



ORANGE FAMILY HISTORY GROUP NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2015

FROM THE JOURNALS

Reading other Family History journals and newsletters always provides a wealth of tips. Here's a few we've seen recently:

TROVE TIPS – MEET THE TILDE

The tilde is a symbol on your keyboard, which you can get to by holding down the shift key and pressing the grave accent (to the left of the number 1). This is how you can tell Trove how close together the words you're searching for should be. Say you have a common surname like White, Black or County? Try this search: add a title, Mr or Mrs, and the surname in inverted commas and then add the tilde and a number after that. eg.: "mr white"~3 You can find more search tips like this in Trove's Help Centre: <http://help.nla.gov.au/trove/using-trove/findingthings/> power-searching [from the Newcastle Family History Society Inc July *Newsletter*]

STATE RECORDS OF NSW – SCHOOL IMAGES

State Records have started to make images of NSW schools on Archives Investigator. Schools with names starting with A through G are available, with more to come. These can be seen at investigator.records.nsw.gov.au Use the links: Advanced Search: Record Series: type 15051: Photograph Collection then scroll. [from the Newcastle Family History Society Inc July *Newsletter*]

ORANGE FAMILY HISTORY GROUP INDEXING TEAM

The indexing team have created over 88,145 entries. This exceeds the number of items currently in Orange City Library!

THE BATTLE OF LONE PINE

In the three months following the landing of the Allied forces on the Gallipoli peninsula on 25 April 1915 the situation between both sides had developed into a stalemate. In early August 1915 Australian, New Zealand, British and Indian troops launched a series of assaults against the Turkish strongholds with the aim of breaking this deadlock.

The Lone Pine operation was planned as a diversion to draw Turkish resources away from a major Allied attack at the northern end of the Australian and New Zealand position on the Gallipoli peninsula. The Battle occurred in an area of Plateau 400 known as Lone Pine. The plateau had been dominated by the *Pinus halepensis* tree, commonly known as the Aleppo Pine. The Turks had cut down all but one of these pines and used them to cover their trenches.

The operation was launched late in the afternoon of 6 August 1915. Units of the 1st Infantry Brigade took the main Turkish trench within 20 minutes of the initial charge, but the Turks were quick to respond, launching a series of fierce counter attacks. Intense hand to hand fighting lasted a further four days. The ANZACs managed to hold the Turkish trenches, and even gain a few hundred yards ground, which they controlled until their evacuation of the peninsula.

Seven Australians were awarded the Victoria Cross for acts of bravery during the Battle of Lone Pine, including Orange born John Patrick Hamilton. Hamilton's VC was awarded:

"For most conspicuous bravery on 9 August 1915 in the Gallipoli Peninsula. During a heavy bomb attack by the enemy on the newly-captured position at Lone Pine, Private Hamilton, with utter disregard to personal safety, exposed himself under heavy fire on the parapets, in order to secure a better fire position against the enemy's bomb throwers. His coolness and daring example had an immediate effect. The defence was encouraged and the enemy was driven off with heavy loss."

There were 2,227 Australian casualties at Lone Pine. Eight men from the Orange district were killed in action at Lone Pine: George William Lawson Cooper, Bernard Patrick Dawson, Joseph George Thew, Henry George Eardley Rotton, Edric Albert Davies, John Michael Paul Woodbridge, Henry Hodder and Edwin Hercules Fardell.

Turkish casualties numbered over 5,000.

The August Offensive ultimately failed, and the stalemate resumed. The campaign on Gallipoli was eventually abandoned; Allied troops withdrew from the peninsula four months later, in December 1915.

The Lone Pine Cemetery was constructed during the campaign and initially contained 46 graves. The Cemetery was expanded following the Armistice to incorporate other cemeteries in the area. 1,167 Commonwealth servicemen are buried or commemorated in the cemetery; 504 of the burials are unidentified.

The Lone Pine Memorial is located within the cemetery. It commemorates the 3,268 Australians and 456 New Zealanders who have no known grave and the 960 Australians and 252 New Zealanders who were buried at sea after evacuation through wounds or disease.



*Lone Pine Cemetery, Gallipoli, Turkey, 1936
Image courtesy Australian War Memorial*

CAN YOU HELP?

On August 8, 2015, ABC Radio National's program Saturday Extra broadcast a segment about research into the lives of Australian servicemen after they returned from duty.

The research project, "Diggers to Veterans: risk, resilience and recovery in the first AIF" is being conducted by Professor Janet McCalman from the Centre for Health Equity at Melbourne University and is funded by the Australian Research Council.

Professor McCalman said she was keen to recruit family historians who would be perfectly positioned to scour resources such as **Trove** and service records to find out more about the health of those who returned. While she is based in Melbourne, intending researchers from anywhere may contact the project through its Facebook page.

Key elements of the study include how the servicemen's physical and mental health compared with civilians, did they recover from exposure to disease and trauma, and whether they tended to have large or small families.

Find out more from the Radio National website or from:

<http://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/saturdayextra/ww1-research-project/6680982>

RICHARD TREVOR BENNETT

I was asked to write a family story to go into the Orange Family History Journal, which I always find hard, as we have no family roots in Orange, except my own family. Finally I decided to tell a story from the Cousins and Bennett family, as it does have something to do with Orange.

My husband Stuart Cousins, was the second son of John Cousins and Jean Allan Watson, both born in Scotland. Stuart was born in Marrickville NSW in 1937. One of his best friends as a youngster, a teenager and an adult was Robert Allan Bennett, the eldest child of Cecil Horace Bennett and Jane Walker Gatens, both also Scots. The mothers of both boys, always said that they were somehow related. Bob's mum always insisted that they were '32nd cousins', with tongue in cheek. I did lots of research about them and finally proved them to be 3rd cousins. The great grandmothers of both were sisters. I also found another two sisters who had come out to Australia about the same time, and have traced them as well. This, of course, meant that they had common ancestors in James Prattice (Prentice) and Jane Trotter.

Now, Bob had 'an Uncle' (my computer says he was 1st cousin, once removed) named Richard Trevor Bennett. Richard was born in Belmore NSW in 1914 and he married Florrie Isabel Bishop in Canterbury NSW in June 1943. Richard Trevor enlisted on the 28 April 1941 in Sydney, in the Royal Australian Air Force. He was described as 'Flying Officer Richard Trevor Bennett, 411272'. His next of kin was Flornie sic Bennett. He died on 2 December 1943, his posting at the time was 5 Elementary Flying Training School. This is from the Roll of Honour Database – RAAF – in part;

The conflict was 1939 – 1945. He died on the 2 December 1943 at Clergate Orange NSW. His death was described as accidental, Memorial Panel 115.

The following excerpt is from the Narromine News, published on Wednesday 10 December 2003.

Family of RAAF Flying Officer Richard Trevor Bennett gathered at the Narromine War Cemetery on Sunday Morning to commemorate the 60 years since his passing.

Mr Bennett enlisted in the RAAF in 1941 and in April of 1943 he was promoted to Flying Officer and realised his ambition to train as an instructor, from where he was posted to 5 EFTS Narromine. Four months after marrying his sweetheart Florrie, he was killed during a cross country exercise with pupil LAC Victor Mahy. Their Tiger Moth A17-513 crashed six miles north of Orange, killing FO Bennett instantly and seriously injuring LAC Mahy. FO Bennett was returned to Dubbo and was laid to rest at Narromine at 11am the next day, 3 December 1943. Bob, Richard and Trevor Bennett and their families came to Narromine on Sunday to pay homage to the uncle they sadly never got to know in person. Stuart Cousins had a yarn to a friend who lives out at Clergate about Richard and his accident. He said that he would ring around to see whether any of his neighbours knew anything – he was only in his 40's and had heard nothing himself. A phone call later he had called a neighbour who was 17 in 1943. He remembers the crash well, he rode over on his bike to see the plane. The crash was on a property owned by Arch McKay a bachelor. He must have been the one who phoned 'the authorities'.

RICHARD TREVOR BENNETT
R.A.A.F. FLYING OFFICER, #411272
5TH ELEMENTARY FLYING TRAINING SCHOOL, NARROMINE, N.S.W.
Date of Death 2nd December, 1943 in a training accident at Clergate, Orange, NSW
The photos from a 60th Memorial Service, held by the RSL Club at the War
Cemetery in Narromine, in December 2003, attended by Richard Bennett, Robert &
Fay Bennett & Trevor & Diane Bennett.



NEW ORANGE FAMILY HISTORY GROUP FACEBOOK PAGE

It is National Family History Group Month and Orange is announcing launch of its new Orange Family History Facebook group which can be found online at www.facebook.com/orangefamilyhistory . We will officially launch in September in conjunction with a seminar on 'The First Step – Starting with you (your family history)'. Watch our new Facebook page for confirmation of dates.

Family history and genealogy is one of the most popular hobbies around the world. Family history is the second biggest subject on the web with sites receiving billions of hits per year. There are over 250,000 Australians who are members of family history related organisations.

So why not join this local group - ask questions, find other people who share your passion for family history or discover more resources to use for your own family history research. This is designed to be an interactive site, so join up and let the discussions begin

CLICK BACK IN TIME: CADIA VALLEY HERITAGE WEBSITE

Cadia Valley Operations has just launched a heritage website which contains historical information, photographs and archaeological surveys relating to the Cadia district. The website provides information about the area's exciting past, descendants of people who lived in the area or were buried in the Cadia Cemetery, as well as information around Cadia Valley's rich mining history, beginning in 1851 when traces of copper were discovered near Cadiangullong Creek, up until the 1940's. www.cadiavalleyheritage.com.au

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

N.S.W. Police Gazette - 29/9/1875: Missing Friend - Andrew Auberger.

Information is requested respecting Andrew Auberger, who left his home near Brewarrina, about two years ago, and has not since been heard of. He is 25 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches high, stout build, dark complexion, dark hair and whiskers, a native of Orange; and was living at Oate's of Guyong, about 4 years ago, where he may probably have gone to. Auberger's father was found drowned near Brewarrina last week and his mother who has no friends is very anxious to learn where he is that she may communicate with him. Information to the Inspector General of Police.

The Leader - 4/7/1908: Mixed marriages.

During the hearing of a divorce suit in Sydney on Thursday in which the petitioner was a Roman Catholic and the respondent a member of the Church of England. Mr Justice Simpson said that in his opinion mixed marriages, as a rule, were a mistake and it would be a very good thing if they could be stopped. In the case before him, the parties had been married in a Unitarian Church. That made the whole thing a nice sort of mixture. It had been a mistake from beginning to end. A divorce would not be any good to the petitioner as she could not be married again, according to the views of her church. The best she could do was to accept a judicial separation. With that there was always a chance of the parties going together again. The kindly advice of the judge was adopted by the parties and the case was adjourned for the day in order that reconciliation might be made if possible

The Orange Leader - 9/7/1908: The memorial stone erected in Gore Hill Cemetery
The memorial stone erected in Gore Hill Cemetery to the late Mr P.M. Lane one of the most popular football forwards that ever kicked a ball in this State, is to be unveiled in the Gore Hill Cemetery on Sunday, July 19. The premier (Mr Wade) has promised to attend, invitations have also been extended to the Queensland footballers, who will be in Sydney on that date, the northerners having expressed a wish to pay their tribute of respect to one who did much to foster the game of rugby in the sister State. The late P.M. Lane was the eldest son of Mr E.H. Lane J.P. of Llanello East Orange.

The inscription on the memorial is as follows: "In memory of Percy Manson Lane, son of E.H. and L. Lane, of Orange. Born 25th October, 1870 died 3rd November 1906. He was a man amongst his fellow men. Erected by his comrades of the football field.

The Leader - Saturday 11/7/1908: A Serious Accident - William Cantrill.

A young lad named William Cantrill, aged 11 son of Mrs J. Cantrill of Anson Street, met with a serious accident yesterday morning. It appears the lad was playing with a number of other children just after coming out of school for lunch opposite the entrance to Dr Watt's yard. The doctor's groom drove out in the sulky and accidentally ran over the little chap. He was at once conveyed into the doctor's surgery, where on examination, it was found that the wheel of the sulky had passed over part of his stomach and he had also received severe injuries to his head. After receiving treatment he was conveyed home in an unconscious condition. On inquiry last night we were informed that but slight hopes are entertained of his recovery.

The Orange Leader - 9/4/1924: Captain-Chaplain F. Colwell.

Captain-Chaplain F. Colwell, formerly station at Orange, died yesterday from illness contracted in Gallipoli. He was aged 66. The news of Mr Colwell's death will be received with great regret throughout Orange and surrounding districts. Additional to many mental advantages he had a fine presence and a sympathetic manly manner that won him widespread respect. (Frederick Colwell)

The Orange Leader - 5/11/1928: Obituary - Mr Joseph Fell.

After an illness extending only over a few days the death occurred on Saturday morning of Mr Joseph Fell, of Borenore at the age of 59 years. The deceased was born at Rockley near Bathurst and came to Orange about 14 years ago. He later moved to Borenore, where he was well-known and respected. He leaves a widow and a family of one son and one daughter who are Miss Mary Fell (at home) and Mr Ernest Fell (of Tottenham). Mr Alfred Fell of Rockley, is a brother of the deceased and Mesdames Andrews (Mudgee); Neil (Kandos); Neil (Rockley) and P. Ryan (Brownlee, Rockley) are sisters. Mrs John Fell of 31 Prince Street, is a sister-in-law, from whose residence the funeral left yesterday afternoon for St. Joseph's Church and thence to the Roman Catholic portion of the Orange cemetery. The graveside service was conducted by the Rev. Father Slechin. Mrs F. Ford and son had charge of the funeral arrangements.

The Orange Leader -22/2/1929: Obituary - Sister Catherine Gallagher.

The death occurred at the Queanbeyan Hospital on Tuesday of Sister Catherine Gallagher daughter of the late Mr and Mrs James Gallagher former well-known residents of Orange. Miss Gallagher was born in Orange 37 years ago and was educated at the Convent of Mercy, leaving school she commenced a nursing career

and completed her training at St. Vincent's Hospital, Sydney, where she gained the A.T.N.A. Certificate in 1915. During the outbreak of pneumonia influenza she gave valuable service at the Orange Hospital following which she commenced private nursing and proved herself most capable and obliging. Leaving Orange she went to Gilgandra as sister in charge of the Hospital. From there Sister Gallagher went to Queanbeyan about five months ago. Her fitness was only of a brief duration and her death will be regretted by a large circle of friends. The funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon. Requiem mass was celebrated at the Good Samaritan Convent at which the surviving members of her family were present with the exception of her sister the Rev. Mother Brigid of Carterton, New Zealand. Following a service in the church the interment took place in the Roman Catholic portion of the Queanbeyan cemetery. Both at the church and at the graveside were the nurses in uniform from the hospital where Sister Gallagher was loved and respected. She is survived by three sister and two brothers. The sisters are Rev. Mother Brigid; Mrs Pat Matthews (Parramatta); Miss Annie Gallagher (Burrowa) and the brothers John (Orange) and James (Ganmin).

The Orange Leader - 22/2/1929: Obituary - Mrs Patrick O'Dea.

Residents of the Orange and Forest Reefs districts will regret to hear of the death at Homebush a few days ago of Mrs O'Dea relict of the late Mr Patrick O'Dea, who predeceased her about two years ago. Deceased was a native of the district and resided for many years with her parents, Mr & Mrs Mallon at Cudal. On the death of Mr Mallon the family removed to Orange, the widow soon after taking over the license of the Central Hotel and a few years later removed to Forest Reefs, where she became the licenses of the Royal Hotel. This was many years ago but the family are well remembered by the older residents of the town. Deceased lived for a long period in Orange before leaving, about ten years ago to reside in Sydney. Mrs O'Dea paid many visits back to Forest Reefs where her daughter Mrs Walter Hooper had settled down and where she was known and respected by the whole community. She possessed a most artistic temperament and was naturally gifted and very accomplished. Hers was a fine Christian character and many friends and acquaintances testify to her kindness and worth in sickness or in trouble. Mrs O'Dea was ever willing to lend a helping hand and for this reason her memory will be referred wherever she was known, while the sympathy of the whole community will be extended to the bereaved relatives. Mr O'Dea the well-known motor cycle speed rider is a son. Mrs Hooper journeyed to Sydney to attend the funeral.

The Orange Leader - 24/6/1929: Personal - Mr John Thomas Keating.

The death occurred last week at the age of 72 years of Mr John Thomas Keating formerly Under Secretary for Lands in New South Wales. In 1902 Mr Keating was appointed chairman of the local Land Board at Orange and he served also in that capacity at Tamworth and Wagga. He became chief inspector of the Lands Department in 1911 and Assistant Under-Secretary in the following year. In 1920 he was appointed Under-Secretary for Lands and he retired two years later.

The Orange Leader - 1/5/1936: Journalists Death - Mr John Alfred Porter.

Formerly with "Leader". The death is reported of a formerly well-known westerner, the journalist Mr John Alfred Porter, aged 66 under tragic circumstances. Mr Porter was at one time a partner in the "Leader" proprietary. On Tuesday night, at Darwin, he swallowed a poisonous mixture in error. He had been suffering from malaria. Mr Porter was a native of Wellington and as well as being a partner in the "Leader"

proprietary about 26 years ago or more, he was at an earlier time a part proprietor of the Wellington "Gazette" which was founded by his father. After severing connection with the "Leader" he owned a farm at Summer Hill Creek and conducted the Trundle "Times."

The Orange Leader - July 1936: Obituary - Mr Denis Devane.

Mr Denis Devane: Aged 85 years, Mr Denis Devane of 92 Dalton Street and formerly of Kerr's Creek, died at the Base Hospital on Wednesday. A native of Ireland, Mr Devane retired in recent years from grazing and his reputation as a top shearer remains. He was a man of unbounded generosity, liked and respected by everyone and his death will cause a sense of loss to a great many. His wife predeceased him by two or three years only, and their only son passed away about 10 years ago. A brother Corneilus, also died with recent years and one brother, Mr Jack Devane of Dalton Street, survives. The funeral will take place to-day at 11.30 a.m. from St. Joseph's Church, Mr P. J. McGowan carrying out the arrangements.

The Orange Leader - 27/6/1938: Obituary - Mrs Sarah Jane Hine.

After a short illness there died at the home of her sister at Bexley (Howarth 45 Princes St., Bexley) recently at the age of 77 years. Mrs S.J. Hine relict of Mr Richard Hine, of Oakey Victoria. Her death has removed from our midst a member of a pioneering family of Wattle Flat, Millthorpe and Lewis Ponds. She was predeceased by her parents Mr William and Mrs Jane Dunlop Lewis Ponds; two brothers, Messrs William (Rydal) and George (Cobar) and two sisters Mrs Taylor (Bexley) and Mrs J.W. Christopherson (lower Lewis Ponds). Two sisters Mrs W.R. Wenban (Orange) and Mrs R. Howarth (Bexley) survive. Mrs Hine had resided in Orange for many years where she conducted a fruit and confectionery business in Summer Street. She had made many friends and was liked by all who knew her.

The Orange Leader - 4/7/1938: Obituary: Mrs Eunice Harbutt.

The funeral took place on Saturday of Mrs Eunice Harbutt wife of Mr P.H. Harbutt, of "Rahirl" Orange and Cremorne, who died suddenly in Sydney on Friday. Pneumonia following a slight attack of bronchitis was the cause of her demise. Mrs Harbutt was well known in Orange and district for she was associated with the Orange branch of C.W.A. and other charitable organisations. She was a daughter of Lady Barlow and was born 51 years ago. She is survived by a husband and one daughter, Lucy. The remains were cremated at North Sydney.

The Orange Leader - 1/9/1939: Miss Marjorie McClymont.

Close friends of Miss Marjorie McClymont honoured her with a farewell party at the home of Mrs Baker of Margaret Road, Orange this week as she is leaving soon for Sydney to take up nursing. In this Miss Marjorie McClymont is following the footsteps of her sister, Hazel. Mr Baker in a sincere speech wished her continued happiness and success. He handed to her a small gift on behalf of those present. In her response, Miss McClymont thanked her friends for their kind thoughts and expressions of good-will. Those present included Mr & Mrs McClymont and sons Bob and Colin; Mr & Mrs Baker and their son Jim (who is home on vacation from the University); Mr & Mrs George Hawke and their daughter Lorna; Mr & Mrs F. Brand and their daughter Margaret and Jennifer.

The Orange Leader - 11/9/1939: Personal.

Grace eldest daughter of Mr & Mrs Mark Tucker, of "Innaminna" Nyngan was married to John eldest son of Mr & Mrs J. Heckendorf of Orange at St. John's Church of England, Wellington on Saturday. She was attended by Misses Laurel England and Dorothy Heckendorf as bridesmaids and Heath and Milton Tucker as train-bearers. Mr Frank Heckendorf and Mr Colin Tucker attended the groom.

The Orange Leader - 13/9/1939: Obituary Mr Joseph Arter.

Yesterday afternoon the funeral took place of Mr Joseph Arter known in Orange and district as a Hawker, who died at Base Hospital on Monday at the age of 70 years. After a service at St. Joseph's Church, his remains were interred in the Catholic portion of the Orange Cemetery. Mr P.J. McGowan carried out the mortuary arrangements. (Unmarked Grave Orange Cemetery) *The Orange Leader*: 4/12/1912: Licensing Court. A Hawkers license was granted to Joseph Arter. An application for an auctioneer's license was refused.

The Orange Leader - 15/9/1939: Mr A.J. Ralph.

Mr A.J. Ralph, a senior clerk of the Lands Department, who has been stationed at the Orange Lands Office for the past seven years, recently suffered a breakdown in health. Mr Ralph has been in the Lands Department for thirty one years and has seen service in various parts of the State. His war service included Egypt and France, where he suffered severe wounds and his health was undermined by the after-effects of gas poisoning. He has now been retired from the Public Service and at a farewell function, his fellow officers presented him with suitable gifts. He left for Sydney and will be resident in the Hurstville district.

The Orange Leader – 8/4/1942: Obituary: Mrs Ada L. Hubbard.

"She was true Christian woman". Those words, spoken by the Rev. A.G. Halliday, at the graveside of Mrs Ada Louisa Hubbard, mirrored the beauty of a life of one of the finest women who ever lived in Orange. Without ostentation, Mrs Hubbard during the many years she resided here, guided organisations that have as their ideals the self-sacrifice of women that the welfare of others might be served. News of her death came as a sudden shock to her relatives and friends and her funeral on Saturday afternoon was testimony of the love the citizens of Orange bore her. A daughter of the late Mr & Mrs Hutchinson, Mrs Hubbard was born at Copeland near Gloucester 67 years ago. For a time she was at Sofala and at the age of 18 married Mr Francis Frederick Hubbard who died about three years ago. They started life together at Bundalah near Euchareena, later acquiring "Mount Pleasant" near to their old home. Thirty years ago they came to Orange, their first home being "Llanello" which is now Croagh Patrick Orphanage. When they moved into town, they built "Miltiades" the lovely Hill Street home. At the time of her death Mrs Hubbard was president of Holy Trinity Women's Guild, the Base Hospital Women's Auxiliary and she also held prominent positions in the C.W.A. Benevolent Society, Red Cross Society; R.S.L. Auxiliary, Comforts Fund and Croquet Club. Mrs Hubbard attracted people towards herself because of her splendid ideals, her personality and her good works. She is survived by two sons, Cr Frank Hubbard of the Macquarie Shire Council, Wellington and Mr George Hubbard (Manilla) and two daughter Rita (Mrs A.A. Stanford "Glenroy" Store Creek) and Winnie (Mrs Alister Mutton of Cremorne). Fourteen grandchildren also survive. Representatives of all organisations with which she was associated, as well as many other citizens, attended her funeral directed by Mrs F. Ford and Sons.

The Orange Leader - 3/8/1942: Obituary - Mr Alfred Warren.

The death occurred of Mr Alfred Warren at the age of 83 years on Friday night. He was a native of Victoria, but for many years was a farmer in the Riverina district. Mr Warren was also for a number of years at Parkes, where he was well-known and highly respected. For the past few years he had been residing at Orange. He leaves a widow and family of one son and two daughters. Viz: Mr Ralph Warren (Orange); Mrs A. Giles (Narrabri) and Mrs Gibson (Henry) and five grandchildren, also one brother in Western Australia and one sister Mrs E. Linton (Victoria). His funeral left Holy Trinity Church yesterday and the interment was in the Church of England portion of the Orange cemetery. The Rev. A.G. Halliday officiated at the church and at the graveside. Mr A. McGrath had charge of the mortuary arrangements.

The Orange Leader - 3/8/1942: Obituary: Mr James Dalton Casey.

The death occurred in Sydney on Saturday of Mr James Dalton Casey a very old and respected resident of the March and Bathurst districts at the age of 82 years. For 25 years he was an employee of the Bathurst Experimental Farm and a quarter of a century ago moved to Orange district where he took up an orchard property at March. He had spent the greater portion of his life in the Bathurst district, where he was well-known by the sobriquet of Geordle. Keenly interested in agricultural societies. Mr Casey never missed an Orange Show where was a successful exhibitor. The orchard property is now carried on by his son, Mr Jim Casey. Mr Casey was also a very keen gunman, especially in his pursuits of the elusive quail and his pointer dogs, of which he was extremely proud, were known far and wide for their prowess. He was a good judge of this particular breed of dog and his advice on them was sought by many. As a young man he took an active interest in football and all forms of athletics and in later years hardly missed a game of cricket. He took an active interest in his orchard property until about six months ago, when he left for Sydney owing to failing health. He is survived by a widow three sons and two daughters. Viz: Messrs Eric (Waverley), Norman (Five Dock) and Jim (March) Mrs Mat Hicks (Orange) and Mrs Ware Ham (Waverley). One daughter predeceased him by two years. Mrs Peer, Mrs Harrison and Mrs Williams of Sydney are sisters. He also leaves 14 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. The remains will be cremated at Botany today (Monday).

The Orange Leader - 28/7/1944: Mr Edmund William Maidment.

Mr Edmund William Maidment who some years ago conducted a motor garage business in Summer Street, died on Monday at St. George District Hospital Sydney. He was 75 years of age. His son has a motor garage at Forbes.

The Orange Leader - 28/7/1944: Obituary: Mrs F. Manwaring.

Mrs F. Manwaring who died at the home of her daughter Mrs L. Lowry at Wentworthville on 18th July, after a very long and painful illness from which she had been confined to her bed for the past eight months, was for many years a resident of Orange. She made her home in this town in 1925 with her son, Mr C. Manwaring and remained in Orange until December, 1943, when she went to reside in Albury. During the 18 years she was in Orange she made many friends by her kindly and courteous manner and they will learn of her passing with feelings of sincere regret. Mrs Manwaring was a widow her husband having predeceased her by 31 years.

She is survived by one son, Chris late of Orange and now of Albury and three daughters, Mildred (Mrs L. Lowry Wentworthville) who nursed her mother during her illness; Edna (Mrs E. Court of Willoughby) and Muriel (Mrs W. Fitzgerald, of Cowra). The last mentioned lived in Orange for many years and is married to Mr W. Fitzgerald manager of Moran and Cato at Cowra, who is a member of the well-known Pinnacle Road family of that name. (Florence Manwaring husband Alfred Manwaring).

Central Western Daily - 28/10/1946: Former Orange Boy Weds At Brisbane.

A very pretty wedding took place at Holy Trinity Church of England, The Valley, Brisbane, recently of Alice Elizabeth second daughter of Mr & Mrs Vic Vaughan of Bullmba Brisbane to Sergeant Colin Arthur Batch, eldest son of Mr & Mrs A. G Blatch of Lithgow (formerly of Edward Street, Orange). The bride entered the church on the arm of her father looking radiant in a gown of pearl satin with full-length veil and a coronet of orange blossom and carried a Paris meded bouquet of carnation roses and astalias. The bride was attended by her sister Jean and friend Beryl Wherenat who were dressed alike in apple green figured frocks and carried Paris model bouquets of autumn trimmings. The bridegroom was attended by two of his friends Sergeant Henry Barnart and Sergeant Jack Strickfuss of A.I.F. The reception was held at the bride's home, where many guests were received by Mrs Vaughan dressed in a pink frock with dark accessories and shoulder spray of pale pink carnations. She was assisted by Mrs Blatch in a cinnamon frock with brown accessories and shoulder spray of carnations. Many beautiful presents were received and many telegrams came from Sydney, Brisbane, Taree and Orange. Pride of place on the bridal table was given to the lovely three-tier diamond-shaped wedding cake. The bride chose a royal blue frock with navy and white accessories when leaving for Nossa Heads to spend their honeymoon. Their future home will be in Orange, where the bridegroom spent his school days and worked at the Western Stores for some years.

The Orange Leader - 8/5/1948: Three Brothers Die In Five Months.

The death took place at his residence, Bondi, yesterday of Mr William H. Couldwell, a former well-known identity of Orange. He was the third member of the family to die during the past five months, George and Sid having predeceased him in that time. The Couldwell family with their late mother resided in Orange for many years and eventually went to Sydney to make their home in various suburbs. Mr William Couldwell was closely identified with the old Australian Workers' Union office, then located where the Memorial Hall now stands. The secretary of the union was the late Mr Ike Smith another well-known resident. The other members of the family conducted a lucrative fruit and confectionery business in Anson Street, opposite the Methodist Church. All were popular residents. Mrs Jim Roberts of March Street, Orange is now the only surviving member. George Edward Couldwell: died 26/1/1948. Sydney Couldwell: died 7/3/1948. William Henry Couldwell: died 6/5/1948

Central Western Daily - 6/3/1950: Obituary - Mrs L. McMillan.

A former well-known and highly esteemed resident of Orange for many years, Mrs Lydia Harriett McMillan, died at East Hills, Sydney on Monday last in her 70th year. Mrs McMillan, whose maiden name was Anderson, was born at Golden Gully, Hill End, on June 10, 1880 and she was married to Mr Angus McMillan at the Bathurst Presbyterian Church on January 25, 1902. Mr McMillan was connected with the Railway Department at Orange for many years, retiring seven years ago when he

and his wife made their home in Sydney. In addition to her husband Mrs McMillan is survived by eight sons and four daughters. Mrs N. Cunich of Nashdale, is a daughter and Mr Phil McMillan of Beard's Lane, Forest Road, Orange is the eldest son. The remains were interred in the Rookwood cemetery on Wednesday. (died 6/3/1950)

Central Western Daily - 30/5/1951: Well-known Properties Change Hands.

William Thompson's Agency of Lord's Place, Orange, report the sales of a number of important properties during recent months. Since the sale of "Avonlea" Manildra on March 17, which realised 28pounds an acre, direct sales by this enterprising firm included the following: "Sunrise," Byng; "Millbank" Springside; "Bloomfield" Orange (which had been in the Moulder name for 114 years); "Llangawarra" Orange; "Cambourne" Orange; "Totness" Mumbil; "Avondale" Orange; "Moyne" Canowindra and several un-named and small holding. "Avondale" the well-known property on the March Road, was sold on account of Mr Ken Brown to Mr Reg. Crowe, of Hermidale. "Avondale" was in the one family for more than 50 years. "Moyne" is the picturesque property at Canowindra at which the Governor-General, Mrs McKell and daughter were entertained on their recent visit to Canowindra when Mr McKell officially opened the Memorial Baths. The reception was held at "Moyne" homestead and the distinguished visitors were guests of the owners, Mr & Mrs C.J. Brown. The purchaser was a Sydney solicitor. In addition to these sales, William Thompson's Agency sold Lynworth Guest House, Byng Street, account Mr & Mrs Pitt, to Mr A. Skaines of Canobolas. Homes sold at prices ranging from 1,200pounds to 9,000pounds.

Central Western Daily - 24/8/1956: Remembers Old Mill.

A Sydney woman, who was born near Orange, celebrated her hundredth birthday early this month. She is Mrs Mary Ellen (Nellie) Townley, of Chatswood. Mrs Townley was born at Narramble, three miles from Orange, August 7, 1856 and her birth was one of the early registrations at Orange Court House. She was a daughter of Thomas O'Dea, a mounted constable who was stationed at Narramble, then a busy settlement. Templer's Mill, the ruins of which still stand, was then a hive of industry supplying flour to miners at the Ophir diggings. The mill ceased operations in 1869, and Mrs Townley is probably the only persons still living who can remember seeing the old mill working. Both Mrs Townley's parents came from Ireland. She was the third child of the marriage. Her father resigned from the police force and conducted the first bakery in Orange. Mrs Townley was born about 20 years before the railway came to Orange and made many trips as a girl in Cobb & Co coaches. The family later lived in Sydney and Mrs Townley remembers bullock wagons passing along George Street on their way to Circular Quay. (The Australian poet, Andrew Barton (Banjo) Paterson, was also born at Narrambla. He was born on February 17, 1864 in Mr Templer's home near the mill - R.C.S.)