

PATRIOTIC BRIDGENORTH

HONOR ROLL UNVEILED.

A SPLENDID RECORD.

Bridgenorth Hall was crowded on Wednesday night by residents anxious to witness the unveiling of a roll of honor to those of the district who have gone to the war. A party travelled from Launceston in one of Mr Roy Scott's motor buses. Rev. E. S. C. Woolley (Anglican minister at Exeter) presided, and briefly stated the objects for which the gathering was being held.

The Warden of Beaconsfield (Mr E. Freeland) said that it came as a surprise to him to be called upon to make a speech. He congratulated the people of Bridgenorth upon the fact that so many of their boys had volunteered for active service. There seemed no likelihood of the war being over this year, but he hoped that before the end of the next year they would be again assembled to welcome home the boys, and also to rejoice in the fact that the war had been concluded with great victory for the Allies.

Rev. Woolley said that the occasion was unique, and he hoped that never again would there be a meeting at Bridgenorth in order to unveil another honor roll. When one was unable to go to the front it made one the more anxious to do honor to those that have gone, and he hoped that in the course of time a more lasting memorial would be obtained.

Mr A. J. Jones, of Launceston, said that ever since he had been at Bridgenorth, when a send-off was being given to some of their boys, he had been wishing for something with which to place upon record their heroism. He was more than pleased that the people of Bridgenorth had seen fit to erect an honor roll. The way in which the men of Bridgenorth had answered their country's call was an honor to the district, an honor to Tasmania, an honor to the Commonwealth. He had no doubt that the enlistments were record ones. Mr Jones also expressed the hope that in the near future they would have the pleasure of welcoming the boys home upon their return from active service.

Councillor J. A. Jones, after a few brief remarks, unveiled the roll. The audience rose, sang "God bless our splendid men," and Piper A. Moir played "Abide with Me."

The roll of honor is an exceedingly elaborate affair. It is in a heavily carved frame, and contains the photographs of each of the boys. The roll is brilliantly illuminated, and at the top is the word "Bridgenorth." The effect of the whole is most pleasing, and hanging as it does just over the platform, improves the appearance of the hall, and at the same time will serve as a lasting memorial to those boys who have braved all in the fight for freedom.

Following is a list of the names of those whose photographs are contained on the roll: Lieutenant E. Olley (killed), Private W. W. Brailsford (killed), Private D. Spillans (killed), Private J. Stokes (died of sickness), Private B. Scalyer (killed), Private R. Krana (missing), Private C. E. Lack (missing), Corporal J. A. Lack (wounded), Corporal T. S. Jones, M.M. (wounded), Lance Corporal K. Crawford, D.C.M. (wounded), Private M. A. Orchard (wounded), Private C. French (wounded), Private W. R. Morrison (wounded), Private W. Hunt (wounded), Private J. L. Jones (wounded), Private A. J. Lack (wounded), Private D. Jones (wounded), Private T. E. Spillans (wounded), Private V. French (prisoner of war), Sergeant T. E. French, Privates S. Carroll, R. Mit-

chelton, W. Stokes, E. Scalyer, W. Bonner, H. R. Lack, D. Carroll, M. Scalyer.

During the evening the following programme of musical items was given, every item being encores: Pianoforte solo, Mrs. Abbott; songs, Miss D. Stevens; sword dance, Master Leslie Muir; songs, Miss Coates; songs, Mr. Hensby; bagpipe selection, Mr. A. Moir; Highland fling, Master L. Moir. Mrs. Abbott acted as accompanist.

The customary dancing concluded the evening.