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HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II.



The presence of our Queen and her Consort, H.R.H. Duke of Edinburgh, amongst us last month has made more real the ties which bind us to her and the British Royal Family.

LONG MAY SHE REIGN.

FOREWORD.

From the President.

Gentlemen,—We are approaching Easter, Anzac Day and the 1954 issue of the "Echo," and I wish to express my gratitude for the honour and pleasure I have received in performing my duties as your President for the year.

One of the most important functions was the laying up of the Queen's and Regimental Colours at the Shrine of Remembrance.

This was made possible only after considerable difficulty in obtaining the Colours from the church where they had been kept for many years, and I thank our worthy Secretary (Fred Russell) for negotiating a difficult hazard and also for the time and work involved in organising that event.

The ceremony at the Shrine was most impressive, and I am sure it will always be remembered by all those who took part. My thanks go to all those who attended and made it the success that it was.

How very proud we were to be in the presence of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on February 28, when she dedicated the Forecourt of the Shrine and lit the Eternal Flame.

I think 1954 will be a memorable year for all of us, especially those who attended ceremonies at which Her Majesty was present. Long may she reign.

Our last Annual Re-union, held on Friday of Show Week, was a great success as usual, both socially and financially, and I thank Fred Russell and Fred Castledine for the time and effort given in organising the show.

Anzac Day is not far off, and I do hope that everyone who can will make the effort to be "on parade," even if they can't do the distance. To those members who are unable to attend through sickness, I sympathise with them and wish them a speedy return to normal health.

In conclusion, I wish all members good health and prosperity, and I hope that the Association will be functioning for many years to come.

J. KOHN, President.

12th April, 1954.

GENERAL.

The past 12 months have been momentous ones for us. Last month we shared with the general community in expressing our loyal greetings to Her Majesty the Queen and H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh. The significance of the presence of our Queen amongst us cannot be over-estimated, and as one of many unit associations in this State, we participated, individually, in the welcome to her at the M.C.G. on 25th February and the Dedication of the Shrine on 28th February.

This unit was honoured in having its Colours on display in the inner Shrine at the Shrine of Remembrance on dedication day, and Her Majesty's attention was directed to them.

The only other Colours at present in the Shrine — the 24th and the 29th — were also on display.

On 29th November last year, we participated with our second and third battalions and the 29th Battalion in carrying out the ceremony of placing our respective Colours in the Shrine of Remembrance. A full report of that ceremony is given elsewhere in this issue.

Mr. J. Kohn has been elected President of the Association for

the ensuing 12 months, and is worthily occupying that position. Mr. J. G. Malloch, who has moved to Shepparton, resigned from the Committee, and Mr. W. F. Sturrock has been elected to fill that vacancy.

As the list of office-bearers on page 1 shows, the members of the Committee remain as before with the above exception.

The financial statement on the last page indicates a very satisfactory position despite the increased expenditure incurred this year with the Colour ceremony.

Our Annual Re-union continues to be a most appreciated function, and again mention must be made to the generous support of absentee members. We are most fortunate in such tangible allegiance to a sentimental attachment to a wartime unit, and both thanks and appreciation of us all are due to those members.

QUEEN'S AND REGIMENTAL COLOURS.

After very protracted negotiations with the previous custodian of our Colours, we have been successful in having them transferred to the Shrine of Remembrance.

It had been intended that the four battalions of the 6th Brigade should hold a combined parade and deposit their respective Colours with one ceremonial. However, the 24th Battalion carried out an independent parade on 4th October for the depositing of theirs, and at the last moment the present custodians of the 21st and 23rd Battalion Colours refused to agree to their transfer to the Shrine.

Very naturally, our conferees of the 21st and 23rd were chagrined at such an impasse, particularly as they had previously been given to understand that the Colours would be handed over to them.

At this stage, we can commiserate with our comrades of those units, and look forward to the day when their efforts in implementing the desires of their members will be fulfilled, and their Colours take up their place of honour alongside ours and those of other units in the most appropriate setting for them.

The situation referred to arose only 10 days before the selected date for the ceremony, and as all plans had been made for the combined parade it had perforce to go ahead, less the 21st and 23rd.

Prior to the disbandment of home training units of the C.M.F. in 1942, the 22nd Battalion had been merged with the 29th with H.Q. in George Street, Fitzroy. On disbandment, their respective Colours were placed in the custody of a church in Abbotsford, and this accounts for these two battalions being associated on this occasion.

Col. W. K. Fethers (ex-23rd) had agreed to take command of the parade for the day, with our Honorary Secretary as Staff Captain. The associated units of the 2nd A.I.F. were co-opted and representatives of six battalions comprised the parade of 800 men.

The Chairman of the Shrine Trustees, Lieut-General Sir Edmund Herring, who was then en route from England, was contacted by air mail, and readily agreed to be present at the parade and to receive the Colours.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Dallas Brooks, who was returning on the same ship, was requested by Sir Edmund to be present at the ceremony, and he was pleased to assent.

On Sunday, 29th November, the parade assembled in front of Government House, and, led by the band of the Royal Melbourne Regiment in full dress, marched past the Governor en route to the Shrine.

Escorts to the Colours were provided by the Royal Melbourne Regiment, and our thanks have been expressed to the C.O. of that Regiment (Lieut.-Colonel F. Davies) for the courtesy afforded us.

At the Shrine Ceremony our Queen's Colour was handed over to Sir Edmund Herring by Lieut.-Colonel A. R. Wiltshire, and Mr. J. Kohn (President of the Association) handed the Regimental Colour to Colonel A. N. Kemsley, D./Chairman of the Trustees.

It is noteworthy that the Colour which Colonel Wiltshire handed over was the same which he had received from the Governor-General, Sir Ronald Munro-Ferguson, at a special ceremony on 7th August, 1920.

Colonel Wiltshire was at that time commanding the 22nd Battalion, C.M.F., at Richmond, and the Colour was one of 65 given by His late Majesty, King George V, to all Australian Infantry Battalions.

Our members can now view the Colours in the crypt of the Shrine, where special provision has been made for them, and eventually it is expected that all Colours, not with serving units, will be deposited there.

ANZAC DAY, 1954.

Plans for the Anzac Day march this year will be very similar to those of last year. It has been found that the organisation of the march is the best possible, and the troops are quite happy to conform to the instructions issued through the press.

Assembly points remain the same, and the route of the march to the Shrine unaltered.

The only change made is in the order of divisions, which has been rotated over the years. This year, the 2nd Division will be the third in the order of march, so that will allow us plenty of time to meet one another at our assembly point before we move off.

Our assembly point is the same as that of last year — *i.e.*, in Russell Street, between Little Collins and Bourke Streets, west side. Actually, right in front of the King's Theatre.

Members are requested to be on parade at 1230 hours, and we should be on the way at 1330 hours. That hour is all too short when we endeavour to meet everyone on parade.

As it is, it becomes a second re-union, and nowadays we have to leave a great percentage of our fellows at the rendezvous. Age is a factor and the march, short as it is, is too much for many of them. However, whether a marcher or not, every man is expected to be on parade even if he has to finish up in "B" Coy. We like to feel that they have participated as far as they can.

It would be a decided filip to the march if all the troops wore their medals. They have been requested to do so, and it is one of the few occasions these days when we have the opportunity, so our members are urged to do the right thing on Anzac Day and wear their emblems of war service.

The Anzac Day Commemoration Council has asked the troops not to fall out of the march en route, and in particular to continue in the column right up to the Shrine itself. The traditional saluting base in St. Kilda Road has been eliminated from the march, and from now on the Shrine only will be saluted.

Men are requested to keep in their formations, particularly in traversing the new Forecourt, which is the most impressive portion of the march. That Forecourt represents the memorial to the fallen of World War II, and traversing it in formation constitutes an act of homage to those men.

Furthermore, attendance at the ceremony at the Shrine is very desirable as a diminished gathering then detracts from the spirit of the day, which is remembrance. But for those who do not wish to attend the service, provision is made for them to carry on the march past the eastern side of the Shrine and then break off.

SHRINE PILGRIMAGE.

Sunday, May 9, 1954.

Our initial pilgrimage to the Shrine last year was a most impressive event, and members are invited to attend this year on SUNDAY, 9th MAY, 1954. Assemble at the Linlithgow Statue, opposite Victoria Barracks in St. Kilda Road, at 2.30 p.m. After a march to the Northern approach to the Shrine, a short service will be held on the Forecourt at 3 p.m. An address will be given, and at its conclusion a wreath will be laid on the Stone of Remembrance, and each member will deposit a poppy.

Our unit flag will be flying at the Shrine all day on that day, and the ceremony will be rendered more significant by a large muster. All members are requested to wear medals on this occasion.

ANZAC DAY, 1953.

Our annual parade last year provided the usual happy get-together of our members, and the lengthy wait before moving off allowed plenty of fraternisation. The passing of the years is becoming very evident, and nowadays more "stay put" at the assembly point than those who march. However, we have to admit that we are just "fading away" gracefully and gradually. After all, 1915 is a long way back.

The attendance was one of our largest: over 400 on parade, but only about 50 per cent. marched.

As usual, we have a number of incidents to record and references to some of our members.

Fred Shaw (Blackburn) telephoned the day before his apologies for non-attendance, on account of ill-health.

A. A. Sturrock (Port Melbourne), now 82 years of age, joined us on parade, but had to forgo the march.

H. Glascock (East Kew) was amongst those present. Bert now looking forward to his retirement in 2½ years' time.

D. Blases (Barwon Downs) made a comeback; first since 1939.

G. Cochrane (Collingwood) was with us last in 1927. Has been roaming round the world a bit, and was in U.K. in 1947.

Another old-timer, **W. J. Miller**, now 78 years of age, joined the crowd, and was content with that.

J. ("Shanty") Harwood (Essendon) was there, but Shanty finds marching beyond him these days. Shanty reckons that it is for those with two legs, and unfortunately he lost one in France.

A. J. Carter (Pemberton) came to town for the parade, but claims "too old" to march.

H. J. King (East St. Kilda) was present — in fact, never misses. Bert is now on retired list — given up banking.

The Secretary desires to apologise for a faux pas in that he addressed **L. W. Harricks** as **H. Thewlis**. As the latter wasn't on parade, the mistaken identity is inexcusable, and Mr. Harricks now demands compensation from Mr. Thewlis. We don't know to which one of them we should apologise.

E. W. R. Smith (Koinbo) could not make it on Anzac Day, but telegraphed his apologies. Trust Ern to do the right thing.

Our Signal Section gets a word of commendation, but they can do better. Amongst those on parade were **V. N. Moore**, **W. Matthews**, **G. Rutter**, **A. A. Carroll**, **R. J. Wright**, **J. G. Malloch** and **W. C. Harley**. There may have been more of them scattered around, and we regret if we have overlooked any.

Again we have to record first appearances of quite a number of our fellows, but we give them a welcome just the same. Amongst those were: **O. W. Oldfield**, of Westmore; **C. Forbes**, of West Preston; **J. F. Collins**, of Strathmore; "Scotty" **Watson**, of Clayton; **E. R. Gay**, of St. Kilda; and **K. B. Lewis**, of Hastings. What a lot they have missed through non-attendance in past years.

Tom Willoughby (Bendigo) made his first appearance for 10 years. He marched in Adelaide in 1952.

C. H. Cambell (late of Nyah West) was present after an absence of four years. He went overseas in 1949, and hasn't recovered yet.

"Darky" **McFarlane**, of Port Melbourne, made his reappearance after some years of absence. There's no excuse for him as he practically lives on the route of the march.

A. Larkin ("Butch"), of South Yarra, wanted Cas to accept a 10,000 mark note in payment for a button, and wanted change, too. Must have unearthed an old souvenir.

W. M. ("Todd") **Flower** now claims his age as 71. However, he doesn't look it.

Jock Wood (Bittern) sent his son as deputy for the march. Jock had to attend the parade per medium of the radio.

W. Beale (Thornbury) attended the assembly point, but then had to leave for work.

R. ("Nugget") **Butterworth** (Meenyan) was on parade looking for **Pat Fagen**. We hope he found him. Nugget transferred from us to the Artillery in France.

H. F. Mitchell (South Melbourne) is looking more rotund than ever, although he claims he has lost two stone. He must have been a wonderful baby!

W. B. Bailey, of Sale, came all the way to town for the occasion. He helps the P.M.G. in that town.

Norm West, of Colbinabbin, answered the roll call for himself and brother **Charles**. Both are primary producers in that area.

Joe Ryan, of Alphington, and **Jack Webb**, of Burnley, assist in keeping our trains running, but forgot their jobs for the day in talking of other adventures.

L. B. ("Bas") **Stringer** (Burwood) claims the distinction of a son five years old. What a man!

R. Hamilton (Kew) fined himself 7/6 for non-attendance at last Re-union. Bob is our very busy contact man for the R.G.H., Heidelberg, and is a regular visitor there.

A. Watts (Strathmore) left his run too late, and had to be content with watching the march from the side. In other days and places he would not have got off so lightly.

Harry Hayes (East Malvern) is still an active member of the Soldier Settlement Commission. Harry dashes all over the State.

Wal Wilson (South Yarra) has not aged one bit in the last 20 years. Looks good for another 20.

R. Smith (Brisbane) was in Melbourne for the march, and naturally joined the unit. It is not suggested that he came down specially for that, but we did appreciate a representative from Bananaland.

DONATIONS RECEIVED ANZAC DAY, 1953.

J. Young, Sorrento.	A. Pocock, Hawthorn.
A. J. Carter, Pombornell.	J. A. Hocking, Seddon.
C. R. Franklin, Mozington.	C. H. C. Cooper, Dandenong.
F. Schloska, Mornington.	H. L. Norman, Hawthorn.
T. E. Jewell, South Morang.	C. A. R. Dawes, Toorak.
D. Blassen, Barwon Downs.	C. N. Monk, Coburg.
G. Collahan, Sth. Melbourne.	W. J. Foskett, Windsor.
L. W. Harricks, Ararat.	A. Wilson, Prahran.
S. Tyler, Essendon.	A. Ellis, Collingwood.
G. Goodall, Yareville.	J. Balch, Coburg.
W. F. Sturrock, Brighton.	H. Taylor, Carlton.
A. A. Sturrock, Port Melb.	R. Holdsworth, Caulfield.
R. J. Wright, Camberwell.	J. O'Beirne, Nth. Fitzroy.
J. Darroch, Mordialuk.	P. Rasmussen, Clayton.
J. E. Mathews, Moonee Ponds.	W. M. Flower, Elwood.
J. Kennett, Ruff.	D. W. Edwards, Mitcham.
J. Uehardt, Thornbury.	W. Matthews, Caulfield.
R. L. Hodgens, Coburg.	J. Wright, Nth. Fitzroy.
A. Nelson, Northcote.	N. H. Dooley, Ivanhoe.
W. J. Miller, Hawthorn.	H. Inifer, South Yarra.
W. Langan, Essendon.	J. J. Ball, Prahran.
F. Sturrock, Brunswick.	J. Crocker, Clifton Hill.
R. C. Briginshaw, E. Malvern.	T. Keoch, Ringwood.
E. C. Garner, Caulfield.	C. F. Oakes, Carnegie.

PERSONAL PARS.

From the comments of members who have received mention in this section of our paper, we are led to believe they appreciated the reference to them, and we have endeavoured to spread the blanket of publicity further. It provides the best means of letting one another know of how we are all faring, and so maintaining that contact which has been the motive of the Association since inception.

Naturally, we only publish the good deeds of each. Reference to their misdeeds (if any) may involve us in libel actions and create discord — which would be deplorable!

After many years of lack of contact, we have located Dr. A. P. Drummond, who is now practising in Oakleigh. In response to our invitation he was pleased to renew association with us, and we hope to have him at our functions from now on. Dr. Drummond was the original M.O., but ill-health in 1916 prevented him continuing with us. He has been in country practices for some years.

Lorne has a fair representation. H. W. Lyndon is now proprietor of "Carinya." Jack Hayes is an ice manufacturer down there, and Harry Nichols is a garage proprietor. Harry had eight months in U.K. last year. Missed the Coronation, but is going over again next year.

We have become a unit of globe-trotters apparently — Eric Craven left in February for a six months' tour of U.K. and France. G. Giroud is on a similar jaunt, and W. Holstock left on 14th March for similar destination. Our contemporary members in the U.K. will wonder at the influx of battalion visitors. Len Howship was over there in 1953, and contacted Rev. Mr. Durnford in Northumberland while there.

Jim Tennyson (Malvern) has had to go quiet at home for a while, and would appreciate visits from old soldiers.

Roy Thomas (Camberdown) wrote from Heidelberg in November that his presence there necessitated his absence from the parade.

Al Wilson (Prahran) was also detained at home with an eye accident. A piece of steel penetrated one eye, but fortunately with no permanent damage.

E. W. Riley (Camberwell) was in St. Vincent's in November. No lasting defects.

Tim Dorgan has had to admit his age, and is now confined to his home in Northcote. Naturally, that doesn't please Tim.

Stan Adams had a spell in Heidelberg in January, and while there had a stable mate in Steve Murphy. Stan has gone into retirement — commercially, not socially. After many years of service with Repatriation he can now rest on his laurels.

Arch Salmon has had to succumb (temporarily) to physical ailments, and has been confined to his home for a few weeks. Arch and illness are very distant collaborators, and we look forward to news of his return to good health very soon.

Sid Wicks is another who has been hospitalised recently. However, he is now recuperating at home, far from the trials and tribulations of business ties.

Keith Meldrum has just been admitted to Heidelberg for a spell of treatment.

Alf Rogers, now of Darwin, was in Melbourne during last year, and was discovered fraternising with some of the troops in a — milk bar? He has returned to the northern terminus of Australia.

C. W. Hutton has been elected President of the Victorian Division of the Commonwealth Institute of Valuers. Congrats, Charles, on the distinction.

O. J. ("Rowdy") Hull was good enough to forward a handsome donation to the funds. Rowdy is now back in South Africa, and we must acknowledge the fact that his donation was increased (en route) by virtue of exchange rates — favourable to us. Thank you, Rowdy, for your action.

Harry Nurthen (Sydney) could not accept our invitation to the Colour ceremony, but sent over a stock of Rosemary for the occasion. Thank you, Harry, for the thought. Harry has been for years Secretary of the 6th Brigade Association in Sydney.

We were pleased to add our congratulations to E. Gorman, Q.C., on his being recipient of a Greek decoration, "Knight Commander of the Royal Order of the Phoenix." Mr. Gorman has been for some years Consul for Greece in this State.

He was in London for the Coronation, at which time the disastrous earthquake occurred in Greece. In his official capacity as a foreign Consul for that country, he visited the scene of the earthquake in order to assist in the restoration of the damaged areas.

Major-General W. J. Cawthorn was decorated by the Queen at the investiture on 4th March with the orders of C.B. and the C.B.E. General Cawthorn has just been appointed High Commissioner for Australia in Pakistan, and leaves soon to take up that position. He will be back in a country which he has known so well since 1917. He has our very best wishes for his tenure in that important post.

W. Ruthven, V.C., has been appointed a Trustee of the Shrine of Remembrance. We are pleased at the honour conferred on Bill, and have no doubt he will worthily represent us on that Board. He recently suffered from an aftermath of war service, and in mid-March was admitted to Heidelberg for treatment. We wish him well, and naturally an early release. No one wants to feel that he must stay there for long, although it is rather a good billet.

If anyone should meet Bill Beacall running, please stop him. Bill is not allowed to run nowadays, and has to pursue a calm demeanour at all times. Bill is now well into the seventies.

Stan Tytler (Easendon) has had to give up business activities, but finds no trouble in filling in his leisure hours. In fact, he finds life an enjoyable pastime in being busy doing nothing.

Frank West (East Malvern) underwent a serious operation last November, but we regret to announce that he failed to recover, and "passed on" at Epworth Hospital on March 27.

C. A. ("Chiller") Burns (North Melbourne) was admitted to Heidelberg in November, and unfortunately is still out there. However, we hope soon to hear of his being "returned to duty."

Jack Tallyn (Elwood) is another who had fallen by the wayside (temporarily). Jack had to miss the Colour ceremony in November, but after a few weeks of corrective treatment at Caulfield was released on a bond of "no excitement," and is now carrying out that treatment.

Padre Burnford (England) wrote us again early this year to acknowledge receipt of a gift food parcel. His appreciation was sure evidence of the goodwill bond which links us with him. Last year, Len Hewship called on him while he was in U.K. Padre Burnford may have a few more visitors this year.

1953 RE-UNION.

After many years of experience — some of them disastrous — we appear to have achieved the best possible Re-union. Those who attend have ample opportunity to meet one another and yarn all night over a congenial beer or two — or more. Gone are the days when our annual function was an inhibiting competition. Perhaps we have learned wisdom with our years, but in re-unioning supplies nowadays half the quantity ordered in 1923 is ample to arrive at the same result — a jolly good night.

The costs involved these days are comparable with those of a millionaire's party, and it is only by judicious handling of the catering and the generous support of our absentee members that we don't incur huge deficits.

Again we have to thank our lady helpers who assisted so materially in creating the bright appearance of the room for our gathering. The white tablecloths and floral decorations made a most attractive setting, and members expressed their pleasure at the appointments. In particular, they were impressed by the size of our Battalion flag on view. This flag, 15ft. x 7ft. 6in., was purchased for display at the Shrine on our days of pilgrimage, and was given an airing at our Re-union.

Our sister units were well represented, and we gave our visitors a cordial welcome.

Messrs. Matt Edwards (President) and W. Power (Hon. Secretary) represented the 21st Battalion Association. Messrs. J. L. Readman (President) and R. Felmingham (of the Committee) answered for the 24th, and Messrs. C. O. Harry and W. Reed (Hon. Secretary and past Hon. Secretary respectively) of the 2/22nd represented their unit.

So that we could not be accused of subjecting the assembly to a spasm of ear bashing, Mr. Matt Edwards, of the 21st, was deputed to respond for all the visitors. In his usual breezy manner, Matt did that job well, and in a brief response expressed his and our visitors' pleasure at joining us at our annual function.

The spirit of the gathering was demonstrated by the behaviour of the members present.

Steve Murphy achieved distinction by giving a solo item of the Battalion song, and surprised us all by remembering the words of at least three verses.

W. H. Tierney supplemented the food supply by bringing along a black pudding. He shared it with "Sailor" Parsons and W. McLeash.

Again we had the pleasure of giving a cordial welcome to our S.A. nucleus — in the persons of C. Fulton, R. W. Groves and A. M. Ferguson. For the third year in succession, they have made this pilgrimage, and their travels were given due prominence in the "Adelaide Advertiser," to whom they are known as the "Three Musketeers" — rather an appropriate pseudonym.

Lou Harris (St. Kilda) excused himself on account of old age, but donated liberally, and sent regards to all. For reference purposes, Lou mentioned that in days that are gone he occupied his time out of the line in helping Tim Dorgan and Dinky Deasey repair the troops' clothing.

Frank Kerrigan (Robinvale) had a similar reason, but distance aggravated his case. However, Frank was there in spirit, and sent best wishes for a happy night.

Alf L. Jones (Auburn) lamented that he had to be in another State on 25th September, and to offset the possibility of being accused of malingering sent a donation and regards to Reg. Rees and other 16th Reinforcements.

F. J. Warman (Tatura) took the precaution of donating in advance in case he could not make the Re-union. Unfortunately, he had to miss out again, but we hope for better luck this year, Fred.

Harold Aston (Traralgon), who is a regular attendee at our functions, had to be an absentee as duty demanded his presence in Traralgon. Harold sent special greetings to Harry Lennberg, Geo. Phillips, Jim Ross and Brian Armstrong.

We regret that we could not pass on this message to Jim Ross,

who also apologised from Cudgewa for his absence. We certainly are a scattered family.

No function of ours would be complete without a message from **Geo. Gilham**, of Hobart. Although living in "foreign parts," George retains a strong interest in battalion affairs, and is present in spirit at all our shows.

W. Hennessy (Cudgewa) wrote from that isolated spot that distance kept him at home. However, Bill was there in spirit.

J. S. Graham (Nyah) had collaborated with **John Welsh** of that area about a mutual visit to Melbourne on 25th September, but plans came unstuck, and Jack could not get down after all. He contributed just the same, and celebrated the Re-union on his own.

F. H. Joseph (Resseneh) was another who had to accept the fact that 1913-18 is a long way back, and Frank does not enjoy very good health these days. We have recorded elsewhere Frank's donation "in absentia." His main occupation nowadays is chess, at which he is in the championship class.

V. C. Alderson (Sydney) took notice of our 9.30 p.m. toast, and was all set at that hour to join in with us.

R. Mallinson (Griffiths, N.S.W.) was actuated by similar motives at 9.30 p.m. with regrets at enforced absence. He sent special regards to **Brian Armstrong** and **Tom Jewell**. Tom was unable to attend the Re-union this year, so at this late period we pass on Bob's message to him.

Messages of goodwill were received from **Mildura**. **A. R. Hampton** and **Stan Wilson** sent their greetings and tangible evidences.

George Carter (Port Welshpool) is still engaged in fishing at the age of 72, and boasting about it.

Alex. Milne (Cockatoo) is a primary producer up there, and specialises in horticulture.

R. H. Bishop (Elwood) writes his usual cheerful note. Bob is confined to his home these days, and a visit from old comrades would be appreciated. No. 9 Goldsmith St., Elwood, is his address.

R. McDonald (Fernbank) could not make a break from work last September, and had to make regrets accordingly.

John Darroch (Moonbulk) had good intentions of attending, but they just didn't materialise.

Les Speak (Launceston) honoured the occasion at 9.30 p.m. with regrets that he was *in clover*. He meets up with **Jeff Little** (of Devonport) occasionally — both belong to Legney. Les was in Melbourne in February, and attended the Shrine dedication ceremony. His day was here was all too short for him to meet the crowd.

Keith Anderson (Portland) had to be included (at his own request) amongst the absentees at the Re-union, but he was on parade for the Colour ceremony in November. Keith is very much occupied these days in the construction of a harbour at Portland.

Clive Pander (Woolthorpe) has had very indifferent health for the past 12 months, so he had to forgo the Re-union.

BY APPRECIATION.

Re-union Donations — Absentees.

1. J. Kingston, Mildura.	4. Wilson, Prichard.
2. Galloway, Devonport.	5. H. Knight, Rosny.
3. Lewis, P. Side.	6. C. Gibson, Sydney.
7. W. Kennedy, Casey Mills.	8. W. Williamson, Goldline (N.S.W.).
8. Galloway, Devonport.	9. S. Wilson, Mildura.
9. S. Kent, Sydney.	

W. J. Cawthorn, Kallista.
R. Thomas, Camperdown.
R. Mitchell, Preston.
A. Q. Sinclair, Balwyn.
J. P. Abercrombie, S. Yarra.
W. Holstuck, Chelsea.
F. J. Warman, Tatura.
H. Aston, Traralgon.
A. W. Hods, Hawthorn.
E. W. R. Smith, Koimbo.
G. C. Gilham, Hobart.
W. Hennessy, Cudgewa.
J. S. Graham, Nyah.
W. Fraser, Lockhart (N.S.W.).

L. W. Speak, Launceston.
A. Coustiey, Horsham.
O. Habel, Murtoa.
C. A. R. Dawes, Toorak.
E. Lindesay, Rye.
R. Crowley, Ballarat.
J. Chard, Brunawick.
A. C. Cook, Toorak.
J. C. Quiggan, Shepparton.
K. S. Anderson, Portland.

J. H. Ross, Cudgewa.
G. Carter, Port Welshpool.
A. Milne, Cockatoo.
R. W. Day, Dimboola.
W. H. F. Jewell, Quamby.
H. Craiker, Oskleigh.
W. H. Jamieson, Armadale.
J. Tennyson, Malvern.
J. S. Grayland, Camperdown.
A. G. Swan, Ropanyup.
R. H. Bishop, Elwood.
R. McDonald, Fernbank.
J. Darroch, Moonbulk.
C. Pander, Woolthorpe.
E. Robson, Northcote.
J. G. Malloch, Shepparton.
R. Hamilton, Kew.
S. Firth, Amphitheatre.
S. Knee, Croydon.
B. Hiddle, Dandenong.
F. W. Lavender, Mildura.
A. Chapman, St. Kilda.
G. Littler, Devonport (Tas.).
K. B. Lewis, Hastings.

DONATIONS RECEIVED AT RE-UNION, 1953.

A. H. Buckland.	S. Adams.	P. Gibb.
Z. Holmes.	K. Meldrum.	J. Harwood.
S. W. Timms.	F. G. Groud.	J. McGovern.
J. Tallyn.	W. H. Tierney.	D. McCallum.
J. A. Hocking.	G. W. Goodall.	J. B. Armstrong.
J. Greig.	W. Higgins.	A. J. Ellis.
C. Gregory.	K. Sutherland.	E. D. Cobb.
W. R. Watkins.	H. W. Smith.	E. Thomas.
H. C. Haines.	E. R. Guy.	A. Pacock.
A. Salmon.	N. H. Dooley.	W. B. Entwisle.
J. Topliff.	A. Gibson.	W. Horman.
L. W. Macdonald.	A. E. Downey.	J. F. Wood.
T. MacKenzie.	L. Peterson.	G. L. Monaghan.
J. A. Baker.	H. Inifer.	C. Dugg.
J. M. Downey.	W. M. Wilson.	F. Hardwick.
W. L. Martin.	A. R. Wiltshire.	J. Wells.
J. R. Sparks.	Dr. W. B. Craig.	
H. A. Hayes.	T. Haire.	

SECOND TWENTY-SECOND BATTALION ASSOCIATION.

During the past year our cordial relationships with the 2/22nd have been further enhanced, in that we have shared a parade with them.

At the Colour ceremony on 29th November, we were pleased to have them and members of the 22nd Infantry Battalion co-operating to the full with us.

As a token of our mutual associations under the "Red and Purple

displayed," we allowed them the use of our wall flag at the Shrine for their pilgrimage on 14th January, and they were pleased to have the flag flying on that day.

Then on the occasion of the dedication of the Shrine Forecourt by the Mayor on 26th February, the 22nd Committee readily agreed to supply water helpers for the erection of barriers for that occasion. All such arrangements had been requested to furnish two helpers each for that task, and in view of the laborious nature the thought that was undertaken to do our share for us. We thank them most heartily for their gesture in relieving us "old chaps" of a job just about beyond the capacity of the majority.

On Saturday, 23rd January, they conducted their annual meeting and made night in the Drill Hall, Clegg Street, Richmond.

Mr. E. W. Best was elected President for the ensuing year, and Mr. C. E. Barry was re-elected Secretary with no opposition, and Mr. B. E. Pugh was elected Treasurer in place of Mr. C. Stirling, who is now in Tasmania.

Messrs. E. J. Vaughan and F. C. Russell attended the function, and the latter was able to present some interesting facts relating to the past history of the 22nd Battalion and its association with the Clegg Street Drill Hall.

Under the original Defence Training Scheme it had been the H.Q. of the 22nd Battalion, "The Terra Beckwiths," commanded by the late Lieut-Col. R. A. Crouch. On the outbreak of war in 1914, he sent the majority of the officers, together with a number of the messengers volunteered for active service, and while in Broadmeadows provided the base for the 22nd Battalion, A.I.F. After 1918, the Drill Hall is honoured because the H.Q. of the 22nd Battalion, C.M.F., was retained as until the curtailment of home training prior to 1926.

TWENTI-SECOND INFANTRY BATTALION ASSOCIATION.

The 22nd Battalion Association continues to flourish, and at its last annual meeting re-elected Mr. John McFadden as President, with Mr. L. Joseph as the secretarial job.

The members of that Association collaborated with us for the Colour ceremony at the Shrine on 26th November last, and turned out in large numbers for that parade.

Incidentally, with the 22nd, they have accepted our offer to display our wall flag at the Shrine on their day of pilgrimage, and we share their pleasure in our being honored by our mutual regimental Colour.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS.

Throughout the year members are good enough to send in or make donations to our funds, and the following list is a formal acknowledgment of such receipts. The Secretary again wishes to express his appreciation of members' confidence.

Members' Subscriptions, 1955.

H. J. Bialick, Leura.	H. Symons, Geelong.
J. Colony, Wodonga.	W. J. Butler, Preston.
W. E. K. Gribble, Caulfield.	J. McCallum, Newport.
H. C. Haines, Kewdale.	A. E. Wells, 8th, Essendon.

A. E. Hoyle, Kew.	A. W. Hinds, Hawthorn.
V. C. Alderson, Sydney.	S. W. Higgins, Footscray.
W. B. Cannon, Albury.	A. Speck, Newport.
S. G. Fawcett, Thornbury.	W. Rawnsley, Albert Park.
J. Fower, 8th, Melbourne.	S. Cooper, Middle Park.
H. Benson, Arundale.	L. Harring, Newport.
R. Blyth, Belgrave.	F. Thorne, Gardenvale.
S. Blunsley, Balling.	R. Kennedy, Spotswood.
F. W. Riley, Camberwell.	H. J. Simard, Murrumbidgee.
H. Boyd, Coburg.	W. Gosner, Williamstown.
W. Georgeyze, Ascot Vale.	D. Andrews, Caulfield.
C. E. Wilson, Brighton.	E. Jeggie, Hawthorn.
J. Greig, Elsternwick.	C. Fulton, Adelaide.
T. W. A. Russell, E. Melbourne.	R. W. Green, Adelaide.
A. M. Ferguson, Adelaide.	S. J. Tyler, Essendon.
E. Webster, Sydney.	H. A. Harvey, Toonak.
N. Sperry, Camberwell.	R. S. Neal, Coburg.
J. E. Mathews, Moonee Ponds.	R. J. Vaughan, Camberwell.
G. Cottam, Ringwood.	D. W. Lockie, Mt. Waverley.
O. J. Hill, South Africa.	L. W. Sims, Antwerp.
H. C. Haines, Hawthorn.	J. K. Lovison, Thornbury.
E. W. Edwards, Warracknabeal.	W. Lydon, Leura.
E. D. Cobb, Surrey Hills.	R. Dickens, Ashburton.
A. G. Longstaff, Rippindale.	R. Smith, Brisbane.
	C. E. Rogers, E. Melbourne.

In addition, Mr. L. M. Powell, son of "Pip" Powell, now of London, sent along a donation.

We are most appreciative of the actions of several relatives of deceased members, who send along donations each year in memory of their loved ones.

Last year we received donations from the following, and in recording their names, we desire to join them in honoring the memory of departed comrades:—

Mrs. B. H. Nookes (Brighton), in memory of her late husband. Incidentally, Mrs. Nookes has already forwarded a similar donation for this year.

Mrs. G. Thurston (Lilydale), in memory of her late husband, A. L. Thurston.

Mrs. F. Ansell and Mrs. Jean Emery, daughter and grand-daughter respectively, of the late R. Twomey.

LEST WE FORGET.

It is with deep regret that we publish the following names of ex-members who have "passed on." The names have been collected from various sources, and as far as possible date of death has been shown.

George Kenyon died in Camperdown on 12th July, 1955, after a very short illness. R. Thomas, of that town, represented the Association at his funeral, and furnished a wreath on our behalf. Mrs. Kenyon professed George by some years, and he leaves one married daughter.

F. W. Green (No. 161) died in Colac, N.S.W., on 8th October, 1955, and is survived by his widow. Peter was for many years a resident of that town, having conducted a men's necessary business there. He was, prior to the move to N.S.W., with the London Storm, Melbourne.

R. H. Moss (No. 84) died in Heidelberg on 23rd Decem-

ber, 1953. The original members of the Battalion will remember Sergeant Moss, who was the first Gas N.C.O., and of his poignant lectures on the terrors of phosgene gas.

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106 ANDERSON, R. T. March 26

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687A SODERHOLM, O. T., Alberton January 1
 4127 HUGHES, E. E., Melbourne January 7
 4168 McCROSSAN, A., Melbourne January 28
 4359 HALDWIN, G., Roshworth January 30
 6278 ANDERSON, W. A., Geelong March 4
 63973 CAMPBELL, R., Fitzroy April 4
 50181 DRUMMY, J. W., Melbourne April 7
 50159 SPRINGFORD, E., Kynston April 11
 2928 RYE, E. C. G., Clarksfield May 4
 272 WALLACE, H. J., Armadale May 8
 5440 BARNES, H. L., Heidelberg June 21
 5679 THURLING, T., Heidelberg June 22
 1067 O'BRIEN, D. T., East Oakleigh June 23
 4161 LINDSEY, E., North Fitzroy July 5
 4468 INCHBOLD, P. P., Wangaratta July 8
 6820 HOGGATE, W., Dandenong July 11
 585 KENYON, Lieut. Gen., Camperdown July 13
 STELL, Geo. B., Sydney July 15
 5070 O'BRIEN, F. E. G., Coburg July 18
 261 THOMAS, J. J., Ararat July 27
 5348 FINLAYSON, R. J., Royal Park July 31
 6899 SPEARY, N. W., Camberwell August 14
 6883A ROBERTS, D., Nunawading August 15
 359 DAVIES, E. H., Sale August 17
 733 CHENHALL, E., Clifton Hill August 19
 MILLER, Lieut. H. W., Brighton August 26
 3255 SMITH, W. J., at Heidelberg August 28
 903 SMITH, F. H., Newport September 9
 402 HUTCHINGS, W. W., Coburg September 22
 4746 LANGDON, E. L., at Heidelberg September 22
 666 OXLEY, R. A., Geelong September 28
 1216 LAVELLE, R. H., Kew October 4
 161 GREEN, P. W., Calcairn, N.S.W. October 6
 4733 JENNINGS, P., Melbourne October 14
 2362 FRANKS, C. A., at Heidelberg October 15
 1683 HARDY, W. J., at St. Vincent's Hospital Nov. 4
 479 TIDYMAN, R., Chiltern November 4
 5311 ATKINSON, F. W., Abbotsford November 8
 687 SIMMONDS, W., Elwood December 20
 84 MOSS, R. H., Heidelberg December 23

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2165 ROADKNIGHT, L. A., Melbourne February 16
 6153 PORTER, R. M.
 3906A PICKERING, T.
 61866 HAIGH, P. O.
 4799 WEST, F. S., East Malvern March 27