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EDITOR'S NOTES

In the last issue of Sabretache we reproduced two photographs from the collection of the Australian War Memorial. Due to a misunderstanding with our printer the photographs appeared without acknowledgements. We would like to correct this omission by stating that the photographs of the hospital ship "Centaur" and of Sister E. Savage were used with the permission of the Australian War Memorial (Negative Nos. 14898 and 61952 respectively).

The same misunderstanding caused the article "Genesis of the Royal Military College, Duntroon" to appear without acknowledgement of the fact that the piece was first published in the *Canberra Times* on 14 January 1978.

RESULTS OF POSTAL AUCTION

Due to a postal strike the auction was not held until 25 April 1975. Detailed auction results are being forwarded to all members who made a bid. In general the medal lots were extremely well sought after, however badge lots were of little to no interest to members. Future auction lists will include reserves which should help members with their bids. Prices for Korean War items exceeded forecasts with the RAAF K.I.A. pair (with MID) fetching \$650. Early Australian items generally fetched good prices with the GSM Kurdistan group (\$1325) fetching a value relative to its rareness. There is no doubt collectors are becoming aware of the rareness of awards and bidding accordingly.

Donation

The Federal Council wishes to gratefully acknowledge the donation to Society funds of Mrs J. Torrington.

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Our membership now stands at 386. Although I appealed to you all for a concerted effort on recruitment in our last issue, this only increased our number by 15 (allowing for unfinancial members who have been deleted from the list). This is a little disappointing, however, maybe the winter months will assist us in persuading some of our friends that the Society can do something for them.

Regarding articles for our journal – in the main there is no problem about a steady supply. It would be of even greater interest to all if some articles on such subjects as Badges, Modelling and Model Soldiers, Colours and Flags, Arms, War Gaming, Uniforms and Alers which rarely get a mention were to appear from time to time. Also the occasional article from our distant and overseas members would be very welcome.

The negotiations with the three Services within the Defence Force concerning the provision and verification of biographical details on past members of the Australian Forces has gained the co-operation of the Royal Australian Navy so far – I am hoping the other two Services will also give us their co-operation.

It gives me much pleasure to inform members that Senator the Hon. J.L. Carrick, federal Minister for Education, has accepted honorary membership of the Society. Senator Carrick served with "Sparrow Force" in the Second World War and was a prisoner of war for three years in Malaya and Thailand. We look forward to a long and happy association with the Senator and his department.

A brief reminder to you about our Queens Birthday Weekend Display on 3rd and 4th June in Canberra. It promises to be the best yet – come and see for yourself and bring some friends.

REPORT FROM GEELONG BRANCH

At the Annual General Meeting in February the following Committee was elected: P. Hall (President), I. Barnes (Vice-President), W. Titchmarch (Treasurer), J. Maljers (Secretary), J. Gardner, P. O'Rourke, J. Oliver (members).

Our program for future meetings is as follows:

- 12 May **The BOER WAR**, by G. Ward.
- 9 Jun. **FILM NIGHT**, subjects to be notified.
- 14 Jul. **DEVELOPMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MILITARY VEHICLES**, by J. Belfield.
- 11 Aug. **R.A.A.F. or NAVY TALK**, Speaker and subject to be advised.
- 8 Sep. **GUEST SPEAKER**, to be advised.
- 13 Oct. **ANNUAL AUCTION**, members having items for sale are kindly requested to supply a listing no later than 7 October.
- 4 Nov. **10th ANNIVERSARY DINNER**. Details of Venue, Cost and Guest Speaker to be discussed at future meetings.
- 3 Dec. **CHRISTMAS BARBEQUE**. Details to be finalised.
- (Sunday)

Meetings are held at the U.S.I. Room, 10 Med.Regt., R.A.A., Myers Street, Geelong, at 8pm. Guests, including Ladies of course, are always very welcome.

FORMER CGS DIES IN NSW

Lieutenant-General Sir Reginald Pollard, KCVO, KBE, CB, DSO, died suddenly at his Lismore home on 9 March 1978, aged 75. He became Chief of the General Staff on 31 May 1960 and was knighted in 1961. He retired in January 1963 to a property in Victoria and later moved to NSW. He was appointed KCVO in 1970. He is survived by Lady Pollard and two sons.



*Uniform of 1902 Coronation Contingent worn by Tpr
W.D. Wallis, later Major Wallis, MC (and bar), MM.*

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

I feel that I should let you know that the successful efforts you have made to improve 'Sabretache' are much appreciated by at least one reader. The standard you have established in the last issue is, I hope, an indicator of the way ahead. I am sure it gave much pleasure to members of the Society and other subscribers, quite apart from improving the standing of the Journal as a serious work of reference for military historians and collectors.

If I may I would like to make some suggestions:

- a. It would be useful if each Branch supplied appropriate notices for publication in each issue to improve internal communication within the Society.
- b. More attention could be given to proof reading (the bane of all editors).
- c. In 'Medalman' of the last issue, a rumour is quoted in "Community Service by Members of the Armed Forces". The rumour is false. 'Medalman' would serve us better if the facts were established before going to print.
- d. Cartoons of the nature of those on pages 10 and 36 of the last issue, while possibly appropriate when originally published, do nothing to enhance the standing of the Journal.

J. Whitelaw,
8 Downes Place,
Hughes, A.C.T. 2605

Dear Sir,

I have been a member of the Military Historical Society of Australia since 1965 and therefore have seen "Sabretache" pass through several stages of development in its general style and presentation. The current style and format of the journal is to be commended. The quality of its contents varies of course with each issue, depending on contributions from members.

The front cover of the January 1978 issue was well done, however, upon seeing the cartoon facing page 11 and that on page 36 I was extremely disappointed and felt that the inclusion of such items spoilt what could have been a well-produced edition.

The aim of the society is the study and research of *military history*, not to provide a forum to comment and express views on Defence Department policies and regulations governing the issue and wearing of awards and decorations. "Sabretache" should certainly not be the medium for expressing such views.

It appears that certain members of the A.C.T. Branch have personal 'gripes' or 'bees in their bonnets' on these matters and allow their views to find their way into the journal from time to time. I can refer to previous issues which have also included articles or editorial comments with similar overtones: December 1975 and previous issues remarking on the deeds of Flight Lieutenant Cooper; January 1977 – Darwin disaster awards.

I am sure that most serious military historians and collectors like myself have no interest on whether Flight Lieutenant Cooper is or is not entitled to a V.C., or whether Lieutenant-Colonel Thorogood should receive an award, who is to receive a Jubilee medal, or for that matter how many foreign decorations Major Rex Clark is entitled to wear.

These matters are of a personal and political nature and in my opinion should not come within the area of interest of the Society, particularly in the journal. Let us try and keep the contents of the journal related to the objectives printed on the front page.

P. Shaw,
Unit 2, 9 Strickland Street,
South Perth, WA, 6151

The two members whose letters appear above are sincerely thanked for forwarding their views on Sabretache. Other members who have further points to make in response to the President's invitation in our last issue are assured their comments will be welcomed; where appropriate the letters will be printed. The Editor's sole concern is to provide a journal which meets members expectations and needs as far as possible. In enabling decisions to be made on necessary changes it is essential to know what members want.
– Editor.

Dear Sir,

I was interested in reading the account of the Sinking of the "Centaur".

For the sake of historical records there are some inaccuracies which I now list:

- (a) My name is ELLEN SAVAGE, not ELEANOR.
- (b) Quirindi, N.S.W., not Queensland.
- (c) I jumped from the ship after Colonel Marson, our commanding officer whom I saw on the deck, told us to "jump for it now". He jumped before me. I had to let go of Sister King's hand. I did not see any other nursing Sister other than my cabin mate, Sister Moston, who was allocated to a different life-boat. Sister King and I were allocated to the same boat.

Ellen Savage, 92 Burns Bay Rd.,
LANE COVE, NSW 2066

Dear Sir,

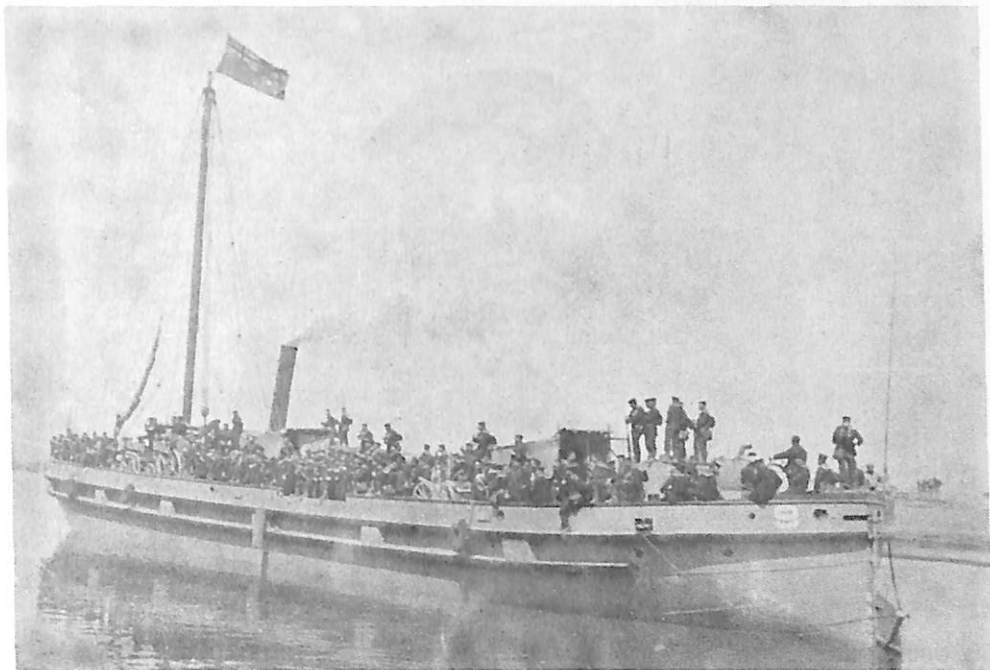
We have received a letter from Mr T.L. Murray-Prior who is endeavouring to trace the whereabouts of a sword which was presented to his great-grandfather, Colonel Murray-Prior of the 18th Hussars. The description of the sword is as follows:

"Presentation sword and scabbard of Colonel Murray-Prior of the 18th Hussars, period Napoleonic. With relief in brass of meeting of Blucher and Wellington, and dates of battles, presented to him by his Regiment".

The sword was made available on loan to the USI in 1934. As the USI no longer has a Museum, it would be appreciated if you could advise if you know of the location of this sword.

R. Sutton, Colonel (RL),
Honorary Secretary,
United Service Institution of NSW

Can any reader assist?—Editor.



*Victorian Naval Contingent in China during the Boxer Rebellion.
(Reproduced by permission of the National Army Museum, London.)*

Dear Sir,

With reference to the article "The Australian Naval Contingent at the Boxer Rebellion" by G. Prideaux ("Sabretache", Vol. XVIII, July 1977, No. 3, pages 185-189), I thought that the accompanying photograph might be of interest.

The photograph (National Army Museum Neg. No. 43535) is from a number of photographs taken by F.T. Williams, 26th Punjab Infantry, while serving as D.A.Q.M.G., 4th Infantry Brigade, China. It is annotated "Departure of Victorian Contingent" and shows Victorian blue jackets on a steam/sail barge with the Australian blue ensign at the masthead. Presumably the contingent is on its way downstream to board the troopship 'Chingtu' for Australia.

J.R. Williams,
2 Churchill Drive, Amblecote,
Stourbridge, West Midlands, BY8 4JS,
England.



Dear Sir,

In the April 1977 issue of Sabretache (Vol. XVIII, No. 2) there was an excellent article on Major B.C. Bell, DSO, DSC. Since that date I have obtained a photograph of him in the early RNAS uniform which I am sure will be of great interest to our readers. Decorations and medals awarded Major Bell were: DSO, DSC, 1914 Star (with bar to Australian Volunteer Hospital), War Medal, Victory Medal and Croix De Guerre (France) with palm. The photograph and medals will form part of the famous Australian Aviators' section, at the Queens Birthday Weekend display in Canberra.

FOUNDER OF WOMEN'S SERVICE HONOURED

By the Editor

According to a report in the *Hobart Mercury*, the founder of the Australian Women's Army Service was honoured at ceremonies in several State capitals on 19th April. In Hobart Lady Burbury, wife of the Governor of Tasmania, described Colonel Sybil Howy Irving, MBE, as one of the great women of Australia at the unveiling of a memorial seat. The memorial was blessed and dedicated by the Dean of Hobart at the ceremony, which was attended by the Lord Mayor and representatives of the organisations with which Colonel Irving was associated — the Girl Guides Association, the Victorian Society for Crippled Children and Adults, the Red Cross Society, the Australian Women's Army Service, the Women's Royal Australian Army Corps and the Council of the Ageing. The ceremonies in other States also saw the dedication of memorials of a seat with a plaque, and a tree nearby.

Colonel Irving was Controller of the Australian Women's Army Service from 1941 to 1947 and was Honorary Colonel of the W.R.A.A.C. from 1951 until she retired in 1961; she died on 28th March 1973, aged 76. She was the daughter of Major-General Godfrey George Howy Irving (1867-1937), who was one of nine children of the first marriage of Martin Howy Irving (1831-1912), Professor of Classics and English at the University of Melbourne 1856-71. General Irving was commissioned in Victoria's forces in 1887 and became Colonel in May 1914. He was promoted Honorary Brigadier-General in 1915 and was Acting Chief of the General Staff from 24 May until 1 December 1915, when he left for service with the A.I.F. In Egypt he was initially made "Commandant, AIF Forces", a vague appointment which in reality carried no duties. He was appointed to command the 15th Infantry Brigade in February 1916 but in March was transferred to the 14th Brigade. Although judged, as the Official History records, a capable and determined officer, after an incident on 27th March the divisional commander, Major-General (later Lieutenant-General Sir) J.W. McCay, relieved Irving of his command and he was returned to duty in Australia. He was Commandant of the Queensland Military District 1917-21, and subsequently Deputy Quartermaster-General at Army Headquarters.

General Irving's son, Ronald Godfrey Howy Irving (1898-1965), entered the Royal Military College, Duntroon, in February 1916 and graduated in December 1919. He saw service in World War II and commanded the B.C.O.F. Base in Japan 1947-48. He retired with rank of Brigadier in 1953 and was appointed CBE in the 1954 New Year's Honours List. He was Secretary of the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee in Melbourne from 1956 until his death on 14th December 1965.

SOME PRE-1914 GERMAN UNIFORMS

By J.R. WILLIAMS

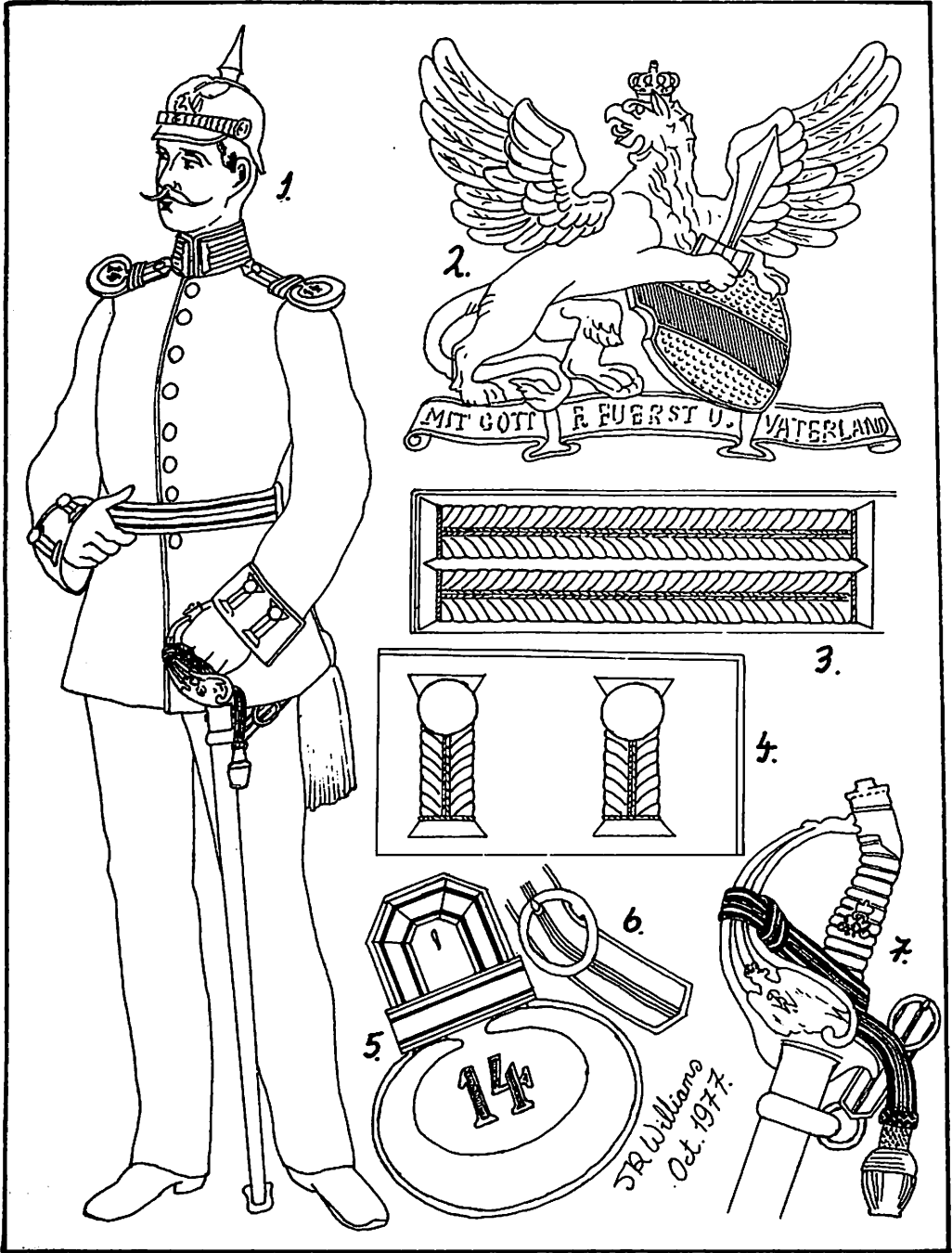
Royal Prussian Army: Baden Pioneer Battalion No. 14, Officers' Parade Dress 1914

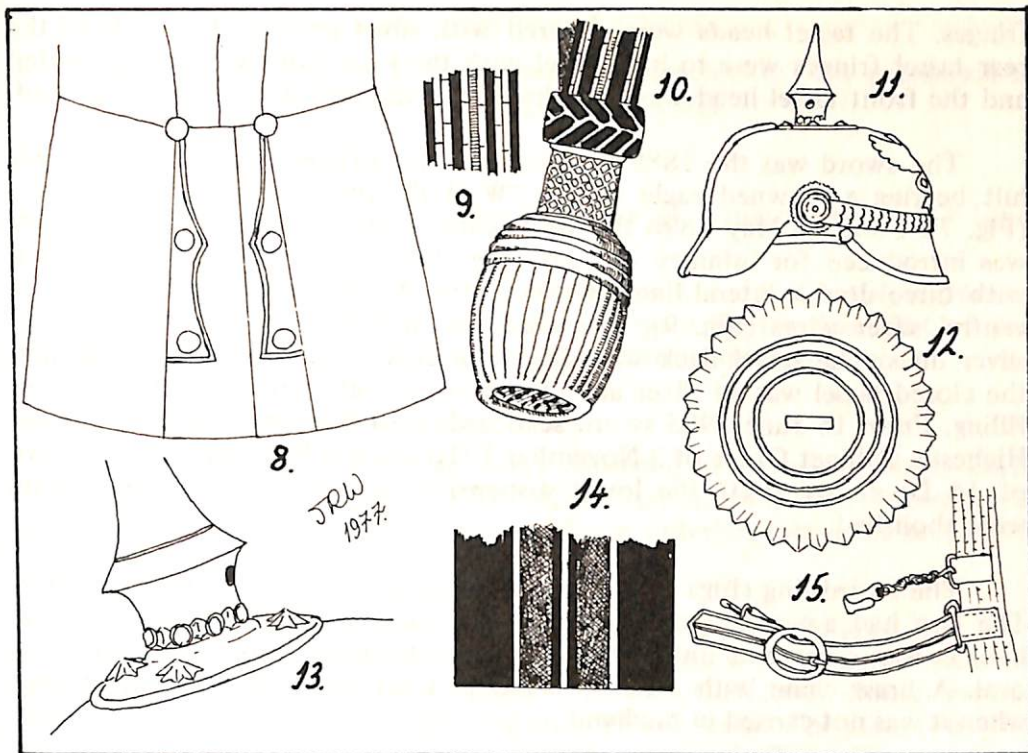
The Baden Pioneer Battalion No. 14 (Badisches Pionier-Bataillon Nr. 14) was formed on 29 January 1850 as the Pioneer Company from the technical troops, which had been organised and attached to the General Staff from 17 January 1849. On 3 May 1859 the Company was attached to the Grand Ducal Field Artillery Regiment and from 1 October 1866 to the Grand Ducal Fortress Artillery Battalion. The unit became self contained as the Grand Ducal Baden Pioneer Detachment (Grossherzoglich Badische Pionier-Abteilung) on 26 October 1867, with a staff, a miners company and a pontoon company.

In 1866 the Grand Duchy of Baden had been allied with other south German states, including Austria, against Prussia and the North German Confederation. The hard won Prussian victory at Koeniggraetz (3 July 1866)ⁱ put the Hohenzollerns at the head of Germany. Baden signed a military convention with Prussia on 15 March 1867 by which the Grand Ducal Baden Army Corps was organised on Prussian lines and a few Prussian officers were placed in key positions. The military convention of 25 November 1870, with effect from 1 July 1871, brought all the Baden troops into the XIV Royal Prussian Army Corps. Henceforth Baden formations were termed only "Badische" (Baden) and no longer "Grossherzoglich Badische" (Grand Ducal Baden).

The Grand Ducal Baden Pioneer Detachment became the Baden Pioneer Bn No. 14 from 1 July 1871. From 1872 to 1881 it was garrisoned at Strassburg in Alsace and from 1881 just across the Rhine at Kehl in Baden.

The Leutnant (Fig. 1) wears an 1871 pattern helmet (Fig. 11) with a rounded front peak. Its plain spike, spike neck, front peak beading, rib down the back of the dome, round chinscale bosses and plate (Fig. 2) were silver plated. The eight pointed star headed studs on the spike base (Fig. 13) and the flat chinscales were gilt. Around the bottom of the spike neck was a pearl ring (Fig. 13). From 22 March 1897 the black-silver-red German rosette (Fig. 12) was worn behind the right chinscale boss and the gilt-red-gilt Baden rosette was moved to the left.





The tunic was dark blue (Prussian blue)ⁱⁱ with a black velvet square-cut collar and Swedish cuffs. Each side of the collar (Fig. 3) and on the cuffs (Fig. 4) were two silver lace buttonholes. Red piping ran up the front and around the top of the collar, down the front edge, around the rear skirt pocket flaps (Fig. 8) and around the top and down the rear of the cuffs. There were eight plain silver plated buttons down the front, two on each cuff, three on each rear skirt pocket flap and a smaller one on each shoulder. A red cloth strap faced with Prussian black lined silver lace, sat on each shoulder to hold the epaulette in place.

The epaulettes (Fig. 5) were mounted on a red cushion underlay and had a red ground, silver plated half moons, black lined silver lace and gilt numerals. Field officers had silver bullion fringes. Rank was indicated by gilt stars (Leutnant – none; Oberleutnant – one; Hauptmann – two; Major – none; Oberstleutnant – one; Oberst – two).

The sash was silver with a narrow central red line and a 0.5 cm black line near each outer edge. It was fastened on the left hip by a white metal hook fastener and had a double layer of silver fringes enclosing black inner

fringes. The tassel heads were covered with silver netting. The ends of the rear tassel fringes were to hang level with the knee joint when dismounted and the front tassel head was to sit level with the top of the rear tassel head.

The sword was the 1889 Prussian infantry officers' pattern with a gilt hilt bearing a crowned eagle with a "W II R" on its chest, on the guard (Fig. 7). From 28 May 1896 the swordknot worn heretofore by the cavalry was introduced for infantry officers (Fig. 10). It had a black leather strap with three double lateral lines of silver wire. A red thread ran between the central silver wires (Fig. 9). The slide was in black leather with diagonal silver lines. The tassel neck was silver and covered with silver netting, and the closed tassel was all silver and closed at the base with a black and silver filling. From 15 June 1905 sword scabbards were blackened and by the All Highest's Cabinet Order of 3 November 1910 and the War Ministry Directive of 14 December 1910, the lower suspension ring and second sword sling were abolished.

The swordsling (Figs. 6 & 15) was in red leather faced with silver lace. The lace had a central gold line edged each side by a red thread. The sling buckle was silver and unlike the normal rectangular Prussian pattern was oval. A brass chain with a hook served to hold the sword off the ground when it was not carried in the hand.

The strapped pantaloons were black with poppy red piping. From 1 May to 30 September strapped white linen pantaloons were worn in parade dress, guard order and church parades. Mounted officers wore black breeches with red piping, complimented by black kneeboots with curve necked steel spurs screwed into the heels. In levee dress, strapped black pantaloons with poppy red piping were worn. Each side of the piping at 0.5 cm distance was a black velvet stripe with red cloth piping down each outer edge (Fig. 14).

The gloves were white.

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Bredow and others, Berlin 1905 (Reprint 1974).

4. "Die Formations- und Uniformierungs-Geschichte des preussischen Heeres", by Paul Pietsch, Vol. 1, Hamburg 1963.

Footnotes:

- i. The Hanoverians defeated the Prussians at Langensalza on 27 June 1866.
- ii. Prussian blue is much lighter than the blue utilised in British uniforms. Indeed the tone of the officers tunics were lighter than that of the normal Prussian blue of the other ranks throughout the army.

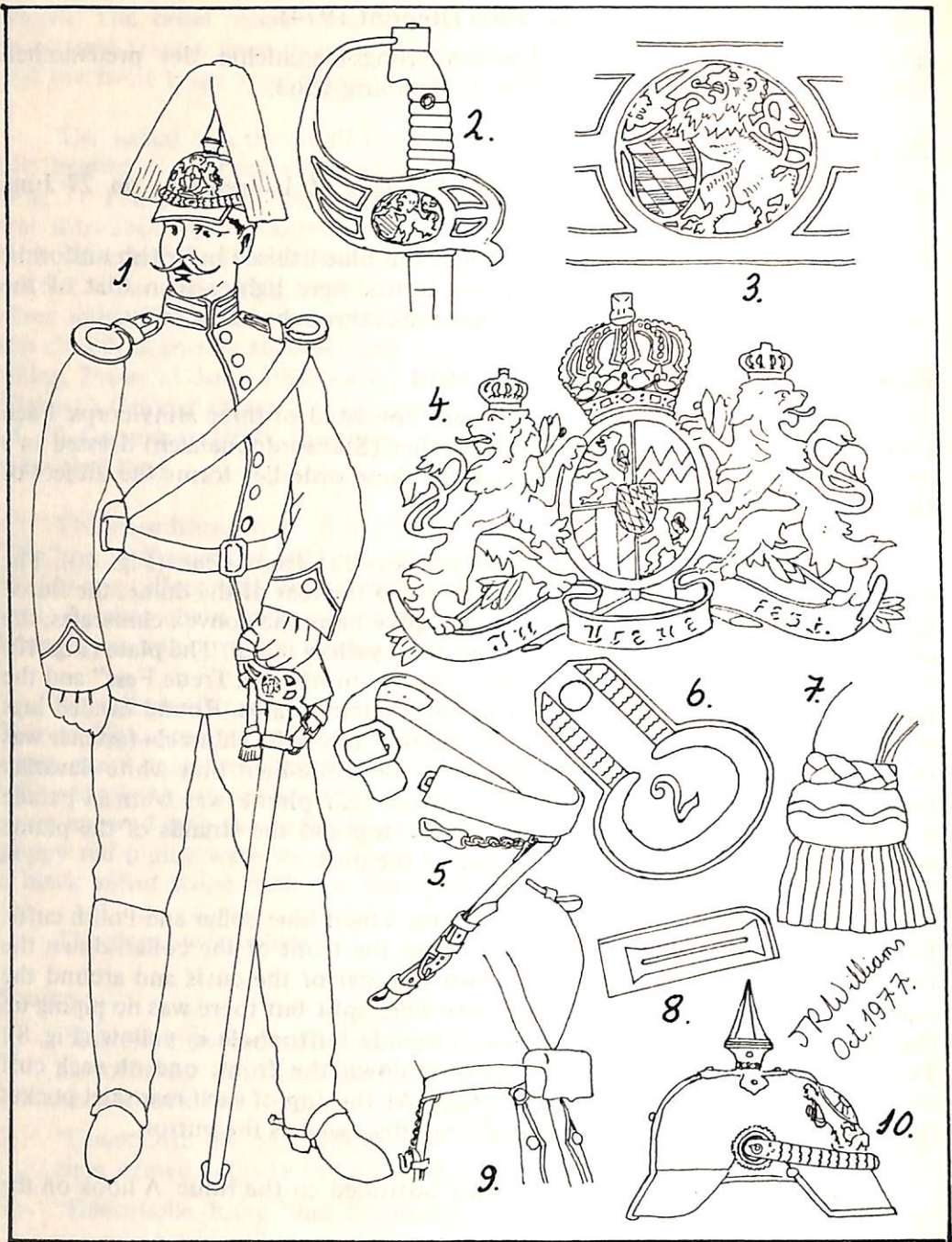
Kingdom Of Bavaria: Stafforderlies, 1914

In 1914 the Royal Bavarian Army consisted of three army corps. Each corps had its own section of Stafforderlies (Stabsordonnanzen) dressed in a special uniform. The parade uniform of these orderlies forms the subject of these notes.

The black leather helmet had a square-cut front peak (Fig. 10). The beading around the front peak, the rib down the rear of the dome, the fluted spike, the spike neck, the cross-shaped spike base, the convex chinscales, the chinscale fasteners and the plate were all in yellow metal. The plate (Fig. 10) comprised the Bavarian Royal arms with the motto "In Treue Fest" and the laurel sprays typical of Bavarian cavalry helmet plates. Round headed lugs secured the spike base to the dome. Behind the right chinscale fastener was the black-white-red German rosette and the white-light blue-white Bavarian rosette was on the left. A drooping black hair plume was worn in parade dress. It had a yellow metal boss at the top and the strands of the plume were to be level with the bottom edge of the peak.

The tunic was dark bottle green with a light blue collar and Polish cuffs. Red piping ran around the top and down the front of the collar, down the front edge, around the top and down the rear of the cuffs and around the rear skirt pocket flaps. The rear skirts were split but there was no piping up the slit. Each side of the collar was a double buttonhole in yellow (Fig. 8). There were eight yellow metal buttons down the front, one on each cuff and two on each rear skirt pocket flap. At the top of each rear skirt pocket flap was a support hook for the waistbelt disguised as the button.

The epaulettes (Fig. 6) were not buttoned to the tunic. A hook on the



underside of the tongue was affixed to an eye on the shoulder of the tunic near the collar. The cushion underlay and the ground were red with yellow metal buttons, scales, numerals "1", "2" or "3" according to the Army Corps, and half moons.

A white leather belt over the left shoulder carried a black leather pouch. The pouch was kept in position by a black leather strap buttoned to the wearer's left rear waistbelt support hook (Fig. 9). The pouchbelt did not pass under the tongue of the epaulette but under the half moon to the outside of the red shoulder loop (Fig. 1).

The white leather waistbelt with a rectangular brass buckle had one swordsling and a brass chain and hook to which the scabbard could be attached when dismounted (Fig. 5). When mounted the sword was carried in a frog affixed to the left of the saddle.

The sword (Fig. 2) had a fretted steel hilt with the Bavarian lozenge shield supported by the Bavarian lion (Fig. 3), a black grip and a blackened steel scabbard with one suspension ring. The swordknot (Fig. 7) of the pattern normally used by Unteroffiziere (Corporals) or Sergeanten (Sergeants), had a red brown leather strap and slide, a light blue tassel head with a white worm and white fringes enclosing light blue fringes. Unteroffiziere and Sergeanten of the Stafforderlies had officers' swordknots.

The breeches were black-blue mixture complimented by black kneeboots with black strapped, steel straight necked spurs. In dismounted dress black-blue strapped pantaloons with cornflower blue stripes each side of red piping, were worn.

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Kingdom of Wuerttemberg: Landwehr Cavalry Officers' Uniform, Circa 1890

The Army Order of 29 April 1872 introduced a specific uniform for Landwehr Cavalry Officers of the Royal Wuerttemberg Army. It was based on that introduced in the Royal Prussian Army on 11 April 1868.

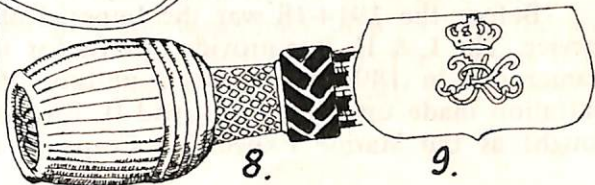
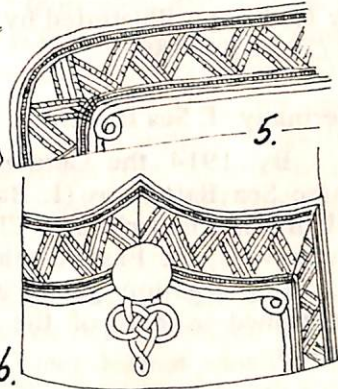
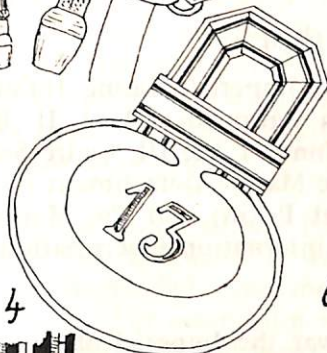
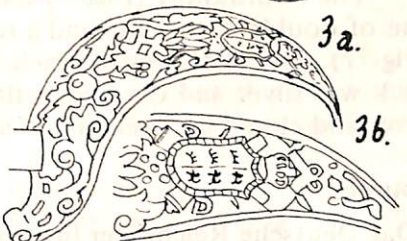
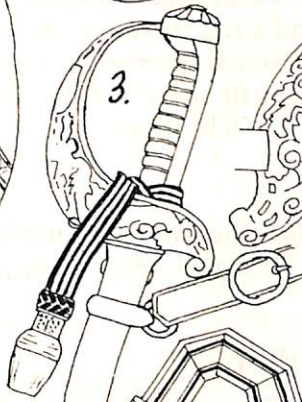
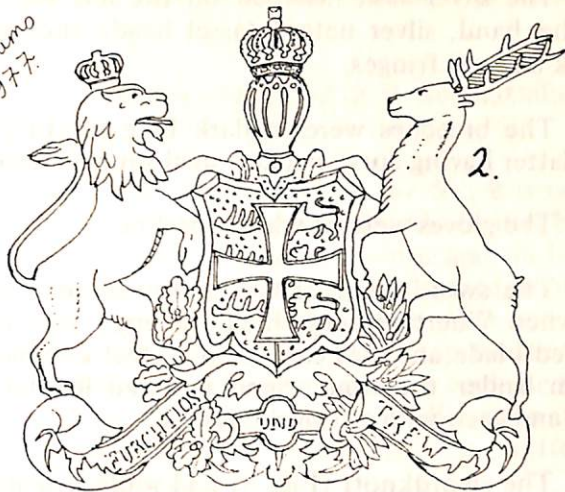
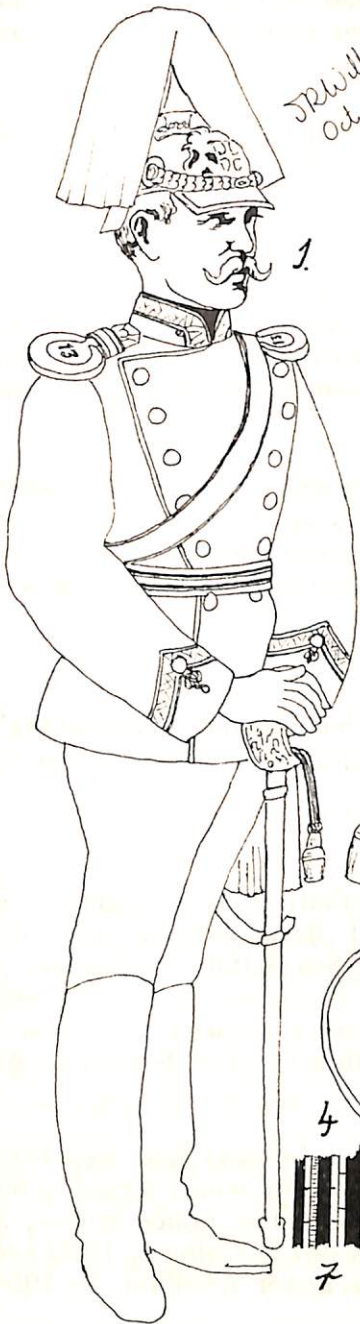
The helmet was in black leather with a square-cut front peak. The front peak beading, rib down the back of the dome, cross-shaped spike base, spike neck with pearl ring, fluted spike, oval chinscale bosses and convex chinscales were gilt. Behind the right chinscale boss was the Wuerttemberg rosette comprising a black ring with a red centre (the black-silver-red German rosette was not placed on headdress until 22 March 1897). The plate (Fig. 2) comprised the Wuerttemberg Royal Arms in gilt with a plain Landwehr cross in silver mounted on the shield. A drooping black buffalo hair plume with a gilt boss at the top, was introduced for parade by the Army Order of 1 September 1886.

The double breasted tunic, worn by all units of the Royal Wuerttemberg Army until 1892, was an assertion of national identity against the over-riding Prussianism of military affairs in Germany. It was dark blue with a rounded poppy red collar (Fig. 5) and Polish cuffs (Fig. 6). There was dark blue piping around the top and down the front of the collar. Poppy red piping ran down the front edge and around the rear skirt pocket flaps. Gold lace with a red line near each edge ran around the top and down the front of the collar, and was shaped around the cuff point and down the rear of the cuff. Just below the lace was a line of narrow gold tracing braid formed in a knot on the cuffs and with an eye loop at the centre rear of the collar similar to those in the angles of the collar and cuffs. There were six copper gilt buttons in each row down the front, one on each cuff, three on each rear skirt pocket flap and a smaller one on each shoulder. A poppy red loop, faced with silver lace with a red and a black line near each edge, served to hold the epaulettes on the shoulders.

The epaulettes (Fig. 4) had a poppy red cushion underlay and a light blue ground with copper gilt half moons, gilt numerals "13" (for the XIII (Royal Wuerttemberg) Army Corps) and silver lace with red and black lines near each edge.

The pouchbelt was in dark blue cloth faced with gold lace and with a gilt oval buckle, slide and tip. It was worn over the epaulette. The pouch (Fig. 9) was in black leather with a crowned "K R" cypher (King Karl 1864-1891) on the lid.

JR Williams
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The silver sash fastened on the left hip, had two black over red lines in the band, silver netted tassel heads and silver bullion fringes enclosing black and red fringes.

The breeches were in dark blue mixture cloth with black kneeboots, the latter having curve necked steel spurs screwed into the heels.

The gloves were of white doeskin.

The sword (Fig. 3) had a fretted steel hilt (Figs. 3a & 3b) with the crowned Wuerttemberg shield of arms worked into the fretting. It had a curved blade and was carried in a steel scabbard with two suspension rings. From under the tunic came two red leather swordslings faced with gold lace and each with gilt oval buckles.

The swordknot (Fig. 8) had a black leather strap with a central lateral line of double silver wire and a red thread within a silver wire near each edge (Fig. 7). The slide was in black leather with diagonal silver lines, the tassel neck was silver and covered with silver netting, and the closed tassel was all silver and closed by a red and black filling.

Source:

“Das Deutsche Reichsheer in seiner neuesten Bekleidung und Austrüstung”, by G. Lange, illustrated by G. Krikel, second edition, printed by H. Toussaint & Co, Berlin 1892.

Germany: I. Sea Battalion, 1914

By 1914 the German Imperial Marine Infantryⁱ were organised in three Sea Battalions (I. Bn stationed at Kiel, II. Bn at Wilhelmshafen and III. Bn at Kiautschou in Chinaⁱⁱ), the III. Cadre Sea Battalion (stationed at Cuxhaven), the East Asiatic Marine Detachment (stationed at Tientsin with a strong legation guard at Pekin) and the Marine Infantry Detachment (stationed as part of the international occupation force at Scutari in Albania).

Before the 1914-18 war the Imperial Marine Infantry had seen little service. The I. & II. Bns provided drafts for a company which served in the Cameroons in 1894 to suppress a mutiny of the native police troops. A battalion made up from the I. and II. Bns went out to China in 1900 and fought as the Marine Expedition Corps in the Boxer rebellion. In 1904

another Marine Expedition Corps was sent to German South West Africa to help suppress the Herero uprising.

Figure 9 shows a Feldwebel (Sergeant Major) of the I. Sea Battalion in parade dress in 1914.

He wears a black leather shako as introduced for the Sea Bns on 30 December 1882. It had black leather front and rear peaks, the former being edged by a leather welt. On shore brass chinscales were worn and on board ship a black leather chinstrap. The plate (Fig. 8) consisted of the eagle of the German Commonwealth (Reichsadler) superimposed on an anchor and with the beribboned Imperial Crown (Kaiserkrone) above. At the top front of the shako was an officers' pattern red-silver-black-silver German cockade (Fig. 5). A drooping black hair plume (Fig. 4) with a white enamelled boss at the top was worn on the shako in parade dress (the plume has been omitted in figure 9 to show the position of the cockade).

The tunic was dark blue (Prussian blue) with a white collar, cuffs and piping down the front and around the rear skirt pocket flaps. Its collar (Fig. 6) was piped dark blue around the top and down the front with gold rank lace within. On each side of the collar was a yellow buttonhole and a large flat gilt button bearing an anchor surmounted by a beribboned Imperial Crown. Gold lace ran around the top of the cuff (Fig. 3) with a slightly narrower gold lace band above. The cuff flaps were dark blue with three yellow buttonholes. There were eight plain yellow metal buttons down the front, three each cuff flap, two on each rear skirt pocket flap and a smaller one bearing the company number in Arabic numerals, on each shoulder. At the top of each rear skirt pocket flap was a support hook for the waistbelt disguised as a button. The shoulder straps (Fig. 7) were white and bore crossed anchors surmounted by a beribboned Imperial Crown and with a Roman numeral below all in yellow.

The sabre (Fig. 1) was of naval officer pattern with a gilt lionshead hilt and white grip bound with gilt wires. It was carried in a black leather scabbard with gilt mounts, suspended from the black leather waistbelt by two round black leather slings. The swordknot was of silver cord with a red and black fleck and had a silver slide and tassel neck in silver with red and black lines and a closed silver tassel. The waistbelt clasp (Fig. 2) was brass with a white metal central device comprising an Imperial Crown within a circlet bearing the motto "Gott mit uns" (God with us).



The trousers were white or dark blue (Prussian blue) with white piping worn over black boots and the gloves were white.

Sources:

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Footnotes:

- i. It should be noted that there was no Imperial German Army in 1914. There were a Royal Prussian Army (incorporating the units of many principalities including the Grand Ducal Hessian Division), a Royal Wuerttemberg Army, a Royal Saxon Army and a Royal Bavarian Army and together they formed the composite army of the German troops, expeditions raised for service overseas and the Gendarmerie in Alsace-Lorraine were Imperial formations.
- ii. The III.Bn in China had almost regimental strength, including a mounted 5th Coy, a Marine Field Battery, a Marine Pioneer Coy, and a Machine Gun Coy. The I. & II. Bns had been made mobile by the addition of 1 Field Battery, 1 Pioneer Detachment, 1 Medical Detachment and 1 Field Bakery Column each, in 1900 and 1901 respectively.

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SGT J.H. DANIEL DCM, MM

by R. CLARK

A not unusual combination of decorations for the First World War was the DCM and the MM, but these same decorations were rarely awarded to the one person for service in the Second World War. This does not suggest the standards for the awards were raised but the intensity of fighting over long periods was less in the Second World War. However, a man who won both the DCM and MM is Sergeant Jack Daniel, a quietly spoken giant who after a short conversation leaves the listener in no doubt as to his outstanding qualities. If there ever was a model of the AIF's platoon sergeant then Jack Daniel is such a man.

John Henry Daniel was born at Yass, NSW, on 20 December 1915 and attended the Holbrook State School until he was 13 years old. Life for Jack was not easy as his mother (Sarah Jane) died in 1920, leaving his father (John Henry), a land worker, to bring up a son in the midst of the Depression. After leaving school Jack Daniel worked in a variety of jobs until he became a shearer, a trade that paid well.

Military service for Daniel commenced in 1937 when he joined the Holbrook Troop of the 21st Light Horse Regiment. At the outbreak of the war militia unit commanders advised their troops to remain with their units as it was thought the units as a whole would become part of the AIF. The possibility of missing the war convinced Daniel to go to Melbourne and enlist in the AIF on 6 December 1939. After training at Puckapunyal, he was allocated to 2/6 Battalion as a Carpenter Group 2 and sailed with the second convoy to the Middle East. The unit trained in Palestine and Egypt, using wooden Bren guns which were manufactured by the battalion pioneers. Battalions at this time had Hotchkiss and Lewis Guns, although prior to moving into the Western Desert the unit was issued with its full complement of weapons.

Private Daniel was with a patrol that reported the first entry of the Germans into the Western Desert and he received his baptism of fire at Bardia. Action at Tobruk, Derna and Benghazi followed. During this period Daniel was a member of a patrol which captured an Italian payroll, and as

the lire was readily convertible to pounds these Australians became rich for a short period. After 'unofficial' leave in Alexandria the battalion went as part of the Sixth Division to Greece. Upon arrival troops were unloaded from HMS CAMERONIAN by hundreds of small Greek fishing boats as the wharf had been destroyed. After further 'unofficial' leave in Athens the battalion went to central Greece travelling on the one existing railway. By this time, the units that arrived earlier had been mauled by the advancing Germans. Daniel's unit was part of a force which for twelve foggy days held a pass until the fog lifted on 24 April which allowed the unit from its high position in the pass to watch a major tank battle. On the 25 April the unit pulled out as the Germans had the main road under constant fire for a distance of fifty miles, which was an awesome sight vividly remembered by those present.

A fighting retreat to the beach followed and after a long wait, evacuation on HMS DEFENDER, a ship which Daniel and his party had to force themselves aboard, as a shortage of ships meant many of the 50,000 troops on the beach could not be evacuated. Up to 7,000 troops had to be loaded onto ships which had a normal carrying capacity of 1,500. The 2/6 Battalion went to Greece with a strength of around 900 and of these 390 made it back to Egypt for a period of regrouping, re-equipping and training. During this time Lance Corporal Daniel did a Chemical Warfare course and on completion was promoted to Corporal and became the unit's expert. Due to losses and expansion there were many promotions during this period but Daniel, although recommended, refused to attend the Officer Training Course. December/January was spent near Damascas, however, the Japanese threat to Australia resulted in the battalion being recalled to Australia.

On the return voyage by P & O Liner the unit disembarked at Ceylon and built defences in preparation to meet the expected Japanese invasion. After about three months in Ceylon Daniel was selected, with 23 others, to tour through India. The officer in charge of this party was Lieutenant Joe Gullett who, like his father, became a noted author. After three weeks the party boarded a Dutch boat which, due to tactics to avoid enemy submarines, took six weeks to reach Fremantle. Corporal Daniel had fourteen days leave, dyed his khaki uniforms green, attended a course on anti-tank weapons at Holsworthy and was then ready for jungle operations. As the platoon sergeant of the battalion anti-tank platoon he had under his command four sergeants, four lance sergeants and 28 men whose weapons

comprised 2-pounder anti-tank guns, Bren guns, Thompson SMG's and rifles.

With the exception of a short evacuation to Australia with Malaria, Sergeant Daniel played a prominent part in all the operational engagements of the 2/6 Battalion. His gallantry and distinguished leadership is shown in the following extract from his citation for the award in 1943 of the Military Medal:

Sergeant John Henry Daniel, VX9453 . . .

“Leading a patrol into enemy positions to protect a signalling party at Nassau Bay Sergeant Daniel attacked causing the enemy to withdraw. Advancing further he killed two enemy with a grenade and stalked and killed a sniper who proved dangerous. On one occasion he ran forward under heavy fire and carried to safety a soldier who would otherwise have fallen into enemy hands. Sergeant Daniel displayed magnificent courage and devotion to duty, his example being an inspiration to his own and US troops.”

Sergeant Daniel found that the US troops, if bolstered with Australians, would overcome their lack of training and experience and fight the Japanese. During a critical time at Nassau Bay a lone Australian aircraft was a welcome sight to the Australians, however their joy was short lived as the US troops quickly shot it down in error.

Sergeant Daniel continued to serve with his unit in the dirty, possibly needless, actions of the latter end of the war which ended at Maprik. The following is the citation for the award of his DCM:

‘During the present campaign in the MAPRIK area, Sgt DANIEL 2/6 AUST INF BN, has been responsible for outstanding efforts of courage, initiative and leadership. Prior to the attack on WOMBAK the initial reconnaissances were made by small patrols led by Sgt DANIEL and much valuable information regarding enemy strengths and dispositions obtained.

On 15 May 45 the Position was attacked, Sgt DANIEL being in command of the flanking platoon. His daring and aggressive leadership was responsible for the capture of vital ground which later facilitated the occupation of the whole position.

Immediately following the completion of the initial phase, he

aggressively led patrols into the centre of the main enemy defences, killing four enemy.

His total disregard for his own personal safety, coupled with his brilliant leadership, was an inspiring example to his men and undoubtedly reduced our own casualties to a minimum.

Prior to the attack on the strongly defended enemy position at DOMBUIR, on 2 June 45, Sgt DANIEL led a 5½ hrs patrol which continually harassed and inflicted casualties on an enemy numerically far superior.

Moving ahead of his section he killed the sentry on the track and also a sniper thus enabling the section to advance to close quarters.

He crawled to the flank of the enemy and, exposing himself to heavy rifle and LMG fire, succeeded in killing three enemy and badly wounding one.

Sgt DANIEL's initiative, personal courage and continued aggression finally drove the enemy from the strongly defended position.

Sgt DANIEL's devotion to duty, brilliant leadership, initiative and personal courage are an inspiration to all with whom he serves and his untiring efforts have been responsible for inflicting many casualties on the enemy.'

Evidence of the starving Japanese eating human flesh was encountered by Sergeant Daniel, and he recalls a plump Japanese Warrant Officer who pleaded to be taken prisoner. This was unusual as most of the Japanese had been fighting until death, however interrogation revealed that he was the next to be eaten so the fate of surrender was preferable to the 'cooking pot'. After witnessing the surrender at Wewak, Daniels returned to Australia and was discharged on 6 October 1945.

Jack Daniels was selected to represent his unit at the London Victory March Contingent and was re-enlisted on 1 April 1946, sailing to England on the "Shropshire". Throughout England and Europe the Victory Contingent were given the treatment deserving distinguished soldiers. The contingent returned to Australia and its members were discharged on 12 September 1946.

With some carefully acquired gold and accumulated pay, Daniel became

a Soldier Settler at Holbrook on a property of 900 acres which he called 'Nassau', after an area which he would always remember. On 28 August 1947 Jack Daniel married Elsa Lillian Frur, a girl from Holbrook, and they had two sons, Russell John and James Leonard. Many years of hard work turned 'Nassau' into a profitable property, however a back injury, acquired during the war, forced him to sell the property. Today Jack Daniel continues to support his community and is at all times helping the families of ex-servicemen. One of the AIF's most gallant and distinguished soldiers has become in peace a leader and an example to others.

Sergeant Jack Daniel earned the following awards: DCM, MM, 1939-45 Star, Africa Star, Pacific Star, Defence Medal, War Medal, Australian Service Medal, Efficiency Medal.

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THE PRESERVATION OF CLOTH ITEMS

By K.R. WHITE

One of the major problems to all collectors of fabric items, including uniforms, headdress, insignia and flags, is the very definite possibility of attack by silverfish, moths, beetles and other insects, and also, under some conditions, by fungus. This article is based on the experience of a leading collector of uniforms and other cloth relics who over the years has found the following method to give long time protection, without any damage to the material treated. It is based on his knowledge as an industrial chemist and provided elementary precautions as set out are followed can be used with complete safety.

Of course it is possible to use a number of readily available commercial products, such as moth balls or pest strips, on the basis of one lb of moth balls to 10 cubic feet of space, or one pest strip to the same area, but the limiting factor to these methods is the relatively short life (three months for pest strips) of the chemicals used. A much greater degree of protection is ensured for years by the use of *Dieldrene*, made up as a spray.

Materials Required

Dieldrene Concentrate

Shellite or similar white spirit

Garden or similar hand spray with fine nozzle

Mixture

2 fluid ounces of Dieldrene Concentrate is mixed into $\frac{1}{2}$ gallon of Shellite. This produces a brown solution which is easily sprayed through the spray.

Method

If it will stand dry cleaning the item should be so cleaned and pressed before treatment or at least hand cleaned to remove all obvious dirt and stains, including grease spots. Lay the garment on newspapers, sheet or some similar protection and spray **DOWN** onto the garment, ensuring it is treated both inside and out. Hang up to dry and then return to storage, preferably in a dry cleaners envelope. No pressing will be necessary as the mixture will not remove creases or pleats.

MOST IMPORTANT

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

As Dieldrene is a dangerous chemical if misused, the following precautions should be followed to minimise any possible danger:

1. Protective Clothing

Wear clothing which covers all skin, e.g. overalls with sleeves rolled down, rubber gloves and if possible a face mask covering the nose and mouth. If mask not available a handkerchief tied across the face will suffice.

2. Do Not Smoke

As Shellite is highly flammable, no naked flame should be permitted while preparing, spraying or cleaning up. Due to the presence of minute droplets of the mixture in the air, save your cigarette for smoking well away from the work area, after you have cleaned up.

3. Spray Outdoors

DO NOT spray indoors, due to the likelihood of inhaling the mixture, and spray only in NO WIND conditions, early in morning or in evening after wind has dropped. This is to ensure that floating droplets are kept to a minimum, with less chance of body contact.

4. Clean Up

Ensure that pump and any utensils are washed in soapy water and well rinsed before removing protective gear.

General Comments

Although fluid is brown in colour it will dry completely colourless, even on white material.

Do Not Use Water As Solvent — Although Dieldrene is soluble in water, it is possible that fungus growth will appear later and that a brown stain will appear on the material if water is used.

Dieldrene is dangerous if misused or accidentally taken into the body, either through the skin, inhaled or swallowed. Symptoms of absorption are a general feeling of sickness, followed by nausea.

FIRST AID

1. If *Dieldrene* is accidentally swallowed, drink milk and seek immediate medical assistance.
2. If splashed onto skin, IMMEDIATELY wash the affected area with plenty of soap and water.
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BOOK REVIEWS

British Defence Policy in a Changing World, edited by J. Baylis, London, Croom Helm Ltd, 1977, 295 pp, £9.95 (U.K.)

This collection of ten essays provides an analysis of the changes which have taken place in Britain's security policies since the Second World War. The approach is essentially a thematic one, isolating several key issues and examining them in detail. The authors use their particular skills to study a comprehensive range of affairs. The book looks at the relationship between foreign policy and defence policy in general and more specifically at the three circles of British policy: East of Suez, the 'special relationship', and Europe. The place of nuclear weapons in defence policy and the nature of strategic thought in Britain are dealt with, as well as defence economics, national priorities and the recurring dilemmas of decision-making. Issues of civil-military relations and public attitudes towards defence, particularly in terms of their political implications, are also considered. This is a book which should interest the student of the military balance in Europe, but Australia rates a scant mention only twice – which probably accurately sums up the state of the British-Australian defence relationship.

Arms Control and Technological Innovation, edited by D. Carlton & C. Schaerf, London, Croom Helm Ltd, 1977, 366 pp, £9.95 (U.K.)

The principal concern of this book is that the pace of technological change is proceeding at an unprecedented rate, and there is serious doubt whether political institutions will adapt in time to avoid devastating consequences to the world. In particular, advances in arms control arrangements appear to be wholly inadequate to meet the challenge presented by the speed of technological innovation. The twenty papers in this book were presented to the Sixth Course of the International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts, held in Italy in July 1976, and seek to define the problem of arms control and to open some possible approaches to a solution. The contributors represent a wide variety of nationalities, professions and ideologies, and include a former Deputy Director of the American CIA, an official of the Soviet Academy of Sciences who is a retired General of the Soviet Union, and Hans J. Morgenthau.

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ACTIVITIES OF THE A.I.F. RESEARCH SECTION

By W.H.G. GEAKE*

From the first weeks of the First World War, suggestions had been sent to the Australian Inventions Boards, and from them to the British War Office, but an insurmountable difficulty existed in that during the early years no separate Invention Board had been formed in England. It was only early in 1916, with the advent of the Tanks and the recognition that it had become an Engineer's war, that the Home Authorities formed a separate Board to investigate all suggested improvements, and even at this stage the Board was composed of highly trained Woolwich experts who could not believe that any untrained help, especially from civilian soldiers, could be of any assistance.

An A.I.F. Research Section took form in November 1916, although evidence exists that many valuable ideas were lost to the Allies because no A.I.F. Inventions Board existed prior to this date in London. We were indeed fortunate at this period to have as our O.C. Headquarters, General Griffiths, and it is entirely owing to his instinctive sympathy and knowledge of the Australian soldiers, together with a very wonderful tact in meeting the British senior officers, that an Australian Research Section as a separate unit was ever formed.

It was on General Griffiths' suggestion that myself (then a Warrant Officer) and Corporal E.R. Terry, both of whom had been sent to London with models of our inventions, were loaned to the British Inventions' Board for a period of one month. Within that time both inventions had been demonstrated and the British Authorities asked for a further loan of our services for an additional three months. Meantime a batch of suggestions and inventions from the Australian Forces in France were submitted to A.I.F. Headquarters and so many of these were found to be of value that General Griffiths decided to form a separate Inventions Research Section. The British Authorities readily agreed to this, as they were having trouble in understanding some of the rough drawings sent in on the backs of cigarette boxes and models made of pieces of wire, belt clips, etc.

*Capt W.H.G. Geake MBE, AM; b.23.2.1880; educ. Sydney Grammar School; Consulting Engineer; Enlisted 13 Bn AIF, transferred to Munitions Inventions Department UK; OC AIF Research Section; Inventor of Geake Gun, message carrying rocket, infantry flare, etc.; wounded 1917; awarded AM 1919, MBE 1918; RAAF Sqn Ldr 1940-44; died on service 1944.

Within the first three months of the Research Section operating, the British Authorities replaced their original doubtful belief by a very whole-hearted confidence, and allotted the Australian Section an experimental ground of their own at Esher, Surrey, with myself (now Lieutenant) as O.C. The Section had meantime grown to fifteen all ranks, each of whom were experts in the sense that their inventions had been proved of value under preliminary tests, and that their knowledge of actual fighting conditions, as against theoretical book knowledge, made their criticism doubly valuable.

Nothing that can be written of the resourcefulness and instinctive ingenuity of the Australian soldier could adequately describe the position as it developed when it became known on all fronts that an Australian Experimental ground existed. It is a matter of historical knowledge that the valuable suggestions made by the A.I.F. Forces averaged two to one as against the suggestions from all other sources. This became more noticeable when the O.C., Australian Section, was invited to take a seat on the British Inventions Board where suggestions from all over the world were received daily. A second and very distinct difference existed in the suggestions emanating from the A.I.F. troops. It may be said that, without exception, the first thing which struck an investigator was the uncanny soundness and seemingly instinctive sense of appropriate functioning, so much so, that in each case when the stresses and constructional details were mathematically worked out, they were found to be almost identical with the original rough drawings.

At different periods the Section had as many as thirty experimentors at the station. In some cases the members were only on leave from their units, and one of the most unfortunate of the conditions was that many of the inventions now being brought to the Section had been already anticipated and were in the course of production.

One illustration of this was the case of Corporal Muirhead, who reported to the experimental grounds from Headquarters, London, with a device for re-loading the drums of a Lewis gun. The O.C. had reluctantly to inform Muirhead that his invention was sound but that it was already in production and would be issued within the next two months. Muirhead explained that he had been working on the model for six months in France and had waited for his leave instead of sending the model over. It was a practice in cases of this kind to endeavour to soften the keen disappointment by giving the inventor one or more of our own problems to try and find a solution. It was explained to Muirhead that all the Allies had been trying to find a solution to the problem of stoppages caused by shrinkage in a Vicars gun belt. It was further explained to Muirhead that ten years work had been done on this

problem by all the greater nations prior to the war, and many temporary expedients had been adopted. Muirhead's reply was that he would like to have a week or two on it and to the utter amazement of all hands at the Research Station he turned up the following morning having worked all night, with a model constructed of fencing wire, clothes pegs, and a picture hook, which was absolutely sound. He was immediately taken on the strength of the Section and the finished model constructed within two weeks, when Muirhead reported that he wished to entirely scrap his new idea and alter the whole practise of machine gun belt construction. His alternative suggestion, which would have saved thousands of lives had it been made earlier, was that the belt be constructed of paper and discarded after being used once. The whole idea was so transparently right that models were at once constructed of heavy cartridge paper and functioned perfectly, being adopted and in production within six weeks of its invention.

Many other cases exactly parallel could be quoted. The daring unorthodox thinking and willingness to break right away from previous practise was the outstanding feature which occurred almost daily in the suggestions made by the members of the Australian Forces.

The following list of Inventions by A.I.F. Experimentors were finished and adopted, although in some cases, did not reach the front until the last few months of the War: —

Improved Machine Gun Belt (Muirhead)

Comprising a belt manufactured of cartridge paper, sufficiently rigid to obviate the use of spaces, carrying a thousand rounds, issued in a sealed tin container having a removable lid.

Impact Hand Grenade (Shepherd)

Comprising a very much improved hand grenade, the essential feature of which was that throwing with a spinning action armed the grenade and impact with any object, even the branches of a tree, caused instant detonation. The grenade was absolutely safe until thrown with a spinning action.

Smooth Bore Howitzer (Temple)

An entirely new principle in ballistics whereby the projectile was tied into the base of the Howitzer by a tie rod of any desired thickness, whereby the projectile was held until the propellant charge had built up sufficient pressure to snap the tie rod. This weapon was intended for use against wire entanglements and strong posts.



A.I.F. Research Section, 1918 (Lt Geake is seated centre front)

Message Carrying Rocket (Geake)

A steel rocket having a range up to eight miles. The rocket had gas vents at the side of the head, a centrally situated tail, and a flare that burnt for half an hour on landing, and with a watertight receptacle for messages.

A Floating Flare Shell For Naval Use (Geake)

Intended to light up any desired area at sea, without the danger of search light use. Comprised a standard 4-inch naval shrapnel shell having the shrapnel removed and replaced by a buoyant container filled with self oxygenating flare mixture, and operated by a standard time fuse which upon functioning allowed the flare to be discharged. Floating in the water, it was proved to give illuminating power of 50,000 C.P. for two minutes, giving a clear silhouette of all intervening objects without disclosing the source from which it was fired.

Non-Inflammable Petrol Tank (Imber)

A petrol tank for aircraft use designed to eliminate the greatest danger in aerial warfare. Constructed of copper the thickness of ordinary newspaper, tank proper was surrounded by a thick layer of specially prepared rubber kept in constant compression. Under test this tank proved that neither leak nor ignition occurred after being punctured with twenty incendiary bullets.

Rod Gun (Geake)

This apparatus reversed the ordinary practise, the shell being propelled from the outside of a steel rod, and allowed of any shape or design of projectile being fired from a one inch by twenty inches steel rod. In general design the projectile had a tube inserted in its core having the upper end closed, the propelling charge was inserted in the upper end and the projectile was caused to slide down the rod so that the rod would strike the cap (believed to be the forerunner of the pineapple bomb used by the enemy).

Magazine For 303 Rifle (Terry)

A conical hollow container holding thirteen 303 cartridges designed to fit over the rifle in such a manner as to allow sighting through the centre of the magazine, which was caused to rotate by the withdrawal of the bolt and bring each cartridge into place in the breech as it rotated.

Stream Lined Stoke Shell (Adams)

A Stoke Shell similar in design to an aerial torpedo having the

advantages of standard type with a range up to 2000 yards. The essential improvement being a new type driving band rear vance giving definite accuracy plus range.

The above represent a few of the inventions which were originated, developed and placed in production entirely by members of A.I.F. Research Section. They were remarkable in that they were invented to order, that is, a request for the article had been received by either G.H.Q. France or the British Inventions Board in London.

Many other devices were designed in collaboration with British or Allied Research Engineers where we had some specialised knowledge. Examples were Smoke Screen Discharging Devices for Zeebrugge which enabled a Rifle Flare (giving 20,000 candle power on impact) to be fired from a service rifle at ranges up to 400 yards, an Aeroplane message carrier which gave a definite smoke signal on impact and continued emitting signals under water. And again Lieutenant Warsfold was responsible for much valuable work in the construction of the Sound Ranging devices, one type being used for detecting the approach of aircraft and a modified form for gun ranging. Another instance where the A.I.F. Section's special knowledge was used was tracer bullets for zeppelin defence and a special rocket using the new flare materials devised by members of the Section.

The general work of the Section was available at all times for any of the special problems which were continually being sent from G.H.Q. and to which a solution had to be found at the earliest possible moment. These varied from the designing of a balloonette fitted with a device for distributing propaganda over the enemy lines, and in a modified form for crop burning, to intense work done in connection with submarine defence and a series of entirely new experiments covering the efficient detonation of large quantities of the newer high explosives.

Unofficially attached to the Section for a period of two years was an Australian civilian, Mr A.E. Salenger, who at his own expense originated and developed some highly ingenious inventions in collaboration with members of the Section. His special knowledge of chemicals was of extreme value. Casualties were unavoidable owing to the dangerous nature of the work, which in many cases involved new explosives. Salenger had his left hand amputated. I was wounded three times and lost the fingers of the right hand. Sergeant Terry was wounded on two occasions and Adams, Imber and Muirhead were burnt by premature explosions.

At the Armistice the Section were asked to devote their efforts to the designing of artificial limbs and apparatus for the care of wounded. Eventually the Section was disbanded and the members returned to Australia, a Report and set of drawings of the newer improvements in munitions being lodged with the Defence Department.

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Second World War Stars: The normal amount of stars awarded to the army was three although a limited number were awarded four; however, a navy collector informed Medalman that with clasps at least one RAN member qualified for SEVEN. This surely must be a record, but maybe RAAF members who served in Europe, Middle East, Italy and the Pacific must also have been awarded up to six stars clasps. Does any reader know of any RAAF member who was awarded six stars/clasps?

Five Polar Medals: A member of a British Antarctic expedition who was awarded a Polar Medal later served with an Australian expedition and instead of being awarded a clasp was awarded a second medal. In addition to his Antarctic service he also served during the Second World War, Korea and is a long serving member of the CMF. It is hoped this possibly unique group will be on display at the Queens Birthday Weekend exhibition in Canberra.

More Rare Australian Awards Could Come On The Market: With the increasing value of medals awarded to Australians there should be more medals coming on the market as families could be tempted by these prices. This does not mean a decrease in values as for every rare medal that comes on the market there is many more new collectors topping the market. An indication of the realization that Australia is the best place to sell awards to Australians is both dealers and collectors from England and America have sent good quality items for disposal by the MHSA.

Machine For Namely Early British Medals: As mentioned previously by Medalman a machine was produced in England to put names on Crimean and other early British medals. The culprits have been caught but no one accurately knows how many medals were named or for that matter how many machines could have been made? Overseas journals suggest that collectors who have a doubtful medal should contact a London dealer who helped with the Police investigations. Our legal advisors suggest that the Police should be the initial contact and then they can seek any required expert advice. Those who collect British awards, would be well advised not to rush purchasers of Crimean 'change' medals.

Medals to Australians: A new, enlarged and revised edition of this vital

reference is hoped to be published this year. A high quality production covering all aspects of medals to Australians, including medals as investments compared with other items, will see a great increase in investors in medals.

QSA/Suakin Latest London Auction Prices: A single Mayor of Sydneys Medallion sold for \$180 (Sotheby Nov 77), single Suakin to NSW Arty \$957 (Sotheby Nov 77). But a dealers mark up of at least 20% brings a Suakin trio to around \$1200. A QSA to an Australian Lieutenant was listed in Spinks January 1978 catalogue for £246 sterling.

Awards of The NGS Medal to the RAN: The following list of clasps awarded, provided by DOD (Navy), clearly indicates the rarity of the NGS to Australian navy personnel. Palestine – 1. Palestine 1945-48 – 1. South East Asia 1945- – 170. Yangtze – 1. Malaya – 3. Bomb & Mine Clearance – 58. Minesweeping – 1200. Near East – 1. These figures may be inaccurate as S.E. Asia, Bomb & Mine Clearance and Minesweeping may be the number who qualified which is a much higher figure than the number actually awarded. Two members in conjunction with DOD (Navy) are at present compiling a roll of this rare award. No two bar medals were thought to exist until one turned up as part of a collection being disposed of through the MHSA.

Queens Birthday Weekend Display in Canberra: All medal collectors are asked to support this occasion by displaying the best of their collection. It is planned to have the foremost authorities speak on medal collecting as a hobby and as an investment and Medalman has been assured most will be arranged at the rarity and value of medals. It will be an excellent opportunity to view the finest array of medals ever displayed in Australia as well as meeting those with similar interests.

VC Winners Biannual Reunion: In May the biannual reunion of VC winners is being held in London and Cathay Pacific, at the request of the VC Association, has agreed to fly the Australians from Sydney to Hong Kong where British service aircraft will take them to London. Surely, with the small numbers involved, the Government could afford to fly them to London for their biannual reunion. Perhaps the RSL could push for such measures.

A Medal Mystery Solved: If you obtained a group of medals named to CHARLIE ONE LAMPUNGRNEIWA or LAURIE ONE EYE NELSON no doubt, like other members of MHSA, would consider them to be a joke.

Well don't rush to condemn medals, stop and do some research as they could, as in this case, turn out to be interesting rarities. As the names could only be full blood Aborigines and no service members were on the medals the Aboriginal authorities were asked for a possible explanation. The explanation is that in the early 1960s at the conclusion of an interview to do with Aboriginal rights, the judge asked if there were any questions and was rather startled when asked when they would be paid for their service during the 1939-45 war. An extensive investigation followed which revealed that a Lieutenant Gribble RANVR (without reference to the RAN) enlisted at Snake Bay a native coastal patrol unit which were given uniforms, arms and equipment. The unit operated from January 1943 until September 1945 and received no form of remuneration for their service although they were told by Lieutenant Gribble that after the war they would be paid. As no pay had arrived by 1961 the native thought it time to ask for payment. Not only was payment made (about £200 each) but medals and return from active service badges were awarded to the thirty-six aboriginals who served Australia and who could have been completely forgotten. What an incredibly interesting group of medal winners.

QSAs to Aborigines: Would any reader have details on Australian Aborigines who served in the Boer War as black trackers. One tracker known to have served with the Queensland Contingents was Billy – he is mentioned in a book “The Black Police In Queensland” by Kennedy. It would be of interest to know how, if awarded, his medal was named and what bars he was awarded.

WO2 K.G. Conway: At last Australia has given some small honour to a most gallant Australian soldier who should have been awarded the VC. In CAG No. S24 of 8 February 1978 is published street and place names in certain suburbs of Canberra showing how the name originated. In the Division of Gowrie all are named after distinguished servicemen and women. One entry reads:

CONWAY PLACE – Kevin G. Conway (c1929-1964) First Australian killed in Vietnam; recommended for VC; awarded USA Silver Star Medal, Knight of National Order of Vietnam, Cross of Gallantry With Palm, Armed Forces Honour Medal.

An interesting Gazette worthy of a place in any library.

Realistic Prices For Australian Items: Over the years some collectors have been able to 'pick up' from unsuspecting families, at a fraction of their value, items of rare Australian militaria. One way of ensuring the public becomes aware of the true values of militaria is by holding auctions. There are still those collectors who are happy to continue 'to rob the unwary' and at the same time complain about the rising prices. If you are a genuine collector then pay a fair price as your investment can only increase in value. Medalman believes in fair play for both the seller and buyer, especially when dealing direct with the families of recipients. No double standards.

Wearing Of Foreign And/Or Private Awards By Members Of The Public: From the number of enquiries there is obviously misunderstanding or lack of knowledge presently causing confusion about what awards private individuals may wear. In a nutshell, an individual (in other than uniform) may wear any award, foreign, private, etc., that he or she has been awarded. There is no law on what may be worn, except of course for falsly wearing awards, although there is a suggested order of precedence for wearing of awards. A private citizen is not even bound by these rules of precedence, and could wear his VC at the end of his service medals without breaking any law. The uninformed automatically relate the wearing of any awards to those regulations covering wearing in uniform. Those marching on Anzac Day wearing Dunkirk, Belgium, Somme, Vietnamese medals, etc., mounted with their British/Australian service medals, are quite entitled to do so.

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WHAT HAPPENS TO AN INDIVIDUAL'S MEDALS: A PERSONAL VIEW

By C. FALK*

Most medal collections in museums are the result of individuals who built up a collection which they later donated to museums. Collecting medals in Australia dates back to before the First World War when the great Kennedy collection was started; others to start at this time and since deceased were Drage and Tylour. Unfortunately two of these collections have been broken up, having been sold overseas as the families mistakenly thought they would bring a better price in England. Others have sold or donated their collections before they died. One thing is for certain, we all should realize that no matter what amount of worldly goods we have we cannot take them into the next world.

In his lifetime a collector or the individual medal winner may dispose of all or part of his medals for any number of personal reasons. A change of interest could result in a disposal of one collection to acquire another. If a collector or an individual has no interested relatives with whom to leave his medals then it is suggested careful thought be given to their disposal. Remember once medals are donated to a museum they are lost to collectors forever, and there is little doubt that a collector appreciates medals more than a museum. The collector's philosophy is a 'medal is a man' and it is the man behind the medal that the collector is interested in. There are few, if any, museums that have a man's biographical details displayed with his medals. Members of the public viewing present medal displays have no idea of the sacrifice and service represented.

An example of why medals should not be given to a museum is the Australian War Memorial, which reportedly has hundreds of medals collecting dust in vaults. Most of these medals were no doubt given by families who thought they would be displayed as a memorial to their loved one, but even some of the Victoria Crosses are displayed without the recipient's campaign

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medals. If the AWM had purchased these medals then it might be argued that they reserve the right to do with them as they wish. The AWM should have funds to purchase items, as some families have donated to the Memorial the most valued possession the family owned.

Collectors will all have memories of the great pleasure of obtaining an item of our military heritage which they have treasured, so do not deprive future collectors of these pleasures by donating your collection to a museum. If you have medals or a collection then it may be of benefit to all to sell them and, if so inclined, to donate the proceeds to a museum as most are invariably short of funds. These remarks have been made as food for thought for the collectors and families who at present are the temporary custodians of these tokens of our national heritage. One can only surmise the display if the present great Australian collections, such as those of Land, Clark and Triggar, went to museums.

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779	AL/WOD	Mr G.R. Johnston	895 St James Cres, Albury NSW 2640	W1, Z1
781	AL/WOD	Sgt R. Johnson	6 Carkeer St, Wodonga Vic 3690	VE1, M1, M2
777	AL/WOD	Mr J. Lube	31 Supply Bn, Bandiana Vic 3694	W1, W2, S1
818	AL/WOD	Sgt P.R. McIntyre	Sgts Mess, RAAOC, Bandiana Vic 3694	MH1
472	AL/WOD	Sgt R.J. Reilly	HQ 1 Div/6TF, Sgts Mess, Enogerra Qld 4052	MH1
860	AL/WOD	Mr J. Squire	577 Heathwood Ave, Lavington NSW 2641	B1
776	AL/WOD	Sgt B. Van Moolen-Broek	14 Lovell Rd, Eastwood NSW 2122	MH1, T1
861	AL/WOD	WO2 C. Lamott	RAAOC Museum, Bandiana Vic 3694	Z2
553	ACT	Brig M. Austin DSO, OBE	17 Farrer St, Braddon ACT 2601	MH2
571	ACT	Lt Col G.C. Baker	38 Muranji St, Hawker ACT 2614	MH2
825	ACT	Mr D.R. Barnby	15 Palmer St, Garran ACT 2615	B6/7, VE5/6, W5/6
35*	ACT	Mr P.J. Burness	c/- Australian War Memorial, PO Box 345, Canberra City ACT 2601	MH2, Z2/3
585	ACT	Capt C.D. Coulthard-Clark	138 Marconi Cres, Kambah ACT 2902	MH2, WG1
38	ACT	Maj R. Clark WB, OStJ, MA	140 Belconnen Way, Scullin ACT 2614	MH2, B2, M3, VE2, Z3
836	ACT	Mr B.F. Clissold	c/- Dept. of Foreign Affairs Canberra ACT 2600 per Jakarta Air Bag	P1, WG1
809	ACT	Mr J. Close	PO Box 29, Binalong NSW 2584	M1, W7, W1
653	ACT	Mr N.J. Colson	35 Winter St, Deloraine Tas 7304	MH2, MH3
717	ACT	Mr W.H. Connell	5 Keith St, Penrith NSW 2750	M3, MH4, P2
26 783	ACT	FtLt D.J. Cooke	Offrs Mess, 1 CAMD RAAF, Kingswood NSW 2750	M1/2, B1

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651	ACT	Capt G. Cooper, DFC	Operations Dept., Cathay Pacific Airways, PO Box 1, Hong Kong	MH1,AR1
531	ACT	Mr J. Courtney, AM	1 McCubbin St, Weston ACT 2611	MH2,Z3,M1/3/4/5
794	ACT	Mr R. Courtney	5 Lipman St, Chapman ACT 2611	MH1,W7,B2/3/4
790	ACT	Mr M. Dicker	RMB 593, Federal Highway, Via Sutton NSW 2551	M1/3
636	ACT	Maj C. Dieppe	9 Bellevue St, Chatswood NSW 2067	MH1/2,B5,UE4,Z4
626	ACT	Mr M. Downey	24 Farraday Ave, Rose Bay NSW 2029	M1/3/4
672	ACT	Lt J.A. Duffield	3 Milne Bay Rd, Puckapunyal Vic 3662	AFV2,T3
695	ACT	Mr A.P.M. Eastmead	PO Box 596, Manuka ACT 2603	MH1
76	ACT	Mr N.S. Foldi	21 Ingamells St, Garran ACT 2605	MH1,T1
437	ACT	Maj J. Gale	c/- PO Box 1167, Canberra City ACT 2601	MH1
78	ACT	Col D.V. Goldsmith	137 La Perouse St, Narrabundah ACT 2604	T2
467	ACT	Lt H.B. Gordon	8 Coutts Place, Melba ACT 2615	B1/2,UE1/2,SC1
560	ACT	Mrs M. Gordon	8 Coutts Place, Melba ACT 2615	B8,UE7
46	ACT	Major J.C. Gorman	PO Box 316, Queanbeyan NSW 2620	T1/2
739	ACT	Mr R. Gorman	c/- Dept. of Foreign Affairs Canberra ACT 2600	M1
742	ACT	Col W.M. Gray, MBE	126A Elimatta Rd, Mona Vale NSW 2103	MH1/2
829	ACT	Lac R.A. Horgan	RAAF Support Unit, Russell Offices, Canberra ACT 2600	M3/4
584	ACT	Lt Col P. Jarratt	73 Hilder St, Weston ACT 2611	W1,AFV1, B5/6,UE4/5
482	ACT	Mr I.D. Jenkins	3 Bryant Place, Weston ACT 2611	M1/3/4,B9,UE9
766	ACT	Mr J.M. Kennedy	28 Haines St, Curtin ACT 2605	M1/3/4,Z1,PO1
765	ACT	Mr F. Kirkland	9/46 Harriette St, Neutral Bay NSW 2089	C2
55	ACT	Dr W.A. Land	6 Flinders Ave, St Ives NSW 2075	M1/3/4
363	ACT	Maj M.G. Langley, MC	2 Robert Campbell Rd, Duntroon ACT 2600	MH1
612	ACT	Mr K.G. Laycock	20 Bremer St, Griffith ACT 2603	MH1/5
718	ACT	Mr N. Locker	Cooma-Monaro Historical Museum, Pine Valley, Cooma NSW 2630	MH6,W1,Z1

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593	ACT	Mr A.G. Mann	8 Scott St, Narrabundah ACT 2604	M2/3/4
824	ACT	Mr G.W. Marsden	7 Shenton Cres, Stirling ACT 2611	B6,UE5, MH6
582	ACT	Mr J.D. Martin	2 Kurundi Place, Hawker ACT 2614	MH1
757	ACT	S/C M.W. Metrikas	Romani Coy, CSC, RMC Duntroon ACT 2600	MH5/6/7
579	ACT	The Militaria	PO Box 138, Grafton NSW 2466	D1/2
592	ACT	Dr R.J. O'Neill	9 Durville Cres, Manuka ACT 2603	MH2/C2
350	ACT	Col P.H.G. Oxley, OBE	Room 162A, F Building, Dept. of Defence, Russell ACT 2600	MH2
438	ACT	Mr I.G. Penhall	PO Box 463, Kingston ACT 2604	B2,MH2
364	ACT	Mrs N.K. Phillips	PO Box 40, Campbell ACT 2601	MH2/5/6
773	ACT	Mr P.J. Ray	Ray's Orchards, Bells Line of Road, Bilpin NSW 2758	B1,UE1,Z6
587	ACT	Mr J. Reid	c/- Sovereign Hill Museum, Sovereign Hill, Ballarat Vic 3350	MH2,P3,Z2
819	ACT	Mr R.H. Renton	PO Box 77, Tumbarumba NSW 2653	B1/2,M1/3
679	ACT	Mr D.J. Richards	43 Eagle Circuit, Kambah ACT 2902	B1,W1,L1B1
580	ACT	Col A.R. Roberts	DCD, Army Office (G-1-31) Russell Offices, Canberra ACT 2600	MH1/2
736	ACT	Mr R.A. Rolph	29 Knaggs Cres, Page ACT 2614	B1/2,M1/3
822	ACT	Mr W.J. Rowlinson,DCM*	18 Hely Ave, Wagga Wagga NSW 2650	X1
550	ACT	Mr R.V. Royal	3 Maydena St, Warana, Via Mooloolaba Qld 4775	MH2,B2/4,M1/3/4
743	ACT	Mr P. Rutherford	c/- Dept of Foreign Affairs, Canberra ACT 2600	MH1,T1
862	ACT	Cpl W. Roberts	c/- HQ Coy, Royal Military College, Duntroon ACT 2600	M3,B2
106	ACT	Lt Col T.C. Sargent	33 Brereton St, Garran ACT 2605	MH9,T2,X2
652	ACT	Capt V.J.T. Sharpe	31 Riverview St, Tamworth NSW 2340	B3,SC2

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692	ACT	Lt R.W. Strachan	c/- Officers Mess, 21 Supply Bn, Moorebank, NSW 2170	MH2/6,M1/3/4 MH1/2,LIB1/2,P1
603	ACT	Col R. Sutton, MVO	45A Beach St, Coogee NSW 2034	
453	ACT	Lt Col I.C. Teague	Army Office, Dept. of Defence, Russell Offices Canberra ACT 2600	MH2,M3,B2/10 W3/4/7,B2/3
670	ACT	Mr R. Towns	34 Gellibrand St, Campbell ACT 2601	B1,W1,M1,Z1/2
564	ACT	Mr B. Threthewey, JP	51 Gallipoli Rd, Coffs Harbour NSW 2450	MH2,W3,UE2
741	ACT	Maj N.J. Underwood	4 Massey St, Evatt ACT 2614	
764	ACT	P/O G. Verney	Wesley College, University of Sydney, Broadway NSW 2007	MH4
598	ACT	Mr M. Wedd	92 McIntosh Rd, Dee Why NSW 2099	MH2,Z1/2,P1
83	ACT	Mr K.R. White	PO Box 67, Lyneham ACT 2602	B2,MH2,UE2,Z1/2
600	ACT	Maj Gen J. Whitelaw AO, CBE	8 Downes Place, Hughes ACT 2605	MH2/10
199	ACT	Mr R. Williams	12 Merton St, Box Hill Vic 3128	M1/3/4
95	ACT	Maj H.J. Zwillenberg	7 Bonwick Place, Garran ACT 2605	MH2,SC1,UE1
143	GEELONG	Maj I.L. Barnes	93 Lt Malop St, Geelong Vic 3220	M1,UE1,Z1
354	GEELONG	Mr G.H. Cowan	7 Hamilton St, Colac Vic 3250	MH1
784	GEELONG	Mr B.M. Fenner	52 Mowby Rd, East Bentleigh Vic 3165	AFV1,W1/3/4/5/6 W2/3,X3
761	GEELONG	Mr J. Gardner	Purnell Rd, Lovely Banks Vic 3221	
492	GEELONG	Sgt P.E. Hall	Base Radio Sqn, RAAF Point Cook Vic 3029	UE1,M1,B1,W1
811	GEELONG	Mr A. Hayward	7 Gerard Court, North Croydon Vic 3136	MH1
750	GEELONG	Mr J. Ireland	13 Evans Cres, Laverton Vic 3028	B2/3
834	GEELONG	Lt J.L. Kertesz	Officers Mess, RAAF, Point Cook Vic 3029	MH1
446	GEELONG	Mr A.R. King	14 Isabella St, Geelong West Vic 3218	B1,M1
677	GEELONG	Mr S. Kontjonis	40 Clarendon St, Newtown Vic 3220	W1
678	GEELONG	Mr D.O. McPadden	"Wild Cherries" Murroon Vic 3242	T1/3/4,X4
543	GEELONG	Mr J.P. Maljers	4 Stork Ave, Belmont Vic 3216	B1,MH1,X4
244	GEELONG	Mr K.J. Mankelow	13 Montana Court, Corio Vic 3214	M6,MH11
751	GEEONG	Mr G.J. Metcalfe	7 Gemini Court, Whittington Vic 3219	MH1

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142	GEELONG	Mr P.J. O'Rourke	217 Mount Pleasant Rd, Highton Vic 3216	W1,Z7
700	GEELONG	F/Offr B. Rogers	HQ, ADCG, PO Box 2270 Konedobu PNG	Z3,M1/3
321	GEELONG	Mr P.B. Talbot	5 Hillcrest Rd, Anglesea Vic 3230	B1,M1,W7
317	GEELONG	Capt W.G.J. Titchmarsh	Unit 7, Glenleith Court, Geelong Vic 3220	M1,Z1
544	GEELONG	J.W. Belfield	Wellington Rd, Lysterfield Vic 3156	AFV1
98	QLD	WO2 D.M. Allan	Landwarfare Centre, Kokoda Barracks, Canungra Qld 4275	B11
635	QLD	Major S. Appleby	740 Sherwood Rd, Sherwood Qld 4075	MH2, SC2
386	QLD	Mr D.W. Caddel	42 Douglas St, Corinda Qld 4075	W3/4
173	QLD	Mr D. Collings	8 Lloyd St, Bundaberg Qld 4670	MH1
769	QLD	Mr R.D. Cumming	PO Box 131, Toowong Qld 4066	B3,M7
420	QLD	Mre J.W. Duncan	84 Armstrong Rd, Cannon Hill Qld 4170	MH1/12
725	QLD	Mr R.W. Elliott	210 Darcy Rd, Seven Hills Qld 4170	B1
619	QLD	Mr B.V.H. Ellis	49 Beverley St, Morningside Qld 4170	B2/3/4
608	QLD	Lt Col M.W. Farmer	9 Sunningdale Ave, Rochedale Qld 4123	MH2,SC2
516	QLD	Mr R.E. Foreman	23 Kurrawah Cres, Margate Qld 4019	MH1
508	QLD	Mr R.A. Halliday	325 Enoggera Rd, Newmarket Qld 4051	MH1, M1
422	QLD	Mr R.W. Hansen	8 Woorana Rd, The Gap Qld 4061	MH2,Z3
659	QLD	Mr R.J. Hayes	13 Longleaf St, North Frankston Vic 3200	B3,M1
759	QLD	Mr K.G. Hughes	Director, Caloundra Military Museum, Caloundra Rd, Caloundra Qld 4551	Z2,AFV1/2
425	QLD	Mr J.H. Irwin	13 Borva St, Dutton Park Qld 4102	B1,M1,LIB1
426	QLD	Mr B. Kingston	5/16 Isedale St, Lutwyche Qld 4030	M6,T5/6,P2
643	QLD	Mr H.R. Mahaffey	32 Effingham St, Ekibin Qld 4121	MH1,Z1
665	QLD	Mr P.B. Murphy	PO Box 1548, Cairns Qld 4870	B2,M3,W3,BH2
789	QLD	Flt/Lt G. Newbury	No.7 Stores Depot, RAAF, North Dayton Qld 4350	M3/4
511	QLD	Mr B.P. Newton	3 Tombondan Cres, Ferny Hills Qld 4055	B1/2,Z1
747	QLD	Mr E.P. Nicoll	16 Joywood St, Wellers Hill Qld 4121	Z4/5,MH1
738	QLD	Mr G.O. Parker	1 Howard St, Grange Qld 4051	B4
737	QLD	Mrs P.H. Parker	1 Howard St, Grange Qld 4051	Z8

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726	QLD	Mr D.J. Percival	5/7 The Esplanade, Manly Qld 4177	Z3/4/5
785	QLD	Mr P. Quinlan	77 Kirwan St, Keparra Qld 4054	MH1
599	QLD	Mr R. Richardson	28 Gaunt St, Newmarket Qld 4051	MH1
851	QLD	Maj D.R. Simpkins	23 Gawalla St, The Gap Qld 4061	MH1/2
476	QLD	Mr I. Skennerton	PO Box 56, Margate Qld 4019	W1,UE1,Z1
417	QLD	M G.D. Snelgrove	33 Ryedale St, Tingalpa Qld 4173	B1,M1
575	QLD	Mr M. Spethnan	5 Windeymer Court, Albany Court Qld 4035	MH1
393	QLD	Mr Sam Trill	1/104 Stonleigh St, Lutwyche Qld 4030	B2,Z1,Z3
394	QLD	Mr Stephen Trill	96 Richmond St, Gordon Park, Hedron Qld 4031	Z1
685	QLD	Mr S. Videau	888 Brunswick St, New Farm Qld 4005	W8
512	QLD	Mr G.L. Vigen	9 Margary St, Mt Gravatt Qld 4122	MH1,M1,W1,Z1
674	QLD	WO2 L.W. Walsh	Pts, RAAF, Williamtown NSW 2314	B3,UE3
409	QLD	Mr S.W. Wigzell	17 Royal St, Capalaba Qld 4157	L1B1,MH1
756	QLD	Mr I. Williams	77 Bellata St, The Gap Qld 4061	Z2,UE10
715	QLD	Lt R. Williams	81 Lillipilli St, Vincent, Townsville Qld 4814	M3/4
205	QLD	Mr D.A. Wright	25 Hobart Ave, Camp Hill Qld 4152	M1/3/4
	QLD	Mr D.W. Stethnan	56 Tarson St, Bald Hills Qld 4036	MH1
30	SA	Miss J.M. Allen	GPO Box 1626, Adelaide SA 5001	MH3,UE3
855	SA	Mr R. Allen	474 Pultney St, Adelaide SA 5000	X5
806	SA	Mr E.J. Beckett	7 Truro St, Pt Noarlunga South SA 5167	MH13
808	SA	Mr J.D. Bird	86 Cross Rd, Myrtle Bank SA 5064	W3
601	SA	Mr H.J. Bohn	3 Sapphire St, Morphett Vale SA 5162	MH1
615	SA	Rev. A.E.E. Bottrell	6 Grantley Ave, Daw Park SA 5041	MH2
518	SA	Mr R.W. Burgin	3 Sexton Rd, Brighton SA 5048	MH1/13
664	SA	Mr B. Cornelli	85 Olive St, Prospect SA 5082	MH1
746	SA	Mr K. Draper	10 Hancock Ave, Pooraka SA 5095	M4
326	SA	Mr F. Garie	159 Kensington Rd, Kensington SA 5068	MH1,W1
87	SA	Mr R. Gray	5 Elder Terrace, Glengowrie SA 5044	B2/3,UE10,MH2,W7

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788	SA	Mr G.H. Hambling	9 Suffolk Ave, Fulham Gardens SA 5024	MH2/3,M3/4
324	SA	Mr A.F. Harris	29 Jervois Ave, Magill SA 5072	W1/7
218	SA	Mr P.B. Harvey	15 Burbank Ave, Bedford Park SA 5042	MH1,M1/3/4
219	SA	Maj S. Kuusk	480 Portrush Rd, Linden Park SA 5065	MH1,B2,M3
92	SA	Mr L.D. Mathews	41 Myall Ave, Kensington Gardens SA 5068	M4
833	SA	S/Sgt G.F. Michell	9 Kurandah St, O'Sullivan's Beach SA 5166	B2
745	SA	Mr B. Montgomery	64 Francis St, North Brighton SA 5048	W7
815	SA	Mr B. Muirden	219 Kensington Rd, Kensington SA 5068	C3
344	SA	Mr D.W. Pedler	24 West Beach Rd, Keswick SA 5035	MH14,M8,Z9
797	SA	Mr B. Pick	PO Box 248, Mt Gambier SA 5290	M3
744	SA	Mr A.R. Prince	26 Ragless Ave, Northfield SA 5085	W9
805	SA	Mr R. Riley	12 Birdwood Ave, Frewville SA 5063	UE10
854	SA	Mr R. Spry	52 Willcox Ave, Prospect SA 5082	B1,T7
853	SA	Mr K. Stanley	40 Deborah Grove, Modbury North SA 5092	B2/4,M3/4
328	SA	The Armoury	296 Brighton Rd, North Brighton SA 5048	d1/2/3
831	SA	Mr G. Tweedale	9 Penns Pde South, Blackwood SA 5051	W3/4
856	SA	Mr C. Walters	19 Wren St, O'Halloran Hill SA 5158	M3,W7
807	SA	Mr B. Williams	57 Faurnbrake Cres, West Beach SA 5024	W8,M1,Z1
294	SA	Mr T. Wilson	22 Quick Rd, Mitchell Park SA 5043	B3/4
712	SA	SA Banch Cadets	c/- Mr A.F. Harris, 29 Jervois Ave, Magill SA 5072	
721	VIC	Mr P.G. Badcock	17 Fletcher St, Moorabbin Vic 3189	MH1,M1
801	VIC	Mr A. Box	20 Hillview Ave, Mt Waverley Vic 3149	MH2, M3
770	VIC	Dr A. Brady	13 Adrian St, Burwood Vic 3125	M3
641	VIC	Mr G.R. Campbell	28 Sylvester Grove, East Preston Vic 3072	B1,M1,T3/5/6
2	VIC	Mr M. Chamberlain	471 Highbury Rd, Mt Waverley Vic 3149	MH1/2,C4
832	VIC	Mr J.R. Dedman	3/64 Canterbury Rd, Camberwell Vic 3126	B6,M9
474	VIC	Mr F.H. Ditchburn	7 Fletcher St, Forest Hill Vic 3131	B1/2,Z1
153	VIC	Maj L. Evans	Sec 4/19 Prince of Wales L.H. Museum	

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85	VIC	Maj J. Frewen, OSTJ, MP	30 Nara Rd, Mitcham Vic 3132	M1,M3/4
279	VIC	Mrs G. Gordon	"Willow mound" Private Bag, Cohuna Vic 3568	M1,B12,Z5
666	VIC	Mr J.W. Grainger	21 Evelyn St, Bentleigh Vic 3204	MH1
837	VIC	Mr J. Hillard	4 Hughes St, East Brighton Vic 3187	M3
786	VIC	Lt R.F.P. Johnson	8 Henry St, Highett Vic 3190	MH1
13	VIC	Col P. Kaye, OBE, ED	227 McKinnon Rd, McKinnon Vic 3204	MH16,UE2,T2
432	VIC	Mr R.J. Kirk	18 Osbourne Court, Hawthorn Vic 3122	MH1,W1,UE1,L1B1
762	VIC	Capt E. Kocins D.D, MA	39 Balmoral Ave, Strathmore Vic 3041	MH1
15	VIC	Mr H.V. Lansell	625 Toorak Rd, Toorak Vic 3142	MH1,W1
404	VIC	Mr I.R. Lee	16 Stanley St, Black Rock Vic 3193	M1,Z1
16	VIC	Lt Col H.C. Lee-Archer	32 Coolabah St, Mentone Vic 3194	Z1
690	VIC	Mr R.H. Lefler	49 Hawthorn Grove, Hawthorn Vic 3122	M3/4
19	VIC	Mr J.K. Lyons	58 Brighton Rd, St Kilda Vic 3182	MH1
231	VIC	Mr J.P. Manning	150 Lygon St, Carlton Vic 3053	MH2
529	VIC	Mr R.G.E. Marchant	60 Ligar St, Bairnsdale Vic 3875	MH1/2,T2,WG1
285	VIC	Capt J.R. Marking	7 Sutcliffe Court, Highton Vic 3216	B1,UE1
342	VIC	Mr N.J. Moore	10 Taldra St, Box Hill Vic 3129	B1,M2,UE10
791	VIC	Mr D.O'Sullivan	153 North Rd, Brighton Vic 3186	W1,UE1,AFV1
212	VIC	Mr J.W. Pattison	PO Box 347, Geelong Vic 3220	M1
23	VIC	Maj E.W.O. Perry ED	32 Outlook Drive, Eaglemont Vic 3084	MH2
803	VIC	Capt J.V. Phillips	44 Glenorme Ave, Ormond Vic 3204	M1,Z1
24	VIC	Mr A.J. Ray LL.B	87 Toorong Rd, East Malvern Vic 3145	B2,M3,P2,L1B1
702	VIC	Mr P.L. Richarson	23 Cowper St, Brighton Vic 3186	MH1
419	VIC	Lt Col E.W. Rigby JP	203 Richards St, Ballarat East Vic 3350	B1,M1,X6
727	VIC	Shepparton Military Museum	22 Old Dookie Rd, Shepparton Vic 3630	D1,D3
504	VIC	Shooters Supplies Pty Ltd	302 Russell St, Melbourne Vic 3000	-
648	VIC	Mr R.I. Smith	5/11 Park St, West St Kilda Vic 3182	MH1
696	VIC	Mr A.J. Staunton	193 Brunswick Rd, Brunswick Vic 3056	MH1
144	VIC	Mr H. Storer	4 Beanswood Court, Cheltenham Vic 3192	B3,M7
31 159	VIC	Mr J. Strickland	69 Burrindi Rd, South Caulfield Vic 3162	MH1

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305	VIC	Mr D.J. Trigar	59 Paterson St, Middle Park Vic 3206	M3/7
693	VIC	Mr N.H. Trinick	10 Teak Court, Boronia Vic 3155	MH1
494	VIC	Mr M.B. Tyquin	1/12 Stewart Rd, Clayton Vic 3168	B1,M1,W1,UE1
724	VIC	Mr G. Vazenry	66 O'Connor St, Reservoir Vic 3073	MH1
28	VIC	Mr B.J. Videon AASA	20 Thomasina St, Bentleigh East Vic 3165	B12,UE8/10
557	VIC	Mr R.D. White	59 Charles St, Ascot Vale Vic 3032	MH2/6
813	VIC	Mr I.A. Wilkie	4 Gidgee Court, Forest Hill Vic 3131	M1
812	VIC	Mr W. Woolmore	39 Swan St, Blackburn South Vic 3130	MH2/13,M1
308	WA	Mr J.D.C. Burr ridge	9 Albert St, Claremont WA 6010	M4,D1/2
658	WA	Mr J. Grant	c/- Mail Room, Royal Perth Hospital, Wellington St, Perth WA 6000	M4,Z1
821	WA	Mr A. Gronow	Not Known	W1,B2/4,M3/4
752	WA	Mr J.D. Hardie	PO Box 516, Port Hedland WA 6721	AFV1/2
782	WA	Mr G.J. Kacem	152 Sig Sqn, SAS Regt, Campbell Barracks Swanbourne MDO, WA 6010	M3/4
533	WA	Mr S.A. MacIntyre-Limb	6 Jacksonia Grove, Carcoola WA 6151	MH1/2,Z9
568	WA	Mr I. Macfarlan	Not Known	B1,W7
256	WA	Mr A. McGrath	84 Broadway, Bassendean WA 6054	M4,MH1
705	WA	Mr F. Snape	4 Eden St, Innaloo WA 6705	MH1
107	WA	Mr P.A. Shaw	Unit 2, 9 Strickland St, South Perth WA 6151	B2,MH2
720	WA	Mr W. Stockwell	PO Box 763, Fremantle WA 6160	MH1
810	WA	Mr M.J. Teague	12 Cowley St, Yokine WA 6060	Z1
820	WA	Mr L. Townsend	558 Beach Rd, Hamersley WA 6022	M3/4,W1
668	WA	Mr E. Troubridge	35 8th Ave, Armadale SA 6122	M3/6
792	ACM	Mr S.J. Baade	23 Willow Ave, Mitchum Vic 3132	MH2
213	ACM	Mr G. Bailey	6 Cambridge St, Vale Park SA 5081	B1,MH15
723	ACM	Sgt D.G. Brattan	36 Stannett St, Waratah West NSW 2298	M1,MH12
662	ACM	Mr A. Brown	30 Botanic Rd, Mosman NSW 2088	B1,M1,UE1
356	ACM	Mr R. Burla	PO Box 366, Ingham Qld 4850	MH1

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618	ACM	Mr I.A. Crawford	PO Box 805, Burnie Tas 7320	B2/3,W3/4
502	ACM	Lt Col W. Crooks	37 Clement St, Woorim, Bribie Island Qld 4507	MH2
627	ACM	Mr R. Davis	342 Argyle St, Hobart Tas 7000	MH1
796	ACM	Mr K.M. Downie	18 Saturn St, North Balwyn Vic 3104	D2/4
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