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STORIES FROM THE ARCHIVES:

Requisitioned: PLC Sydney during World War II

Australia entered World War II on 3 September 1939. Rationing of food and clothing was introduced in January 1940. During 1942 and 1943 there were Japanese air raids on Darwin, Broome and Townsville. In May 1942 Japanese midget submarines entered Sydney Harbour and sunk *HMAS Kuttabul*.

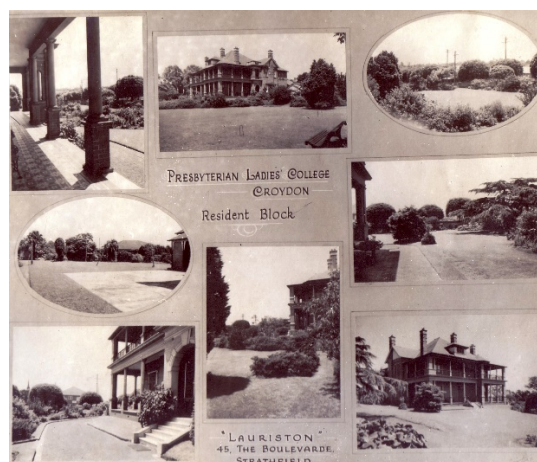
Closer to home, the military authorities requisitioned* the premises of PLC Sydney for the RAAF No. 1 RIMU (Radio (Radar) Installation & Maintenance Unit).

Leaving the Croydon campus in mid-1942 was a sad time, but in a war-time spirit of friendliness and cooperation, we spent a harmonious 3 ½ years at Strathfield, sharing facilities with Meriden and renting additional premises.

Students and staff returned to Croydon at the beginning of 1946.



Temporary premises during World War II



*Requisition: an official order laying claim to the use of property or materials.

To learn more about PLC Sydney during World War II, visit the Marden Heritage Centre, which has a display cabinet devoted to this period of the College's history and also visit "PLC Sydney Archives" in the Portal, Topic 14.