

NUTFIELD.

Mr. W. W. Limmer, orchardist, of Nutfield, died at his residence on Sunday last, and was buried in the Diamond Creek cemetery on Monday afternoon, when a large number of friends and relations attended to pay their last tribute. The Rev. H. E. E. Hayes conducted services in the home and at the graveside. Mr. Limmer was one of the local men who joined the A.I.F. early in the war and served in France, where he suffered from gas attacks. His strong physique enabled him to pull through a serious attack of the black influenza plague which swept so many soldiers away just after the Armistice, but the strain, aggravated by the persistent effects of the gas, brought on permanent disability, which led to great suffering. In spite of his terrible handicap, Mr. Limmer carried on his orchard work, exhibiting those splendid soldier-like qualities of which Australia must ever be proud. A bright, cheery disposition enabled him to resist the insidious disease that was gradually robbing him of vitality, until on Sunday he quietly passed on to join that great army of men who made the supreme sacrifice for their country and their king. A memorial service will be held in St. John's Anglican Church, Hazel Glen, at three o'clock on Sunday afternoon, April 1. The late Mr. Limmer was born in Diamond Creek in 1885, and when 11 years of age went with his parents to Nutfield, and has always been engag-

Nutfield, and has always been engaged on the land. His father (Henry Limmer) died 18 months ago, but his mother still lives. He was the eldest of the family, and has four brothers—George, John, Everard and Charles—and three sisters—Elizabeth (Mrs. Brock), Alice (Mrs. Jones), and Bertha (Mrs. Twyford). As a young man the deceased was a first-class rifle shot, and took part in competitions in most parts of the State, and in his leisure time he was out in the bush with a gun. He joined the Third Pioneers in March, 1916, and sailed in June, returning in April, 1919, without having been injured. Having settled on an orchard, he married Miss Gladys May Parkes, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Parkes, of Hurstbridge, on Armistice Day, 1920, and since his illness she has been a devoted wife and nurse. Amongst the score of letters which Mrs. Limmer has received expressing sympathy is one from Padre Robinson, of the Sanatorium at Macleod, which is typical of many, a few lines of which give an indication of the genial character of the deceased:—
"His manly bearing, simple faith and great courage always commended him to my highest respect, and that, too, of his comrades in hospital life. We all mourn the loss of such a generous comrade."

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