

## Memorial To H.M.A.S. Perth



A window to commemorate H.M.A.S. Perth will be placed in the R.A.N. Memorial Chapel at Flinders Naval Depot.

The chapel is under construction and is expected to be opened before the end of next year.

All the main windows in the chapel have been set aside to commemorate the name of an Australian warship and her company lost by enemy action or on service. The memorial window to H.M.A.S. Perth has pride of place above the altar, and is so situated that it looks out over the playing fields, where many of her crew, who lost their lives, spent recreational hours while serving in the establishment.

From the time the fund first opened this window was set aside for H.M.A.S. Perth by the Chapel Committee at the request of former Petty Officer R. Roberts, an original member of the ship's company, who recounted Perth's exploits in his

book "Age Shall Not Weary Them." He donated the entire royalties from the first edition of the book to a fund for a window for Perth as a memorial to his shipmates. This money has been held in trust and has been increased by collections taken at memorial services in Melbourne. It now stands at £153. This.

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As the final arrangements for memorial windows will possibly be discussed when the committee meets in July, Mr. Roberts has written to the Depot Chaplain (the Rev. H. E. Fawell) and said "Go ahead, I feel sure that the citizens of Perth will not let you down."

On behalf of Chaplain Fawell, Mr. Roberts appeals to the public of Western Australia, and in particular the citizens of Perth and ex-naval men, for donations which may be sent to the Rev. A. F. J. Blain, of 60 Napier-street, East Claremont, or to Chaplain H. E. Fawell, Chaplain's Office, Flinders Naval Depot, Victoria.