inhabitants of Douglas and took them to Belmont.

REMEMBRANCE

The Douglas municipality is now preparing a memorial—incorporating Trooper Jones' headstone—which will serve as a fitting reminder of the Sunnyside battle and honour the first Australian to fall in battle on foreign soil.

Australians visiting the historic city of diamonds will undoubtedly see the gardens occupy pride of place near the eye-catching bridge or structure which, incidentally, has no reference at all to the Australian Digger but was erected to honour the diamond miners who founded the city of Kimberley.

Nearby is the famous Big Hole, the deepest man-made crater in the world, which yielded about 14,504,566 carats of diamonds, worth today around $200 million.

HISTORICAL

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Mrs L. Williamson of 133 Hodgson Street, Tuart Hill, is the newly-elected president.

At the time of writing Wally Lilleyman, the president of the Anzac Day parade, was hospitalised at Hollywood Hospital. All wish this popular Digger an early recovery.—O. C. Young.

16th Battalion

Association notes

Sir Dan Aarons visited the State last December and met many old mates when entertaining his old officer acquaintances at a dinner and the association president and secretary at morning tea.

The deaths of life-member Syd Smith and Mick Casey marked the passing of two colourful soldiers of the unit. Syd carried the battalion flag on Anzac Day for years, and also helped with the entertainment at reunions. Deepest sympathy is expressed to their relatives.

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R.S.L. behind new Repat. art contest

In association with the R.S.L., which has made prize money of $1,070 available, the Repatriation Department is sponsoring a National Art Competition whose closing date is August 6.

Eligibility: Persons eligible to enter are those who, in the course of the 18 months ending 6th August 1971 were:
- Repatriation patients in a Repatriation or other institution.
- Ex-service men or women, or war widows, undergoing active treatment, having a local medical officer or outpatient clinic.
- Ex-servicemen, ex-servicewomen or war widows attending day centres of voluntary work groups.
- T & P.I. pensioners.
- Service pensioners; or
- War nurses of the 1914-18 war.

Classes (a) Oils and related media, traditional and contemporary; (b) water colours, traditional and contemporary; (c) other media—pencil, ink, charcoal, lithograph, line-cut, silk-screen; (d) object of art—sculpture, carving, pottery, silversmithing, jewellery, tassels, weaving.

General information (categories, closing dates, eligibility, etc.) is contained in the entry form which may be obtained from the Repatriation Department (11-13 William Street, Perth) or from Anzac House.

JOKE CORNER

The recruit had missed every target on the Rifle Range.

Disgusted Sergeant: "You might as well go and shoot yourself."

Shortly after comes an explosion from behind the butts.

"Streth, the fool's done it," says Sarge, and races round there only to see the recruit walking out OK. One look, and he says: "Sorry, Sarge, missed again!"

R.S.L. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS and AUDITOR'S REPORT

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AUDITOR'S REPORT: I have examined the books of account of the Returned Services League of Australia, W.A. Branch (Incorporated) for the year ended 31st December, 1970, and report that in my opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the League as at that date, according to the best of my information and as shown by the aforesaid books and accounts. I have received all the information and explanations required by me.


J. E. Mitchell, Chartered Accountant, Auditor.
## R.S.L. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
(for year ended 31st December 1970)

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## ANZAC HOUSE RENTALS

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Cash at National Bank:

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Investments:

Government and Semi-Government Shares, Debts, Notes:

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WAR VETERANS' HOME ACCOUNTS

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THE ANZAC CLUB ACCOUNTS

TRADING ACCOUNT, YEAR ENDED 31/12/70

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Percentage gross profit to cost | 73% 31.9% | 59.45%

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

(Year ended 31/12/70)

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To Loss Buffet | 1499.18 |
Buffet Wages | 872.73 |
Wages and Provisions | 13891.87 |
Audit Fees | 90.00 |
Licence Fees | 1821 |
Depreciation | 723 |
Equipment Hire | 783.00 |
Insurance | 68.80 |
Light and Power | 300.00 |
Pay Roll Tax | 1474.84 |
Cleaning | 240.00 |
Social and Entertainment | 464.84 |
General Expenses | 110.82 |
Glassware, Bases, Glasses | 273.62 |
Repairs and Maintenance | 618.98 |
Rent | 711.32 |
Stump Duty | 2603.00 |
Telephone | 44.45 |
| 154.06 |
| 24283.21 |
| 2269.19 |
| 26552.40 | 26552.40 |
TRUST FUNDS AS AT 31/12/70

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REPRESENTED BY:

- Cash on Bank
- Investments

R.S.L. AMELIORATION ACCOUNT

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REPRESENTED BY:

- 18900 Govt. and Semi Govt. Invest.
- 25100 Notes, Shares, Debentures
- 36253.50 Typewriter—Asset
- 15413 Cash at Bank overdraft

PUNISH YOUR REQUIREMENTS AT THE R.S.L. SHOP (670 Hay St, Perth)
AND SO SUPPORT THE VETERANS' HOME
Death of “Soldiers’ Bishop”

The “Last Post” sounded on April 1 for the Right Rev. C. L. Riley, who was known to many as the “Soldiers’ Bishop.” Bishop Riley earned the affection and respect of Australian troops, and after Chaplain-General to the Australian armed forces, a position he held for 15 years covering the World War. During the Great War he saw service as chaplain in Egypt and Palestine for 15 months.

He will be remembered by many who passed through the Blackboy training camp. After spending 19 years as Bishop of Bendigo, Bishop Riley on his retirement returned to Western Australia and still carried on many church activities, running the North Beach parish for much of the time until recently after his retirement as well as still retaining his strong R.S.L. ties.

He was often reluctant to wear his formal ecclesiastical vestments—underline one of his greatest characteristics: the common touch that allowed him to meet people on their own ground.

As senior Vice-President of the League for more than ten years Bishop Riley was actively involved with many of the League’s interests and was in close touch with members throughout the State.

When no longer in office he continued to take an interest in ex-service activities and was always a popular figure at League occasions and gatherings.

He will be missed by his many friends in the Church, the League and indeed throughout the State of Western Australia and beyond.

Great soldier passes

General Sir Richard Gale, who led British paratroops into action in Normandy on D-Day in the World War died in Switzerland last month. Sir Richard, who was 74, was entertained by the League when in Perth during November 1964. He was then Deputy Grand President of the British Commonwealth Ex-Services League.

He retired in 1960 as Deputy Supreme Commander of N.A.T.O. He won the Military Cross in Flanders in 1918.

Shenton Park occasion

Late last year Shenton Park really turned it on for the occasion of their annual President’s Evening. Some 105 guests and members sat down to the dinner. Distinguished guests included such personalities as Messrs C. W. Court and H. Guthrie, Ms L.A., the Mayor of Subiaco, Mr. J. Abrahams and R.S.L. State president P. Pearson.

Mr V. Garland, M.H.R. —member for Curtin and Patron of the Shenton Park sub-branch, was prevented from attending by an attack of influenza.

The guests and their ladies appeared to be enjoying the evening every bit as much as the rank and file, and after an excellent dinner interspersed with some equally excellent speeches the company settled down to an evening of dances and items of harmony.

Some of the guests proved to be first-class singers and their efforts were followed up by a rattling performance from the Bushwackers Band which really had the crowd clamouring for more.

The Sportsmen of the Year trophies were presented by Mr Pearson, and sub-branch president Jack Satinover took first prize. Mr Ted Lomas carried off the runner-up trophy.

All in all a very successful night!

—Trevor Still.

Meet your mates at the Anzac Club
SOME RECENT BOOKS

A number of books have been published to coincide with Anzac Day and the 50th anniversary of the R.A.A.F.

An excellent book of 320 pages has been produced by Paul Hamlyn called "A Pictorial History of Australians at War." The full dramatic story of Australia's armed forces is presented, from the First Fleet marines to our present-day commitments—an excellent book for the price ($4.95 retail).

**Fine Wine**

TINTARA
Burns Philp and Co. Ltd.
Distributors

A number of books have been published Geoffrey Pentland's "Alcatraz and Hangings of the R.A.A.F. 1939-1945." This book, with 139 pages, contains colour photographs and sells at $7.50.

Angus and Robertson Ltd have recently published three paperbacks in the Australia at War series. Written by Ray Parkin, their titles are "Out of the Smoke," "The Sword and the Blossom" and "Into the Smoother"—price 95 cents each.

For those interested in the future and wellbeing of Australia's defense administration, a new book printed by the Oxford University Press provides something to think about. "Problems of Australian Defence," edited by H. G. Gelber, is a series of essays which provide some balanced academic answers from the countries concerned about the importance, and the future, of their ties with Australia and this book is an up-to-date study of most aspects of Australia's defense problem.

It questions some inherited attitudes with which Australia has for so long been content, and provides some new criteria and fresh arguments for a clear, realistic view of the country's defense position. Price: cloth, $12.50; paper, $7.50.

Repatriation pension increases

Increases in certain war and service pensions will affect approximately 24,000 war pensioners, 49,500 war widows and 43,000 service pensioners. Announcing this científically, Defence Minister Holt said the increases would take effect from 1st April.

Details of increases:
- **War Pensions**
  - Special (T & P. I.) rate increased by 50c per week from $12.50 to $13.00.
  - Intermediate Rate Pension increased by 50c per week from $8.50 to $9.00.
  - War Widows' pension increased by 50c per week from $14.50 to $15.00.
  - As usual the increases in pension will also apply to the pensions and allowances paid at rates equivalent to the special rate. These are:
    - Blinded soldiers
    - Severe amputees
    - Items 6 of the Fifth Schedule
- **Tuberculosis pensioners on maximum pensions**
- **Temporarily totally incapacitated pensioners**

**Geraldton on Anzac Day**

Hundreds of people lined the main Street at Geraldton this year to applaud those taking part in one of the biggest Anzac Day parades ever held in the town.

An even bigger crowd gathered at Birdwood Hill to witness the civic commemoration arranged by the R.S.L. in conjunction with the Town Council.

An original Anzac, Mr Arthur Millford, who has missed only one of the 56 Anzac Day observances at Geraldton—in 1965 when he took part in a pilgrimage to Gallipoli—said this year's observance was one of the biggest he had seen.

As this year is the 50th Anniversary of the R.A.A.F. two former Air Force members took the salute with the Mayor, Mr Askew. They were the Town Clerk, Mr John Cameron, D.F.C., and Mr Frank Huber who served in the Czech, French, Russian and Royal Air Forces and who was awarded the Czech Medal for Bravery and the Czech War Cross with two bars.

**Much on foot at Rivervale**

With the amalgamation of Rivervale-Carlisle things are really on the move and anyone who does not attend the meeting is missing out on a particularly good evening.

Apart from the fact that attending the meeting is helping your mates and fellow-sufferers defend the fun and games afterwards is full reward for your venturing out.

Come one, come all, you won't regret it.

Recently a chap over here from Kilkibillie and he was very interested in how the R.S.L. in Western Australia works. He was somewhat surprised at the amount of good work being done by so small a band of dedicated workers on such a limited budget.

He asked if we managed to "get it without the aid of poker machines," he inquired.

For his information: We ran a candidate in the Miss Crownings Glory quest and in four months had added $500 to the total for Legacy and the War Veterans' Home.

Unfortunately our entrant had to withdraw before the finals because of sickness.

The sub-branch now has a campaign for higher membership in full swing, so come along boys and bring a mate.

Mr. W. B. Gardiner, our President, has set us a greater effort by every member to fulfil our aim.

And don't forget where Anzac House is, for it is the hub of all R.S.L. branches.
THE LAST POST

February list

ABEY, C. J., 921, 1st D.T., Public Service.
ALLISON, D. W., WX 5981, 2/28th Bn., Hilton Park.
ANDERSON, G. W., WX 1984, 11th Bn., City of Perth.
ATKINSON, J. H., 2737, 39th Bn., Cockburn.
BRIELEY, J. W., WX 7258, 2/32nd Bn., Meckathara.
BAINBRIDGE, F. W., WX 9635, 1/24th Bn., Floreat-City Beach.
BROWN, W. J., WX 4969, 2/28th Bn., City of Perth.
CAIROS, R. G., WX 1930, 1st Aust Con Depot, Victoria Park.
CARLSON, H. R., 8069, 16th Bn., Mt Hawthorn.
CASEY, G., 3425, 16th Bn., City of Perth.
COFFIN, R. C., 349, R.A.G.N., Claremont.
CORBETT, L. J., 2175, 10th L.A.M.G.C., Geraldton.
CRADYON, C. C., Gunners.
CROSSLIE, F. W., 1766, 8th Bn., Mt Lawley.
DAVIES, R. W. W., WX 9159, 1st/3rd Field Amb., Coolgardie.
DESCHAMP, L. C., 8796, 6th Bn., Enduring Range.
DOUTY, A. H., 3932, 10th L.H., Centre.
DUFFY, J. J., 1846, 1st Bn., Manchester Regt., City of Perth.
EARL, R. 889, 51st Bn., Cowaramup (Life-Member).

March list

ARMSTRONG, E. D., WX 25120, 82nd Bn., W.A.S.C., Boulder.
BATCHelor, R. 276, 11th Bn., Fremantle.
BECKETT, F. W., 38996, 2nd Bn., 32nd Div., Central.
BEESON, J. A., WX 37661, 4th Bn., Western Australia.
ODONOGHUE, D. S., EC 7578, Paratroops, Nedlands.
PARKINS, G. J., 2063, 10th L. Horse, Nedlands.

PELPHS, R. M., WX 3465, 2/4 M.C., City of Perth.
PENNY, T. G., WX 3516, 16th Bn., Baseline.
POTTER, H., 296484, 28th Field Sht Bn., Perth.
PUSKUCKEN, E. E., WX 4576, 28th Bn., Traralgon.
RITCHIE, E. M., 30488, 5th Staff, Fremantle.
ROBERTSON, L. E., 152129, R.A. F., Ravenshove.
ROBINSON, T., WX 18230, 1/24th Bn., Perth.
RUSSELL, E., W.A., Commdo, Merchant Navy, City of Perth.
SHAND, V. D., WX 40157, 5th Bn., W. Leederville.
SKEGGS, R. H., 407A, 70th Bn., West Leederville.
STEELE, A. V., 3478, 1/11th Bn., Bunbury.
SUDDPORT, D., 110, 11th Bn., Bords, Regt., Keimins.

Thornhill, L. R., WX 30978, 2/5th Tank W., Perth.
Watson, J. W., 2649, 44th Bn., Albany.
WOOLCOTT, T., 15915, 11th Wnc Regt, West Swan.
WRIGHT, J. W., 45613, R.A.F., Collie-Cardiff.
YOUNES, K. E., 38013, R.A.F., Kalgoorlie.

April list

ALLEN, C. J., 22002, 1st Bn., Geraldton.
BALDICK, E. M., WX 6285, 2/2nd Guard Bn., City of Perth.
BAZELEY, W., 5900, 16th Bn., Bridgetown.
BENNETT, S. J., 2346, 28th Bn., Bunbury.
BRENNAN, J., 3194, 10th Bn., WA.
BOYLE, A. J., WX 8894, 2/7th Field Amb, Marble Bar.
BYWATER, R., 5069, 11th Bn., Darling Range.
COOK, H. 62786, 3rd G.S.R., Millen.
DAVIDSON, R.V.C., 2871, 10th L. H., Kukerin.
DUNN J. E., WX 2331, 2/11th Bn., Mt Lawley.
ELPHICK, W. A., 2780, 28th Bn., Moora.
HEILD, H. A., WX 9711, 72nd Bn., Roeosborne.
HOWARD, T. A., WX 4424, 2/28th Bn., South Perth.
HOWARD, W., WX 245305, 12th Bn., Fremantle.

JONES, A. F., WX 23453, 43rd Bn., City of Perth.
KELLY, A. T., WX 9154, 2/13th Fd Amb, City of Perth.
KLEIST, W., WX 34875, 5th Div, Pemberton.
KNOW, A., 14694, K.O.S.B., Bunbury.
LAVERY, J. W., 16475, 2/5th Comdo, Bunbury.
LEDERER, J., 566, 11th Bn., Kensington.
LOCKHART, A. J., 4064, 1st D.S.C., Como.
PAINTON, R. P., WX 931, 2/11th Bn., Beverly.
PAINTON, A. P., 416661, 11th Bn., Applecross.
READ, S. C., 7693, 2nd Tunnellers, Central.
RILEY,os. C., WX 20106, 10th A.L.H., North Beach.
SARGENT, H. C., 3244, 45th Bn., Narembeen.
SMITH, L. S., 4705, 44th Bn., West Leederville.
STEWART, J. B., WX 22098, 2/3rd Con. Depot, Highgate.
TAYLOR, M., WX 6181, 24th Anti-Tank Coy, Rondell.
TAYLOR, C., WX 1558, 2/11th Bn., Broomfield.
TEMBY, C. R., 17, 44th Bn., Bunbury.
THOMAS, C. E., 1422, 11th Bn., Nollamara.
TOBY, W., A., WX 3487, 2nd Bn., A. W.C.C., Albany.

MARBLE BAR

A recent communication from Marble Bar tells of a sad beginning for the sub-branch this year with the death in February of Mr Andy Boyle, the very popular vice- president. He will be sadly missed throughout the district.

At the annual general meeting Mr Nichols was elected president for the 16th consecutive year. Messrs Syd Halse and Tom Spalding were elected vice-presidents, and Mrs P. Smith secretary-treasurer and publicity officer.

Once again the sub-branch has been well represented at the local Annual Schools' broadcast service, with all children taking part.

The weather turned cold in March, so the day's service and pullovers and cardigans had their first airing for the season.

The annual sub-branch service, held mid-morning following a march of essexmen led by Mr Nichols. About 100 people were present.
He gave everything

It is with much regret that the passing of Mr Ralph Stoddart is recorded here.

Mr Stoddart died of a heart attack on board the liner Iberia while on a Pacific cruise with his wife.

At his death Ralph James Hooper Stoddart was a member of the State Executive, on which he had served continuously since 1949.

He was also chairman of the Leamos Repatriation Hospital board of visitors and was League representative on the State Housing Commission, having been appointed in 1949.

Mr Stoddart set up practice as a barrister and solicitor in 1928 and except for the period of his war service continued his practice until his death.

He served with the first Australian Water Transport at Milne Bay, New Guinea, during 1943 and on discharge joined the Legal Service Bureau and recounted what the Legal Service Bureau did for many needy people. The Boulder women's League, as well as for the cooperation they have done for the outstanding success, and many of its members.

When he died he was chairman of Lennard Oil NL and of another mineral company, and was a director of Westralian Sands, Hawkstone Minerals and Abrolhos Oil. He left a widow, a married daughter and a son who is serving in Vietnam.

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Plans at Boulder

The busiest man in the Boulder R.S.L. is president Tom Castiehow, for he is bearing the brunt of the preparations for our Golden Jubilee meeting.

The biggest headache in this connexion is the gathering of material for the publication of a brochure setting out the past history of the sub-branch.

Surprisingly enough, with the exception of two or three old-timers who are only too eager to help, it is hard to find a first war Bert Cracker who is willing to come forward and recount what he knows of the sub-branch beginnings.

But things are beginning to take shape, and under the constant urging of president Tom the result will be something that Boulder will remember.

The Boulder women's auxiliary, under the guidance of president Mrs O'Grady, is behind us in our effort to make our Golden Jubilee an outstanding success, and the co-operation of the ladies is going to play a big part in achieving that end.

The sub-branch has lost an old and valued member, Bert Cracker, who has shifted to the metropolitan area. Bert is a past-president and was for many years president of the Boulder Ex-Servicemen's Club.

Those Repat. claims

Here are a few simple pointers to claiming Repatriation entitlement to the war pension and to medical treatment.

Provision is made in the claim form to state reasons why the applicant believes his ill-health is related to his war service, and as so many avoid answering this section of the claim sites necessity should be emphasised.

Members seeking cover for medical treatment from the Repatriation Department must understand the entitlement depends upon the deciding authority agreeing that the complaint requiring treatment had its origin during war service, or that it arose out of service to the nation during the time of war or conflict such as we have in South Vietnam.

If evidence leans to the conclusion that a disability which was present prior to enlistment was materially worsened or aggravated by war service the right to treatment and war pension payment can be granted through the disability was war-caused.

THREE POINTS

There are three questions every applicant for entitlement to benefits should answer as grounds for his or her application.

The first is: "What are your symptoms?" No. 2 is: "How long have they been present?" Finally: "State why you believe them to be war caused."

Suppose you believe you have chronic bronchitis and you want to claim treatment rights and a war pension. Avoid setting yourself up as an expert diagnostician and claim like this:

"I suffered a recurrent cough and some shortness of breath. These symptoms have been present for 26 years but are increasing in frequency, and I believe that malaria and respiratory disease suffered in South Australia and New Guinea during my war service contributed to the development of my present incapacity."

There is no requirement in the law authorising Repatriation benefits to make it obligatory for applicants to prove their case, but it is wise to follow the lines suggested.

It allows the deciding authority to know what prompted the claim, and one needs to know that the applicant and the deciding authority rarely ever came together.

This means the decision as to whether you can be treated as a Repatriation patient depends on evidence before the deciding authority, and mostly this consists of the service medical history (with its inadequacies because of the manner in which it was compiled), reports on medical examinations carried out at the expense of the Repatriation Department, clinical rates of doctors from whom you have received treatment, and certainly an opinion by a departmental doctor on the cause of your ill-health and its relationship, or non-relationship, to war-time happenings as appearing in the records.

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ROYAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION OF W.A.—Meetings will be held at Anzac House at 8 p.m. President A. Douglas, Box T1889, G.P.O., Perth (281360), Secretary, A. S. Heales, 25 Wilcox-street, Applecross.

16TH BATTALION AND 4TH EMPIRE BATTALION ASSOCIATION—Committee meets Third Monday (2 p.m.) at Railway Club, North Fremantle. President, W. Lilley, 52 Chandler-avenue, Perth (674471), Secretary, B. Browne, Box 69039, Perth (673366).

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ARMED FORCES ASSOCIATION—Meet every Thursday, in The Armory, W.A.C.A. Ground, President, J. Kelly (976333), Secretary, T. Lay (642170).

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ARMED FORCES ASSOCIATION W.A.—Meetings will be held at Anzac House, President, J. P. Hall, G.P.O. Box 3039, Perth 6001, Secretary, W. Collins, 134 Railway Road, East Fremantle (392173), Secretary, Mr. A. J. Crowley (210161), President, J. B. P. Brown, 25 William Ave, East Fremantle (652342).

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Ex-service women kept busy

The annual meeting of the Returned Ex-service women's sub-branch was held in February last, when retiring president, Mrs F. Fealy presented her report of the year's activities to the end of January.

These included hospitality extended to 200 war veterans who took part in the Anzac Day parade and who were afterwards entertained at lunch at Anzac House by members.

The sub-branch also provided supper at all bi-monthly meetings of the War-Blinded Association during the year.

Children from the Fairbridge Farm School were given a Christmas party at Kings Park and later at Anzac House, followed by a river trip to Point Walter.

Donations of clothing and goods were made for needy civilians in South Vietnam under “Operation New Life,” and Christmas parcels sent to a serving member in Vietnam as well as to the Returned Veterans' Home, the Dawn Service at the State War Memorial and in the Anzac Day parade and service on the Esplanade, as well as attending the Remembrance Day services.

Mrs Fealy completed her term of office as president on 31st January 1971, and members expressed their appreciation to her for the splendid work and leadership she had given the sub-branch.

Elected to office for the ensuing year were:

President: Mrs J. Dowson
Vice-presidents: Messrs F. Fealy and L. Fack.
Secretary: Mrs E. J. McManus.
Hon Treasurer: Miss G. Smith.
Publicity Officer: Miss Sylvia Perry.

Warm welcome to N.Z. visitors

A warm welcome by the President awaited the four members of this year's Anzac delegation from New Zealand on their arrival in Perth. The delegation consisted of Messrs Ken Rutledge, Stan Martin, Bert King and Tom Lacy.

Three of them are pictured above (from left) Stan Martin, Ken Rutledge and Bert King. The delegation laid a wreath on behalf of New Zealand ex-servicemen at the Anzac Day dawn service in Kings Park and took part in the main service on the Esplanade.

Mr Martin is no stranger to Perth; this is his third trip with delegations and during his stay he renewed many acquaintanceships.

During their stay in W.A. the New Zealanders were entertained in Earl's Court and Perth and also visited Geraldton, Albany, where the sub-branches entertained them.

All are interested in farming, and Mr Rutledge, being a farming owner and administrator paid a visit to local trotting areas.

By courtesy of the W.A. Turf Club and the W.A. Trotting Association all were guests at the Diggers Day races and trots on May 1.

DID YOU KNOW?

Many people wonder why Anzac Day this year was held on a Sunday. The reason: Anzac Day always is commemorated on the actual day—April 25.