

Manuel's types were destroyed. "Nothing now remains of all this except rubble and ashes. There is not a single ornithological specimen which can be salvaged. The metal trays which contained the study skins are twisted and blackened by fire. From the ashes of feathers and stuffing material I sifted wing and leg bones which were so friable that they crumbled at the slightest pressure." It is not stated by which army the destruction was made.—D.L.S.

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## Obituary

THOMAS PERCY DRAPER

Mr. T. P. Draper, formerly His Honour Mr. Justice Draper of the Western Australian Supreme Court Bench, died on July 11, 1946, leaving him surviving four sons and two daughters.

Although Union members heard little of him, he had been a member since 1917 and had built up an ornithological library. "He had long been a bird-lover, and birds became his hobby in his walks and in his reading."

His legal career was varied, including practice at the Bar in England and Western Australia, association with the other side of the profession as a practising solicitor, a term as Attorney-General, the presidency of the State Arbitration Court, and appointment to the Supreme Court Bench. He was twice in Parliament. In 1918 he was awarded the C.B.E.

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The death occurred recently of Sid. W. Jackson, and a note of his ornithological work will appear in the next issue.

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## New Members

The following new members have been enrolled since the beginning of the financial year: J. H. Baylis, Langtree Av., Mildura, Vic.; Alan Bingham, 28 Hawdon St., Heidelberg, Vic.; G. W. Binns, 24 Stanley St., Ivanhoe, Vic.; Mrs. S. Ebbott, 36 Avoca St., South Yarra, Vic.; Miss A. Latham, 41 The Parade, Ascot Vale, Vic.; Lindsay Schmidt, Box 21, Red Cliffs, Vic.; A. D. Smith, 5 Gardina Av., Mildura, Vic.; C. P. Humphries, 44 Ostend St., Lidcombe, N.S.W.; J. M. Giles, c/o Commonwealth Bank, Boyup Brook, W.A.; R. Wallace, Mt. Barker, W.A.; A. J. Stewart, Cardegan St., Launceston, Tas.; Mrs. H. M. Kirk, Caston Bay Rd., Caston Bay, Auckland, N.Z.; R. J. Scarlett, Stockton, via Westport, N.Z.; H. H. Davis, Little Stoke, Patchway, Bristol, England; A. A. Prestwich, Hon. Sec. British Aviculturists Club, Chelmsford Rd., Southgate, England.

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