

GOULBURN'S WAR MEMORIAL

MR. BARTLETT'S DESIGN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND

To Be Submitted to Public Meeting on Wednesday

COMMITTEE WILL ACCEPT NO MORE DESIGNS

After two hours of irrelevant discussion last night, the committee of the Goulburn War Memorial movement arrived at a decision as to what type the monument on Rocky Hill should in their opinion take. The meeting was called to decide this matter, the decision to be a recommendation to a public meeting.

As the Post Office clock struck ten, the scrutineers handed the chairman the result of the ballot; he, in turn, announced to the meeting that Mr. Bartlett's Tower scheme, as published in this paper, yesterday, had been adopted by the committee to recommend to a meeting of the citizens of Goulburn.

The Mayor presided over an attendance of the following members of the committee:—Brig.-Genl. McNicoll, and Messrs. A. M. Betts, W. J. Bartlett, H. L. Manfred, A. Goodhew, W. J. Lansdowne, W. Matthews, W. N. Gunn, A. Singer, E. F. Thomas, Lee Hunt, J. D. Falconer, A. M. Barton, Dr. Burditt and R. J. McLean.

When the meeting assembled at 8 o'clock, the Mayor stated that Miss Betts had intimated that the Red Cross had proposed a canvass of the town for the purpose of raising funds.

Mr. Barton asked could not the ladies of the Red Cross co-operate and make the memorial movement one big thing?

At the instigation of the new member, Mr. Gunn, it was decided that Miss Betts be written to, thanking her for her offer.

The secretary, Mr. McLean, read a letter from Mr. T. Brennock suggesting that a rising sun be emblazoned on Rocky Hill, below the memorial. Beneath the A.I.F. emblem, he suggested the word ANZAC be inscribed.

In connection with this matter, Mr. Lee Hunt submitted a photograph of Rocky Hill taken by Mr. McNeil, on which the scheme embraced by Mr. Brennock was included.

Mr. Gunn: With whom does the final responsibility of the design of the memorial rest?

The Mayor: The subscribers.

Mr. Gunn: Well, I move that this matter be considered later.

At this juncture, Mr. Thomas stated his intention of moving at the public meeting on Wednesday that the ballot of subscribers be held at some future date.

Discussion then ensued over whether the meeting should be one for the public or subscribers only. Saturday week was suggested as the date of the ballot.

VOTES AT 5/ EACH

Mr. Lee Hunt suggested that the city be canvassed, and that votes be sold at the rate of 5/ each. He undertook to be able to sell 1000 if his scheme was adopted.

Mr. Singer (indignantly): Charge them 5/ to vote!

Mr. Hunt: Yes. (Laughter.)

Mr. Singer: A lot of people can't afford to pay five bob for a vote. (Renewed laughter.)

Mr. Hunt: If they can't afford 5/ for the memorial, they don't deserve a vote.

Chorus of Voices: No! No!

Genl. McNicoll: Everyone who put a shilling into the hat on Rocky Hill is a subscriber. The design has to be placed before the War Memorials Advisory Board for approval, and they may not accept the design as submitted by the citizens of Goulburn. The opinion of the general public is not a sure guide.

The Mayor: From what I've seen of

the designs, it will need expert advice to determine which is the most suitable. The best thing is for the public to choose the most suitable design.

On the motion of Mr. Betts, it was agreed that the motion passed at the previous meeting regarding the public meeting on Monday night be rescinded.

Mr. Bartlett: Who is going to give the decision as to what form the monument will take?

The Mayor: The Advisory Board.

Mr. Bartlett: Well, in my opinion, the Advisory Board should be the public of Goulburn, and the voice of the public should be heard through the ballot box.

The Mayor: I don't think the Advisory Board will turn down the decision of the public of Goulburn.

Mr. Thomas: Do what the people of Queanbeyan did—build the memorial and ask the Advisory Board afterwards.

A MUCH DISCUSSED QUESTION

Here Mr. A. Goodhew moved that it be a recommendation to the public meeting that the ballot on the question of design be held on Saturday next between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mr. Gunn seconded. Mr. Thomas moved an amendment that the public meeting be held on Monday, July 2. Mr. Bartlett seconded.

General McNicoll was opposed to any delay in determining which design should be accepted.

Mr. Thomas then moved the expunging of the motion rescinding a former motion calling for a meeting on Monday night.

Mr. Betts: How can we stand for the expunging of a motion for rescission?

General McNicoll: Oh! He's forgiven. (Laughter.)

Mr. Thomas then moved that the public meeting be held in the Town Hall on Wednesday next at 8 p.m.

Mr. H. L. Manfred stated that a meeting of sporting bodies had been called for that night at that time.

After more discussion it was decided that the meeting be held preceding the sports meeting at 7.15 p.m. This resolution was unanimously agreed upon.

Mr. Barton moved that no further designs be accepted. His motion was carried.

At this stage Mr. Thomas moved that to obviate further delay, the committee decide what type the memorial should be. The press representatives were appointed scrutineers, and the ballot resulted:—

TOWER (Mr. Bartlett)	13
CROSS (Archdeacon Ward)	1
COLUMN (Genl. McNicoll)	1
Informal	1
Total	16