

## Australia in the Second World War, 1939–1945

### COMPANY RECORDS

Australian companies contributed to the war effort through manufacturing and shipping. Many maintained Rolls of Honour to commemorate staff who had served in the armed forces. After the war pastoral companies were involved in soldier settlement schemes for providing farms to veterans. Examples of the types of information to be found include:

#### **Australian Agricultural Company**

Despatches between the Company office in New South Wales and the Court of Directors in London relating to vessels carrying munitions, damage to wharves, insurance, manpower, etc., 1942-1943 (160/120-121)

#### **Australian Mercantile Land & Finance Company**

Correspondence concerning guerrilla warfare training in northern Australia, Apr 1942 (133/8/7)

#### **Adelaide Steamship Company Ltd**

Trip Books for ports of call for ships' voyages, 1939-1945 (N46/813-814)

Marine Superintendent's files concerning ships serving under requisition (*Manunda*, *Mulcra*, *Argosy Lemal*), 1939-1942 (N46/882; N46/886)  
Registers of Officers and Engineers, 1936-1946 (N46/911-913)

Registration and description of vessels (Coast Steamships Ltd), 1927-1981 (N46/1235)

Correspondence concerning *Argosy Lemal* (Yorke Shipping Pty Ltd), 1929-1942 (N46/1255)

Photographs of ships serving under requisition - *MV Manoora* as an Armed Merchant Cruiser, 1940; 1949 (N46/21; N46/106; N46/450-555; Z535/8)

*MV Manunda* as a Hospital Ship, 1940; 1942; 1944 (N46/23; N46/404; N46/439-443; N46/531; N46/643)

*MV Morialta* as a Royal Navy Personnel Carrier, 1940; 1944 (N46/36-39; N46/495; N46/537; N46/539)

Commemorative plaque (photograph only) *MV Manoora*, 1945 (N46/1195)

Subject files -

*MV Manunda*, 1929-1981 (N46/643)

*MV Morialta*, 1942-1967 (N46/659)

#### **Burns Philp & Company Ltd**

*MV Neptuna* requisition voyage accounts, 1941-1950 (N145/96)

Photographs of ships serving under requisition - *MV Bulolo* as a Royal Navy Armed Merchant Cruiser, later Royal Navy Landing Ship Headquarters, 1940-1944 (N115/500; N115/507; N115/585)

*SS Burnside*, *MV Macdhui*, *SS Malaita*, *MV Mamutu*, *MV Merkur*, *SS Morinda* *MV Neptuna* as supply ships to Australian and United States forces, 1941-1945 (N115/501- 505)

Subject files -

*MV Bulolo*, 1939-1981 (N115/585);

*MV Macdhui*, 1942-1961 (N115/586);

*SS Malaita*, 1942-1977 (N115/586);

*MV Merkur*, 1935 (N115/587);

*SS Morinda*, 1913-1967 (N115/587);

*MV Neptuna*, 1935-1937 (N115/588)

#### **Burns Philp (South Sea) Company Ltd**

Report on Japanese raid, Tarawa Island, Dec 1941; includes correspondence and working papers concerning subsequent war damage claims, 1942-1948 (N115/439)

Staff War Savings Certificates Advance Account - Register of Payments, 1940-1941 (N115/461)

#### **CSR Ltd**

Minutes of General Meetings of Shareholders concerning CSR's contribution to the war effort, 1940-1946 (Z535/10)

Board Papers/General Managers' Memoranda concerning wartime projects, 1939-1943 (Z109/189)

Correspondence concerning munitions manufacture; shipping, 1940-1945 (142/1849-1860; 142/2663-2664; 142/2758-2763; 142/4145-4204)

War Service Land Settlement Scheme - correspondence and land allocation lists, 1946-1953 (N126/260)

Soldier Settlement on Sugar Lands - Royal Commission Report, 1946 (Z303/NS672)

Staff on active service, 1940-1943 (Z109/308)

Hours, Work and Wages Returns, Pymont Refinery, 1939-1956 indicate enlistment in the AIF (74/11-12)

Subject files - munitions and the war effort, 1941-1945; Cowra grain distillery (photographs only), 1942-1945; signal pistol annexe, Pymont, 1942-1945; shell annexe, Pymont, 1942-1945; post-war reconstruction, 1941-1957 (Z303/16)  
 Grain distillery notes (J C Potts), 1945 (Z303/NS521-NS526)  
 Manufacture of the 25 pounder gun-howitzer and shells - certificate of appreciation, 1945 (Z303/NS530)  
 Ships serving under requisition - description of vessels SS *Fiona IV*, SS *Tambua*, SS *Moamo*, 1933-1957 (Z303/NS264-5)  
 Photographs -  
 air raid protection training exercise, Yarraville refinery, 1945 (171/912)  
 'Food for Britain' fundraising event, ca. 1942 (Z364/237)  
 munitions annexes under construction, Pymont, 1941 (Z364/92-93)  
 power alcohol plant, Pymont, ca. 1942 (Z364/17)  
 power alcohol research, Pymont, 1942 (Z364/25-32)  
 SS *Tambua* as a supply ship, Noumea, 1941 (Z364/46)  
 grain distilleries for power alcohol - Collie, Cowra, Murtoa, Wallaroo, Warracknabeal, 1942-1945 (Z364/428-451; Z364/456)  
 Photograph albums -  
 Pymont - munitions annexes under construction, 1941-1942; ordnance production, 1942-1945 (142/3642);  
 Lane Cove - acetone annexe, 1942 (142/3643);  
 SS *Fiona IV*, 1940-1945 (142/3646);  
 SS *Tambua*, 1938-1949 (142/3647-3648)  
 CSR *Newsletter* articles -  
 'Engineering projects'; 'Industrial chemicals and research'; 'Maintenance by CSR Ltd of its usual production of essential peacetime commodities' (Nos 1-5, 1945-1946)  
 'Staff in the Services' - a regular feature on enlistments, casualties, decorations and staff who returned to Australia, were discharged and rejoined the Company (Nos 2-12, 1945-1947)  
 'Food supplies (pineapples) for Allied Forces' (No 3, 1945)  
 'Manufacture of plaster and gypsum wallboard' (No 4, 1945)  
 'War years in Fiji' (No 6, 1946)  
 'Royal Commission on Settlement of Returned Soldiers in the Sugar Industry, 1946 - General Manager's Statement' (No 7, 1946)

'Malayan Battle - two incidents'; 'Sugar rationing in Australia' (No 11, 1947) (Z109/371)

#### **Dalgety Australia Ltd**

British-Australian Wool Realisation Scheme - Dividend distributions to Australian woolgrowers, 1952-1955 (100/1/43; 100/3/139)  
 Soldier Settlement Commission, Victoria - Property plans for applicants, ca. 1950s (100/2/156)

#### **Davies & Baird Pty Ltd**

Correspondence relating to Department of Labour and National Service, 1942-1943; rationing, 1942-1944; war risk insurance for shipping, 1942-1943; Department of War Organisation of Industry, 1938-1943; Department of Defence, 1944-1946; Mari and Bendigo ordnance factories, 1945; Repatriation Commission, 1946-1949 (112/2)

#### **Elder Smith and Company Ltd**

Register of staff in military service, 1939-1945 (N102/313)  
 Memo to staff regarding the leaking of information as to the movements of vessels and troops, 1940 (N102/315)  
 Typewritten copy of the war diary of Keith Morris Oliphant as a captain, later major, 2/3 Field Regiment, Greece, 1941 (N102/317)  
 Staff booklets and other items relating to employment, 1944 (includes a copy of a letter sent by Elders Welfare Fund to men enlisted in the armed forces; gives Company and general news) (N102/318)  
 Photographs of staff members in military service, 1942-1943 (many identified; includes casualties) (Z220/3)

#### **Godfrey Hirst & Company Pty Ltd**

Correspondence and papers concerning National Security Regulations for food control, chemicals, supply of goods and other matters; Central Wool Committee National Security Regulations; the Woollen and Worsted Manufacturers' Association and Harford Co Pty Ltd, 1939-1946 (90/67-69)

#### **Golden Cob Products Pty Ltd**

War savings and victory loan certificates, effect of war-time rationing on business, sale and distribution of products to Australian and American armed forces, 1940s (N45/8)

### **Goldsbrough Mort & Company Ltd**

Plan of proposed air raid shelters for Sydney, 1942 (2/859/516)

### **Humes Ltd**

Correspondence concerning contracts with the Department of Defence, 1939-1943; Ministry of Munitions, 1943-1945 (32/84)

Correspondence and reports concerning the affairs of Hume Pipe (Far East) Ltd; the withdrawal of staff for military service; business losses due to the Japanese occupation of Shanghai, Malaya and Hong Kong, 1940-1946 (136/21)

Correspondence concerning the employment of an enemy alien at the United States military base, Rockhampton, 1945 (116/11/6/Q-Z - Truscott)

### **Lake George Mines Pty Ltd**

Correspondence between Lake George Mining Corporation (London) and Lake George Mines Ltd, Captain's Flat, NSW concerning the Company's operations, the war itself, the labour situation in Australia, government regulations, war risk insurance and other matters, 1939-1945 (67/155-156)

### **McEwans Limited**

Correspondence relating to applications for positions by ex-service personnel, 1944-1946 (Z403/4)

### **New Zealand and Australian Land Company**

Station files concerning resumptions under the Western Lands and Closer Settlement Acts, 1935-1960 (146/1023-1141)

General files concerning Government resumptions of Company leaseholds in the Western Division of NSW for soldier settlement, 1943-1957 (146/1142-1158)

### **New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company Ltd**

Letters from the Australian Inspection Depot, Melbourne, concerning war damage insurance, scorched-earth policy, etc., 1942-1943 (110/3/5/22)

### **Peel River Land and Mineral Company Ltd**

Correspondence concerning wartime profits and income tax, 1949-1955 (121/12/2; 128/14/1)  
War Service Land Settlement, Goonoo Goonoo Station, NSW, circa 1952 (128/35) (plan)

### **A B Pursell & Sons Pty Ltd**

Correspondence concerning company contributions to the Australian League of Nations Union and the Polish Relief Fund, 1939 (18/22/14)

'Action', Sydney. Official journal of National Emergency Services, NSW, 1942 (18/22/2) (periodical)

'Australian League of Nations Union', 1939 (18/22/3A) (periodical)

'War Veterans' Home'. Sydney. Annual report and financial statement, 1939-1940 (18/22/13)

### **H B Selby & Company Pty Ltd**

Correspondence concerning atrocities against Jews, 1933; wartime controls on sales, 1942; possible conscription of male staff, 1938; post-war problems and shortages, 1946; German service technician, Lothar Salmon, 1938-1946 (Z404/20)

### **Tooth & Company Ltd**

Correspondence concerning deferred pay for staff engaged in military service, 1941-1942; re-employment of discharged soldiers, 1945 (N60/46)

Register of employees engaged in military service, 1939-1944; staff war service scrapbook and folder, 1940s (with contents lists of comfort packs); *KB Chronicle* Christmas edition, 1945-1946 (Z223/61)

Subject files -

Wartime economies, 1939-1942 (N20/1483);

Wartime organisation of the liquor industry, spirits and wines, cordial factory, breweries and malt houses, 1942-1943 (N20/2868; N20/2954);

Rationing of beer, wine and spirits, 1941-1944 (N20/1379-1382);

Wartime precautions, 1930-1950 (N20/2955);

Air raid precautions for hotels, 1941-1942 (N20/2002);

Defence Services' beer supplies, 1945 (N20/3008);

Canteens at Naval and Air Force installations, 1946-1968 (N20/2083);

Red Cross appeal, 1941-1942 (N20/1383)

'Where our boys are serving'; 'Excerpts from letters home' - *KB Chronicle*, Dec 1941 (Z223/14)

Wartime leaflets, press cuttings and journal extracts, 1939-1941 (N20/2953)

### **Unilever (Australia) Pty Ltd**

War Bonds Certificates, 1943-1947 (N163/12/31)  
*Australlever Diggers Digest*, published 1942-1946 by Lever Brothers Pty Ltd on behalf of the Lever Ex-

Servicemen's Club (photocopies) (includes Honour Roll) (N163/19/9)

## **UNION & ORGANISATION RECORDS**

Included in the records of many unions are files about wartime production and staffing, post-war reconstruction and the rehabilitation of ex-servicemen.

### **Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association**

Subject files –

Application of military organisation to the Clerical Office, 1939-1954 (A12/2/181a)

Conditions of enlistment and returned soldier preferences, 1939-1945 (A12/2/371)

Delay in filling vacancies – Defence, 1933-1946 (A12/2/83b)

Department of Navy - filling of civilian positions, 1922-1953 (A12/2/182)

Leave for war and defence purposes, 1939-1957 (A12/2/216)

Officers employed in war zones, 1941-1944 (A12/2/365)

Post-war reconstruction, 1951 (A12/2/133)

Promotions during the war period, 1940-1955 (A12/2/11)

Reclassification – Defence, 1935-1941 (A12/2/34)

Recreation leave during the war period, 1942-1945 (A12/2/63)

Recreation leave – effect of the war, 1944-1953 (A12/2/162)

Returned soldiers, 1946 (A12/2/320)

Seniority of returned soldiers, 1926-1949 (A12/2/160)

Sick leave - returned soldiers, 1942-1945 (A12/2/64)

War time loading (pay), 1940-1942 (A12/2/366; E182/17)

Wartime staffing, 1943-1945 (A12/2/67)

### **Amalgamated Engineering Union**

Secretary's correspondence with various Departments and Ministers of the Federal and State (NSW) Governments and their agencies, 1944-1945 concerning:

Manpower Department, 1945 (N24/117)

Minister for Aircraft Production, 1944 (N24/118)

Minister for the Army, 1944 (N24/119)

Minister for Labour and National Service, 1944-1945 (N24/120)

Minister for Munitions, 1944-1945 (N24/121)

Minister for Navy, 1945 (N24/122)

Minister for Supply & Shipping, 1944 (N24/123)

Minister for Trade & Customs, 1945 (N24/124)  
Minister for War Organisation of Industry, 1945 (N24/125)

Munitions Department, 1944 (N24/126)

Other Government Departments, 1944-1945 (N24/127)

Other Ministers, 1945 (N24/128)

Post-War Reconstruction, 1945 (N24/129)

Premier's Department, NSW, 1945 (N24/130)

Public Works Department, NSW, 1944-1945 (N24/131)

Prime Minister (J B Chifley), 1945 (N24/132)

Railways Department, 1945 (N24/133)

Rationing Commission, 1944-1945 (N24/134)

Road Transport Department, 1945 (N24/135)

State Arbitration Court, NSW - industrial proceedings regarding dispute with Stokes & Sons Pty Ltd, 1945 (N24/136)

Taxation Department, 1944-1945 (N24/137)

Treasurer (J B Chifley), 1944-1945 (N24/138)

War Organisation of Industry (Department), 1944 (N24/139) (N24/102-139)

Minutes of the Lithgow District Committee of the Amalgamated Engineering Union recording the men's refusal to work with women in the manufacturing sections of the Small Arms Factory, 1942 (E209/16)

Dispute and industrial correspondence files concerning war loading and contribution to the war effort, 1940-1945 (E220/252-427)

Minutes and decisions of the Joint Sub-Committee on Shell Manufacture, 1940 (E220/273)

Membership proposition forms relating to female workers, 1943-1958 (E140/5)

### **Amalgamated Metal Workers' & Shipwrights' Union**

Circular concerning the Ambulance and Medical Appeal for Australian military forces and forces of the Soviet Union, 1941 (Z88/18)

Equal pay documents, wage surveys and reports, (with a Federated Rubber Workers Union of Australia report 'Claim for equal occupational rates for women replacing men in wartime'), 1938-1945 (Z102/1040)

Membership Registration Book for Women, 1943-1945 (Z102/185)

### **Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia**

Minutes, correspondence and other records of NSW, Queensland, South Australian and Victorian branches, 1942-1945 (E170/1-61)

Contributions Book, NSW Branch, 1941-1943 (E218/108)

**Australian Boot Trade Employees Federation**

Agenda and minutes of meetings of the Industrial Committee of Boot Repairers organised by the Ministry of Post-War Reconstruction, Adelaide, Apr-Oct 1948 (E131/8)

**Australian Council of Trade Unions**

Congress papers concerning defence of Australia and compulsory military service, 1940 (N21/62)  
 Subject and correspondence files - industrial war effort; statistics on the cost of living expenditure; judgement by Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration on application for war loading; a statement by Mr Menzies on the transport of pig iron to Japan, 1938-1941 (N21/55)  
 ACTU Secretary's subject files -  
 Food for Britain, 1947-1948 (N21/432)  
 Manpower transfer conference, 1945 (N21/462)  
 Munitions factory dismissals, 1945 (N21/468)  
 Post-war reconstruction, 1945-1949 (N21/482-488)  
 Preference to soldiers, 1944-1945 (N21/491)

**Australian Institute of Marine & Power Engineers**

Correspondence concerning claims for repatriation benefits by family members of engineers killed or missing in action, ca. 1941-1943 (E202/363)

**Building Workers Industrial Union of Australia**

War effort, 1942-1943 (Z285/76)  
 Wartime permanent housing, 1944 (Z285/77)  
 Munitions agreement, 1943-1951 (Z285/199)  
 Post-war training, 1945-1946 (Z285/120)

**Clothing and Allied Trades' Union of Australia**

General Secretary's correspondence and papers concerning firms engaged in the manufacture of military clothing, 1940-1944 (includes lists and associated correspondence on contracts for uniforms; National Security Regulation: *Fashion for Victory*, 1942-44; deputation to J J Dedman, Minister for War Organisation of Industry; correspondence on the Women's Employment Act; deputation to Hon. R V Keane on women in industry; Federal Trade Unions' Council papers on employment of women in wartime; conference between the Minister for War Organisation of Industry and the Clothing and Allied Trades' Union, 1943) (E138/18/58-70)

Reports of conferences between the union and the Minister for War Organisation of Industry, Victorian Prices Branch and the Minister for Trade and Customs, 1943 (E193/33)

**Federated Felt Hatting & Allied Trade Employees Union of Australia**

Correspondence from Ministry of Post-War Reconstruction concerning Specifications of army hats, 1943, and the Felt Hatting Industry Advisory Board and Commonwealth Reconstruction Training Scheme, 1946 (E87/5/5-6)

**Federated Furnishing Trade Society of Aust**

Correspondence concerning rehabilitation of ex-servicemen, 1944-1947 (T58/8)

**Federated Ironworkers' Association of Aust**

Correspondence with the Small Arms Factory, Lithgow, 1937-1945; State (NSW) and Commonwealth Government Departments, 1941-1944 (E218/41-46)  
 Correspondence and reports concerning housing, medical care and transport at munitions centres, 1940-1944 (E218/58)  
 Studies on the feasibility of introducing piecework and bonus systems into small arms and munitions factories, 1942-1945 (includes surveys carried out at the Footscray factory, 1942) (E218/59)  
 Female labour in the metal trades industry, 1939-1941 (E218/310)  
 Applications to the Women's Employment Board, 1942-1945 (E218/319)  
 National Secretary's correspondence concerning the FIA Soldier Welfare Fund, 1945-1965 (N14/398)

**Federated Confectioners' Association of Aust**

Correspondence between Federated Confectioners' Association of Australia and wartime departments, 1941-1944 (N194/62)

**Merchant Service Guild of Australia**

Correspondence regarding some of the wartime concerns of the Merchant Navy (Naval Reserve, enemy risk, rates of pay for masters and officers transferring to RANR Merchant Navy Reserve Pool, citations and recommendations for Merchant Navy personnel), 1939-47 (E85/19/1-3)  
 Minutes of meetings of the Australian Merchant Seamen's Relief Fund, 1942-1947 (E85/19/4)  
 Circulars from the Maritime Taxation Defence League; correspondence between the Prime

Minister and Secretaries of the Maritime Transport Council and the Merchant Service Guild, 1935-1947 (E85/20/4)

#### **National Union of Railwaymen of Australia**

The Law Book Company's war legislation service - Commonwealth of Australia National Security Act proclamations and state orders, 1939-1943 (E80/49/1-4)

#### **North Australian Workers' Union**

Correspondence concerning re-establishment of North Australian Workers' Union following Japanese raid, Darwin, Feb 1942 (E170A/1)

#### **NSW Farmers' Association (Graziers' Association of NSW)**

British Australian Wool Realisation Association (BAWRA), Australian Woolgrowers' Council (AWC) and National Council of Wool Selling Brokers (NCWB) - meetings and conferences concerning surplus wool stocks, 1919-1966 (E256/1373-1414)

#### **Printing and Kindred Industries Union**

Printing Industry Employees' Union of Australia, South Australian Branch subject files - soldiers' repatriation, post-war reconstruction training schemes, 1940-1944; training for munitions and manpower, 1940-1943; post-war reconstruction council meetings, 1942-1946; soldiers discharged, munitions workers released or transferred, 1944-1946; war rationing, 1943-1944; civil defence matters, 1942 (E92/13A/2-6)

#### **Professional Radio Employees of Australia**

Marine Section correspondence concerning wartime shipping measures, seamen's war pensions, prisoner-of-war family maintenance, 1939-1941 (E208/281)

List of merchant vessels lost or damaged through enemy action, South West Pacific area, 1939-1943 (E208/282)

Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act and Regulations, 1940-1953 (includes working papers and correspondence with members regarding repatriation matters) (E208/300)

#### **Seamen's Union of Australia**

Minutes of meetings of the Merchant Seamen's Relief Fund, 1942-1946 (includes minutes of antecedent organisation, the King George's Fund

for Sailors, 1942 and some General Secretary's correspondence, 1945-1946) (E183/9)

General Secretary's correspondence on - coal miners' dispute, 1938-1944 (E183/26/16); seamen's dispute, 1943 (E183/26/16); Greek shipping, 1944 (E183/26/16); National Security regulations, 1939-1945 (E183/26/34); internment of seamen, 1941-1942 (E183/26/37)

Australian Merchant Seamen's Relief Fund - correspondence with members regarding benefits, 1943-1949 (E183/29/15)

Subject file - Department of Labour and National Service Trade Unions' Conventions, 1942-1943 (N38/199)

Poster - Directorate of Public Relations, Australian Survey Corps' Australian Army Operations, 1940-1945' (N38/1082)

#### **Transport Workers Union of Australia**

National Security (Land Transport) Regulations and minutes of War Road Transport Committee meetings, 1939-1945 (T33/18)

Union correspondence concerning employment in the US Transport Services, supply of essential services, petrol rationing and manpower, etc. with respect to transport workers', 1944-1945 (T29/1/14-15, 19, 21)

#### **Waterside Workers' Federation of Australia**

Correspondence concerning waterside workers at Darwin in matters of war damage, 1941-1946 (E171/20)

Labour conditions on the Australian waterfront, 1939 (E171/39)

'Food for Britain' ships - schedules of sailings; estimates of cargo quantities, 1947 (E171/77)

Correspondence between the General Secretary WWF, the Prime Minister and the Minister for Supply and Shipping, 1944-1945 (E171/80)

Indonesian exile - report by A Ely concerning an investigation into Indonesian communist internees held at Cowra, 1943 (E171/83)

Photograph - Christmas hamper appeal, ca. 1942 (Z432/86)

Printed material incl. pamphlets, etc. on international cooperation, disarmament and peace after the war, 1939-1945 (Z248/75)

#### **Woolclassers' Association of Australia**

Correspondence between the Australian Wool Realisation Commission and the Australian Wool Board, 1945-1951 (E147/30)

Members serving in the armed forces, 1945 (T1/164)  
 Subject files – exemptions from war service, 1942; rationing, 1943-44; manpower, 1943-44 (T1/51-53)

## PERSONAL PAPERS

Several personal collections have files and printed material about the munitions industry, wartime working conditions, anti-war activities, nuclear disarmament, post-war Australia and world peace. The items listed are just a sample.

### BARNES, Les

Correspondence, printed material and photographs documenting Australian left wing political and industrial activities; includes pamphlets, leaflets and other printed material relating to conscription, referenda, union affairs, 1939-1945 (P8/3)

### DWYER, Jack

Returned Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia constitution, rules and by-laws, 1946; 1951 (Z269/33; Z269/43; Z269/58)  
 Returned Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia correspondence and other papers, 1943-1978 (Z296/1; Z269/11; Z269/58)  
 Returned Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia - Annual State Congress agenda papers, 1948-1954 (Z269/33)  
 Returned Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia Federal Executive annual report and balance sheet, 1951 (Z269/33)  
 Minutes and related papers of meetings of the Central Hospital Visitation Committee of the Returned Services League, 1948-1958 (Z296/1)  
 Financial statements of welfare expenses of the Returned Services League, 1947-1953 (Z296/1)  
 Subject files – atomic bomb testing, 1958-1962; Civil Defence Organisation lecture notes on atomic warfare, effects of atomic radiation, monitoring and decontaminating, high explosives and incendiary bombs, fire problems and precautions, unexploded bombs, ca. 1958; disarmament, 1956-1964 (Z296/10)

### KNIGHT, J L

Manuscripts and related papers –  
 J L Knight, *Explosives in Australia*: the Australian munitions industry (N121/1-2)  
 J L Knight, *The Story of a Factory*: Mulwala Explosives Factory (N121/3-8)  
 Working files and research papers –

Commonwealth Government Ammunition Factory, Footscray (N121/36-37)  
 Commonwealth Govt Explosives Factories, Maribyrnong and Mulwala (N121/44-46)  
 Reports, research papers and addresses regarding the munitions industry in Australia, 1937-1950 (N121/9-25); the Explosives Committee and Operational Safety Committee of the Department of Supply, 1936-1976 (N121/63-65); Departmental Organisation, including factory rule books, 1936-1945 (N121/73-78)  
 Briefing notes, reports and position papers by J L Knight and others on topics such as cluster weapons, small arms, guided weapons, shell filling and production; supply of ammunition and warlike stores; cast double base propellant; the Propellant Section, Explosives Factory, Maribyrnong (N121/57-59)

### McDONALD, Geoff

Subject files –  
 Discharged and demobilised service personnel, 1945-1947 (P94/33/2)  
 Clothing rationing, 1942 (P94/33/5/24)  
 Food for Britain, 1945-1946 (P94/33/5/30)  
 Civil Construction Corps, 1941-1942 (P94/33/5/31)  
 Advisory Committee Report on the internment of Max Thomas and Horace Ratliff, 1941 (P94/33/5/1)  
 Periodicals on topics such as –  
 repatriation, 1941 (P94/33/5/40)  
 return to civil life, 1944-1945 (P94/33/5/42)  
 transport of workers, war industries, 1943 (P94/33/5/46)  
 War Railway Committee, 1945 (P94/33/5/47)  
 Women's Employment Board, 1942-1943 (P94/33/5/48)  
 air raid precautions, 1941 (P94/33/11/88)  
 rehabilitation of ex-servicemen, 1946 (P94/33/11/32)  
 Leaflets relating to compulsory military service, 1939-1945 (P94/54/9); post-war reconstruction, 1945-1946 (P94/33/11/4-10)

### RAWLING, J NORMINGTON

Subject files (containing leaflets, handbills and correspondence) relating to:  
 Anti-conscription movements in Australia, 1936-1940 (N57/1319-1321)  
 Australian communists' achievements, 1948 (N57/602)

Communist Party policies and activities, Australia and overseas, 1939-1945 (N57/27-34; N57/409)  
 Movement against war and fascism, 1933-1939 (N57/474; N57/805; N57/2035-2052)  
 Returned Sailors & Soldiers' Imperial League of Australia, 1933; 1939 (N57/542)

#### **TURNER, Ian**

Pamphlets, serials, press cuttings and other printed material relating to post-war reconstruction, 1940s-1950s (the National economy; the political scene; resources and prospects; demobilisation and re-establishment; return to civil life) (P2/1/29-134)  
 Full list - Department of Information: Facts and figures of Australia at war, 1944-46 (P2/1/29-33)  
 Department of Information: Forty facts about Australia's wartime agriculture, 1945 (P2/1/34)  
 Department of Army: Army Rehabilitation, Army Education Service: Australian resources and prospects; people at work; the man on the land; the Australian political scene, 1945-1946; (P2/1/35-39; P2/1/58-59)  
 Department of Post-War Reconstruction: the land; the menace of soil erosion; return to civil life; the progress of demobilisation and re-establishment, 1945-1945 (P2/1/40-54)  
 Department of War Organisation of Industry, 1945 (P2/1/55)  
 Universities Commission - Commonwealth Post-War Reconstruction Training Scheme, 1945-50 (P2/1/56-57)  
 Australian Railways Union - a trade union plan for post-war reconstruction (P2/1/132-134)  
 Newsclippings, magazines and posters concerning the World Peace Movement (atomic bomb tests; Australian rearmament; compulsory military service; Foreign Policy including rearmament of Japan; German immigration; Defence and the United Nations Organisation; Australia and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; Korea; Youth and Peace; Australian Peace Council), 1947-1955 (P2/4/1-18)  
 Subject files -  
 Max Thomas and Horace Ratliff, 1941 (Z267/9)  
 Press clippings -  
 Manpower register, 1939 (Z267/7)

#### **WOOD, William Arnold Whitfeld (Bill)**

Bill Wood, Private (NX205752), 1 Aust Recruit Trg Bn, later 2 AAT Regt - letters home, Feb-Aug 1945 (Z577/1)  
 Photographs for publication in the *Tribune* (of which Bill Wood was the editor):  
 Returned servicemen support the 40-hour week campaign, 1945 (Z577/3)  
 Returned servicemen carry a 'Jobs, homes, adequate pensions await every demobilized Soviet fighter' banner in a CPA-organized parade, 1945 (Z577/3)

#### **WRIGHT, Tom; WRIGHT, Mary**

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