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MONTHLY LUNCHEON.

MONDAY 15 June 1992

VENUE: Gellipoli Room, Amzac House Perth.

TIME : Fellowship 1200 hours Luncheon 1250 hours

Mr A D Campbell General President Western Australian SPEAKER: Farmers Federation.

Alex Campbell a is sheep and beef farmer at Narrikup and has recently diversified into forest products. From 1988 — 92 was WAFF President and had the portfolio of Landuse and Conservation. In 1992 was elected President and will have responsibility for National issues sech as economic and finance matters.

LAST MONTHS SPEAKER: Many thanks to Peter Fitzpatrick for a very informative and interesting talk which was well received. There is little roubt that members are now more greatly aware of the total involvement of the present day problems associated with juveniles and teenagers in the community. He would be an acquisition to the Highgate sub branch as a member and accordingly an invitation to join us has been extended to him.

STATE CONGRESS 1992 Will be held this year in Geraldton over the week-end 19 - 20 - 21 June. The following Highgate members will be seeking election/re-election as follows: As President Jim Hall and Peter Firkins. As Vice-President Senior and Junior, Peter Firkins. For the executive Alan King, Dick Reid "Bish" Kwiezinski, John Surridge, Bob Mercer and Peter Firkins. The delegates will be Leslie Lee and John Hately.

ANECDOTE No. 2: At Torokina in late 1944 the Yanks having moved on and left their square tents for our use. Four of us occupied an eight man tent. I was the first in and saw a yankee cap hanging on the wall. Tried it on for fit but soon took it off as it was too large and, further, my head became itchy. Itch continued so I went to the RAP. The poor devil of a Yank must have suffered hell because the Medic said my head was covered in lice. The medic held my head down outside, told me to close my eyes while he poured kerosene over my head. A quick cure. Also around that time and place reminiscent of American Allies we found a large half filled pit with what appeared to be the tops of vehicles sticking out. The Yanks had buried their vehicles apparently not having room to take to many with them. Told our mates and as we had earlier been commanded not to accept any help from the Yanks in settling in, we arranged for a line of spies to watch out for any officers of ours coming and then proceeded to dig up a jeep. The boys were great mechanics. Soon we has the jeep out and running. They borrowed petrol and oil and for awhile we were able to ride in style to Torokina beach near by. We were found out and the jeep was kind of taken form us: Thank you Frank Harders for the story:

<u>WELCOME:</u> To new member Bob (Sooty) Smith. Bob Served for many years with the Royal Australian Regiment, and has transferred to us from another subbranch.

WALE

Linton (Len) Walker passed away in April. Len served with the Army but was discharged on Medical ground after injury. He then volunteered for service with the Red Cross and went to England and Europe, assisting with the repatriation of POW's and those from concentration camps. Returning to Australia he went to Singapore again assisting returning POW's. One of the first men he assisted was his own brother—in—law.

 $\underline{SICK\ LIST:}$ At the time of writing Bob Fletcher is still in Ward 8 of Hollywood Hospital. Geoff Russell has also had a spell in RPH but is now home and doing as the doctor ordered, resting as much as possible .

ERROR IN THE LISTENING POST: A DVA advertisement on the inside cover of the Autumn issue incorrectly stated that yellow and white card holders did not have to pay the RPBS prescription fee of \$2.60. This was an error as all card holders are now required to pay the fee under special arrangement with DVA.

<u>LOST WITHOUT TRACE:</u> Can anyone provide a mailing address for Mr R T Hall, last heard from in Onslow Road Shenton Park.

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