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From the President

Things seem to be moving along at a reasonable pace as we come to the end of another year and approach our Annual Meeting.

I would like to draw your attention to the date of the Annual Meeting -- Monday 24th September -- and the place, which will be the No. 1 Board Room at the Assembly Hall. (Use the Jamison Street entrance to the Assembly Hall, and the room is on the fourth floor).

The decision to hold the Annual Meeting in the Assembly Hall came about for two main reasons. Firstly, because a number of members asked that the meeting be held in the city, and secondly because the Constitution lays down that the Annual General Meeting be held in the last week in September, and it was found that the last Sunday in September was in the Six Hour Day weekend. We reasoned that, as many people would be going away over the holiday weekend, the meeting would be better held on a week night.

Obtaining a suitable hall at a reasonable rental was difficult, but the Scots Church people were kind enough to allow an extension of time to let us have the room from 8 pm to 11 pm on the date mentioned.

Since the beginning of the year our membership has increased by a little over a hundred, and more applications are continually coming in. As you can see, our Membership Committee is being kept very busy, and we owe quite a bit to this hard-working team. It is also gratifying to have members who had been placed on the retired list asking to renew their membership.

Please give us your support at the monthly meetings and at the Annual General Meeting. If you have any complaints, please write and tell us or phone myself at 635-0427. Any constructive ideas will also be very welcome.

Remember that we are a voluntary organisation interested in our history and our country; interested, too, in doing all things in a fraternal spirit to advance the aims and objects of our Fellowship.

Yours sincerely,
Edgar Kable.

Lecture Night

Date: 11th September (Tuesday) at 7.30 pm.

Venue: Small Assembly Hall, Margaret Street, City. (4th Floor, Jamison Street, City, entrance).

The Guest Speaker will be Mrs J. Whittaker, M.A., who will speak about

HENRY KABLE

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Lecture Night (Continued)

This lecture will be the first of many Family Nights when the subject will be a First Fleeter. Mrs Whittaker is an educationist, who is currently writing a book on Henry Kable. Her research covers many aspects of the first years of the colony, and so will be of interest to all members of the First Fleeters.

All members and their friends are cordially invited to attend.

Membership Certificate Query

If any financial member has not yet received his or her Membership Certificate, could they please write to the Secretary, Fellowship of First Fleeters, G.F.O. Box 4441, Sydney, and the certificate will be forwarded.

Membership Committee

(From Mary Thompson)

Here is a further list of new members who have been welcomed into the Fellowship:

Mr Graham Harold Bellamy, 1 Bellamy Avenue, Eastwood. (F.F. John Small and Mary Parker).

Mr Howard Thomas Bellamy, 10 Gorrell Crescent, Mangerton (F.F. John Small and Mary Parker).

Miss Rachelle Kay Hayes, 21 Hindman Street, Fort Macquarie. (F.F. Mathew Everingham).

Mrs Lola Gloria Hayes, 21 Hindman Street, Fort Macquarie. (F.F. Mathew Everingham).

Mrs Dulcie Clarke, 116 Third Avenue, Kingston Park, Kingston, Queensland. (F.F. Mathew Everingham).

Mr Cecil J. Everingham, Oxley Highway, P.O. Box 326, Port Macquarie. (F.F. Mathew Everingham).

Mrs Francis Ella Hitchcock, 145 Rae Crescent, Kotara South. (F.F. Mathew Everingham).

Mrs Gladys Maud Cowan, 37 Table Street, Port Macquarie. (F.F. Mathew Everingham).

Mrs Eva Lillian Chapman, P.O. Box 14, Kendall. (F.F. Mathew Everingham).

Mrs Betsy Hilda Ramsay, 2 Comboyne Street, Kendall. (F.F. Mathew Everingham).

Miss Meredith Ann Wright, Navrose Appts., 35B Desai Road, Bombay, India. (F.F. William Broughton).

Miss Deborah Sue Wright, Stella Maris Hostel, 33 Greenwich Road, Greenwich. (F.F. William Broughton).

Mrs Shirley Stella Marin, 11 Wood Street, Eastwood. (F.F. John Small and Mary Parker).

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Membership Committee (Continued)

Mrs Anne Strelitz, 2 Merton Street, Wauchope. (F.F. Frederick Meredith).

Mr Clifford Arnold Bellamy, 1 Bellamy Avenue, Eastwood. (F.F. John Small and Mary Parker).

Miss Linda George, 40A Albany Street, Gosford. (F.F. William Nash).

Stephen George, 40A Albany Street, Gosford. (F.F. William Nash).

Mr Edward John Gibbs Buchan, 33 Bellevue Parade, North Curl Curl. (F.F. Thomas Jamison).

Mrs Noelle Esma Lee, 14 Palace Street, Ashfield. (F.F. Owen Cavanough).

Mrs Vicki Nerelle Maggs, 21 Hindman Street, Port Macquarie. (F.F. Mathew Everingham).

Mr Colin Luther Everingham, 7 High Street, Thirroul. (F.F. Mathew Everingham).

Mrs Celia Edith Barnett, 61 Ballandella Road, Toongabbie. (F.F. Mathew Everingham).

Mr William Morris Barnett, 61 Ballandella Road, Toongabbie. (F.F. Matthew Everingham).

Mr Cyril Ross Cowan, 21 Sutter Street, Edgeworth. (F.F. Matthew Everingham).

Mr Brian Herbert Reynolds, 69 Albion Road, Glen Iris, Victoria. (F.F. William Tunks).

Mrs Margaret Jill Mills, 106 Walpole Street, Merrylands. (F.F. Matthew Everingham and Owen Cavanough).

Mr William Henry Fishburn, 23 Julia Street, Ashfield. (F.F. Andrew Fishburn).

Mr Kenneth R. Cavanough, 12 Ferster Street, Blakehurst. (F.F. Owen Cavanough and Margaret Darnell).

Mrs Navis Evelyn Drury, R.M.B. 18, Coopersnook. (F.F. Matthew Everingham).

Mr Thomas Clive Neely, 42 Toolang Road, St Ives. (F.F. John Small and Mary Parker).

Mrs Jennifer J. McEwan, 19 Beaurepaire Crescent, Holt, A.C.T. (F.F. Matthew Everingham).

Warrant Officer Geoffrey Squires, R.A.A.F. Base, Wagga Wagga. (F.F. Mary Phillips).

Master Ross Fishburn, 23 Julia Street, Ashfield. (F.F. Andrew Fishburn).

Mr Timothy Alexander Fishburn, 5 Nicholas Street, Higgins, A.C.T. (F.F. Andrew Fishburn).

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Membership Committee (Continued)

Mr N. G. Collins, 9/25 Wolsley Road, Point Piper. (F.F. Andrew Fishburn).

Master Anthony James Goldner, 17 Howard Street, Lindfield.
(F.F. William Roberts, James Squire, John Small and Mary Parker).

Editor's Note: The gremlins are, unfortunately, at it again with regard to the spelling of Matthew Everingham. I must apologise most sincerely for the omission of the second "t" in many of the spellings of the name in the above listing. However, I think we can get rid of the gremlins this time once and for all, and the misspelling will never occur again.

Annual Dinner

A big event in the Fellowship's calendar each year is the Annual Dinner. Next year, 1974, the Annual Dinner is to be held in the luxurious Menzies Hotel, near Wynyard Station.

The Annual Dinner is always held on 26 January, Australia Day, whatever day that falls on. Next year the 26th is a Saturday. This should enable many country and out-of-town members to attend.

In recent years the Annual Dinner has been held either at the Argyle Tavern or in the Bellevue Room at the North Sydney Anzac Memorial Club. Each has been acknowledged a great success, but next year's function should be the best so far.

Tickets, \$8 each.

More information about the Annual Dinner as it comes to hand in later Newsletters. Keep 26 January free.

Living on Original Grant

How many First Fleeters would still be living on the original grant of land to their First Flector ancestor? Two such are Mrs Blanche Dean (nee Hatten), of 152 Blaxland Road, Ryde, and Mr John Higginbotham, of 210 Blaxland Road, Ryde, who is at present overseas in Canada doing his Ph.D. Both are descendants of Joseph Hatten, and both live in homes on part of the original grant to Joseph Hatten in January, 1792. Anyone else?

New Books

Books dealing with Australia's early history, recently published or re-issued in a new edition, and that may be of interest to First Fleeters, include:

"Phillip of Australia," sub-titled "An account of the settlement at Sydney Cove 1788-92," by M. Barnard Eldershaw (first published in 1938, republished by Angus and Robertson, \$4-95). A collaboration by Marjorie Barnard and the late Flora Eldershaw, best-known for their novel "A House Is Built," "Phillip of Australia" was described by the "S. E. Herald" reviewer as "a major history."

"The Convict Years: Transportation and the penal system 1788-1868," by Margaret Weidenhofer (Lansdowne, \$8-95). A new look at the origins and effects of convictism.

"Old Tales of a Young Country," by Marcus Clarke (Sydney University Press facsimile edition, \$6). First published, 1870/71.