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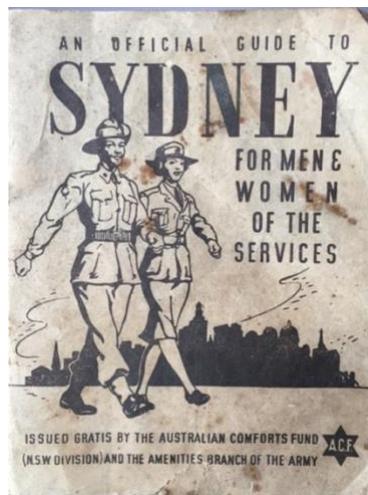
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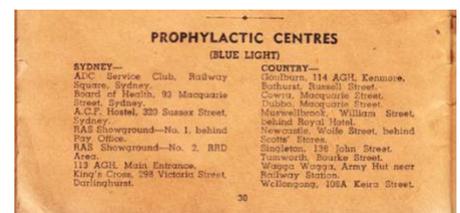
- 25 July 1916: Pte Thomas Cooke, 8 Bn, awarded the VC for his actions at Pozieres
- 26 July 1942: – 2/28 Bn attacks Miteriya Ridge during the El Alamein campaign, only to be overrun by Germans because Allied armoured support could not get through enemy lines to support them
- 27 July 1942: Japanese capture Kokoda
- 27 July 1953: UN and Chinese delegates sign ceasefire in Panmunjon, Korea
- 28 July 1916: Sgt Claud Castleton, 5 MG Coy, awarded the VC for his actions near Pozieres. He died during the action
- 28 July 1942: Australians recapture Kokoda
- 29 July 1942: Japanese retake Kokoda
- 2 August 1950: RAAF 77 Sqn completes 800 sorties in Korea
- 3 August 1860: Second Maori War begins

Official Guide to Sydney for Men & Women of the Services



Issued in 1942 or soon after, this 32-page pocket-sized guide helped Australian service personnel visit and survive in Sydney. It was issued by the Australian Comforts Fund (ACF) an Australian umbrella organisation for voluntary bodies set up after the outbreak of the First World War and re-established from 1940 to 1946. The aim of the ACF was to provide free 'comfort' items that were not supplied by the services to all Australian service personnel. These items included singlets, socks, pyjamas, cigarettes and tobacco, razor

blades, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste and reading material. The ACF also provided recreational facilities, rest rooms, sporting equipment, gramophones and records to the troops, as well as writing materials such as pencils, paper and postcards.



As you can see from this extract of page 30 of the booklet, there were a considerable number of Prophylactic Centres both in Sydney city and throughout NSW.

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