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NEXT MEETING: The next monthly meeting will be held at the Gallipoli Memorial Club, 12-14 Loftus Street, Sydney on Friday, 22nd July at 8pm.

THIS IS THE FOURTH FRIDAY OF THE MONTH - NOT THE LAST.

THE JUNE MEETING.

About twenty to twenty-five members attended including Bill Parry, back on deck, but not all that well. Apologies included one from Cec Chrystal who managed to crack a few ribs between this and the last meeting.

The main business of the meeting was the presentation of our original triangular banner to Norm Harries who, as curator of the Victoria Barracks Museum, will ensure that it is properly cared for and displayed with other similar mementoes. Norm responded by thanking President Ted and, amongst other things, mentioned a German sub-machine gun in the Museum's possession originating from one of our members. Morrie Porter has the lead-up story which will be in the next WOG.

Another matter mentioned was the need for intending attenders at the Southport Country Re-union to get their booking into Laurie McCosker as soon as possible so that the local committee can confirm bookings. The same applies to those members intending to travel by bus. Please confirm with Laurie Waterhouse regarding the bus bookings. Both Lauries' addresses and phone numbers are at the top of this page.

The matter of welfare was discussed and although Bill Parry is back on his feet, Slim Powers is not and a member is required to visit 2/4 men in hospital, almost exclusively at CONCORD R.G.H., to take his place. It involves one visit each month. Any volunteers?

Mentioned to the meeting was an offer by Dagwood Jackson to compile a list of members, alphabetically and by areas. However good this offer may appear, there are still members who, for many reasons, are unable to receive visitors and whose privacy must be respected. It is from these members we would like to hear regarding this proposal.

BUS BOOKINGS TO AND FROM SOUTHPORT.

As has been stated in previous issues of WOG, this is a daily service to and from Sydney. You may book your own seat at your local V.I.P. Bus Company office or book through me. I am calling for all money for bookings by 26th August. No last minute bookings. \$50 return ex Sydney. You must stipulate date of travel to Southport, pick-up point, and the date you want to return to Sydney.

Laurie Waterhouse Hon. Sec.

VICTORIAN SIT- REP.

(The hyphen is a Federal Government instruction. We have had a glut of hyphens left over in Commonwealth Publications and they have to be used up by 30th June or we will get no hyphens for 1983-84.)

Dick Parry, A Coy, has been a very sick boy. He has been in and out of Heidelberg quite a bit in the last few months. Dick has had a lot of troubles but the main one was in the renal department. He reached the stage where he was on the dialysis machine for quite a few hours at a time several days a week. Things were a bit dicey but the ex-pharmacist took the gamble on a renal artery clearance job which was a rather dangerous operation. That was June 1st. and Vic Hill and I dropped in to see him at Heidelberg to-day, June, 11th. and the old boy was sitting up on the cot looking pretty good and hoping to go home on June 14th. to the tender loving care of Marie. However, it won't be known for a month or more whether the operation was a success. While there, Norm Johnstone and his wife dropped in from Sydney on their way to Adelaide, to see Dick. It was a bit of an A Coy Re-Union (hyphen-happy) in Ward 3. Mission to Adelaide is to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary. Dick's main worry is that no one on the committee has told him what they have done with the copy of the White Over Green War History Vic and I presented to the Association on Dick's behalf at the Orange Reunion to do what they thought in the best interests of the Association. Other visitors to Dick have included Claude (who, it is rumoured, instructed the medical team how to operate). I would like to say sincerely, that if anyone is "down" in Victoria, Claude, bless him, is the first on the scene and spreading the news.

(Some spare hyphens, courtesy of the Commonwealth Government).

"Wholly (hyphen) Moses"

(The War History mentioned above is in the tender loving care of our Immediate Past President who is guarding it with his life. We don't have a waiting list as such for "windfall" copies of the War History, such as this. I think we are going to save it for something better than an "up for grabs" type of disposal, considering its unavailability. However Secretary Laurie will contact Dick on this matter- Editor).

With the Sit-hyphen-Rep, Ken sent information of his own vicissitudes in the hurley-burley of the St. Kilda scamper. He chose to exclude it from the Victorian Sitrep and so do we. See elsewhere in this issue. Considering what has happened to him since, it is astounding that this bloke survived the war! Ed.

THE MORTAR PLATOON REUNION. (from Tom Mort)

The week, 20-27 March suited members of the Mortar Platoon to gather at Narooma. The plot was hatched by Max Sydenham and his many friends. Max, who knew the area did a rally round and phoned me for my opinion. I thought it was a great idea and being on the spot was able to arrange accommodation.

Well, they arrived. Some I hadn't seen for nearly forty years. Some stayed three days and others for the full week. They brought ten inches of rain with them and, hopefully, when we are drought-stricken again on the South Coast, we will do another rally. Everyone enjoyed themselves immensely. Nothing pre-organised - everyone doing their own thing and meeting up again for lunch and evening meals. Lindsay Hope and Elaine and daughter Sue stayed with friends, Berry and Vonny Moody, who are oyster farmers. They fed us with oysters Natural and Kilpatrick and much else.

The sea was too rough for us to go fishing and so a professional fisherman friend with a good boat was lined up but again it was too rough to go through the bar. (We point out that Tom meant the river bar - Ed.)

A bit of golf and looking around the sights filled in the days.

The Nominal Roll. Bill and Gwen MacLennan from Sydney, Max and Pat Sydenham from Wagga Wagga, Lindsay and Elaine Hope from Cootamundra, Hugh and Doris Burgdorf from Melbourne, Lylse and Freda Thomas from Mt. Beauty, Bill and Bonnie Panter from Melbourne, Norm and Vera Gillespie also from Melbourne, Paul and Myra Brooke from Braxton, Larry and Yvonne Dooley from Sydney, Lofty Taylor, with all the latest stories (should be on the stage) from Sydney, Berry and Vonny Moody (associate members) local, Maurie and Winnie Reading (friends of Norm and Verna Gillespie) from Melbourne, Dave and Edith Lawson from Leongatha and Tom and Joan Mort, local.

Please come again. It was great to see you all!

Tom Mort. "O.C."

SITREPS (Sorry, we've run out of hyphens! - Ed.)

From Harry Gjedsted, recently returned from a wonderful holiday with Marge on "Oriana" during the course of which cruise, bags of tropical islands were visited which left Harry somewhat ecstatic of the life of cruising in tropical waters and life on the islands. Ragged shorts, the little sac-sac hut on the beach, fish for the taking and a string hammock in which to worry about what not to do tomorrow

Meanwhile, back in the fire trench out the back, Marge is busy roasting the fish and sucking pig that Harry won in the raffle run by a Frenchman who has never heard of the Eastern Suburbs Rugby Leagues Club. And why is she doing this? Well, "Oriana" is due to berth in two hours and 2/4Bn. have decided to have their Country Reunion at "Harry's Haven" on the beach....Don't worry Marge, it will never happen! Just the editor running of the rails again. Anyway, Harry and Marge met a lot of people and enjoyed their company. Harry reports the following conversation.

Me: "Where do you come from?"

He: "Nambucca Heads."

Marge: "We know a few people up north - Bub and Margaret Graham -"

He: (interrupting) "Did you say 'Bub' Graham?"

Marge: "Yes"

He: (looking at me) "'Bub' Graham from Bowraville?"

Me: "Yes"

He: "Were you in the Army?"

Me: "Yes"

He: "2/4th Bn."

Me: Stunned silence.

'Bub' and Margaret - Jim and Lily Gadd, late of Bowraville and now enjoying retirement at Nambucca send you their fondest regards and best wishes. They are nice people, were good company and hold you both in very high regard. Harry Gjedsted.

Regarding one S.O.S. in the last W.O.G., the matter of Dick Chapplelow's non-delivered letter from Dasher has been successfully concluded (we hope). "Gentleman Jim" Graham phoned the editor with Dick's proper address and the letter has been despatched. Thanks Jim.

Must apologise to Peter Denver for our recurring error in publishing his address as 51 Admiral Terrace INSTEAD OF 15 Admiral Terrace, Goolwa 5214 SOUTH AUST. Sorry Peter, we hope to improve.

Our Bourke correspondent, the old Camelier Harold Smith, is not faring very well. After five years of drought conditions out west it is now, with the recent rains, too wet to sit down in the paddock to have a little chat with his lady friend after having walked her 1½ miles home. He is about 90 and you can get change out of a bet two years either side and he is worried about getting a taxi back. Not the money - just that everybody knows everybody and word of mouth is faster than wildfire. Gentlemen of the 2/4 Bn., a salute to Harry Smith a better man than Gunga Din and us. Harry's letters are all uninhibited writings, all good stuff but we don't have the space to give him justice. Thanks Harold for the letter.

Ken Moses writes: "had a funny experience on March 10. I was progressing to my Commonwealth employment and crossing St. Kilda Rd. when I was clobbered by a tram driven by a Pakistani who failed to stop at a regulation stop. Being an old stockman I knew how to roll safely into the path of another tram which was proceeding in the other direction. He was a nice man and stopped two feet from my head. The Pakistani stopped 100 meters down the track and proceeded towards me asking if I was all right. I replied that I was fine and that I had the number of his tram, its location and the time of day. I had the satisfaction of seeing the Pakistani go white without the help of Blue Omo. My solicitors have the same information. I can assure you that if you want kicks, lie flat on your back in St. Kilda Rd. and watch the wheels of various types of vehicles go screeching past your head. That was the 11th life I have used up. I was off work for a month until it was discovered that no damage had been done to my other bionic parts and I returned from a blue-black skin hue to a bronze Anzac shade. The Department of Trade was so shocked at their near loss of a brilliant writer that it gave me a parking spot in the basement of the building free of charge so that I would never have to cross St. Kilda Rd. again. I have only eight more weeks to go before my enforced retirement from the Department so now it is the fair thing to do is to give warning that after Rosemary and I return from an extended tour of Tasmania early in September we will be on the prowl. I have had a good look at the map and see that I have mates situated at various points of Australia we are interested in. If I see a tree rapidly planted in the driveway, I will know we are not welcome even if it is tied with a yellow ribbon. I am looking forward to a break after 39 years of journalism and 49 years of gainful employment but will not be pulling up with a jerk. After a break I have a few books to complete or re-write and Trade says that they can use me on a contract basis anytime I want to make the effort which suits me fine."

Ken goes on to say that the Southport Re-Union looks like being out for him as he is about to become a grand-daddy again about that time and his services are required, not as a mid-wife but as a chaffeur, factotum and general whipping boy for when the girls get anxious. Can't think of anybody more superfluous than a grandfather at a birth unless it is a bridegroom at a wedding. Just there to make up the number! Rosemary - Don't take his twelfth life. He didn't write that, the editor did.

COCK'S COLUMN.

Slim Powers asked me to report that since his admittance to R.G.H. he has had visits from Harry Wright, George Stack, Dave MacGillivray, Titch Fordham, Ron Barber and myself. Also visits from inpatients, Norm Shaylor, Don Crook and Selby Dean. Slim also asked me to express his thanks to members and friends for "Get Well" cards and telephone enquiries received.

At Strathfield Station while waiting for the bus to Concord, Bill Newth and Gwen showed up and spoke to me. They were on their way to Concord also, down from Moss Vale with Bill going for tests. They told me they had been to the T.P.I. Building for lunch. Gwen mentioned to the lady serving that Bill was a 2/4th and she replied, "So was my husband" and called out to him. He was Bill Bush of B Coy. Small world!

Visiting Cec. Powers was pleased to learn that he was improving. Norm Shaylor was transferred from R.G.H. to Lewisham Hospital.

Received a floral post card for Cec. Powers and self from Lily and Dasher Deacon of Rockingham, W.A. Thank you Lily and Ken for remembering us. Slim sends his thanks also. Dasher added a postscript that Bob Fergusson phoned. Dasher and Lily send regards to all.

At Concord had a yarn to Mr. Scouller of Don Coy. 4th Bn. He is 85 years old enlisted at 17 and served in France. He lives at Port Macquarie and knew Dick Bawden well.

Had a ring from Des Finch, B Coy. He had paid Jerry Vincent a visit. Jerry is hale and hearty and heavy. He enquired about Dasher and wished to be remembered to the boys.

COCK ROBIN.

20 Adderstone Ave., North Sydney. 2060

ASSOCIATION OF 4th. INFANTRY BATTALIONS. - Church Parade.

The above Association held its Anniversary Church Parade to commemorate the laying up of the Battalion's colours in St. Anne's Church of England, Strathfield, on Sunday 19th June, despite the inclement weather.

Though poorly attended by members of 2/4 Bn. Assn. and 1939-45 4th Bn. A.I.F. it turned out to be a very impressive ceremony. This was brought about by the C.O. of 4Bn. RNSWR, Lt-Col. Bryce Frazer, who provided two companies of troops plus the Battalion Band. Full marks to the battalion for its fine ceremonial marching to the church from Beresford Park and for its excellence in parading the colours through the church. It was an example of ceremonial drill performed by the C.O. and the Colour Party which I am sure gave all those present a sense of pride in our young unit.

After the service afternoon tea was served by the good ladies of St. Anne's and whilst enjoying this Maj-Gen. Gordon Maitland, President of the Association of 4th Infantry Battalions gave an impromptu address praising the young people for their effort of the day and the "oldies" of yesteryear who turn out regularly. Particularly, he made reference to our grand Lady Mackay who was present.

Concluding the afternoon, two young officers of 4 R.A.R., all the way from Townsville, made a presentation of a 4 R.A.R. plaque to the Association as a token of their being part of us.

Attending from 2/4 Bn. were Sir Ivan Dougherty, President Ted and Heather Fox, Maj-Gen Gordon Maitland and his wife Dorothy, Laurie and Joy Waterhouse with their daughter Sandra and husband Steve, Bob and Nina Ferguson, Jack Partridge and wife, Harold and Dell Silver and Norm Harries and wife. An apology was received from Vera Walsh who was overseas.

Laurie Waterhouse.

WELFARE REPORT.

Concord R.G.H.

NX47 Ferd Pegg. Was in Ward F. Now discharged.

NX18572 W Burgis. Ward 310. Bill, we send our best wishes to you for a quick recovery. Sorry to hear the pacemaker is not working too well.

NX42709 Des Cunningham. Des is in with a vascular complaint. Ward 530.

NX42587 Frank Roberts. Ward 520. Just had a stomach operation and has been in hospital on and off for a few months. Hope the operation was successful.

VX94025 Frank Spivey. Ward 5. Frank is a very sick man and currently having ray treatment. Frank, from all your mates, the very best wishes.

- NX68025 Keira Tanko. Keira had another operation for removal of the left leg. We are all shocked to hear what happened and on behalf of all of us I wish you a rapid recovery.
- NX11562 R.W.Hill Ward 7. Roland was in for treatment. Now discharged.
- NX7601 R.H.Chamberlin. Dick is in for tests. Best wishes from all your friends
- NX13262 H.Nichols. Ward 520. Harry sends regards to all and is in for another operation. He was glad to see Harry Wright and George Stack when they called.
- NX6094 R.V.Jessup. (Ward not mentioned) In for an eye operation. Feels O.K.

W.V.H. NARRABEEN.

- NX1977 B.Waring. Brian sends best wishes to all the boys. Has not been feeling too good lately. Winters get on the chest. Looking forward to summer so he can get down to the meetings.
- NX39890 J.Maloney. Jack is a very hard man to contact and when I do it is over the phone. Tells me he is O.K. and liking it at the War Veterans and the DEE WHY RSL is handy. Sends best wishes to everyone.

The Welfare Team sends best wishes to all of the above, Bill Parry.

LAST POST.

- NX5148 Alex George Veitch. Passed away 27th March, 1983 - from Caringbah R.S.L. News.
- NX5911 Norman Stanley Bowen. Passed away 11th June, 1983.

VALE - Gwen Pegg.

Gwen's funeral service was held at St. David's Uniting Church, Lindfield and later at Northern Suburbs Crematorium on 10th June. A very large number of friends attended and at the church it was necessary for extra seating to be provided. The Eulogy, delivered by Sir Ivan Dougherty, touched on Gwen's girlhood and subsequent training as a nurse, her early enlistment and service as an Army Nurse in the Middle East, where she met Ferdie, her continued nursing service as Matron at Concord and her community service throughout her life. The great number of people in attendance, from different organisations and varying walks of life, was testimony to the love and respect engendered by Gwen Pegg in all who knew her and of her service to others.

Apart from Sir Ivan our Association was represented by Ted Fox, Bert Flynn, Cecil Chrystal, Ken Kesteven, Laurie Waterhouse, Allen Lindsay, Bill MacLennan, John Copland and Noel Ford.

Those of "our" ladies in attendance were Lady Mackay, Heather Fox, Gwen MacLennan, Gloria Lindsay, Phyl Chrystal, Fi Kesteven, Enid Latimer, Betty Ford and Pam Hyles from Canberra. (If we have made any omissions please pardon us - Editor).

Ted Fox.

VALE - Stan Bowen.

The "R.S.L." style Ceremony and Ritual was conducted by Ted Fox at the funeral of Stan Bowen at Northern Suburbs Crematorium on 16th June. After extending sympathy to Stan's relatives on behalf of our Patron and all members of the Association, and saying that we shared their sense of loss, the President spoke of Stan in the following terms:

"Army records show that NX5911 - Bowen Norman Stanley, served in the 2/4 Australian Infantry Battalion:- but Stan was more than a mere statistic to those who served with him. I have expressed our sympathy to his immediate family. However Stan had another family, perhaps diminished in numbers by war, by the passage of time and the consequent effects of war, yet still strong in spirit and ideals - the family of the 2/4 Infantry Battalion which, since the war, has endeavoured to maintain the standards and principle for which we fought.

Stan was one of our earliest 'sons' having enlisted in 1939 and served from the sand dunes and desert of Lybia, through the snow-capped mountains of Greece, the trauma of Crete where he was wounded, thence Egypt, Palestine, Syria, back to Australia and the tropical humidity and rainstorms of Darwin followed by the frustration of incessant training on the Atherton Tablelands and finally, to the jungle-clad terrain of New Guinea and a different type of warfare - without relief for nervous or physical stress. All this over a protracted six year period of his youth. Particularly in an Infantry Battalion, in times of conflict, there are circumstances which isolate or emphasize the qualities of the individual, that is; the result of boredom, waiting tension, human suffering AND the individual's own sense of humour. The best virtues arising out of such situations were given to us by Stan Bowen.

During wartime every battalion had thousands of personnel pass through its ranks. Some distinguished themselves by gaining military rank, some by deed, some for other reasons. Stan distinguished himself by just being Stan Bowen and we loved him for that alone. It could be said, indeed, that Stan epitomised and exuded the legendary qualities of the traditional 'Australian Digger'. Inevitably for Stan, TIME took its toll and in later years he suffered

considerably, was confined to hospital for a protracted period and more recently he became totally dependent upon a wheelchair for mobility. Despite all this adversity Stan always exhibited a remarkable spirit of fortitude, a brightness in attitude and outlook. He used to say that he was one of the lucky ones, while most of us would have thought otherwise. Bob Ferguson, Bob Lever and others who visited Stan regularly in these later years have said that such visits were uplifting, while his fortitude and acceptance of his circumstances somehow, in some strange way, made them feel humble. Finally, and on a happier note, it can be acknowledged that Stan enjoyed one of the greatest comforts a person can have - the love and the care of a close family. In Stan's case in latter years this love and care was provided by his immediate family and particularly his brother. Stan often said this when you, Alan, had brought him to one of our meetings or functions, such as last years Orange Re-union. And so to you Alan Bowen, we say thank you for enabling us to enjoy Stan's company in these last years when he could not come to us on his own. His body will now be laid to rest in peace and his name liveth for evermore."

Ted Fox.

A LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT.

Dear Ted,

I am writing on behalf of my family and myself to express our heart-felt thanks for the wonderful support members of the 2/4th gave us on the sad occasion of the death of my beloved Gwen.

To see so many of the unit was an inspiration to not only myself but to the 500 present at the church service and afterwards at the Crematorium. To have had Sir Ivan present was a magnificent tribute to Gwen and me and I shall ne forget his kindness on the day (10th June, 1933.)

Perhaps the best medium of saying "Thank You" to all would be through W.O.G. but, Ted, I leave it to you. You have been so kind as has Heather and your thoughts for me give me the strength to carry the Torch.

Thanks again for all you have done for the Pegg family at this sad time.

Sincerely,
Ferd.

THE SECRETARY'S MAILBAG.

Mail received has been light on for the month, seems that our members are suffering from that age old complaint, "cramps". Still it makes my job easier. However we do like to hear what is happening to our members.

A letter from R.J. Murphy of Kyogle sending in a cheque to keep our Treasurer happy and contented. Bit slow in answering you because Allen has been away and of course the mail wasn't collected until he came home. Anyway thanks and our good wishes to you and yours.

Our next letter from Jack Robertson of Broken Hill notifying us of his intention of making it to Southport. Wants to book on the bus going up from Sydney. Never fear Jack, we have you on the list and will let you know at the end of this column when to send the money down. Look forward to seeing you at the Re-union.

* A short from Stan and Freda Leaver of Yenda. Working on your request and hope to be able to do something about it. Glad to know you are in the land of the living and keeping well. Many thanks for your message of goodwill.

"Dagwood" Jackson of Wagga sent me his usual epistle which contained the information that Fred Driscoll, formerly of Griffith, is now residing at the Linton War Veterans Home at Yass and asking if anyone around that area could call in sometime to see him. Fred will be 86 this year. Thanks Bob for letting me know his whereabouts as his W.O.G. was returned unclaimed. Now we can send them on to him again. Anyone who is passing through Yass and can spare a few minutes, Fred would be delighted to see you.

* (The "short" that Laurie received from Stan and Freda Leaver was, in fact, a short note - Ed.)

Out of the blue, from Bathurst, came a letter from John ("Major") Kean, NX157775 enquiring about joining the Association. Now that he has retired he has thought about participating in some of our activities. John is a good friend of Fred ("Bookra") Morrow of Oberon. John was with the Sig. Platoon on the Tablelands and New Guinea where he was wounded at Minga Creek - Wewak in May, 1945. Well, I have written to him to say the gate is open to any strays so long as they carry the 2/4 brand.

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The Secretary's Mailbag (cont.)

A letter from Alex Milne of Noosaville, Qld who wanted a tie and to inform me he had moved from Croydon to Queensland now that his wife has passed on. Alex's wife had been very sick for a couple of years so now he has made the break from the old house and gone to the sunny climate. Best of luck to you from all of us here Alex.

Another comes from the pen of Don Dimsey. Apparently Claude Raymond, casting his ever vigilant eye must have caught Don and talked him into coming back to us. Don has gone all the way and got a new tie and should have the Battalion Medal in his keeping. Very good to have you with us Don.

Finally in a letter to President Ted, Peter Denver enclosed a para on B.A. "Kelly" Karney of Hindmarsh, S.A. "Kelly" was a member of C Coy and his son has forwarded subs so that his dad can follow the "goings on" of the Association, working his interest up so as to make the trip over for Anzac Day next year. Yes, why not? Will be most welcome and a great experience. According to Peter Kelly is not enjoying the best of health. Thanks Peter, back copies of WOG on the way, you are on the mailing list, Kelly.

Poste haste, a letter from Selby Dean, the hardest man to contact. Selby was replying to a letter I sent explaining the handing over of the Tingha Presentation project for the local boys to complete. He assured me that this will be done in a true and worthy manner. Thank you Selby, our best wishes to you and yours.

Laurie Waterhouse Hon. Sec.

Late Sitreps.

Ian Affleck of the Pictorial Section of the Australian War Memorial, Canberra wants photo's etc. of the first two years of the Second World War. Anyway that's the short message under the nose of the Editor at the time of typing. What the etcetera covers is uncertain (no bombs or grenades, please!) but as it concerns the Australian War Memorial any member who can help with photo's is asked to write to Ian at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra.

The Editor and Ken Kesteven wish to apologise to members of 2/4 Bn. Assn and the Assn. of 4 Inf. Battalions for the notice of the Annual Church Parade being late in the publishing. Sorry Gordon and sorry members.

Doctor and Mrs. Tom Selby were driving up to Lane Cove to call on Ken Kesteven to pick up some Battle of Crete Commemorative Port. They saw a car ahead of them (number LTT???) with a 2/4 sticker on the windscreen. As they passed the car, Tom held up four fingers in recognition of 2/4 Bn. The driver misunderstood the friendly salute and gave a similar salute, with less fingers, and with much more vigour as a reply. On mentioning this at the last meeting, someone asked, "Are you sure about that LTT???, could it have been a red Jaguar, NX931?" (Sometimes it's even fun being an editor!)

Editorial Memo to the President:- Lybia is spelt Libya. (from the type-setter)

THE CASH REGISTER.

A combination of happy circumstances allow us to finally accede to our Treasurers repeated requests and publish acknowledgement of the receipt of subscriptions and donations since 1st Jan. 1983. The circumstances being that Treasurer Allen has just returned from an 8 weeks tour of the United States (where he was very busy informing all and sundry that WW2 started on Sept. 3, 1939 not Dec. 7, 1941) and has now produced the information. Also if we do not print the list page No. 8 of this issue will be blank!

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THIS ISSUE OF WOG.

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However, for those with a sense of history this is the first issue entirely produced, printed and distributed by the editorial committee of the Association with the Association's own equipment, a recently purchased Nashua I220 - S Copying Machine.

As this is our first run we are aware that there are still a few 'bugs' to be eliminated. It is expected that future issues will improve in standard as your committee's expertise (hopefully) improves.

The Editorial Committee.