

Breakfast at Goulburn, another good hot meal and plenty of it, and then the last lap. Soon we recognised old familiar sights and places and our hearts began to beat a bit faster. Friends waved from stations as we rushed through, and at Strathfield quite a crowd waited. At last Sydney. Kits were dumped on the platform to follow later, and we bundled ourselves into the waiting motors. One only got a blurred impression of waving hands, excited cries and anxious faces as we sped down the road through the waiting crowds. At the Anzac Buffet in the Domain we were greeted by those dear Mothers and Fathers, Sisters and Brothers and pals who had so bravely and patiently waited long years for that day. To express one's feelings in cold print would be a desecration I fear, so here we were, each soldier surrounded by his own little group of loving welcomers. Our day had come at last, we were home, and that is where this letter ends.

Your own true one,
"Jimmy."

THEY SAY.

That it was the "King Hit" which saved Jim Carlton's money at Dublin.

That Sgt. Norm. Thomas (26) was jealous of "Ninette" & "Rintintin" at Lille.

That Sydney 7th. F.A.B. Reunion Club will hold an inquiry how Dri. Jack Tyrrell & Dri. Gordon Hogan (26) were wounded by same bullet at Hervilly.

That The Merchant of Venice is Stan Walker's favourite book. The page of love led Stan to Lewington very often while at Sutton Veny.

That Cpl. Mc Gregor, Cnr. "Middle Park" Reg Griffiths & Ray Kerby (17) skinned the larder of buns when the lights went out at the buckshee dinner at Cape Town.

That Cnr. Joe Carew (27) was the first member of the A.A.S.C. (Australian Army Sisters Chaperones) on the Karmala.

That Timothy Topp is about to stage The Merchant of Venice and has engaged "Old Solomon" to play the part of Shylock.

That Cnr. Banjo Paterson (27) once played the part of hoity toity M'selle "Heart's Desirs" at Le Haure.

That Cnr. Tom Cassidy H.Q. was "wooling" for the sisters while Cnr. Les. Harrison (H.Q.) threaded needles for Mrs. Leeds.

That Cnrs. "Raff" Peebles, Tim Topp, & Clarrie Ryan (27) could find their way blindfolded to the free Buffets.

That Cnr. Grant Meudell (27) is an expert adviser on the free Buffets in Cape Town.

That Jerry Boone (26) can get an address in Sydney from Cnr. Chas. Pearce (26)

That the extent of Capt. Colquhoun's labour of love at the Anzac Lounge at Cape Town was to cut sandwiches.

That to an appreciative audience, Cpl. Mc Gregor (27) can do justice to the "Trumpeter."

That Jerry Neilson (107) grows a species of sugar cane with a map reference name-B24.6.

That Snowy Moroney (H.Q.) being greedy had a wave to himself on the Karmala.

That Cnr. Bill Phillips (107) had his first attack of "Newmatic Flu."

That Jack Kirk (27) never saw the watch that Commander Grieves wore.

That Bill Mc Donald (25) was in error when he recognised Lt. Arthur Coolahan as the Y.M.C.A. man.

WHAT BRIGADE IS TALKING ABOUT.

Why s/s Roy Ackland (107) dressed himself twice in the one morning at Antwerp.

How Sgt. Thomas bought all the donks at Weston-Super Mare for six bob.

The latest sensation - "How to fight the Battle of Jutland" Book by Cnr. Chunder Witherby (25.)

How Mick Brady (107) and "Billy" Ackland (107) got slugged by the Yankee horse picket at Courcelles.

The marvellous singing voice Cnr. Harold Bloodworth developed at Cape Town. At any rate Harold, the Salvation Army appreciated your help.

The number of crab legs which were accounted for by Cpl. "Tarzan" Whiting, Cnrs. Norm. Hayward & Eric Parker (26) at Cape Town.

Why Benjo Paterson vacated his seat with the two girls on the Merry-go-round at Trow Bridge. Was it dinky die sickness or an empty pocket?