



ORANGE FAMILY HISTORY GROUP NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2016

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

A reminder that the 2016 the Annual Conference of NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies to be held at Camden NSW from Friday, 9 September till Sunday 11 September 2016 www.cowpasturesandbeyond.com.au

We're really looking forward to being there as it will give us a great opportunity to talk about the **2017** Conference that will be held here in Orange 22-24 September. With a theme of *Your family story: telling recording and preserving* we will offer keynotes, plenary sessions and workshops focussing on a range of topics including; writing, publishing and e-publishing, use of social media, the inclusion of pictorial material, copyright, conservation and preservation.

We've already started planning in a BIG way and next newsletter there will be a wealth of information about how you can be involved.

PICTURE DATING TOOL - COMING SOON

The State Library is partnering with *Inside History* magazine to create a unique photo-dating tool – the first of its kind in Australia – which will transform the way genealogists and family historians trace their ancestors.

Inside History magazine received grant funding from Arts NSW to create a new website, built on the expertise of Library staff and its rich collections, to assist users to date family photographs based on how we dress!

Up to 200 images from the State Library's diverse collections (including paintings, drawings, miniatures, silhouettes, engraving and photographs) dating from 1788 to 1955,

will be arranged in a chronological timeline and form the visual centrepiece for the website.

This core set of downloadable images will be supported by an impeccably researched reference guide, developed by the State Library's dress and cultural historian Margot Riley. The images will be accompanied by a step-by-step guide to dating images based on clothing and jewellery worn and the style of portraiture.

Help with dating images is one of the most common requests *Inside History* magazine receives from readers. It is hoped that this highly anticipated free resource will not only assist individuals, but also help history societies and public libraries across the state date photographs in their own collections, which will ultimately enhance our collective heritage.

The new website is expected to be launched early next year. The Library and *Inside History* magazine will be inviting the community to help come up with a name for the website. More information will be provided in the coming newsletters.

HILL END FAMILY HISTORY OPEN DAY - A GOLDMINE OF INFORMATION

Come along to the Hill End Family History Open Day
Saturday 27th August 2016
11am – 4pm at Royal Hall, Hill End, NSW



PROGRAM

11am – 4pm

Fossick for your goldfields roots

Free entry

There will be a display of resources and family portraits in the Hall. Volunteers will be on hand to assist

2pm

Launch of the updated website by Bathurst Regional Council Mayor, Gary Rush

3pm

Talk by Virginia Hollister on the multi-talented Captain Augustus “Gus” Baker Peirce, who brought his Varieties Tent theatre to Hill End in 1872. He is believed to have painted a mural over the fireplace in the bar parlour of the 1871 sandstone Bridge Hotel in Rylstone. While he was there, this larger than life character turned his hand to many undertakings, acting, mining, surveying and often paid his bills with his artwork

Further details available from Lorraine Purcell

Hill End and Tambaroora Gathering Group

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**LYDIA KATHLEEN PENDER nee PODGER
CHILDREN'S AUTHOR**

I have always been proud of my Aunty Lydia. Fancy having a real author and poet in your family!

Lydia wrote so many children's books over the years, including '*Morning, Magpie*', '*Barnaby and the Horses*', '*Barnaby and the Rocket*' and poems including '*Marbles in my Pocket*', '*The Land and the Spirit*', written in conjunction with Kilmeny Niland and '*Poems to read to Young Australians*' written in conjunction with Mary Gilmore.

We had to keep in mind that Lydia was no doubt just following her Paternal Grandmother Ada Jane Podger nee Hoyle, who was also a poet and had many of them published.

Ada Jane left many of these poems, which have been noted in our Podger Family Tree.

I spent years reading Lydia's poems to my children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. They were always favourite books for bedtime stories.

When Lydia was living in a retirement village in Sydney, I spent a day with her and she was very happy to share with me all her books. She was born in England and was anticipating her 100th birthday celebrations from Queen Elizabeth. Unfortunately she passed away before her 100th birthday.

I was also honoured by having a poem written by Lydia after I had sent a letter to my grandmother regarding my job at the Canobolas State Forest Nursery. It was winter and we had snow and ice on all the pine trees both mature and seedlings. It was truly stunning. My grandmother forwarded my letter on to Lydia. As a result she wrote the following poem which appeared in her book *Morning Magpie*:

POEMS FOR ALL OCCASIONS!

Prompt delivery guaranteed.

You merely supply us with the
small seed of an idea. We
return it as a fully-grown
poem.

Kindly state whether you require
two, three or four stanzas.
For longer poems a small sur-
charge must be made for each
extra verse.

STATE FOREST IN WINTER

I walked between the rows of pines,
Each one as tall as I.
As neat and straight as toys they stood,
And pointed at the sky.

As neat and stiff and straight as toys,
In serried rows they stood;
And I was Gulliver, and strode
A Lilliputian wood!

Their needle-leaves were tipped with ice
That caught the winter sun,
And shone like tiny tinsel stars
(I picked and tasted one).

Their needle-leaves were tipped with ice.
The wind among them crept.
They shook like silver bells, and chimed
So sweet, I all but wept.

And though July had scarce begun,
I knew, and joyed to see,
Christmas was come to Lilliput,
And hung from every tree.

Lydia Pender.

I grew up in Hunters Hill Sydney, only a few streets away from Lydia Pender. My best friend 'Bev' lived next door the Pender family. Bev became a school teacher and librarian in Canowindra. She approached Lydia to see if she would come to the school to help them celebrate Children's Book Week. Lydia stayed with us overnight. Two of my children attended Orange Public School so she visited their school for Book Week as well. I recall that she also visited the Orange City Library for Book Week also.

Another prized addition to my family tree is a document written by Lydia during World War II. Her family was living in the East End of London during the war and it is a very interesting story written from a child's perspective. The family immigrated to Sydney Australia in 1921 where their father set up a white lead (paint) works, which later was known as BALM Paints.

Marie Cousins (nee Podger)

MY STORY – SIBLING SEARCH

This story is a true record of events which I have proven in many ways. In 1928 my mother Vida Amelia Tranter was 21, single and living with her parents in Bigga where everyone knew everyone else and the young folk, who were many, had a very social lifestyle with woolshed dances, concerts, picnics and other social gatherings.

My grandmother ran a boarding house for itinerant workers in the area, with help from her two daughters Vida and Rita. Among the boarders was the man who would become my father, George McDonald, recently returned from WWI, working on a road gang building the road from Bigga to Reid's Flat. My mother was always fascinated with him and vowed that one day she would marry that man with the funny eyes.

In 1928 Vida found she was pregnant; I am certain that George was the father of her child. To escape the wrath of a very strict father my Mum left Bigga in January 1928 and went to Orange where she was employed, with other single pregnant girls, as a tray-maid at a large private hospital, to await the births of their babies at St Agnes Private Hospital, East Orange.

St Agnes Maternity Hospital was run by a young Catholic lady, Nurse Morgan. There was a thriving Catholic Welfare Society in Orange at the time that gave these newborn babies to young childless Catholic couples who went straight down to the Court House and registered the birth under their name. There was supposedly no record anywhere of the real birth mother.

When my mother returned to Bigga she and my prospective father continued their relationship. In 1934 - when she once again found herself pregnant - they rushed off to Crookwell and got married, and I was born five months later. When I was six years old we moved to Orange where two of my father's sisters were married to local graziers and he secured a job as a wardsman at Bloomfield Hospital.

Mum used to keep a birthday book in which she wrote birthdays of people she knew and made notes of significant events. It was in this book that I found a beautiful glossy card with a lovely poem to "My Son" telling him how much she missed him, so I am sure her first child was a boy. Giving her first-born away and spending a lot of her life searching for him influenced my mother's life till she died. I now understand how much she suffered but wish she had trusted me enough to share her pain – we might have found my older brother.

So despite years of searching, I have still not found my sibling who has probably lived his life totally ignorant of the fact that he was not born to the couple who raised him, but to a

frightened single girl from Bigga. He has missed being a part of our family and I have missed having a brother of my own – being an only child is lonely.

A few years ago the Federal Government held a Senate Inquiry into babies that were taken from their single mothers during the 1950s to 1970s and given to young couples to raise – so I wrote this story and sent it to Mr Laverty, CEO of Catholic Health. He was so surprised to know that this sort of thing was happening as far back as the 1920s that he used my story in his opening speech to the inquiry. I received a lot of feedback from this effort, but did not find my brother.

After the Senate Inquiry it was announced that all the birth certificates of these babies, were now available to look at.

So, after finding an entry in Mum's little birthday book that "could" have been the date of the birth of her baby, I applied to the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages (BDM) for a three month search to be done to find his birth certificate.

That was when I hit the first snag - I had to supply proof of my relationship with the birth mother, proof of her birth/marriage/death etc. which I did. Three weeks later I was advised by BDM that firstly I had to apply to the Department of Family Services (DOCS to be given the right to "inherit my mother's knowledge" of her baby because the birth certificate could include the names of the couple who adopted the baby.

So I printed out all the forms I received from DOCS, filled them all in, copied all the relevant certificates again and, with a cheque for the required fee of \$35, posted them all off again. The only result so far is a receipt for the \$35 – nothing else.

So it goes on... I look forward to the day that I can finish this story on a high note but am afraid that will never happen.

Postscript, May 2016.

It seems that this story will not finish on a high note. Earlier this month I received a phone call from one of the Executive Staff at DOCS to tell me that they still had on file my original inquiry made back in 2012, plus all the evidence of my submission to the Senate Inquiry, plus my earlier application for a search to be done, and that they had once again done a thorough search of births in June, July and August 1928 and could find no baby's birth registered to my mother in various names I suggested she might have used.

They came to the conclusion that I already had - and that is that the baby was taken from my mother by the Catholic Welfare Society and given to a young childless Catholic couple who went down to the Orange Court House, registered it in their names and raised the child as theirs.

He sympathised with me but assured me that my file will remain open in the remote chance that they may get an application from some family to find the real mother of their grandfather etc.

So my search is over. I will never be able to put this final entry into my family history files and I will never know my brother or his family.

Vera Pickford, June 2016

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

The Orange Leader - 29/10/1909: Mr John Ellis.

Byng. Our correspondent writes - The sad duty devolves upon us to have to record the death of Mr John Ellis one of our oldest and most highly esteemed residents, which sad even occurred at his residence on Wednesday evening, at the advanced age of 81 years. The cause of death was due to an internal complaint. Born in Cornwall in 1828, the deceased followed the occupation of a miner and worked in the tin mines of his native country till about 20 years of age when he left for Ireland. After some two years spent there he immigrated to Australia and followed his occupation in all the colonies, including New Zealand. He spent several years on the diggings at Bendigo and Ballarat and was a participant in the riot at the latter place in 1854. When copper was discovered in this district some 45 years ago, at what is known as Karangara, Mr Ellis was amongst the first to work here and his resided here even since. The place was then known as Cornish settlement. Of late years he gave up mining and went in for grazing. Full of reminiscences of his early life in the colonies and being of a humorous turn of mind, the deceased was very interesting in his narrative and the writer has spent many a pleasant hour in his company. Marrying late in life the widow of the Wm Bennett, the deceased left no issue. His step-children being Messrs Wm; Sam and James Bennett and Mesdames W. Harvey; J. Wright (Byng) Horspall (March). The interment took place on Thursday interment took place on Thursday evening in the local cemetery, the funeral being largely attended. Rev. Burns of Spring Hill officiated at the graveside. The mortuary arrangements were carried out by Mr Ford of Orange. To the widow and relatives of the deceased we tender our sincerest sympathy.

The Orange Leader -8/11/1920: Personal: A pretty wedding.

A pretty wedding was solemnized in the Church of England, Barry on 28th October, when Arthur Ernest son of Mr and Mrs Smart, of Wyandotte, Trangie and Gladys Hannah, eldest daughter of the late Mr W.J. Cheney and Mrs Cheney of Glenlomond, Barry, were united in the hold bonds of matrimony.

The Orange Leader - 4/1/1924: Mrs Sarah Lee.

The death occurred on December, 27th 1923 at the residence of her daughter (Mrs J. D. Hodgson) 706 New Canterbury Road, Hurlston Park, of Sarah relict of the late J.W. Lee late of Orange and Wyalong aged 86 years. The deceased lady will be well remembered by an earlier generation. She was an English woman a native of Brixton Surrey and arrived in Australia in the year after the conclusion of the war with Russia. Afterwards she lived in the Braidwood district and came to Orange in 1874. Her husband Mr J.W. Lee died about fifteen or sixteen years ago. For a long time Mr Lee was in business at the corner of Summer and Anson Street. Mrs Lee was a quiet gentle woman too modest and retiring to have any part in public matters, but was a good worker for Holy Trinity Church in her day. For about six years she had been an invalid but old age was the prime cause of her demise. The family comprises Messrs A.S. Lee, Orange; W.M. Lee, Sydney; Mrs Hodgson, Sydney; Mrs Mansfield; Mrs James and Miss Trix Lee.

The Orange Leader - 2/3/1928: Obituary - Mr R.L. Hoey.

Many residents of Orange will be grieved to learn of the death in Waluku New Zealand of Mr Reuben Leslie Hoey, a native of Springside at the age of 52 years from Bright's disease. His death came as a great shock, occurring very suddenly. He was a headmaster of Mauku School and officiated as umpire at a cricket match the day prior to his death. On returning home he felt ill and a doctor ordered his removal to the Waluku hospital and it was while he was being transported there the following day that he suddenly became worse and died. Deceased was well known in Orange in his youth. He fought through the Boer War and on his return went to New Zealand, where he took up school teaching, marrying a New Zealand girl. He was headmaster of the Aka Aka school for three years prior to his being transferred to Mauku. There he endeared himself to the townspeople and the children and his sudden death plunged the community into mourning. He was also a Freemason. The Waluku "News" written regretfully of the community's loss and stated that the funeral was very impressive, cortege and insularly and beautiful wreaths covering the coffin. At the graveside in the Waluku cemetery a Masonic ceremony took place. The flag was down halfmask at the school, and that institution was closed for two days in mourning. Besides the sorrowing widow and only daughter Tassie May, he leaves to mourn his loss two brothers Mr W. Hoey (Springside) and Cr S.A. Hoey (Canobolas Shire) and one sister Mrs Potter who is a resident of Orange. (Book - Orange Remembers Boer War 1899-1902 by Heather Nicholls -Reuben Leslie Hoey page 128)

The Orange Leader - 13/4/1928: Obituary - Mr Joseph Kelly.

Death claimed yet another victim of the Great War, on Wednesday night, when Mr Joseph Kelly, after a long illness, passed peacefully away at his residence Lord's Place. Only 30 years of age, deceased was son of Mr and Mrs J.J. Kelly of Lismore, at which centre he was born. He entered the telegraphic service of the N.S.W. Postal Department, at an early age but left as soon as his years would permit to take his place at the front. Like many others, he returned a sufferer from an incurable malady, but he re-entered the telegraphic service and was sent to Orange, where he remained up to the time of his death and only relinquished his post a few weeks ago. Full of grit, Mr Kelly worked on gamely when many others would have quit and his reputation, as an officer of the department he served was one he could justly be proud of. An efficient operator, he was not only popular with all his fellow officers, but with all whom he become associated with. Having passed all necessary examinations deceased was competent to occupy a much more responsible position, but his weak state of health proved an insurmountable bar to further progress. Mr Kelly married Miss D. Clarke, at the time her father, Mr J. Clarke was licensee of the Central Hotel. Since selling their interests at Forbes some six weeks ago. Mr and Mrs Clarke have resided with their daughter proving a great comfort to her in her sad trouble. Besides a sorrowing widow, a little daughter, Mona, aged three years, is left to mourn the loss of a devoted father. An aged father and mother as well as a family of 11 brothers and sisters also survive him. Messrs Cliff; Charlie; Walter; Jim; Jack and Les are brothers and Mesdames Smith; Dunn; Brown and Miss Winnie Kelly all of Lismore, are sisters. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon leaving his late residence at 2.30 o'clock for St. Joseph's Church and thence to the R.C. portions of the Orange cemetery. The cortege was a lengthy one and a large and representative gathering was present at the graveside to pay their last respects to a worthy citizen. Mr P.J. McGowan had charge of the funeral arrangements.

The Orange Leader - 26/10/1928: Obituary - Mr William Henry Cochrane.

The death occurred at Millthorpe yesterday afternoon of Mr William Henry Cochrane, at the age of 72 years. Deceased came to Millthorpe with his son Ernest a few months ago when the latter purchased the license of the Grand Western Hotel. Two other sons and two daughters reside in Victoria while another daughter lives in Sydney. The last remains are to be taken to Sydney for burial. (William Andrew Cochrane)

Orange Leader – November 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); Nell (Kandos); Nell (Rockley) and P. Ryan ("Brownlee" Rockley) are sisters. Mrs John Fell of 98 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 Sheehan,

Mrs F. Ford and son had charge of the funeral arrangements.

The Orange Leader - 15/4/1931: Obituary - Nurse Glasson.

A member of an old pioneering family of this state passed away on Sunday when the death occurred in a hospital in Orange of Nurse Sarah Hannah Glasson, who had practiced her profession in Orange for 14 years. Deceased, who was 59 years of age had been ailing for some years. She was a native of "Tabach, Port Albert, Victoria and came to this state as a girl of 14, residing at Cambeilego prior to coming to Orange. Her father was a pioneer of the Cobar district. She was most highly esteemed and worked diligently for the Congregation Church, East Orange, as well as in her private practice. She was predeceased by her husband and four sons, but is survived by two daughters Mrs Morris of Hampden Ave, Lord's Place and Miss Glasson organist at St. Barnabas' Church of England, East Orange. Messrs William Leyshon Jones of Port Pirie and Evan William Jones of Arncliffe are brothers. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon, when the remains were interred in the Congregational portion of the Orange cemetery, after services conducted at the church and graveside by Rev. LH. Cocks. The mortuary arrangements were in the hands of Mrs Frank Ford and sons.

The Orange Leader - 17/4/1931: Obituary.

In the obituary notice concerning the late Nurse Glasson which was published in Wednesday's Leader "It was stated that the deceased lady was born at Port Albert, Victoria, whereas her birthplace was Port Talbot, South Wales England.

The Orange Leader - 20/4/1931: Obituary - Mr A.W. Leitner.

Old Orange friends of Mr Alois Wihelm Leitner will regret to hear of his death a few days ago at his home "Milton" Brisbane. The deceased was a native of Carlsbad and was educated at the University of Prague in Bohemla. He came to Australia in 1908 to fill the appointment of head brewer at Horsham Brewery (Vic) subsequently obtaining the position of brewer at the Orange brewery for Walker and Co. After a nine years residence in Orange in Kite Street and on his orchard property on the Molong Road, he was appointed head brewer for the Castlemine Brewery in Brisbane, which position he occupied until he took ill a few days before his death. He leaves a widow and grown up family. The late Mr Leitner was well-known for his generosity and although his interests were all in Australia, he was collaged to relinquish his position here through being an enemy subject when the Great War broke out in 1914. The deceased gentleman enjoyed a side measure of popularity and his hand was ever in his pocket to help those in need of assistance and his good deeds in this respect earned for him undying gratitude from many indigent Orange Families. A horticulturist in the truce sense of the word, his garden was one of the best in the district and a visit to it was always worthwhile. Mr Leitner was considered by those in a position to know, as some of the leading experts in the knowledge of up-to-date brewing methods in Australia.

The Orange Leader - 31/8/1931: New Hebrides. Ex-Orangeite Honoured.

By the last inward mail per the La Perbuse, news has been received by the parents, of Mr Finbar Harvey (a former resident of Orange in his juvenile days and an ex-pupil of St. Joseph's School) of conditions in the Hebrides group. Apart from general trading copra is the principal production of the islands. Owing to the competition in the output of palm and olive oils in other parts of the world, the price of copra has fallen on the market to such an extent that it does not pay to prepare it for sale. Depression is rife throughout the group. Little or no money circulates, but there is abundance of food and luscious fruits and vegetable of all varieties. After the volcanic eruption on the island of Ambrym, Mr Harvey established his principal trading station on the island of Epl, where he has installed a radio transmitting station and runs a service with Vila (the seat of the Condominium Government). From his station he can also talk to Fiji, New Zealand and any part of Australia and he hopes to get out further later on. In connection with the award of merit bestowed by the Government of France, for his part in rescue work during the eruption the French Resident Commissioner sent an official to present him with the medal a very fine piece of work specially cast with his name on the reverse side and below it the words. "Honour et Douvement" (honour and devotion) surmounted by a gold laurel wreath, through which the tri-colour riband is fastened. He is the only British subject in the group who has received a French decoration and the French people say that the order is more unique than the legion of honour, as it is never presented so freely as that of the legion and then only for some exceptional service.

The Orange Leader - 6/2/1933: Obituary - Mr J.E. Haworth.

Coming to Orange three weeks ago on a health trip. Mr John Evans Haworth, engineer to the Drummoyne Council, died at Dalton Street, on Saturday morning at the age of 24 years. Mr Haworth was no stranger to Orange, for at one time he was on the staff of the local branch of the Lands Department and served his articles as a surveyor under Mr E. E. Sampson of the department. He was born in Lancashire, England and came to Australia 20 years ago. At the outbreak of the war, Mr Haworth enlisted from Mudgee and returned to Australia to concentrate on the profession of engineering. After being with the Main Roads Board for some time, he secured a position with the Woolahra Council as assistant engineer and from there he went to Drummoyne to take control of that municipality's road works. Mr Haworth had not enjoyed good health for some time and during the three weeks he had been in Orange he was under the care of a trained nurse. He was a single man and is survived by his mother Mrs Gillibrand. The funeral took place yesterday and the Rev. J.E. Wallace officiated at the graveside in the Church of England portion of the Orange cemetery. The Drummoyne Council was represented by request by the Mayor of Orange (Ald Blowes) and Ald H.K.W. MacKenzie and there was a large number of local returned soldiers at the graveside. Mrs Frank Ford and sons had charge of the arrangements.

The Orange Leader - 10/9/1934: Personal.

The death is reported from Lewisham Hospital on Thursday, last of Sergeant Nathaniel Dougherty Clarke, who a few years ago retired from the police force at Orange, where he

had been stationed. The deceased officer leaves a widow and four daughters, a son (Edward) having died about three years ago. Sergeant Clarke was held in high esteem during his residence in Orange and also in Narromine, from which town he was transferred to Orange.

The Orange Leader - 30/4/1937: Personal.

One of the oldest Chinese gardeners in Orange. Mr George Sing died on Wednesday at the age of 74 years. Brother resides in Bathurst. His remains were interred in the Orange cemetery yesterday.

The Orange Leader - 14/2/1938:- Obituary - Mr Isador Henry Jones.

At the Manly Hospital on Friday the death occurred of a well-known former resident of Orange. Mr Isador Henry Jones, at the age of 70 years. He had been ill for about three weeks, Mr Jones was born in the Nyngan district, where with other members of the family he carried out farming and grazing pursuits. He married a Miss Simpson, who was a member of one of the best known families of Warren, owning a big property which was known as "The Cedars". When he came to Orange many years ago he took up land in the Clergate-Mullion Creek district and after retirement bought a home in Kite Street, where he and his wife resided for a lengthy period, before going to Manly about three years ago. Mr Jones was a very friendly man though of a retiring disposition and sympathy will go out to his bereaved family from a legion of friends in the city and country towns of the State. He is survived by a widow four sons James (Orange) Reginald (Orange), Cecil (Manly) and William (Coonamble) and two daughters Miss Meg Jones (Manly) and Mrs Eva Coates (Walget). One brother Mr Ern Jones and a step-brother Mr Ellis both of Queensland also survive. A sister, Mrs D. Sandeson who was well-known in Orange, predeceased him. Mrs G. Gulliver of Kite Street, Orange is a niece. Died 11/2/1938.

Central Western Daily - 20/10/1943: Mr Reginald Norman Hartas.

Mr Reginald Norman Hartas son of the late Mr and Mrs Joseph Hartas, among the earliest residents of the West End portion of Orange died at St. George Hospital Sydney on Saturday last at the age of 54 years. Mr Hartas in the early days assisted his father as lamp-lighter for the Orange Municipal Council, when a light attached to the end of a stick was carried around per horseback and each street lamp, which was a gas fishtail flare, was visited and lit and turned off again in the early morning hours. Deceased's father was a member of the Municipal gasworks staff and was also among the first of the volunteer fire brigade in the town. Four sisters are left. Mrs John Hutchinson of Byng Street Orange East is an aunt. (Died 16/10/1943 buried Woronora Cemetery).

Central Western Daily - 27/12/1945: Obituary - Mrs Rita Kissell.

The death occurred at the Base Hospital on Monday of Mrs Rita Jane Kissell at the age of 48 years. Mrs Kissell was a native of Ryde and had lived in Orange for the past 13 years. She had been a tireless worker for the Red Cross and the Australian Comforts Fund. In

addition to her husband (Mr Stephen Kissell) two sons and one daughter survive. Her remains were conveyed to Sydney for interment in the Field of Mars cemetery. Mr A. McGrath in charge of the arrangements.

Central Western Daily - 7/9/1946: Obituary - Mr John Kelly.

Mr John Kelly passed away at the Base Hospital yesterday at the age of 34 years. Mr Kelly was a native of Condobolin and had been living at Orange for some time. He was a soldier of World War 11 and leaves a sorrowing mother and one brother, Max (Mullion Creek) and one sister Mrs Moad (Yass). His funeral will leave A. McGrath's funeral parlours at 11 o'clock today (Saturday) for the Church of England portion of the Orange cemetery. Members of the R.S.S. and A.I.L.A are invited to attend his funeral.

Central Western Daily - 13/9/1946: Obituary - Mrs E.M. Traves.

The death occurred at Canowindra on August 20 of one of the district's oldest residents, Mrs Elizabeth Mary Traves wife of Mr Albert J. Traves, of "Rosebrook" Canowindra. Mrs Traves, who was a daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Alexander Campbell, was born at Meadow Creek, Orange in 1862 and was the last surviving member of her family. Of a kind and gentle disposition Mrs Traves was loved by all associated with her. She was well-known for her proficiency in cookery and needlework and for many years was a successful exhibitor at agricultural shows. Mrs Traves is survived by her husband six sons and one daughter.

Central Western Daily - 8/11/1949: Obituary - Mr J.J. Dalton.

After ailing for some months Mr James Joseph Dalton a native of Byng Street, Orange died at St. Vincent's Hospital Sydney on Saturday aged 64 years. He was the eldest son of the late Mr Michael J. Dalton a step-brother of the late Mr James Dalton one of the founders of Dalton Brothers who built Duntryleague in 1876. Mr and Mrs Michael Dalton lived for many years in Byng Street in the remodelled home now occupied by Mr and Mrs H.G. Toole, opposite St. Joseph's Church. Jim Dalton received his early education at the old Patrician Brother's school across the street from his home and later attended St. Stanislaus College Bathurst. For several years he was associated with the clerical staff at both Dalton Brothers store and the produce department and in later years he was the manager of Black Brothers' Store at Yeoval, he and Mr George Black being brothers-in-law. About seven years ago he removed to Sydney where he was connected with the staff of Prescotts Ltd until his death. Jim Dalton possessed a genial, friendly disposition and was esteemed by all who knew him especially those with whom he spent the greater part of his life in Orange. He married Miss Emily Hamilton a member of a well-known Cargo family and she and two daughters, Betty and Joan and one son, Bede are left to mourn their great loss. Mr Reg Dalton manager of Dalton Brothers mill is a brother. One brother and one sister, Gerald and Mary, predeceased him. Mrs Dalton and her family reside at 100 Clovelly Road, Clovelly from which the funeral will leave this morning.

Central Western Daily - 4/9/1953: Obituary - Mrs H.C. Burt.

A well-known and highly respected resident of Orange, Mrs Harriett Caroline Burt passed away at her residence Forest Road, at the age of 77 years. Mrs Burt was a native of Canada and had lived in Australia most of her life. She has been living at Orange for many years. Her husband predeceased her by eleven years. She leaves one son James Arthur Burt (Borenore) and three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Her funeral will leave A. McGrath's funeral parlours, today, Thursday for the Church of England portion of the Orange Cemetery. (Unmarked grave (X171 - Church of England section Orange cemetery - died 2/9/1953)

Central Western Daily - 14/2/1959: Obituary - Mr Stanley Morris.

The death occurred suddenly at his home Kulgoa Road, Woonona Beach, South Coast on the 29th January of Mr Stanley Morris at the age of 65 years. The late Mr Morris was known in the Blayney and Orange districts. He lived for 12 years in Blayney where life was as a member of the Show Society and Blayney Council, later moving to Icely Road, Orange until he retired from the Department of Railways in 1953 after 42 years' service in the signals branch. Mr Morris was born at Maitland and married Miss Dorothy Ranger of Sydney in 1915. He is survived by his widow and three children, Jack (Canberra); Gwen (Mrs Gwen Rodwell, Woonona Beach) and Elayne (Mrs Les Crook, Narromine, also two grandchildren Peter and Stephen. The funeral left Parson's funeral parlours Bulli for the Wornora Crematorium, and the Rev. R.K. Hobden conducted services.

HEADSTONES - ORANGE CEMETERY

The following headstones bear a different name to which they are registered in Births Deaths and Marriages.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SECTION

In loving memory of our dear sister Edith Matilda Finnie died 23/5/1963 aged 76 years. (Victoria B.D.M -Vitou Edith Matilda died Victoria 23/5/1963 - Father Robert Henry Finnie Mother Mary Ann (nee Smith). *Central Western Daily* - 28/5/1963 - Funeral Notice: Vitou - The relatives and friends of the late Edith Matilda Vitou of Glenroi Road, Horthorn, Melbourne loved sister of Mrs Alice Cantrill of Carneys Lance, Orange are kindly invited to attend her funeral to leave the Holy Trinity Church, Orange, after a service commencing today (Tuesday) and thence to the Church of England portion of the Orange Cemetery.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SECTION

In loving memory of a loving father and mother Sarah May Fitzpatrick died 14/10/1954 aged 66 years.(B.D.M.) - Lovelock Sarah May - 1954 - Campsie - *Central Western Daily*: 16/10/1954: Obituary - Mrs S.M. Lovelock. A well-known resident of Orange, Mrs Sarah May Lovelock, died in Sydney on Thursday at the age of 65 years. Mrs Lovelock

was a native of Orange and had spent most of her life in the district. She was twice married. Her first husband, the late Mr William Fitzpatrick predeceased her by several years. She is survived by her husband, four daughters and one son, Mrs Baker (Orange); Mrs Turner (Wiley Park); Mrs Horton (Auburn); Mrs Crooks (orange) William (Orange) There are 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Sister and brothers are Mrs Fieldus (Orange); Robert, David; Ern; Clive (Orange); George (Dubbo); Neville (Sydney). Her funeral will leave A. McGrath's funeral parlours today (Saturday) for Holy Trinity Church thence the Church of England portion of the Orange cemetery.

ROMAN CATHOLIC SECTION

In loving memory of Percy Edward Kinley - died 17/12/1916 aged 23 years. At Rest.(B.D.M.) Percy E Kinley - 7/12/1914 -The Orange Leader: 16/12/1914. The late Percy Edward Kinley, who passed away at Kangarooie last week was the son of George and the late Ellen Kinley, resident of Orange, and was the sixth child. His mother dying, when giving him birth, he was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Doherty, of Kangarooie. There are three sisters and two brothers living, viz., Mrs. E. Thompson (Manly), Mrs. Farrington (Narrabri), and Maude Kinley (Newcastle), George (Queensland) and Albert (Newcastle) are the brothers. Mrs. Doherty (Kangarooie) was his mother's sister. The Orange Leader: 9/12/1914 -The bells at St Joseph's Catholic Church tolled a requiem yesterday afternoon as the funeral of the late Mr Percy Edward Kinley passed on its way to the cemetery. Mr Kinley, who was 23 years of age, was the adopted son of Mr and Mrs P. Doherty, of Kangarooie, and consumption closed his lifelong residence there on Monday.

RESEARCH INQUIRIES

FOWLER

John Linscott Fowler, married Matilda Madeline Hetherington 5/5/1873.

He died 10/1/1876 at Ophir, he was 35 years old. He was a native of Torquay, Devon. He was the eldest son of Samuel Fowler of Sandridge Victoria.

Requested by Ken Godwell.

A letter was received from James Glazier - dated 2/6/2016.

We are unable to reply to this letter as no postal address was given on the letter.

Could James Glazier please contact the Orange Family History Group so we can reply to the letter.