



ORANGE FAMILY HISTORY GROUP NEWSLETTER APRIL 2021



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A warm welcome to Roslyn Cousins, our new Manager of Central West Libraries.



Roslyn is delighted to join the Central West Libraries team. “What a gorgeous region! What wonderful libraries! Such an admirable commitment to Local Heritage.”

Roslyn has worked as a public librarian in South Australia, Alice Springs, Toowoomba, western Victoria and recently hails from Coffs Harbour.

“Every community has its own character and history and it’s the library’s job to enrich people’s lives and help build their capacities with digital literacies. Done well, this increases people’s connectedness and choices.”

Julie Sykes – Local Studies Librarian

CEMETERY UPDATE - APRIL 2021

First off I would like to thank all those who sent in death certificates which enabled us to make corrections to our database and those who let us know about some typos in the inscriptions. The latest update should be available on the web soon after Easter. It will show burials up to the end of March 2021.

Photos on the web version are not yet be available, but if your entry states that it has a photo then you may request a copy be sent to you. In a perfect world every burial would be accompanied by an entry showing date of death, plot allotment, age etc, however, that is and has not been the case. Many early entries from 1853 to the 1950's do not have a plot allotment even though they do in most cases show a religious section. Remember that the churches were responsible for their sections and that would depend on how meticulous the person was in making that entry. We have 949 entries where we have no plot allotment. If one of these entries belongs to your family and you have a photo, certificate or newspaper clipping which would indicate where in the cemetery they are buried we would appreciate if you would let us know. Future generations would then be able to locate their ancestors as we would not only add details to the entry but would take a photo of the unmarked grave which would give it a GPS position to show on a map and add a photo marker in the photo as well, with name and allotment.

Several of our members have been researching the occupants of unmarked graves and have found some interesting information. Whilst not all of this information is on the database we have added some of it in the Comments column. If you see "more information can be obtained by contacting the OFHG" then obviously that extra information has been filed by the Orange Family History Group. To obtain that information you can contact Librarian Julie Sykes at library@cwlnsw.gov.au Some of our now unmarked graves did originally have headstones which have been either destroyed by vandals or deteriorated to such an extent that they were removed. If anyone has a photo of the allotment with the original headstone we would be most grateful if you would send a copy of the photo along with your permission to use it on the database. The headstone may no longer be there but the photo on the database will be forever. We are grateful for any information that you supply that adds value to the database whether it be a death certificate, typed information, a clipping from a newspaper or magazine, a photo or a correction in our entry. Please keep it coming as not only does it help our generation it will help our descendants as well

Lynne Irvine
Orange Family History Group

ORANGE CEMETERY DATABASE



You can search for your ancestors using our Grave location search via the Orange Cemetery Database. This can be accessed by clicking on the image above, or visit the Orange City Council Website www.orange.nsw.gov.au/orange-cemetery/

MANILDRA MEMORIES

Do you have relatives from the Manildra area?



In 2007 Central West Libraries asked the Manildra community to share photographs of people, homes, farms, shops, buildings and landscapes relating to Manildra to build our Local History Collection. In a short space of time we had amassed 100 photographs for the collection depicting just some of the industry, buildings, scenery and characters that make Manildra unique. This included sons going off to World War 1, pioneering farmers in the field, early shop owners, significant buildings such as the Flour Mill, Railway Station, School, Scout Hall, Baptist Church and amazing aerial shots.

You can view the 'Manildra Memories' project via the Central West Libraries website or follow this link manildramemories.cwl.nsw.gov.au

WHERE DID NAUGHTY BOYS AND GIRLS GO IN 1800S AND 1900S?

We received a local history request for information on James Anderson, blacksmith, of Orange. While researching James Anderson on Ancestry.com, I came across an entry for James William Anderson, his son, born 13 February 1896. He was listed in the NSW Entrance Book for the *Vernon* and the *Sobraon*.

James was described as “*a neglected and uncontrollable child habitually wandering public places with no ostensible occupation*” on the warrant dated 27th November 1905. He was ten years old. He could read and write and attended Orange Public School. His height was 4 foot $\frac{1}{4}$ inch to $\frac{7}{8}$ inch. The local police sergeant, John Coyne, stated he had received complaints of him sleeping out at night and stealing. His father could not get him to school and was sectioned for “non-attendance”. His father wanted him sent to an institution. The family situation of father being unemployed was described. His father was ordered to contribute 5 shillings per month upkeep for his son.

NSW State Archives describes the *Vernon* and *Sobraon* nautical ships for boys from 1867-1912:

The *Vernon* opened in 1867. It was used as an Industrial School and a Reformatory as there was no separate boys' reformatory schools until 1895. The ship held boys until they turned seven. The *Vernon* was docked at Cockatoo Island.



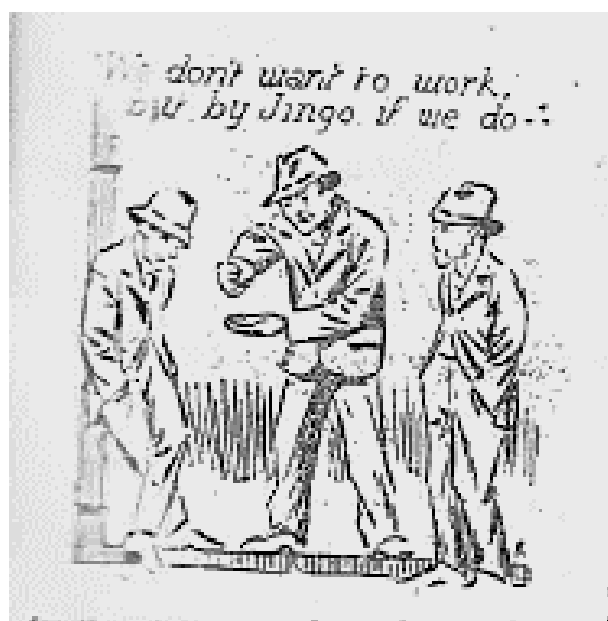
The *Sobraon*, which replaced the *Vernon* in 1892, was used until 1911, when the remaining boys were sent to the Mittagong Farm Home for Boys and the Brush Farm Home for Boys. The *Sobraon* was sold in 1911 by the NSW State government to the Commonwealth government. It was refitted and launched in 1912 as the HMAS Tingira, the first naval training ship in the Royal Australian Navy.

This link tells a fuller story of the ships: records-primo.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/primo-explore/fulldisplay?context=L&vid=61SRA&docid=ADLIB_RNSW110016893

Check out NSW State Archives for other interesting resources for family history about children in care.

Julie Sykes, Librarian, Central West Libraries.
Image courtesy Wikimedia.org

A HARD-HEARTED CABINET in New South Wales has decided that the Monday before Christmas Day cannot be declared a public holiday, which is hardly surprising. The life of the politician is on perpetual holiday, and he can hardly be expected to see that real workers want a day off now and then. Armed with a gold pass, he fits about the country at his own sweet will ostensibly looking into conditions but in reality having a good holiday jaunt: and when he does settle down to what is called work he usually makes a farce of it. What is the good of politicians anyhow? Wipe out the whole lot, and they never would be missed. They get where they are by promising all sorts of good things to the voters, and then forget all about them. What is wanted is some sort of a Government that will make life for the toilers one perpetual holiday. It's a jolly shame to have to work at all. There have been, from time to time, a few people who have declared that they loved work for work's sake. But are they to be trusted? Wouldn't they really rather be travelling in the fleshpots of Egypt, if they told the whole truth and nothing but the truth? Unfortunately it is necessary to work to live and what the world is waiting for is some Government that will proclaim this a worn-out theory, and replace it with a land flowing with milk and honey and work done at the people's pleasure. It is now some days since the last public holiday, and not another in sight until Christmas. And yet a Government, supposed to exist for the good of the people, refuses an extra day. They forget that the majority of people want a day to prepare for Christmas, and two days to get over it. So that, instead of curtailing the holidays, they should have increased them. But then, no Government ever devised has yet hit on a scheme of pleasing everybody. One or two have tried it, and ended by pleasing nobody – then followed the right-about. And so it will continue to the end of time. Probably it is just as well to make the best of what we do get, lest worse things befall us.



FIRST POSTAGE STAMPS

It may not be generally known, although it should be, that New South Wales has the honor of being the first country in the whole world to use postage stamps. In 1837 on Rowland Hill's recommendation, a parliamentary committee in Great Britain had reported in favour of stamped covers or envelopes. A copy of this recommendation reached Sydney in due course, and the then postmaster, Mr Raymond recommended its adoption in New South Wales. The Governor approved this on November 14, 1838, and in the "Gazette" informed the citizen "that stamped envelopes could be obtained at 1s 3d per dozen." It was not until February 1840, that Great Britain brought into use the postage stamp system. If anyone to-day could unearth one of these original stamped envelopes, he would find it more profitable than backing the winner of the Melbourne Cup – Observer.

A MAGPIE POSTMAN

A storekeeper of Numurkah, Victoria, a few years ago, owned a magpie in which he took great pride. Apart from being a talker and a source of amusement to passers-by, the bird fulfilled the duties of watchdog, and as far as was permitted, those of an errand boy. It followed its master everywhere and in course of time got to know mail hour as well as any human of the town, on account of having made the journey so often with its owner. Mag often paid a visit to the post-office alone and positively declined to leave empty-handed, so to speak, but on being given a piece of old newspaper or anything of that nature would trot gleefully home. Needless to say, however nothing of any real value would be entrusted to the care of the bird – Caspian.

POSTAGE STAMP FLIRTATION

Upside down on left corner	I love you
Same corner, crosswise	My heart is another's
Straight up and down	Goodbye, sweetheart
Upside down on right corner	Write no more
In the middle, at right hand edge	Write immediately
In centre at top	Yes
Opposite, at bottom	No
On right hand corner, at a right angle	Do you love me?
In left hand corner	I hate you
Top corner, at the right	I wish your friendship
Bottom corner, at left	I seek your acquaintance
On line with surname	Accept my love
The same, upside down	I am engaged
At right angle, same place	I long to see you

GEMS FROM THE GIO

...AND HOW DID THAT ACCIDENT OCCUR?

As long as there are cars there will be accidents, and explanations of how those accidents occurred. Here are some unique explanations, reprinted from a GIO staff newsletter, of how twenty-nine separate accidents happened (in the motorists' own words).

- Coming home, I drove into the wrong house and collided with a tree I didn't have
- The other car collided with mine without giving warning of its intentions
- I collided with a stationary truck coming the other way.
- I thought my window was down, but found it was up when put my hand through it
- A pedestrian hit me and went under my car
- A truck backed through my windshield into my wife's face
- The gentleman behind me struck me on the backside He then went to rest in the bush with just his rear end showing.
- The guy was all over the road, I had to swerve a number of times before I hit him.
- I thought I could squeeze between two trucks when my car became squashed.
- I pulled away from the side of the road, glanced at my mother-in-law and headed over the embankment.
- I had been shopping for plants all day, and was on my way home. As I reached an intersection a hedge sprang up obscuring my vision. I did not see the other car.
- I had been driving for forty years when I fell asleep at the wheel and had the accident.
- I had been learning to drive with power steering. I turned the wheel to what I thought was enough and found myself in a different direction going opposite way.
- The accident occurred when I attempting to bring my car out of a skid by steering it into the other vehicle.
- To avoid hitting the bumper of the car in front, I struck the pedestrian.
- The other car attempted to cut in front of me, so I, with my right front bumper, removed his left rear taillight.
- I was sure that the old fellow would never make it to the other side of the roadway when I struck him.
- I was backing my car out of the driveway in the usual manner, when it was struck by the other car in the same place it had been struck several times before.
- I was on my way to the doctors with rear end trouble when a universal joint gave way, causing me to have an accident.
- I was taking my canary to the hospital. It got loose in the car and flew out the window. The next thing I saw was his rear end and there was a crashed.
- As I approached the intersection, a stop sign suddenly appeared in a place where no stop sign had ever appeared before, I was unable to stop in time to avoid the accident.
- An invisible car came out of nowhere, struck my vehicle and vanished.
- I told the police that I was not injured, but on removing my hat, I found that I had a fractured skull.

A CHANCE FIND WHILE RESEARCHING WW1 SOLDIERS FOR THE CENTENARY IN ORANGE LED TO UNRAVELLING THE STORY OF AN ORDINARY MAN DOING “HIS BIT” FOR THE WAR EFFORT

Digger's lonely death at the hospital yesterday. William Wrangham, a returned digger, passed away after suffering from wounds received and being gassed in the recent war. The Returned Soldiers' Club were notified of the sad end and also informed that deceased was a stranger to the town, he would have been buried as a pauper, but the Diggers of Orange have arranged to give their late comrade a fit and proper burial and the secretary asks all returned men who possibly came to attend the funeral, which will leave the hospital this morning. Deceased had been visiting about the district for some time. He was aged 56 years.

William Wrangham was born in Whitehaven Cumbria England on the 12 June 1865 to George and Isabella Wrangham. What prompted him to come to Australia is unknown but he arrived in Victoria via “*Liguria*” in August 1886. He stayed in Victoria for eight years before travelling on to Albany in Western Australia arriving March 1894 via “*Gabo*”. Gold had been discovered in Kalgoorlie in 1893 and perhaps he thought that the prospect of making his fortune was better in Western Australia than it had been in Victoria. Electoral Rolls and advertisements in the Coolgardie Miner in 1898 revealed he became a carrier/contractor in Norseman owning a jinker (trailer) for moving houses.

War broke out in Europe in 1914. William attested at the Blackboy Hill Camp, about 22klms from Perth, in Western Australia on 29th December 1915. He gave his age as 44 years but in reality, he was 50 years old by this time. He was described as 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighing 140 lbs with dark complexion, grey hair and grey eyes. He gave his brother-in-law Mr J Myers in England as his next-of-kin. Recorded as SN5454, he formed part of the 17th Reinforcements of the 16th Battalion and on the 17th April 1916, he boarded HMAT A60 *Aeneas* bound for England and then onto the Western Front in France.

According to his war record, he acted as a driver and for some time was driving for the Australian Army Veterinary Hospital both in England and in Calais. He was hospitalised several times in 1917 but his record does not state the reason. He did manage to forfeit 2 days pay for “overstaying furlough” in France on the 26th April 1917.

William’s health deteriorated, he returned to Australia per HT *Balmoral Castle* on the 1st Feb 1918. He was discharged as medically unfit on the 12 April 1918. By this time his age was recorded correctly as 53.

For his 19 months service in France William Wrangham was awarded the 1914-1915 Star, British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

One must ask how a man born in England and working in Western Australia ended up in Orange. Perhaps a clue comes from one of the witnesses mentioned on his death certificate, L.R. Anlezark. Leslie Reginald Anlezark had joined the Coo-ee March from Gilgandra to Sydney in 1915 and went on to serve in France and Belgium. Leslie too was hospitalised several times in 1917 and perhaps the two became friends and he invited William to Orange for a visit or to work.

William died in Orange Base Hospital on the 17th May 1921. He never married.

Searches on Ancestry located a family tree mentioning William Wrangham's family. A sister Ann was wife of Mr J Myers mentioned as next-of-kin in his war record and also named in William's will as beneficiary. Two descendants of Ann have now been located, one in Braidwood New South Wales and one in Ballarat Victoria.

It did not seem acceptable that a man who served this country should lay forgotten in the local cemetery. On the 18th December 2010 application was made to the Australia War Graves Commission for an official commemoration to be placed on his grave. This was accepted in June 2020 and the application was completed and forwarded to AWG. In December 2020 a full grave headstone was placed on this grave nearly 100 years after William Wrangham was interred there.

On the 9th September 2021, the Orange Ex-Services club, headed by Mr Chris Colvin conducted a Remembrance ceremony at the graveside as a mark of respect for his war service. Andrew Gee the Federal Member, Reverends Gary and Ann Neville and his great niece Libby Raynolds were also in attendance.

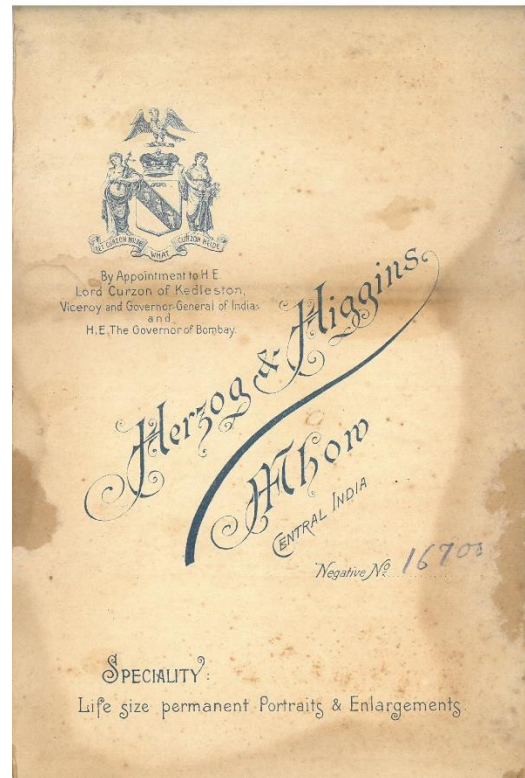
"Lest we Forget"

(Please see photographs overleaf)

Submitted by Sharon Jamieson
Orange Family History Group



MYSTERY PHOTOGRAPH



The above photograph caught my eye at the Orange Resource Recovery Centre late last year. Intrigued, I purchased it for the princely sum of \$3.00, as much interested in the delicate wooden frame as in the photograph itself.

The words “*Herzog & Higgins, Mhow, Central India*” are imprinted in silver at the base of the image. Eager to discover more, I carefully extracted the photograph from its frame to discover the following annotation on the back of the photograph:

By appointment to H.E. Lord Curzon of Kedleston Viceroy and Governor General of India and H.E. The Governor of Bombay. Negative no 16700.

An internet search revealed that Lord George Nathaniel Curzon was Viceroy of India from 6 January 1899 to 18 November 1905, so the photograph must date from that time period.

<https://www.historytoday.com/archive/lord-curzon-takes-office-vice-roy-india>

How a photograph taken in Central India at the turn of the century surfaced at the Orange tip some 120 years later is a mystery!

English photographers P.A. Herzog and P. Higgins opened their studio in Mhow in 1894 and continued the business until 1921. As official photographers for state visits and important events, they created an impressive visual record of the British Raj.



The interior of Herzog & Higgins studio at Mhow, in about 1895.

But what of the photograph itself? It does not appear to be taken in the Herzog and Higgins studio (above). Presumably it was taken in the subjects' home, as suggested by the family dog. It is a family portrait, but one member is notably absent – the wife and mother. On closer inspection the children appear to be dressed in mourning attire. The girl is holding what looks like a posy of flowers in her right hand; a ring adorns the index finger of her left hand – perhaps her mother's wedding ring?

The children's father has dark hair and dark eyes and could well be Indian, while the children appear to be European and light-eyed. A further mystery! What – if any – is the connection to Orange? Searches on Trove and the Spydus newspaper index did not provide any clues.

A closer inspection of the frame's backing board revealed the words "Sumatra Beehives" stamped in blue ink. According to the *Waterford News* (Ireland) of 1902. Sumatra Beehives were cigars! So, a cigar box was used to back the photograph in the frame.

Six Popular Cigars.

Catone Saleski	} 3d. Each
Freeman's Darvel Bay	
Propogandas	
Golcondas	
Dindiguls	
Sumatra Beehives	

5 for 1s

Sold at
P. M. DOYLE'S, 79, QUAY, WATERFORD.

It was here that my research efforts ground to a halt; I have been unable to discover any further information about this mysterious photograph and how it came to be in Orange.

Trudi Mayfield
 Heritage Research Librarian
 Orange City Library

NEWSPAPERS ARTICLES

Central Western Daily - 16/9/1947.

Obituary - Mr Hugh James Munro. Mr Hugh James Munro who died at Wellington on September 5, at the age of 71 years was particularly well known in the Wellington, Gollan and Orange districts. He had lived at Gollan for about 40 years and in Wellington during the period of his retirement. Born at Gosling Creek near Orange, deceased accompanied his father to "Catombal" a property at Cumnock, at an early age. While still only a young man he acquired a farming and grazing property at Gollan and married Miss Jane Burrell of Curra Creek. Deceased took a prominent part in public affairs at Gollan and was always a willing worker for all charitable causes. He was an elder of the Gollan Presbyterian Church and an active church worker. Due to ill health Mr Munro retired last year and went to live in Wellington. His happy disposition and cheerful friendly nature made for him a host of friends and he will be remembered with affection by all with whom he came into contact. He is survived by his widow one daughter (May, Mrs Milton Rowe, of Gollan) and four sons (Hilton, Comobella, Eric, Gollan, Gladstone Gollan and Gordon Gollan. Also surviving are one brother William (Wellington) and two sister's Jessie (Mrs Neville, Curra Creek) and Maggie (Mrs Burrell, Orange). Three brothers and four sisters predeceased him by a number of years. The funeral which was one of the largest ever seen in Wellington left St Andrew's Church after a service for interment in the Presbyterian portion of the Wellington cemetery. The beautiful floral tributes paid eloquent tribute to the high esteem in which deceased was held.

Central Western Daily - 24/2/1948.

Obituary - Mr Arthur Murphy. The death occurred at the Base Hospital yesterday morning of Mr Arthur Murphy of "Riverview" Wellington at the age of 64 years. Mr Murphy was a native of Orange being a son of the late Mr & Mrs Daniel Murphy who many years ago controlled the old Greengate Hotel at West Orange near the entrance to the Forbes, Molong and March roads. Arthur Murphy received his early education at the old Patrician Brothers School in Byng Street now Santa Maria Convent. When quite a young man he transferred his activities to Wellington where he married and has become one of the biggest stock dealers in the whole of the West. A man never known to drink nor smoke, he was a familiar identity throughout Western New South Wales, Queensland and Victoria, where he did extensive dealings in stock. He was a hard worker, constantly travelling from one end of the State to the other and among those who knew him intimately he was generally known as the "Moving picture". Over a long period of years he had sent tremendous consignments of stock to the Orange saleyards and was a popular figure at those and similar gatherings of stockmen in all parts of the State. He was a most successful businessman and had interests in Wellington, Gilgandra and other centres. Mr Murphy is survived by his wife, one son and one daughter Robert and Carmel. The elder son Michael was killed in World War 11. The remains were conveyed to Wellington by Messrs Box and Jeffree funeral

directors Orange and the funeral will leave St. Patrick's Church, Wellington this morning for the Catholic portion of the Wellington cemetery.

Central Western Daily - 7/12/1949.

Two Orange Soldiers at Investiture. Two Orange Soldiers, Lieut Colonel Hennessy and Lieut Steve Bernard were invested with medals by the Governor Lieut-General Northcott, at Government House yesterday. Lieut-Colonel Eric C. Hennessy, M.C. (AMF) was decorated with the Distinguished Service Order. Lieutenant Steve Bernard (AMF) was decorated with the Military Cross. At the largest investiture in Sydney since the end of the war 124 men and women were invested. Servicemen from other western centres honored at the investiture were: Flight-Lieut C.C. Betts (RAAF), Mudgee; Distinguished Flying Cross; Squadron Leader E.H. Loneragan (RAAF), Mudgee, Australian Flying Cross; Captain M.A. Atkins (AFM) Cowra. Associate of the Royal Red Cross.

Wellington Times - 19/12/1949.

Mr and Mrs Frank Blackwell, of Orange, and one-time of Wellington, recently attended the Investiture at Government House and saw their son Squadron Leader Robin Gray, receive from the Governor. Lieut.-General Northcott the D.F. C. decorations awarded to him for his war service. He was one of over 100 war veterans to be presented with a decoration. Squadron-Leader Gray intends to fly to Orange to spend a holiday with his parents.

Central Western Daily - 8/10/1951.

Death of former prominent Orange solicitor, sportsman. One of the leading professional men of Orange for almost half a century patron at the time of his death of Orange School of Arts life member Bowling Club and a former international cricketer and footballer, died at Chatswood on Sunday, September 23. He was Mr Herbert Henry Lee retired solicitor aged 87 years. Mr Lee a native of Bathurst came to Orange in 1891 to practise his profession in partnership with Mr Percy Colquhoun (another international footballer), later to be joined by Mr H. Bassett and the firm of Lee Colquhoun and Bassett conducted their profession in offices next to Tattersall's Hotel, Summer Street, for many years. Following the eventual dissolution of partnership Mr Lee continued on his own behalf in offices located in the front of the Forester's Hall building in Lord's Place, where he was joined by Mr A.F. Baldock as partner in 1928. Mr Lee retired in 1938 and left Orange in 1940 to spend the remainder of his life in Sydney, while the firm of Lee and Baldock is still being conducted by Mr Alf Baldock. The news of Mr Lee's death was conveyed last week to the president of Orange Bowling Club, Mr E.H. Allan, by Dr L.R. Parker, of Warrawee, Sydney a native of Orange and a friend and associate of Mr Lee in Orange in the late 90's and early 1900. During a break in games at Orange Bowling Club on Saturday afternoon following the president's

announcement of Mr Lee's death the club's active patron Mr M.P. Martin, referred to Mr Lee's long and valuable association with the game of bowles in Orange and the west. Foundation Member. Mr Martin said that Mr Lee was one of the foundation members of Orange Club and with Mr Charles Fleming late Canobolas Shire Clerk was responsible for the formation of Western District Bowling Association in 1911, when he was elected its first president with Mr Fleming secretary positions they held for four consecutive years. One of the most generous acts Mr Lee did for our association Mr Martin said was in 1936 when after the rules had become obsolete he fulfilled the important task of revising the rules bringing them up-to-date and having them adopted at a meeting at Lithgow the same year. The painstaking efforts given the matter by Mr Lee were cordially thanked and placed on record, Mr Martin said. At the instance of Mr Martin the large number of bowlers in attendance on Saturday afternoon stood for a brief period in silence as mark of respect for a splendid bowler and firm friend whose passing, Mr Martin said would leave the sport all the poorer. Orange School of Arts had in Mr Lee a valued president for many years and on his retirement he was elected patron a position he held at the time of his death. Mr Lee had also been a prominent member of Orange Jockey Club, Golf Club and A and P association. In his younger days "Herbie" Lee was a noted footballer and cricketer and took a leading part in most of the town's sporting and social activities. Herbie Lee was distinctly popular with all sections of the community and was always regarded as a cultured gentleman. The remains were cremated at Northern Suburbs Crematorium on Monday, among his old former Orange friends present at the service being Dr Les Parker and Mr Donald Vernon.

Central Western Daily - 10/7/1952.

Sheep expert's death in Orange Hospital. A member of South Australian sheep breeders who recently toured New South Wales died at Orange yesterday. He was Mr Sidney Sheppard OBE of Narracoorte, South Australia. Mr Sheppard became ill soon after the party reached Orange on May 25. He was aged 75 years. Mr Sheppard was one of the best known agriculturists in South Australia and was decorated with the Order of the British Empire for his contribution to agriculture in South Australia. Members of the Sheppard family came to Orange when they heard of their father's illness. They returned to South Australia last night.

(Note: Sidney Sheperd - died 9/7/1952 Orange - buried 11/7/1952 Narracoorte Cemetery.)

Central Western Daily - 22/11/1952.

George Sherring. The death occurred in the Wellington District Hospital on November 14 of George Sherring a well known resident of the Euchareena district. The late George Sherring was born at Euchareen 73 years ago and resided there for the greater part of his life. After his father's death he managed the estate until it was sold. He then took up grazing on his own account on the Lower Mookerawa where he remained until

his last illness. He was the sixth son of the late Mr & Mrs William Sherring pioneer graziers of the Euchareena district. He is survived by three brothers John, Charles and Joseph all of Kerrs Creek and two sisters Mrs Arden (Orange) and Mrs Ried (Triamble). He was predeceased by four brothers and two sister. Interment took place in the Church of England portion of the Orange cemetery on Monday.

Central Western Daily - 5/7/1955.

Died in sleep. Mrs Filtness one of the oldest residents in Orange died in her sleep early yesterday morning. Mrs Hartley with whom she lived said she went to give Mrs Filtness her breakfast, but could not wake her. She called a doctor who found Mrs Filtness had been dead a short time. Mrs Hartley said Mrs Filtness had seemed well on Sunday although she had "not been the best" since she injured her knees in a fall recently. "But she was a very cheerful woman, despite her 96 years" she said. Mrs Filtness had only been in Orange for a few years. Her grand-daughter was the late Mrs Nellie Gatehouse, of Orange. Her husband predeceased her many years ago. Mrs Filtness who is survived by a family none of whom live in Orange was a member of a farming family in the Cooma district. Her funeral will leave A. McGrath's funeral parlours today for the independent portion of the Orange Cemetery.

(Orange Cemetery - Congregational - 1-41- unmarked grave - Helen Gatehouse died 29/11/1952 28 years; Filtness Narissa died 4/7/1955 96 years)

Central Western Daily - 5/7/1955.

John McDonald of Anson Street foreman in the slaughtering section of Rogers. Mr McDonald who had been with Rogers for about 20 years except a period of three years in Sydney, collapsed about 7.20 A.M. His body was found on the floor by another employee Eric Williamson, 15. A post mortem showed that Mr McDonald had died from a coronary occlusion. As a mark of respect for their popular foreman, all slaughter men at Rogers ceased work for the day. Manager of Rogers, Mr K.R.E. Johnston said last night Mr McDonald was "an extremely well liked and capable man and his loss would be very severely felt both by the company and by the men. Friends of Mr McDonald said he seemed quite well a short time before his death. He had clipped the hedge and mown the lawn at his home the day before. Mr McDonald is survived by his wife Mrs Annie McDonald and a grown-up family. There will be a service at Holy Trinity Church tonight and cremation will take place at Rookwood crematorium tomorrow.

Central Western Daily - 13/8/1955.

Obituary - Laura Selina Allcorn. One of the best known identities of Cheesman's Creek, Mrs Laura Selina Allcorn died at the Cudal Hospital on Thursday afternoon at the age of 83 years. Mrs Allcorn was a native of the Crookwell district and had lived at March and Orange. For over 40 years Mrs Allcorn was the postmatress at Cheesman's Creek. She leaves a husband Mr Benjamin Charles Allcorn and a family of four sons and one

daughter Mrs Tougher (Sydney), Roy and Frank (Orange) Cecil and Leo (Cheesman's Creek). There are thirteen grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. There are also three brothers Messrs Fred and Thomas Boulton (March) and Percy (Parramatta). Her funeral will leave A McGrath's funeral parlours today for the Orange Methodist church thence the Methodist portion of the Orange cemetery.

Central Western Daily - 6/1/1962.

Mr T. McGeorge. Mr Thomas Charles McGeorge died in Orange Base Hospital yesterday at the age of 77. Mr McGeorge was a well-known resident of Coronation Drive, Orange. He was born at Gallimont and as a young man went to Gulargambone where he was for many years engaged in the skin dealing business. Mr McGeorge was twice married. His first wife died while they were living at Gulargambone. After re-marrying he came to live in Coronation Drive, Orange about ten years ago. He left no family. He is survived by his wife, Mrs Alice McGeorge. He is also survived by one nephew Thomas Peisley (Orange). Two brothers Jim (Leichardt) and Bert (Wentworthville) and one sister Ada (Sydney). His funeral will leave Holy Trinity Church Orange after a service tomorrow and will leave for interment in the Church of England Cemetery at Gulargambone.

Central Western Daily - 9/3/1962.

Mr A. Worboys. The death occurred recently following a coronary occlusion of Mr Alfred Worboys of Caves Road, Wellington aged 73. Mr Worboys up to the time of the seizure was very active and the suddenness of his death was a shock to all who knew him. He was the son of the late Mr & Mrs Joseph Worboys of Orange and a nephew of the late Rev. James Worboys who was well known to many people in the district. Mr Worboys went to Wellington in 1915 from the Canowindra district, where he had been farming and he continued to farm on a small holding at Drill Creek for a few years.

Central Western Daily - 20/11/1972.

Mrs E. Smee. The death occurred at Orange Base Hospital on November 8 of Mrs Elsie Miriam Smee of Moulder St at the age of 84. Mrs Smee will be remembered by older citizens of Wellington and Windorah district where she lived until she married Mr Cecil Smee. She was the daughter of the late Thomas and Newby of "Glenroy" Cornobella. Mr & Mrs Newby were two of the first settlers in the Comobella district. After their marriage she and Mr Smee moved to Orange. Mr Smee died several years ago. Mrs Smee is survived by a sister Mrs May Smee of Arthur St., Wellington. Services were held in the Presbyterian Church in Wellington. Rev Jakes officiated at the church and later at the graveside in the Presbyterian portion of the Wellington Cemetery. Funeral arrangements were carried out by H. Logue and sons.

Wellington Cemetery - headstone: Cecil Norman Smee died 23/4/1965 72 years.

Central Western Daily - 18/7/1973.

Obituary. Mr R. Harrison. Mr Reginald George Harrison one of Wellington's most well-known and respected residents died suddenly at his son's residence at Annandale recently at the age of 68 years. News of his death shocked relatives and friends in Wellington. A printer by trade Mr Harrison was employed as a linotype operator and was foreman at the Wellington Times for a number of years. Before his retirement he became advertising manager. The only son of the late George and Esther Harrison of Orange, he began his career in newspaper work as an apprentice on the "Orange Leader". Later he worked on papers at Gilgandra and Coonamble and spent 17 years on the Manning River Times at Taree. He came to Wellington in 1945. Mr Harrison married an Orange girl Lilliane Job. His sporting love was bowls and for years was a keen member of the Wellington Citizen's Band. He is survived by his wife Lilliane, two sons Ronald Jack,(Annandale); Leslie George (Parramatta) and one daughter Nancy Grace (Mrs Bennison, Dubbo). His son Kevin Maurice died only a fortnight after his father's death. His only sister Grace Elizabeth (Mrs Spurway of Orange) and 10 grandchildren survive him. The funeral cortege left St John's Church of England Wellington for the Church of England portion of the lawn cemetery.

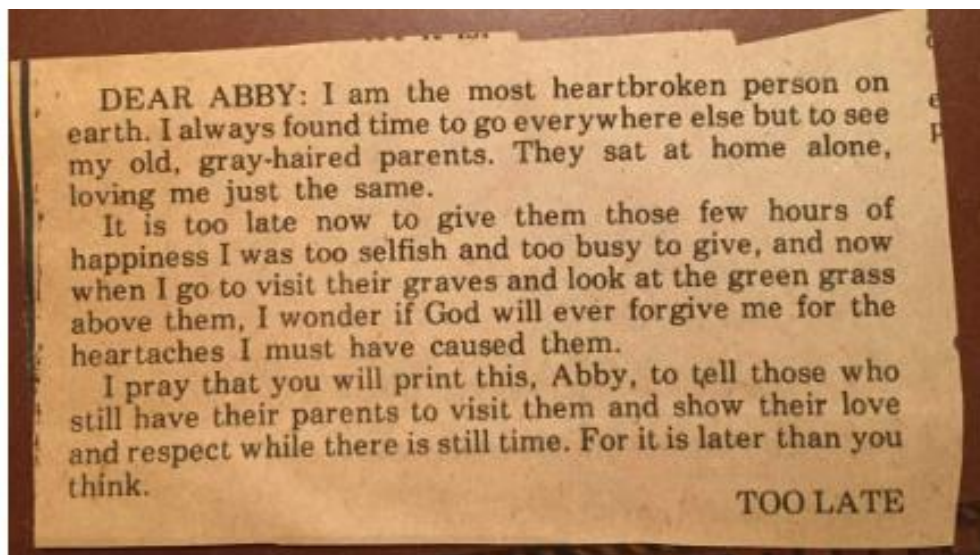
Central Western Daily - 20/8/1974.

Obituary. Mrs M. Payne. One of Wellington's best known citizen's died suddenly on August 11. She was Mrs Mrytle Payne who collapsed at Narromine while watching a football match and despite all medical aid passed away soon afterwards in Narromine District Hospital. Mrs Payne who was 61 years of age was a member of the Thomas family of Orange and was twice married. She was previously married to the late Mr Jim "Bluey" Hennessy of Orange. Her largely attended funeral was a tribute to her popularity mourners attending from near and far. Besides a sorrowing husband Norm. Mrs Payne leaves behind two daughters Margaret (Mrs Hopkins, of Penrith) and Janet (Parramatta); mother (Mrs Daniel, of Sydney) and four sisters and one brother Doris (Mrs Wagstaff, Kingsgrove); Blanche (Mrs Wilkins, Lakemba); Rita (Mrs Davidson, Orange) and Beryl (Mrs Welsh, Orange) and Mr Bert Thomas Orange. After a church service her remains were laid to rest in the Wellington Law Cemetery on August 13.

Central Western Daily - 5/6/1975.

Death of Fr. J. Corcoran. The death of Rev. Fr John Corcoran early last Thursday morning followed a 15 hour long battle against overwhelming odds created by heart trouble. Fr Corcoran had celebrated Mass at 9 a.m. on Wednesday morning and about 11.30 a.m. contacted the telephone exchange and asked for a doctor. Two local men who were not Catholics went to his assistance and were a very great help until the ambulance and doctor arrived. Admitted to Orange Base Hospital intensive care ward, Fr Corcoran was conscious most of the day and evening and when it became evident that only major surgery could aid him a plane was chartered and Fr Corcoran was flown to Sydney. His death occurred at 3 a.m. at Royal North Shore Hospital. The Parish of

Cumnock-Yeoval had been administered by Fr Corcoran for the last three and a half years and during that time he had built the beautiful \$64,000 Church of Our Lady at Yeoval which was officially blessed and opened last year and is now free of debt a wonderful achievement which many thought couldn't be done. During his time in Cumnock Fr Corcoran had endeared himself to all members of the community and stories of his wit and humour love of life and his dog Ted will circulate for a long time. His funeral on Monday in Wellington was attended by people of all denominations from the Bathurst Diocese and far beyond. The body of the church was filled to capacity. School children from Yeoval, Wellington and Dunedoo lined several street blocks. Two Cumnock men Mick Dwyer and John Hogan were pall-bearers and Gregory Barber of Baldry was one of the altar boys. The cortege moved to the old cemetery on the Parkes Road where the Most Rev .A.R.E Thomas, Bishop of Bathurst officiated at the graveside. Sympathy is extended to Mrs Vic Larum, who is Fr Corcoran's sister, her husband and family and his brother in Ireland.



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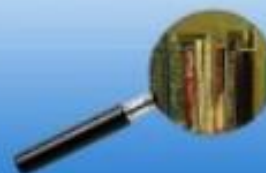
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