

Wedded— then off to Korea

Pte. Keith Wilson, ex-8th Division P.O.W., has had only a weekend honeymoon—he will return to Puckapunyal today and leave for Korea within a few days.

His bride, formerly Miss Iris Wells, of Whittlesea, left a sickbed to marry him on Saturday afternoon.

The bridegroom was working as a confectioner in Whittlesea when he enlisted early in the war.

He served in the Middle East with the 22 Pioneer Bn., was taken prisoner in Java in 1942, and spent the rest of his war labouring on the notorious Burma-Siam railway.

July enlistment

But in 1947 he joined the Citizen Forces in the Melbourne Scottish Regiment, early this year joined the Regular Army, and in June enlisted for Korea.

His bride, who came from Ceylon, has no relatives in Australia. But she has plenty of friends in Whittlesea.

Wearing a frock of white Brussels lace over silk net and a satin slip, she was attended by the Misses Verna McDonald and Jean Chalmers, in old world gowns of blue, when the Rev. F. H. Morton performed the marriage ceremony.

Asked why he wanted to fight again, Pte. Wilson replied: "The Japs got too close to Australia in 1942. We don't want these people to do the same."