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In 1945, Angus & Robertson published a book “Horrie the Wog-Dog” written by Ion Idriess. This book is well known to Australiana collectors, and is much sought-after, particularly the first edition with a dustjacket. It is the story of a little Egyptian terrier befriended as a puppy by Australian soldier Private Jim Moody when he was stationed in Egypt in 1941.

Horrie became the unofficial mascot of the 2/1st Machine Gun Battalion, travelling with it throughout the Middle East. He acted as a guard dog, giving early warning of enemy aircraft, and undoubtedly saved lives.

I was surprised to find in a new bookshop last weekend a book entitled “Horrie the War Dog” by Roland Perry, published by Allen & Unwin. I’m not sure why the publisher changed “Wog” to “War”. Perhaps to avoid confusion with Idriess’s book of over 30 years ago, or perhaps to avoid being showered with opprobrium for using an unsuitable word in a book title. Horrie even has a Wikipedia entry as “Wog Dog”.

Jim Moody smuggled Horrie back to Australia after the war but the authorities heard of this and demanded he be handed over for destruction as he had not gone through quarantine. There is a story that Moody substituted another dog and that Horrie lived out the rest of his life peacefully in rural Victoria, but the sparse official evidence seems to refute this.

While Perry’s version is undoubtedly more detailed than Idriess’s, it is not true that this story is being told “.. for the first time” as claimed in the publisher’s blurb.
BOOKS OF THE MONTH

1. **AUSTRALIAN RING DIGEST. Australia’s Boxing Magazine.**
   A run from Vol.1, No.1, February 1950 to Vol.9, No.8, August 1954. (Lacking only Vol.8 Nos.2, 4 & 10 (April, June & December 1953) In addition there are Special Editions Nos.1 to 4 loose. Syd. Dominion Publications. 1950-55. The issues loose but held in springback folders. Each issue with col.Ill.wrapps. c.42pp. Pages sl.browned else good copies. Very scarce. *A collection of 55 issues from the first issue.* $195

2. **THE AUSTRALIAN WOMEN’S MIRROR. 2 BOUND VOLUMES.**


4. **BLYTON, Enid. THE MYSTERY SERIES. COMPLETE IN 14 VOLS.** Lond. Methuen. 1954-56. All Or.bds. Dustjacket. (some edges sl.rubbed) b/w ills. A little foxing to edges, else a Very Good lot. Three of the vols are 1st ed, the rest are reprints. *A rare complete set of the Mystery series, all with the dustjackets.* $595


8. **DREW, Lt.H.T.B. THE WAR EFFORT OF NEW ZEALAND.** (a) Minor Campaigns in which New Zealanders took part; (b) Services not fully dealt with in the Campaign volumes; (c) The Work at the Bases. Auckland. Whitcombe & Tombs. 1923. Or.dec.cl. Dustjacket. 276pp. b/w ills. The dj sl.chipped else a very good copy. 1st ed. Scarce. $80


13  HISTORICAL RECORDS OF NEW SOUTH WALES. Ed. by A.Britton and F.M.Bladen. Facsimile edition. Vols. 1 to 7 (bound in 8 vols) + 4to Cook’s Charts 1768-1770 volume (9 vols in all). Syd. Lansdowne Slattery. 1978-1980. Or.buckram. Dustjacket. Various pag. All dustjackets including chart vol. b/w ills., maps and facsimile letters. A very good set. An archivally sound production as acid-free paper and materials were used. Contains the details of the early settlement of the colony. The first printing was issued between 1892 and 1901. so they can be folded out. $1,250


18  LAWRENCE, D.H. & SKINNER, M.L. THE BOY IN THE BUSH. Lond. Martin Secker. 1924. Or.cl. 369pp. Some foxing, else a Very Good copy. 1st ed. A collaboration which occurred as a result of Lawrence’s visit to Australia in 1922. $125

19  LIKEMAN, Lt.Col.Robert. GALLIPOLI DOCTORS. The Australian Doctors at War Series, Volume 1. McCrae. Slouch Hat Publ. 2010. Or.bds. Dustjacket. 223pp. b/w ills. A couple of annotations in text, else a Very Good copy. 1st ed. A comprehensive record of the contribution made by over 300 doctors of the AIF during the Gallipoli campaign. Signed by both authors. The hospital ship Centaur was sunk by a Japanese submarine off Brisbane in 1943. 268 non-combatants and all but one of twelve nurses perished. $60

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by Arthur Rackham. Translated by Margaret Armour. Lond. William Heinemann. 1911. Or.dec.cl. with Rackham design (flecked & with some wear to the head of spine) 181pp. 30 tipped-in Col.plates & b/w ills. by Arthur Rackham. Sl foxing else a good copy. 1st ed. thus. Some foxing else a good copy. Part 2 of the “Ring of the Niblung”. $115


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