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This folder contains copies of paperwork held by The University of Western Australia pertaining to WAUR.

This is a small sample of what is available.

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File ID is 1777 it is split into two folders the first cover 1947 – 1970 the second 1970 – 1983 there is info on various attempts to relocate WAUR, copies of correspondence between WAUR and UWA and details on the Colours presentation.

I estimate there is about 200 pages of information in these two files.

Shawn Chapman

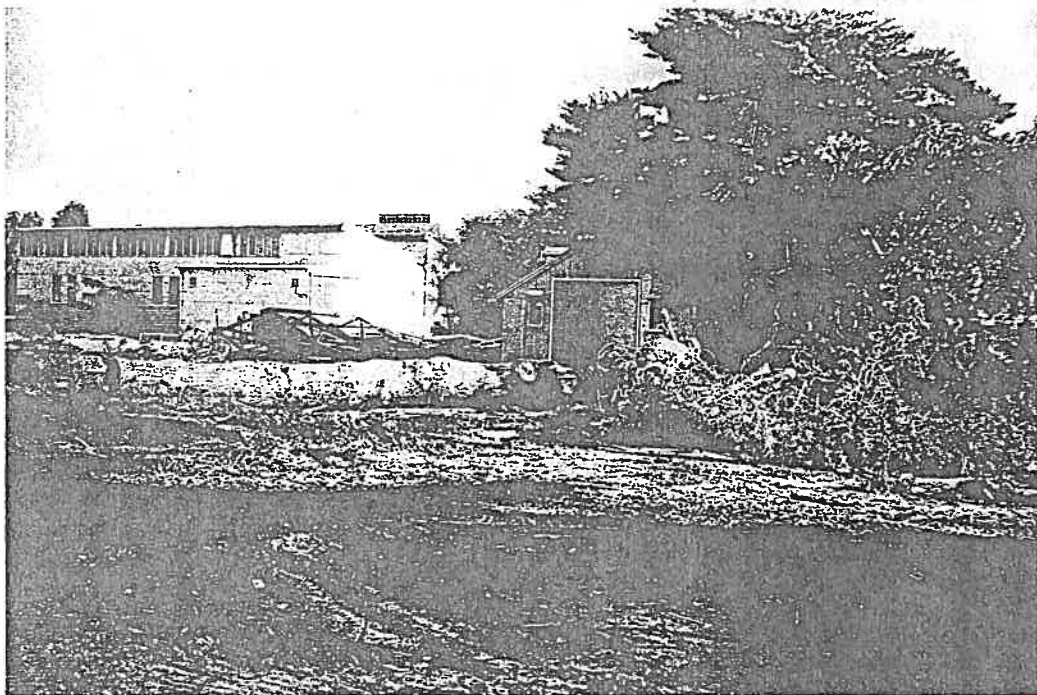
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
WESTERN COMMAND

W A University Regt
Mounts Bay Rd Trg Depot
Mounts Bay Rd
PERTH

27 Jul 61

The Registrar
University of Western Australia
NEDLANDS W A.

Reply 28.

Dear Sir,

During September 1961, the Centenary of the Citizen Military Forces Volunteer Movement in WA occurs. The event will be celebrated in Western Command by marches through PERTH and FREMANTLE and this unit has also been delegated the task of organising an historical display in BOAN'S LTD store in PERTH, depicting the growth of the movement over the 100 years.

As a quantity of historic and modern weapons, equipment, clothing, photographs and medals etc will be available for the PERTH display, your approval is requested for a display to be conducted in the University grounds from 1245 PM to 1-15 PM on 18 September 61 with a view to further publicising the CMF and in particular the W A University Regiment to the undergraduates. The reason for the short duration of the display is that arrangements have already been made for the Teachers Training College CLAREMONT to be visited during the same lunch hour, between 1-15 PM and 2 PM and this is the only suitable date for which the equipment is available.

This matter has already been tentatively discussed with the unit liason officer at the University, Mr BARTLETT, on 27 July 61 and he advised that no objections could be seen at present, however, official approval for the display would be appreciated.

The area considered most suitable, with your concurrence, is the South East corner of WHITFIELD COURT between the exit road and the REFLECTION POND.

Mr Bartlett
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Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding Officer

AJW.JGP

30th May, 1951.

The Commanding Officer,
W.A. University Regiment,
339 Stirling Highway,
Claremont.


Dear Sir,

Presentation of Colours

At a meeting of the Senate of the University held on Monday evening last, the Vice-Chancellor reported that a most impressive ceremony had been held on Whitfield Court on Sunday, 25th May, when His Excellency the Governor had presented the Queen's and Regimental Colours to the W.A. University Regiment.

A number of members of the Senate had been present at the ceremony and all spoke in the highest terms of the excellent manner in which the ceremony had been carried out, and I have very much pleasure indeed, on behalf of the Senate, in conveying to you, your officers and other ranks of the Regiment their congratulations on the outstanding performance and on the great success of the ceremony.

Yours faithfully,


A. J. Williams.
Registrar.

Sen. R. 128/53

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The University of Western Australia

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3rd June, 1958

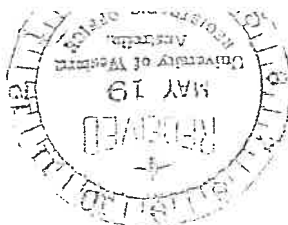
Memorandum to:	Mr. H. Holley	Mr. K. Paterson
	Mr. G. Munns	Miss M.E. Wood
	The Night Watchman	Mr. H.M. Smith
	Mr. M. Devlin	

Presentation of Colours to the W.A. University Regiment

I am sorry not to have written before owing to pressure of other duties, but do so now to thank you all for your co-operation over the arrangements made for the Presentation of Colours to the W.A. University Regiment on Sunday, 25th May. I have no doubt that the success of the occasion was in part due to the help of you and your colleagues.

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F.H. Johnson,
Deputy Registrar.



University of Western Australia
Building 11, 11th Floor
100 Stirling Highway
Perth, Western Australia
6001
4th May, 1961

Mr. W. Johnson,
Deputy Registrar,
University of Western Australia.

UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA
25th MAY 1961

Reference attached letter from the President of the Guild of Undergraduates to Capt F.O. Tarrant.

1. I have written to Mr. Peterson asking him to represent any grievances through yourself as the direct representative between the University and the Regiment, which is the method agreed upon some time ago.
2. In regard to the subject matter of the letter, the Guild can be assured that we were just as anxious as themselves for the Regimental Band to play for the whole ceremony. However as the Band has only been formed for nine (9) months it is asking a great deal of them to carry out such a task. The parade requires the Band to play a large selection of music and also that they be able to blow march. Therefore in order to bring the Band into the parade it has been decided that the Regimental Band will march the Regiment onto the parade, participate in the piling of the drums ceremony and march the Regiment off.
3. These Colours, which are made in England, have been expected for some time, in fact they were due before the formation of the unit band was contemplated, and once received it is essential that they be presented, consecrated, blessed and dedicated as soon as possible. Colours are highly valued, carefully guarded and treated with great respect, receiving at all times high honours. They are never destroyed or stored away and when their life is completed are laid up in a Church or Cathedral so their symbolism and association may be preserved for all times. The solemn ceremony of consecration, blessing and dedication invests them with the significance and dignity of sacred emblems. For this reason the ceremony cannot be postponed in order to train the Band to the standard required.
4. The Western Command Band has played for every other function held by this Regiment and the fact that they have once again been asked to play is of course, no reflection on the Regimental Band. We are quite aware of the enthusiasm of our Band and we are naturally very proud of its progress. We hope that its achievements and turnout will at all times be an example and inspiration to the members of the Regiment. On speaking with the Band both the Commanding Officer and myself have found them quite happy with the decision made for them to march the Regiment on and off parade.

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Cables and Telegrams
'GUILD' PERTH



UNIVERSITY OF W.A.
MEDLANDS,
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Guild of Undergraduates

IN REPLY
PLEASE QUOTE REF. G. 122.

3th. May, 1958.

Capt. J. O. Taggart,
Adjutant,
University of W. A. Regiment,
Stirling Highway,
CLAREMONT.

Dear Captain Taggart,

Re: Presentation of Colours - University of W. A.
Regiment : 25th. May 1958.

It has been brought to my attention by several members of my Council that a decision has been taken that the Regimental Band of the University Regiment, which was scheduled to play at the Presentation of Colours to the W. A. University Regiment on Sunday, 25th. May, has now been replaced by the Western Command Band.

I have conducted some investigations into the reasons for this decision and understand that it is based upon the allegation that the University Regiment Band is not up to the standard that is required for such an occasion. Should this be so, it would seem to me to be hardly a justification for removing the regimental band from such a parade, but would rather indicate that the arrangements in hand for this function are premature and should be deferred in order that the regimental band might receive further training.

I would point out that to my knowledge the regimental band has been in training for some considerable period, and I know that a great deal of enthusiasm has been put into the band by its members. In fact it is my impression as an impartial observer that the esprit de corps of the University regimental band is far greater than that of the rank and file of the Regiment, and I know that this decision that has been announced has reduced most considerably the morale of the troops concerned.

Associated as I have been with this University for a period of almost six years, and having endeavoured to represent student opinion for the greater part of that period, I must state that this recent decision of the University Regiment with regard to the band is the most disappointing one of which I have yet heard.

My Council, and the students of the University of Western Australia, despite some flippant comment that may have been made from time to time concerning the National Service Training Scheme as introduced by the Menzies Government, have at all times been proud of the achievements of the W. A. University Regiment. Moreover, I understand that the Regiment has on many occasions been presented with medallions and trophies, which would indicate its superiority on various fields.

I have always understood that the receiving of Colours by a Regiment is one of the most important and ceremonial occasions that can be imagined. I would suggest that there is a certain amount of hypocrisy in presenting the Colours at a peak of regimental history and masquerading what might be described as an amateur Army organisation (by "amateur" is meant part-time National Service) behind the professional Western Command band.

I would be pleased to discuss this matter with you at any time that you might desire, and would advise that I reserve the right to publish this letter and the views of my Council, should the occasion so warrant, as widely as possible.

Yours sincerely,



KIM PATERSON
President.

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UNIVERSITY OF W.A.
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G. 122

7th. May, 1958.

Mr. F. E. Johnson,
Deputy Registrar,
The University of W. A.

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Presentation of Colours - W. A.
University Regiment.

I have heard from several sources that the band of the West Australian University Regiment will not be playing at the parade at which Colours will be presented to the Regiment.

I have also heard from quite a few members of the Regiment that they are disappointed that their own band cannot play on this occasion.

It would seem to me that if the band is being replaced there is equal ground for not parading the members of the Regiment.

It does appear illogical that the band which has been trained during the Camp at the end of last year, and also this year, should be excluded.

I would be glad if you could approach the Regiment requesting that the band be allowed to play.

Yours faithfully,

Bob Nicholson

BOB NICHOLSON
Guild Secretary.

8/5/58

V. Ch. for discussion

W A University Regt
Stirling Highway Try Depot
339 Stirling Highway
GLASGOW W A

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11 Apr 58

Mr. F. Johnson
Deputy Registrar
University of W A

Copy to:

13 Inf Bde

PRESENTATION OF COLOURS

W A UNIVERSITY REGT

25 May 58

Reference consultation between Mr. F Johnson, Maj HOARE (BN 13 Inf Bde) and Capt TAGGART (Adj't WAUR) on 10 Apr 58.

1. It is requested that, if possible, authority be granted for this unit to rehearse for the above parade on Whitfield Court on Sun 20 Apr 58 in addition to the 11 May 58. The additional rehearsal is deemed necessary due to a change in the procedure as discussed during the above consultation. Both these rehearsals will be performed in shoes in order to preserve the grass.

2. In order to decorate the area for the parade, approval is sought for the erection of a number of flagpoles. The principal used in the erection of these flagpoles will be similar to that used by greenkeepers when placing the hole in the golf greens, that is by using a special auger which cuts a neat hole and allows the turf to be replaced after use.

3. Approval is also sought for the use of the students car park wherein guests may park their cars during the parade. Traffic control would be essential both at the entrance to the University proper and the car park. Therefore, in order to facilitate this control it is proposed, if authority is granted, to close both the roads leading into the University and employ Military and civilian police in order to achieve this control.

4. Seating accommodation creates a problem due to the limited space available around Whitfield Court, however it is hoped that seating will be available for all guests. In order to achieve this it would be appreciated if the balconies of Winthrop Hall could be made available for the seating of certain guests. Also the provision of chairs creates a problem of collection, cartage and handling. If the University could supply Twenty (20) arm type chairs for distinguished guests and Seven Hundred (700) chairs for the general seating or similar type it would be greatly appreciated.

Subject 2 to consultation with Curator

Staff

*7/10/58
13 Inf Bde
Capt Taggart*

5. The PO PARKING sign on the road EAST of Whitfield Court will cause an obstruction to the bands. If authority could be given the Army Engineers could remove the sign and replace it after the Parade.

6. After the parade the Regiment hopes to entertain all the guests at afternoon tea in the gardens. The areas selected during the consultation were as follows :-

- (a) Official guests - in the sunken gardens and if the weather is inclement in the students refectory.
- (b) Other guests - on the lawns SOUTH of Bishop's Hall. If inclement weather, in the undercroft.

These selections were made pending the approval of the necessary University bodies. An additional requirement for afternoon tea would be the allocation of preparation rooms and if possible the facilities for boiling water for the afternoon tea.

7. Finally, authority is sought for the commencement of preparation on the preceeding day, Sat 24 May 58. *Sun. 25 May.*

Thanking you for the wonderful co-operation you have afforded us.

Jo Laggart Capt. f.s.
Lt Col
Comd WAUR

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROYAL AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY
WESTERN AUSTRALIAN
UNIVERSITY REGIMENT

COMMANDING OFFICER :

Lieutenant Colonel A. Mc. COWARD

PROGRAMME OF PARADES

FOR

HALF YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 1958

No Rank Name
Address
(Any change must be notified in writing immediately)

ADJUTANT

Capt J.O. TAGGART
HQ W A University Regt
Stirling Highway Trg Depot
339 Stirling Highway
CLAREMONT W A
Telephone : F1966.

Members Signature

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'A' COMPANY

Officer Commanding : Maj J.R.C. FISHER

OBLIGATORY PARADES

Day	Date 1958	Time Hrs	Duration Days	Place of Reporting
Sat/Sun	22/23 Feb		2	Time and place to be advised.
	24 Feb/9 Mar		14	
Tue	1 Apr	1930	$\frac{1}{2}$	CLAREMONT
Sun	20 Apr	1000	1	CLAREMONT
Fri	25 Apr		$\frac{1}{2}$	To be advised
Sat/Sun	10/11 May	1300	$1\frac{1}{2}$	CLAREMONT

ALTERNATIVE PARADES

Tue	8 Apr	1930	$\frac{1}{2}$	CLAREMONT
Sun	27 Apr	1000	1	CLAREMONT
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VOLUNTARY PARADES

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Tue	22 Apr	1930	$\frac{1}{3}$	"
Tue	29 Apr	1930	$\frac{1}{3}$	"
Tue	6 May	1930	$\frac{1}{3}$	"
Tue	20 May	1930	$\frac{1}{2}$	"
Sat/Sun	7/8 Jun	1300	$\frac{1}{3}$	"
Mon	9 Jun	1930		

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'B' COMPANY

Officer Commanding : Capt A.J. ANDERSON

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NOTICES

1. This card will be carried at all times when in uniform as a means of identification. It must be signed in the place provided.
2. Members serving under the NS Act, having completed 77 days with a NS Trg Coy are required to carry out 63 days training with this unit. Members must complete 24 days obligatory service each year.
3. Officers and WOs will attend all parades excluding Alternative parades.
4. Uniforms will be worn on all parades. It is an offence to wear any part of uniform when not on duty. Hats, boots and gaiters will be worn on Obligatory and Alternative parades, berets and shoes on Voluntary parades. Rifles and sidearms will be carried on all Obligatory and Alternative parades.
5. All ranks must appear on parade clean and smart, with hair cut and face shaved, five minutes before the time for which the parade is ordered.
6. A member who has :-
 - (a) Completed 14 days camp training, 7 days Obligatory training and 5 days Voluntary training (or Alternative training authorised to count in lieu);
 - (b) Volunteered for overseas service;
 - (c) Completed the required range practices, qualifying in at least one weapon;qualifies for an additional £10 Efficiency Grant per year.
7. Absence without leave from an 'O' parade is an offence. A soldier so absent will be charged under the Defence Act. Repetition of this offence, or failure to attend the Alternative parade ordered in lieu, will result in the member being prosecuted in a Civil Court under the NS Act. The magistrate may order continuous completion of the obligation in the custody of a prescribed authority, a fine of £50, or both. If an Obligatory parade is missed for any reason, an Alternative parade must be attended in lieu.
8. NS members are reminded that on completion of 140 days training, they are transferred to the NS Inactive List (in their substantive rank) until discharged, 5 years from the date of call up for full time service with an NS Trg Coy.
9. Whilst on the Inactive List, members are still considered as being on unit strength, and are bound by law to notify HQ of any change of address.
10. If intending to proceed overseas, members on the NS Inactive List must apply for leave at least 3 weeks in advance, otherwise a passport will ~~not~~ NOT be issued. Proof of booking of the passage, employment, etc, MUST be submitted with the application for leave.



Univ. Western Unit
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The University of Western Australia.

TELEPHONE
WM 2481

Nedlands

March 13, 1951.

The Vice Chancellor,
University of Western Australia,
NEDLANDS.

Dear Dr. Currie,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 13th instant, concerning the firing of blank .303 ammunition in the precinct of the Refectory, on the night of Wednesday, 7th March, 1951.

At the meeting of the Regiment Club next week I shall bring to the notice of Unit Members the seriousness of the incident. Since all members are jealous of their Unit's reputation, I am sure they will be grieved to learn that they have been guilty of a breach of the University By-law, and good manners. Steps will be taken to ensure that there is no recurrence of behaviour of this nature.

Hoping you will accept my apologies on behalf of the Unit,

Yours faithfully,

A. H. Morton

(A. H. MORTON)

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The University of Western Australia

TELEPHONE
WM 2481

Nedlands
Department of Economics.

9th March, 1951.

The Vice Chancellor,
The University of Western Australia,
NEDLANDS. W.A.

Dear Dr. Currie,

I wish to draw your attention to certain recent activities of members of the Western Australian University Regiment.

During the afternoon of Tuesday, 6th instant, several rounds were fired straight across Whitfeld Court from an emplacement in the undercroft, from a .303 Vickers machine gun. The racket which the firing made interrupted discussions taking place between members of this Department in the Tower at the time. Such displays should not be permitted too much freedom to interrupt the serious work of the University. The ammunition was supposedly blank, but the number of unfortunate accidents which have occurred in military establishments as a result of the unsupervised use of blank ammunition should show the danger of such a procedure.

This display was, moreover, objectionable on another count, in that it made it appear that such military ostentation was freely welcomed within an institution whose first aim is, I feel, the quite different one of the objective pursuit of truth.

The other occurrence which I wish to mention took place at a dance organized by the W.A.U.R. in the Refectory on the night of Wednesday, 7th instant. Several rounds of, once again supposedly blank, ammunition were fired from the southern windows of the Refectory, from .303 rifles. On this occasion members of the Regiment and some young women fired the weapons which were not officially inspected, as is the strict military practice, before and after firing. In answer to certain enquiries which I made, I discovered that no one person was responsible for the firing of the weapons.

C.M.E.

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This occurrence shows a regrettable lack of adhesion to the most basic principles of military discipline in the handling of weapons on the part of the members of the Regiment concerned. The whole procedure showed, I feel, that far too little serious attention has as yet been given to the question of placing limits on the freedom of action of members of this Regiment.

Yours faithfully,

Maxwell Newton.

(Maxwell Newton)

Headquarters { B 3050
Western Command { B 3143 (7 lines)
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES - WESTERN COMMAND

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HQ 10 Inf Bde,
Swan Barracks,
PERTH, W.A.

13 Mar 50.

Professor G.A. CHURCH,
Vice Chancellor,
PERTH UNIVERSITY.

Copy to HQ W Comd.

REGIMENTAL BADGE AND BUTTON - A COY PERTH UNIVERSITY REGT.

Dear *Professor,*

- ... 1. Forwarded herewith is the design of the Regimental badge and button selected for the above-named Unit.
2. It would be appreciated if you would kindly submit the design to the University Senate, as it is understood that permission has to be obtained before the University Crest can be used for such a matter.
3. Further to this would you kindly return the designs to this HQ with the Senates comments at your earliest convenience.

Robert. Amishe Brig.

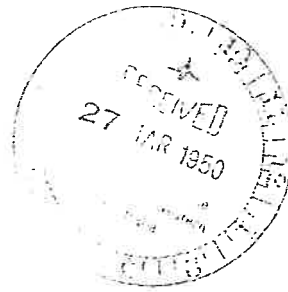
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T. W. Senior

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24th March, 1950.

Brig. R. Ainslie,
HQ 13 Inf. Bde,
Sven Barracks,
PERTH.

Dear Brigadier Ainslie,

At its last meeting the Senate agreed to approve the design submitted by you for the University regiment, but asked that we should confer with you on the lettering of such a badge.

The point is that the words "Perth University" do not appeal to the Senate since the University is the "University of Western Australia" and not "Perth University". An amendment to this is therefore necessary.

I should be glad to hear from you in due course on this matter.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(C. A. Currie)
VICE CHANCELLOR.

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JPS



The University of Western Australia

TELEPHONE
WM 2481

Nedlands

MEMO TO THE VICE CHANCELLOR:

Formation of a Militia Sub-Unit Within
the University.

Extract from Minutes of Senate Meeting held on 21/6/48.

The Acting Vice Chancellor referred to a memorandum of the Registrar concerning correspondence between Western Command, the Guild of Undergraduates and the Vice Chancellor (Dr. G.A. Currie) with reference to the formation of a volunteer Militia sub-unit within the University (see copy attached). The Guild of Undergraduates had recently put the matter to a referendum of the internal male students and following the publication of the result there had been comment in the "West Australian" newspaper. However, in consequence of the referendum there were apparently 109 students prepared to join a volunteer Militia Company if established within the University and as a result, the G.O.C. Western Command (Major General J.S. Whitelaw) wished to know whether the Senate would be agreeable to its formation. If a sub-unit were established in the University, General Whitelaw stated, it would be possible to arrange a training schedule to conform to lecture hours and vacations. Moreover with University students it should be possible to accelerate the schedule and it was also proposed that the unit should carry a higher proportion of officers than ordinary units.

RESOLVED - to inform Western Command that the Senate is agreeable to the formation of a
177 Volunteer Militia Sub-Unit in the University, and that 109 students have mentioned their willingness to join a unit if formed.

(Dr. Le Souef; Professor Bayliss)

Extract of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Senate held on 19/7/48.

Miss M. Kerr, Secretary of the Guild. (29/6/48). - Creation of a Militia Unit within the University. (Sen.R.177)

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The Senate received a letter from the Guild stating that while accepting the Senate's sanction for the formation of a militia unit, the Guild Council protested against the action of the Senate in allowing the formation of the unit without debating the fact that strong student opinion had been expressed to the contrary, and that in the opinion of the Guild Council such questions as "the formation of military units within the student body are primarily matters of the student body itself and that such questions should be decided by the student body".

The Acting Vice Chancellor in referring to the protest of the Guild stated that the President of the University Ex-Servicemen's & Women's Association had informed him that the Association would do everything in its power to assist

the formation of the militia unit.

The Pro-Chancellor, who had been absent from the meeting on 31/3/48 when the matter had first been raised in the Senate, asked whether adequate consideration had been given to the student view-point. Dr. Le Sueur in reply stated that the Senate had given consideration to the whole question.

RESOLVED - (following a motion that the question be put - moved by Dr. Somerville, seconded Mr. Barker) that the letter of the Guild be acknowledged and that no action be taken.

(Dr. Le Sueur; Dr. Battye).

AG Williams

Australian Military Forces—Western Command.

Number when replying

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Headquarters,
Western Command,
Swan Barracks,
PERTH, W.A.

24 Sep 47.

The Secretary,
University of W.A.,
CRAWLEY.

Dear Sir,

1. The present plans for the post-war Army provide for the raising of regiments, or portions thereof, at the various Universities throughout the Commonwealth.
2. Where a University is incapable, through lack of numbers, of organising a complete unit on the lines of an infantry battalion, it is proposed to form a sub-unit which will be attached for training and administration to the nearest unit of the Citizen Military Forces. Such a sub-unit will not, however, form part of the Citizen Military Force unit to which it is attached--it will retain intact its own identity.
3. Enlistment in a University regiment will be open to all male students of the University and the Teachers' College who fulfil the normal requirements for enlistment in the Citizen Military Forces.
4. Members of University regiments, except Company Commanders and above, on graduating from Universities and Teachers' Colleges may select one of the following courses:-
 - (a) Apply for a transfer to a CMF unit in the rank held in the University regiment or sub-unit. If qualified for either non-commissioned, warrant or commissioned rank, they will be eligible without further examination for promotion or appointment to that rank.
 - (b) If qualified for or holding a commission in the CMF, apply for a commission in the PMF.
 - (c) Take his discharge from the Army.
 - (d) If an officer with the prescribed period of service, be transferred to the Reserve of Officers.
5. (a) Home Training

University regiments and sub-units will carry out, if they so desire, all their 24 days Home Training parades in one or more camps or Schools of Instruction at periods most convenient to the University regiment or sub-unit concerned. Such camps, etc., will be in addition to the normal 14 days camp approved for all units of the CMF.

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4. Members of University regiments, except Company Commanders and above, on graduating from Universities and Teachers' Colleges may select one of the following courses:-
 - (a) Apply for a transfer to a CMF unit in the rank held in the University regiment or sub-unit. If qualified for either non-commissioned, warrant or commissioned rank, they will be eligible without further examination for promotion or appointment to that rank.
 - (b) If qualified for or holding a commission in the CMF, apply for a commission in the PMF.
 - (c) Take his discharge from the Army.
 - (d) If an officer with the prescribed period of service, be transferred to the Reserve of Officers.
5. (a) Home Training

University regiments and sub-units will carry out, if they so desire, all their 24 days Home Training parades in one or more camps or Schools of Instruction at periods most convenient to the University regiment or sub-unit concerned. Such camps, etc., will be in addition to the normal 14 days camp approved for all units of the CMF.

 - (b) Army Schools

As many members of University regiments and sub-units as possible will be permitted to attend courses at Army Schools.



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The Vice-Chancellor,
University of Cambridge,
C.A.M.

Dear Dr. Currie,

In an attempt to obtain student opinion on the matter of the formation of a volunteer militia company within the University, the "Pelican" reporters interviewed students. For several reasons this proved unsatisfactory, and at its meeting on the 18th. instant the Guild Council passed a motion expressing its inability to express any opinion on to the setting of the Guild of Undergraduates on this matter. It was also felt that in the future the Guild Council's attitude on the question of military training within the University should be strictly impartial.

However, to obtain information on this matter, i.e. the number of students in favor of military training within the University, and secondly, the number prepared to join such a unit, a compulsory referendum for all males & all students will be held during the first week of November.

Yours truly,
With your approval,

Yours faithfully,

Harriet E. Kerr
HARRIET E. KERR
Secretary of the Guild.

UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

GUILD OF UNDERGRADUATES

COMPULSORY REFERENDUM

FOR ALL INTERNAL MALE STUDENTS

Opposite each question, place a cross in the square which meets with your approval.

Informal

- | | Yes | No | Indifferent |
|--|-----|-----|-------------|
| 5 1. Are you in favour of a Volunteer Militia Company being formed within the University? | 245 | 475 | 145 |
| 5 2. Do you consider that Military Training should be conducted by the Military Authorities entirely outside the University? | 443 | 214 | 208 |
| 5 3. If a Volunteer Militia Company is formed within the University would you be prepared to join it? | 109 | 756 | |

Express any opinion as to the feeling of the Guild of Undergraduates on this matter. It was also felt that in the future the Guild Council's attitude on the question of military training within the University should be strictly impartial.

However, to obtain information on this matter, i.e. the number of students in favor of military training within the University, and secondly, the number prepared to join such a unit, a compulsory referendum for all male internal students will be held during the first week of second term.

Trusting that this meets with your approval,
Yours faithfully,

Margaret Kerr
MARGARET KERR
Secretary of the Guild.