The Fallen Soldiers

LIST OF NAMES

Following is a corrected list of names of the soldiers killed in Monday's explosion and buried on Wednesday:— NX204475 Spr. Colin Francis Boyd (N.S.W.). NX205981 Spr. Joseph James Collins (N.S.W.).

NX141715 Cpl. William Barclay
Couşins (N.S.W.).
N481536 Spr. Norman Rourke
John Dilley (N.S.W.).
NX205989 Spr. Alan Flood (N.S.W.) NX205863 Spr. Joseph William Paull (N.S.W.)

SX34059 Spr. Denby Eric Grasby (S.A.). NX205951 Spr. Kevin Alexander

Hurst (N.S.W.). NX180545 Spr. Colin Leslie Hurley (N.S.W.). WX25792 Spr. Ronald Irwin Linthorpe (W.A.). NX 205652 Spr. Terence Ronald Moore (N.S.W.). SX34069 Spr. Ivan Thomas Merritt (S.A.). Ivan Walter

Q273563 Spr. Stanley Robert Morphy Q.) NX180219 Spr. Leslie John Mather (N.S.W.). NX205833 Spr. Jack Clinton Nixon (N.S.W.).

NX180218 Spr. Geoffrey Wilton
Partridge (N.S.W.).

Q273551 Spr. Ernest Prederick

Poschalk (Q.) QX63309 Spr. Frank Wilfred VX96197 Spr. Kevin Francis VX57880 Sgt. Herbert John Pomercy (V ... NX81964 Spr. Stanley Ernest

Ross (N.S.W) S115374 Spr. William Reid NX205938 Spr. Edward Charles Robson (N.S.W.). N480870 Spr. Thomas Woods (N.S.W WX27166 Spr. Alfred Edward Woods (W.A.). WX23101 Spr. Alfred George Widd (W.A.).

On Dangerously Ill List

SX34062 Bartlett, A. OFFICIAL WREATHS

The vast number of beautiful

tributes placed on the graves made a striking display as well as bearing evidence of the widespread sympathy which was extended to the relatives of the victims or the traged. Many of the wreaths came from the R.A.E. Training C-ntre-from the commanding of

Correspondence AN APPRECIATION

(To the Editor "The Daily Advertiser" Wagga.)

Sir .- I desire to express my very deep appreciation and thanks to the following pub-lic bodies and persons for the invaluable assistance and co-operation extended to myself and staff in connection with the funeral arrangements being made respecting the interaccidentally met their deaths at Kapooka on May 21, 1945: -Wagga Police.

Mayor and Municipal Coun-Chamber of Commerce, Returned Soldiers' League.

Railway Department. It is desired to specially thank Inspector Randall, Det. Sergt. Cloke, Sergt. Sherwood and Mr. C. A. Bender. Inspec-tor of Telephones, for their unstinted co-operation and all car owners who made trans-port available for the rela-tives. May I also thank the people of Wagga for the sincere and silent tribute express-ed by their presence at the roadside while the funeral procession passed.

COL. W. D. M'DONALD.

ficer, officers the men, and the

A.W.A.S.—every grave having its quota while many organisations were represented as well as rela-tives and friends, about 20 floral offerings coming from Parkes alone for the grave of Corporal Cousins

Mr. J. C. M'Donald, who had charge of the burial arrangements, supplies the following list:

The Commander-in-Chief of the Australian Military Popces (Gen-

Australian Military Popces (General Sir Thomas Blamey).
The Commanding Officer of No. 1 R.A.E. Training Centre.
Commanding Officer. Officers and Men and A.W.A.S. of No. 1 R.A.E. Training Centre.
Members of Australian Army Nursing Service and Australian Army Medical Service attached to 54 Camp Hospital, No. 1 Training.

54 Camp Hospital. No. 1 Training

Centre. Wagga Sub-branch R.S.S. and AILA President and Members of No. 1

Bn N.C.O. Mess. Wagga Sub-branch Communist

Area 56 Battalion Wagga.
Men of C Cov. No. 1 Bn.,
LAE Training Centre.
Returned Soldiers' Association
f the Commercial Travellers' Asociation, Sydney. Rotary Club, Wagga

Wellington Sub-branch of the LS.S.A.I.L.A. Ambulance Drivers of 54 Camp Iospital No. 1 R.A.E. Training

Employees of Dunion Weatherroofs Pty. Ltd. Wagga.
Officers and Men of Headquarters No. 1 R.A.E. Training Centre.
President and Members of I.A.A.F. Sergeants' Mess, No RD Cootaffundra.
C. Coy. No. 1 Rn. P.A.E. Training

C Coy. No. 1 Bn. R.A.E. Train-Air Officer Air Officer Commanding an Iembers of Training Group, Royal ustralian Air Force, Wagga, The G.O.C. Second Australian

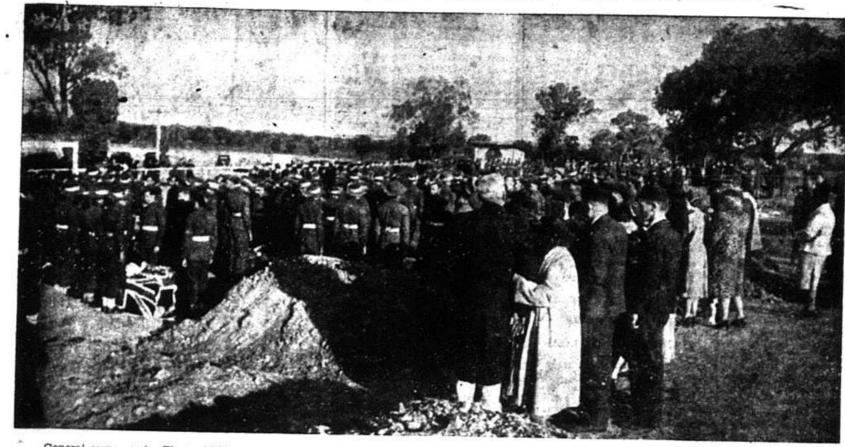
Ponto Tennis Club. Parkes Students and Staff. W echnical College. Carrathoo! Red Cross.

O.C. and Staff R.A.E. Training entre. The Rock Sub-branch of the ed Cross Commander of 1 Bn. RAE.

raining Centre.

And many hundreds of floral libutes from relatives and friends om all parts of this State, Vic-

PATHETIC SCENES IN WAGGA CEMETERY ON WEDNESDAY



General scene at the Wagga Military Cemetery showing relatives. friends and soldier comrades standing round the graves, whilst many hundreds more lined the boundaries.





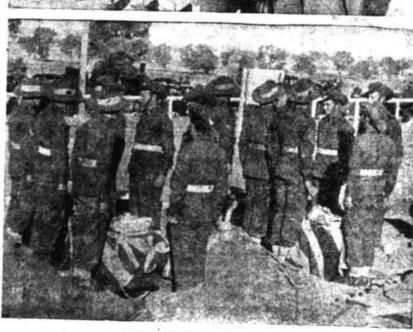












These pictures show the caskets being carried to the graves, the bugiers who sounded the Last Post; the scene just before the coffins were lowered into the graves; and (top left) a priest leading the funeral procession

of the 26 soldiers at Wagga on Wednesday afternoon. The Wagga District Ambulance car was in at-tendance and Superintendent M

PRIVATE CARS AT FUNERAL

P. Loth rendered first aid.

As was mentioned in this column yesterday, a number of privately yesterday, a number of privately owned motor cars were made available to convey the relatives of the dead soldlers in the funeral procession. The Chamber of Commerce adopted the suggestion made by one of its leading members to offer these cars to the Town Hall authorities. The Mayor and the town clerk greatly apparent and the town clerk greatly ap-preciated the gesture, and more cars than were needed assembled for the purpose of taking relatives to the cemetery. Unfortunately a section of the Sydney press stated that these cars were comman-deered by the police—a quite erronous statement.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

A service in memory of the victims of the Kapooka tragedy will be held in the Methodist Church on Sunday night. The service will be conducted by the Rev. C. J. Wells. the preacher being Chapdains too great and collapsed the graveside at the funeral Kapooka.

NORFOLK ISLAND

Norfolk Island, which is adminis-Norfolk Island, which is administered by the Australian Department of External Territories, was garrisoned during 1942-43 by New Zealand troops. The last of the troops left on February 11, 1944, when improved war conditions in the South-West Pacific made it no longer necessary to maintain garrison troops on the island.

This is contained in the report of the Administrator. Major-General Sfi Charles Rosenthal, recently tabled in

Parliament.
The island, which has been administered as Australian territory since 1914 assumed a military importance early in 1942 because of its strategic position in relation to both Australia and New Zealand. It is nearly 1,000 miles north-east of Sydney.

Early in the year 1942 the military situation in the South-West Pacific was such that it was decided to proceed immediately with the construction of an areodrome capable of accommodating the largest areoplemes.

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In August. 1942, an advance party
of Australian and American engineers
arrived at Norfolk Island and commenced the construction of two main
arierial routes. Plant and equipment
for carrying out the work were
brought from Australia and the United
States of America. The landing of
heavy equipment by lightering from
ships lying in the open roadsteads
presented a task of some magnitude,
but it was accomplished by the Island
watermen without loss or accident
of my kind. Shortly after this, New
Zealand troops arrived.

Between July 1, 1942, and June 30,
1943, approximately 15,000 tons of
cargo were handled. Great difficulty
was experienced in handling this

cargo by lighters from open roadsteads subject to unfavorable weather
conditions, and representations were
made for the improvement of harbour
facilities.

The construction of the areodrome
was carried out by personnel of the
New South Wales Department of Main
Roads and completed early in 1943.
The first plane landed from New
Zealand on December 25, with Christmas meils and special food supplies
for the troops.

Since the completion of the drome
it has been used regularly by planes
moving to and from operational areas.
The servicing of these planes is carried out by personnel of the Royal
New Zealand Air Force.

An air service now operating between Norfolk and New Zeeland
connects with the Trans-Tasman
service to Sydney, thus providing an
air link with Australis.

The Norfolk Island Division of the
Australian Red Cross Society has
continued its efforts in the raising
of funds, the main portion of which
has been forwarded to the Red Cross
Headquerters, Melbourne, for allocation by the governing body. This
division was formed in October, 1939,
and to June, 1944 had raised £2,258.
Norfolk Island: consisting mainly
of bean seed, bansnas and pession
fruit juice, have failen off sadly
during the war, owing to shipping
difficulties.

SHOW DATES 1945

Murrumburrah: Sept 19, 20 Holbrook: October 27.

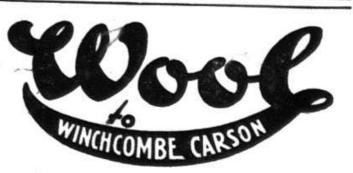
R.A.F. PRISONERS NEARLY ALL BROUGHT FROM GERMANY

LONDON, Thurs .: Bomber Command Lancasters have brought back most of the 760 liberated R.A.F. war prisoners so far res-cued from Germany There are only about 170 still to be repat-

NEW COMMANDER

FOR BRITISH AIR FORCES IN GERMANY

LONDON. Thursday: Air Chief Marshal Sir Shalto Douglas has been appointed Air Officer Commander in Chief of the British Air Porces in Germany.



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