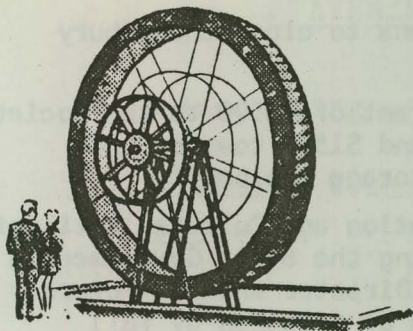


ALBURY AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BULLETIN



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No 202 February 1983

Next Meeting Tuesday 8th February 1983
8 pm, C W A Hall, Kiewa Street, Albury

Mr Richard Wesley, Executive Director, Museums Association of Australia (NSW) will speak on "Regional Museums in Australia & Great Britain". Slides. Supper.

December 1982 Meeting At the Annual General Meeting.....

1. The following Committee was elected:

President	Mr Keith Burnham
Vice President	
& Secretary	Mrs Jo Gordon
2nd Vice President	Mr Doug Royal
Treasurer	Mr Les McLean
Minute Secretary	Mrs Pat Strachan
Bulletin Editor	Mrs Anne Davies
Committee	Mr John Alker-Jones, Mrs Marie Aney, Mrs Gwen Brown, Mr Holford Lempriere, Mrs Jean Macdonald, Mrs Mary Thurling

The Committee meets on the 4th Tuesday at 8 pm at Darjon House, Swift Street, Albury.

2. The Subscriptions were set at:

Adult, \$6 and free admission to the Museum
Child (15 or under) \$1 & free admission to the Museum, no Bulletin
Corporate member \$25

3. Addition to Clause 5 of the Constitution "Additional committee members may be co-opted by decision of the committee" Moved Mrs Gordon, seconded Mrs Macdonald, Carried.

4. Additional Clause to Constitution. There was constructive discussion of the clause (well guided by Keith Burnham as the Society's new President), the object being to improve the Society's Collection both on show and in reserve, and to be fair to past and future donors. Moved Mrs Davies, seconded Mr Boyle that Clause 35 read: "The Committee be empowered to sell, return or exchange with a similar institution, those artifacts in the Society's possession deemed to be of no local or Australian historical significance. The Committee shall present a recommendation regarding disposal of artifacts first to the donor(s) if known, and then to a General Meeting, together with a valuation in order that the method of disposal can be resolved." Carried.

† The Society will soon start using its ALBURY Post Office Box, number 822.
Mail will be forwarded from P O Box 514 Lavington.

MUSEUM NEWS from Keith Burnham

Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences has advised that it plans to close the Albury Museum and withdraw the exhibits by 28th February 1983.

The N S W Division of Cultural Activities has provided a grant of \$6500 to the Society towards half of the salary of the Museum Director (\$5000) and \$1500 towards the conservation and reproduction of photographs and display storage equipment.

The Deputy Town Clerk has advised that Council's Art, Education and Cultural Activities Sub-Committee will consider the subject of Council's matching the State Government's grant for the continued part-time employment of the Museum Director and the future of the Turk's Head building at its meeting on 7 February to be followed by full Council consideration on 21 February 1983.

DONATIONS from Mr C C Hazelwood for which the Society thanks him.

* Nearly 500 slides in 2 drawer boxes together with the index. These slides include copies of old photographs, many of Urangeline Station and the district and well as of Albury, some dating back to the 19th century. There are slides taken by Mr & Mrs Hazelwood of buildings, of artefacts and of historic occasions, and in particular of the Water Wheel saga - when the Wheel was found at Tallandoon, shifted and set up in Australia Park, Albury in 1968. These slides are a most important acquisition for which the Society is most grateful to Mr Hazelwood.

* Sale Catalogue Subdivisional Sale on the famous Brookong Station, Lockhart NSW, Thursday 17th February 1910, 11,800 acres. This fascinating illustrated booklet describes not only the Brookong Estate and the farms for sale but also the town of Lockhart - schools, public buildings and railway - as well as "Typical District Holdings". It shows clearly what a prospective buyer would be looking for in 1910.

* A Scrapbook compiled by Mrs M L Hazelwood in 1963/4 about Albury's Concert Hall now known as the Civic Theatre.

* An Album of photographs.

* Archival material, already acknowledged, which Mr Hazelwood has been storing.

* Tobacco Pouch, sterling silver, hallmarked Chester 1907, engraved H.H. It is oval, rounded and with a hinged well fitting lid. It was brought by Mr G R Jackson from England in 1914 as a present to his manager, H. Hazelwood. It was used by his son, Claud Hazelwood, to carry a damp sponge and is much battered with use.

* Glove box (prices inside), 2 leather rolls containing manicure sets, collection of 4 belt and 3 shoe buckles, a hair slide & a piece of braid, 2 "sweat absorbers and size adjusters" for Fayrefield hats (unused!).

MICROFILM Family historians and amateur genealogists have received a new fund of information with the release to the public of a microfilmed list of all births, deaths and marriages recorded in N S W before 1900. Philip Geeves, the historian, welcomed this new research tool, saying it represented the crowning achievement of intensive lobbying by the Society of Australian Genealogists. People who find an ancestor in the index will be able to obtain any certificates they want from the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages of N S W at a lower cost than usual because his staff will know the details without a search.

A member of our Society has given \$150 to buy a copy of this list which Mrs Anne Holloway has ordered for use in the Local History Room. She expects it to be in the Albury Library in February. The Society is most grateful to the anonymous donor and to Mrs Holloway for her co-operation.

VISITORS THROUGH MUSEUM: 18/12/82 - 25/1/83

Adults: 374 Children/Students: 168 Money = \$187.00 Sale of books = \$30.40

Many thanks to all the volunteers who braved the heat to assist at the Turk's Head Museum. Keep in mind extra volunteers will be needed to assist because of extended hours 10.30 am to 4.30 pm divided into 2 to 3 hourly sessions of supervision.

Jo Gordon.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS AS AT 23 NOVEMBER 1982

	\$
Advertising - Newspaper	329.44
- Tourist Guide	79.20
Printing & Stationery	217.51
Bulletin - Postage	124.94
- Printing	28.60
- Registration	20.00
Exchange on Money Order	0.40
<u>Memberships</u>	
Royal Australian Historical Society	17.50
Royal Historical Society of Victoria	12.00
Oral History Association of Australia	12.00
Insurance GIO Public Liability	45.15
Ray Walsh Sound - Hume & Hovell Celebration (1981)	49.00
Telegram - Re Water Whiz	13.75
Post Office Box Rental	36.30
Hall Hire	125.00
Books for Library of Australian History	95.25
<u>Museum</u>	
Petty Cash Narelle Pumpa (Director)	58.25
Workers Compensation	129.35
Phone Calls (Director)	42.38
Perspect Model (New Museum)	34.50
Delegate to Conference (Mrs Pumpa)	78.20
Filing Cabinet	220.50
Record Cards	22.50
Sign for Museum	60.00
Rubber Stamp	14.80
Mountings for Display	300.00
Connection of Telephone Extention (Director)	100.00
Sundry Items (Director)	116.50
Wages for Director	4,628.90
Bank Accounting Fee	9.70
<u>Bank Accounts</u>	
Closing Balances 23.11.82	
- Investment Account	11,252.32
- General Account	116.09
TOTAL	18,390.03

	\$
Bank Balance 19.11.82	217.64
Less Outstanding Cheques	101.55
	116.09

Copy of the Audited accounts as presented to the A.G.M., December 1982

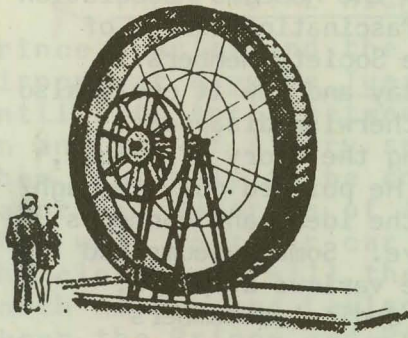
ALBURY & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETYSTATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AS AT 23 NOVEMBER 1982

<u>Bank Accounts</u>	\$	\$
Opening balances 30.11.81		
- Investment Account		5,009.12
- General Account		182.01
Membership Subscriptions		697.00
Museum Takings		451.76
<u>Donations</u>		
Mrs Lila Quiggan	1,000.00	
P T Shaw	2.00	
Mr John Aney	5.00	
Mr N C Douglas	100.00	
Mr Doug Royal	1.20	
Mr J A Kiley	30.00	
Mrs P H Heywood	10.00	
Miss Marion Chambers	20.00	
Miss Constance Chambers	20.00	
Mrs Nancy Stedman	5.00	1,193.20
Sale of Books		506.15
Book Launching by Mrs P Boys		73.20
Afternoon Tea		8.00
Profit from Squizzy Taylor Movie		144.50
Sale of Wine		6.00
<u>Grants</u>		
Premiers Department		5,000.00
Albury City Council		4,250.00
Australian Historical Society		200.00
Bank Interest		669.09
TOTAL		<u>18,390.03</u>

In my opinion the above Statement of Receipts and the Statement of Payments (shown on the back hereof) for the period 1st December, 1981 to 23rd November, 1982 exhibit a true and fair summary of the financial transactions of the Albury and District Historical Society for that period.

B.E.Dunkley - Chartered Accountant
14th December, 1982

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Next Meeting

8 pm, Tuesday 8th March
C W A Hall, Kiewa Street, Albury

ALBURY IN SYDNEY

Mrs Frank Boyes, B E M, will repeat her programme:
"OVERLAND TO PORT PHILLIP" illustrated by slides

DID NOT RECORD

Mrs Boyes has written and published a booklet "Rail Link Memories, Albury-Wodonga", copies of which she says she will bring to the meeting.

MUSEUM REPORT from Keith Burnham

Albury City Council has taken some significant decisions, such as:

- * Approval of a \$5000 grant towards the salary of the part-time Museum Director.
- * Transfer of the whole Turks Head building to Albury & District Historical Society.
- * Setting aside of funds for redecoration and renovation.
- * Transfer of the Caretaker's Cottage to the Society at a rent of \$15 a week.

The Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences has moved out taking some exhibits but leaving those of local interest. Useful showcases have been left behind or given to the Pioneer Museum at Jindera. Renovating and reorganising a Museum takes time, but it is hoped to open the renewed Museum within 6 months. Meanwhile, the old Folk Museum will again open at least until the end of April.

The Museum Sub-Committee comprises Mr Keith Burnham, Mrs Lois Humphreys, Mrs Jo Gordon, Mr John Alker-Jones, Mr Rob Simmons and Mr Robert Cohen with the possible addition of a local historian.

"ALBURY AND DISTRICT MUSEUM" was the name chosen by members at the June 1982 Society Meeting when the proposed museum was to be at the Railway Institute. The Museum Sub-Committee suggests that as the museum is now to be at the Turks Head, members may wish to re-consider; recommendations for discussion at the March meeting are
TURKS HEAD MUSEUM, Albury and ALBURY REGIONAL MUSEUM.

HERITAGE WEEK PROGRAMME 1983

The Albury Wodonga and district Heritage Week programme for April 1983 is most interesting and varied. It starts in March (!) with Alan French's introduction to his April Tour. READ ALL ABOUT IT ON PAGE 4.....

February Meeting Mr Richard Wesley, the Executive Director of the Museums Association of Australia, N S W Branch, presented some fascinating slides of museums in Australia and Britain as part of his address to the Society members in February. He spoke of the role that a regional museum must play and how it could also help preserve aspects of the history of the area that might otherwise disappear. Mr Wesley said that the museum should be a focal point, telling the story of Albury, explaining why it was developed and be a community resource. He pointed out, through slides, how other museums presented their material - many of the ideas and concepts were very practical as well as being innovative and imaginative. Some museums had obviously been able to draw on quite large funds to set up the various displays, while others had created pleasing, worthwhile results through dedicated members' hard work and very little capital. So, members, it can be done! Our museum can become a major tourist attraction of the Albury district.

Jo Gordon.

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Committee Members' Responsibilities for 1983:

Museum Roster - Mrs Gordon and Mrs Thurling

Tours Officer - Mr Lempriere

Publicity Officer - Mrs Aney

Organisation of Society's contribution to Heritage Week 1983 } Mr Alker-Jones
 Watchdog of Historic Buildings, Trees, Conservation, etc }
 Bulletin Editor - Mrs Davies

Bulletin Distribution - Mr Royal

"Can You Help?" research - Mrs Brown and everybody

Local History Room - Mrs Macdonald, Mrs Brown and Mr Lempriere

Membership List and typing of Bulletin envelopes - Mrs Devine (not a committee member)

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The death occurred lately of William A Bayley, author of "Border City" (1954), followed by a revised and up-dated edition in 1976. On the occasion of his second visit to Albury, Mr Bayley was guest speaker at a meeting of the Albury and District Historical Society. During his connection with the Department of Education, he was Head-Master of Bulli High School.

W.W.F.

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Sergeant George Bishop, D C M, M M and bar.

The Opening and Dedication Ceremony of the naming of "Bishop's Walk" at Corry's Wood, Thurgoona, due to take place on 2nd March 1983 marks Sgt Bishop's gallantry in the first World War. Members of the S S & A Club have persevered in their determination that his name should be remembered.

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There will be a HECKENDORF REUNION in Wodonga on Sunday 6th March 1983. They hope that four generations will attend. For information, please ring Mrs Val Proctor on 24.2169. Heckendorfs had a dairy farm at Willow Park where the Trade Union College now stands.

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Lake View, Chiltern It is sad that the National Trust has had to close Lake View house except during school holidays and at long weekends. However, if you ring Mary Vyner on (057) 26 1416, she says that she may be able to open the house by appointment.

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THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES

Prince Charles and the Princess of Wales are due to arrive at Albury Airport at 6 pm on Tuesday 22nd March. They will be staying at Woomargama until 17th April between their official engagements. They will be flying in and out of Albury several times but the best time to see and greet them is likely to be on their first arrival. They will be met by the Mayor and Mayoress of Albury and Mr Harold Mair and his daughter, and then walk to their car talking to us for about 15 minutes on the way. The closed car will then be driven along Borella Road and north through North Albury and Lavington to Woomargama. Another time to greet and cheer the Prince and Princess could be on Easter Sunday after Church when they may walk in the Civic Square of Albury.

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Professor Ernest G Moll.

Professor Moll was born in Murtoa, Victoria in 1900. Later his family moved to Gerogery, where he attended school at Gerogery West. As a young man he travelled and studied in the United States, obtaining his B.A. degree at Lawrence College, Wisconsin and his M.A. degree at Harvard University. In 1928 he was appointed Professor of English at the University of Oregon.

He has had many books of verse published, including Sedge fire (1927), Native moments (1931), Cut from mulga (1940) and Brief waters (1947). His poems have been published in a number of anthologies of Australian poetry and he has also written a work of poetic criticism as well as an autobiography (Below these hills). His poetry is held in high esteem by many, including his fellow poets. Vance Palmer, reviewing "The Waterhole" remarked that "Long residence in America has only deepened his love for his own country and sharpened his sense of its character."

The Upper Murray Regional Library has built up a good collection of Professor Moll's works (thanks, in large part, to the generosity of Mr H Stelling and Professor Moll himself).

Professor Moll and his work will be the subject of an evening to be held at the Albury City Library on Wednesday 13th April at 8 pm. Mr Horace Stelling will be talking with Cliff Chamberlain about his boyhood memories of E.M. and family and a local poet will discuss his poetry.

Refreshments. All welcome. Replies to the library or ring 21 1122 ext 299.
Anne Holloway.

Members are most welcome to this Evening in Heritage Week (especially if bringing Plate!). Those who wish to contribute reminiscences about Professor Moll are asked to contact Mrs Holloway so that she can arrange the programme. It would be a help if she knew how many people to expect at the Evening.
A.I.D.

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RECORDING ORAL HISTORY A Continuing Education Centre Workshop by Elizabeth Weaver
Fee: \$6, 2 sessions, 7.30 - 9.30 pm Tuesday 22 & 29 March

In response to requests for assistance in this matter we have designed a two-session workshop. In the first session Liz Weaver will introduce you to the techniques of recording, the types of questions you might ask, the use of tape recorders, developing trust and encouraging honest response to interviewing. It is proposed, in the second session, to invite a person involved in recording oral history to share experience.

YOUR FAMILY TREE Two sessions at the Continuing Education Centre. Mrs Jean Read.
Fee: \$8, 7.30 to 9.30 pm, Monday 11 & 18 April.

A two evening discussion explaining the methods of tracing your family ancestors and the various sources of reference that may be required.

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HERITAGE WEEK PROGRAMME, 1983 - ALBURY WODONGA & DISTRICT

Organisers: A.D.H.S. = Albury & District Historical Society
 A.C.C. = Albury City Council
 W.H.S. = Wodonga Historical Society
 R.C.O.W. = Council of the Rural City of Wodonga

Friday 4th March

W.H.S.

"WOORAGEE GOLD" an illustrated talk by Alan French as a prelude to his Tour in Heritage Week on 16th April. Bookings for the free buses may be made at this talk.

7.30 pm at the Wodonga Civic Theatrette.

Saturday 9th April

A.D.H.S.

Mount Prior Historic Homestead, Rutherglen

The owner, Dr. Catchlove, will conduct guided tours around this historic winery homestead.

2 pm - 5 pm Admission \$2.00 per car.

Sunday 10th April

A.C.C.

Walking Tour, Central Albury

Cliff Chamberlain, Community Arts Officer, will lead a walking tour around Central Albury.

Departs 10.30 am Albury Civic Square

A.C.C.

Historic Home Inspection

John Bagley will conduct a tour of his home. Relics of Kelly era, local paintings, afternoon tea.

2.30 pm House on corner of David & Hume Streets, Albury

Tuesday 12th April

A.D.H.S.

'Place of the Native Companion'

A narrative play on the history of Howlong presented by local residents.

Part of Albury & District Historical Society's monthly meeting. Note: there will be a short business meeting at 7.30 pm.

8 pm C W A Hall, Kiewa Street, Albury

Wednesday 13th April

A.C.C.

An evening about Ernest Moll

The life of this local poet will be discussed.

8 pm Albury City Library

Saturday 16th April

W.H.S.

R.C.O.W.

Bus Tour of Wooragee Gold Fields

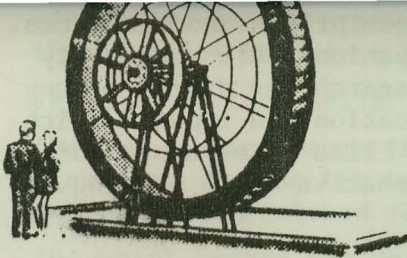
Alan French, a local resident, will conduct tours of this goldfield area near Beechworth. Free buses depart Wodonga Civic Centre at 1 pm. Pre-booking required, phone 24 2000.

Sunday 17th April

A.D.H.S.

Albury Riverbank Walks

Guided tours of the historic River Murray riverbank area. Tours leave on the hour 10 am - 3 pm inclusive from Hovell Tree Park, Albury and finish at Folk Museum. Walk lasts 45 minutes. Notes provided.



Patrons: Mr Cleaver Bunton, OA, OBE
Mr Gordon Mackie, Mr Harold Mair
President: Mr Keith Burnham (060) 245434
Secretary: Mrs Jo Gordon (060) 21 4363
P O Box 822 Albury 2640
Meetings: C W A Hall, Kiewa Street, Albury
8 pm, 2nd Tuesday of each month
Albury Regional Museum,
Turks Head, Wodonga Place, Albury
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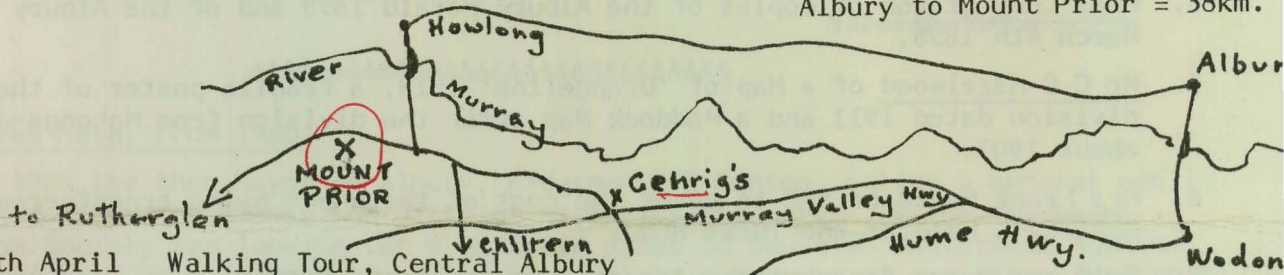
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X NAGEL RUMBA
HERITAGE WEEK, 9th to 17th April 1983 Albury Wodonga & District

Saturday 9th April MOUNT PRIOR HOMESTEAD & WINERY, Howlong Road, Rutherglen.

The owner, Dr Catchlove, will conduct guided tours around this historic homestead from 2.30 - 4 pm. The Cellars will be open from 2 - 5 pm. Admission \$2 per car.

Albury to Mount Prior = 38km.



Sunday 10th April Walking Tour, Central Albury

Cliff Chamberlain, Community Arts Officer, will lead a walking tour around Central Albury. Departs 10.30 am, Albury Civic Square.

Historic Home Inspection

John Bagley will conduct a tour of his home. Relics of Kelly era, local paintings, afternoon tea. 2.30 pm, house on corner of David and Hume Streets, South Albury.

Tuesday 12th April Albury & District Historical Society Meeting

"WOORAGEE STORY" by Alan French. A fascinating talk, illustrated by slides, as an introduction to his conducted tour on Saturday. Talk at 8 pm, preceded by a short business meeting at 7.30 pm. C W A Hall, Kiewa Street, Albury.

Wednesday 13th April "An Evening about Ernest Moll"- A man from this district who became a poet and professor of English. Merrick Webb, a local poet, will talk on his poetry; relatives and friends on the man himself. 8 pm at Albury City Library. (Please phone 21 1122 ext 299 and tell the Librarian if you are coming.)

Saturday 16th April Bus Tour of Wooragee Gold Fields

Alan French, a local resident, will conduct tours of this goldfield area near Beechworth. Free buses depart Wodonga Civic Centre at 1 pm. Pre-booking required, phone 24 2000. *X*

Sunday 17th April Albury Riverbank Walks

Guided tours of the historic River Murray riverbank area. Tours will leave at 1 pm and 2 pm from Hovell Tree Park, Albury and finish at the Albury Regional Museum, Turks Head. Walk lasts 45 minutes.

March Meeting "Overland to Port Phillip" Mrs Rosemary (Peg) Boyes B E M was the Society's guest speaker. Mrs Boyes presented Hume and Hovell's journey "Overland to Port Phillip" in a slide/talk format, bringing to life this remarkable trek through her vivid descriptions and anecdotes. The hardships faced by the explorers and their convict companions were accurately defined by Mrs Boyes who has no need to refer to notes to 'search for dates' at any time. The Society is very appreciative of Mrs Boyes' dedication and support which leads her to travel such a distance from her home at Mount Eliza to be a part of our meeting. The Society thanks her again for a very informative March meeting.

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Book Launchings Mrs Boyes presented two booklets for distribution at the March meeting. "Malcolm McEachern", Albury-born famous bass baritone marking the centenary of his birth, 1st April 1983, and "Rail Link Memories - Albury-Wodonga" marking its centenary date 14th June 1983. Copies of these booklets have been distributed to the media and to 32 district schools.

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DONATIONS - for which the Society is most grateful - from:

1. Mr & Mrs Frank Boyes of a framed collection of sketches of Albury, 1883.
2. Mrs E Batstone of a wedding wreath, bridesmaid's headdress and bridegroom's posy, April 12th 1877.
3. Mrs F Thomas on behalf of Blackies Pharmacy of a scrapbook mainly on pharmacy subjects dated about 1875 - 1900, miscellaneous papers and a travelling clock or large watch in a three part red leather case.
4. Miss Lucy Staton of copies of the Albury Herald 1898 and of the Albury Banner March 4th 1898.
5. Mr C C Hazelwood of a Map of 'Urangeline' 1918, a fragile poster of the subdivision dated 1911 and a Paddock Map after the division from Mahonga dated about 1907.
6. Mrs Frank Boyes of \$42 to cover the cost of the phone being transferred to the Society's name at the Turks Head.
7. Kell and Moore for photocopying this issue of the Bulletin.

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Congratulations to Arthur Butt, Society member, who is proud to be providing meat and smoked trout to T R H the Prince and Princess of Wales during their stay at Woomargama. A Society Union Jack was hung in the window of Butts Butchery as a loyal greeting.

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CAN YOU HELP?

Mr W N Russ of Wollstonecraft NSW has been searching for information about his great grandmother, Mrs Mary Ann Russ (née Chant - born about 1817) and her daughter Elizabeth (sister to Thomas Russ, born 1841). They arrived in NSW from England on September 6, 1853.

Mrs P B Reed of Vacluse NSW is researching her family history - she is a great granddaughter of John Kennedy and his wife Sophia. Sophia was a daughter of another early settler, John Waite.

Mr M Brennan of Gorokan NSW is trying to locate a farm called "Rokeby" in the Albury Municipality, its owners in 1920 and now. In connection with "Rokeby" he asks for information about Margaret Brennan and John Atkins.

Mrs J Howard of Fulham in South Australia whose mother was Bertha Colquhoun from the Mitta. She asks for a copy of a book on the Mitta Mitta by Miss or Mrs Colquhoun.

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New Titles in the Historical Collection of Albury Regional Library

Gold at Harrietville by Brian Lloyd

H994.55

Pastoral Settlement in Northern Victoria Vol II, the Campaspe district
by John Ormond

H994.59

A BRIEF GLIMPSE AT THE TURKS HEAD BUILDING

The Turks Head building seems to have been built as a private residence. It was originally of red brick with a timber shingle roof and a timber fence between the posts of the front verandah to keep roaming stock out.

Versions of its earlier history differ but it became known as the Turks Head Inn.

The Turks Head became the Travellers Rest in the 1870s under Mr Luke Gulson, licensee. During the building of the (1861) Union Bridge business had boomed and Mr Gulson catered for weary travellers.

The hotel became the Union Bridge Hotel and licensees came and went - William Green, J Oddie, Alex McDonald and the Fraunfelders.

Joseph Fraunfelder in 1895 renamed the Inn the Turks Head and welcomed visitors to Albury by supplying "home cooked meals" and "comfortable private rooms" for a short spell. Albury Ale was the favourite brew, rum having become too expensive. Elizabeth Fraunfelder, Joseph's widow, kept the licence in 1897 but the authorities frowned on a woman on her own keeping an Hotel.

Mr Parker became licensee and later Mr Joseph Hogan in 1899. With free trade between N S W and Victoria, there was a decline in patrons and the coaches and customers moved into the town centre. Mr Hogan failed to renew his licence in 1900.

As a private residence, the Turks Head also served as a small shop and a boarding house.

Albury City Council acquired the building in 1950 as part of the river frontage between Union Bridge and Noreuil Park.

Narelle Pumpa.

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## The Turks Head, from 1960

In 1960 the then Mayor of Albury, Alderman C E Bunton, called a general public meeting to form the Albury and District Historical Society. In the following year the Society was looking for a suitable place to house an Historical Museum. The Turks Head Hotel seemed to be the ideal place. However it was discovered that the Albury City Council were going to bulldoze this historic building. The members of the Society were VERY much against this. Some of its members arrived at the Turks Head the morning when they knew the bulldozers were to go into action, and contacted the City Engineer, Mr J Sarvaas. They pointed out to him the value of the building from a historical angle. He then took this up with the Council, and so the Turks Head was saved from demolition.

The Society felt certain they would be allotted the whole building for a Museum. However, after a lot of discussion, this was not to be. The Applied Arts and Sciences Museum, which had been in recess in Albury from the mid 1940s was also looking for a building. As they were a Government concern they were given the Turks Head, except for the two very small rooms on the south which were allotted to the Society, by the Council.

Now the Applied Arts and Sciences Museum is again closing down in Albury, so at long last the Council have given the whole of the Turks Head to the Historical Society for a Museum.

n.b. The members who spoke to Mr Sarvaas were: the late Otto Schilg, Jo Wright and Phil Heywood, also Wattie Fielder and John Henwood.

A D Heywood.

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Committee recommendation for the establishment of a Board of Trustees for the
ALBURY REGIONAL MUSEUM

The development of the Society's Museum has been continued for about twenty years. Many hours of time and effort have been given by committee members towards the administration of the Museum and, more recently, its Director. This has of course been given gladly for the preservation of our artifacts and the fitting out of the museum. The committee feels that as the museum grows it will not be able to do justice to the requirements of such an undertaking or to provide the management resources needed. Because all our members have limited time, and enthusiasm will vary, it is felt that a management body, such as a Board of Trustees, will provide the continuity, objectivity and stability needed for any historic museum.

As was noted at the Society's last monthly meeting, the Albury City Council is prepared to consider the creation of a board of trustees to administer the museum. The committee believes that the society should consider this too, act to take advantage of all the efforts made so far and allow the museum to expand into a major regional resource.

A report to the April Society Meeting will be given by John Alker-Jones.
 Discussion to follow.

Museum sub-committee Helen Livsey has agreed to join this sub-committee; her knowledge of local history will be a great asset. Keith Burnham is overseas - we hope scanning British regional museums for ideas. John Alker-Jones is Chairman while Keith is away.

MEMBERSHIP LIST 1983

Honorary Life Members Mrs F Boyes BEM, Mr W W Fielder, Mr C C Hazelwood, Miss C Klinge, Mrs A L Quiggin.

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We thank Mrs Perry for a donation of \$10 and all those Life Members who generously gave extra donations last year.

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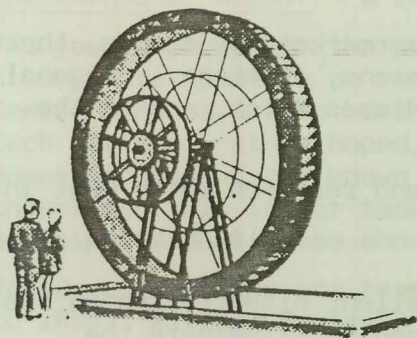
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MAY 1983

Next Meeting 8 pm Tuesday 10th May, C W A Hall, Kiewa Street, Albury

Members "BRING AND TELL" the history of their Artefacts & Archives,
i.e. things, pictures, photos, papers, etc. 5 minute limit!

HERITAGE WEEK last month included some most interesting talks and tours:

Mount Prior The occupants of 82 cars took advantage of Dr John Catchlove's offer to open his historic homestead, Mount Prior, for Heritage Week. Groups were taken through the house and given information about the more notable pieces of furniture and artefacts. The house has been renovated and decorated to provide a suitable backdrop for a magnificent collection of antiques. Many of the visitors continued on to the Mount Prior cellars for tasting and buying. These cellars have a new sales and tasting room above the old cellars.
Marie Aney.

Walking Tour of Central Albury

About one hundred people followed Cliff "The Pied Piper" Chamberlain (and were very lucky they did not finish up as drowned rats), as he led a two hour walk around one of the main commercial blocks of Central Albury on Sunday morning, April 10.

The journey started from the steps of the Civic Theatre when photos were passed around to give the image of some of the area to be covered. Cliff told stories of T H Mate, Jockey Jack, Johnny McEachern and Midnight Osborne and his horse.

During the tour Mr Horace Stelling mentioned the trial of miners from Broken Hill, which was conducted at the Albury Court House, when the jury was locked up for two weeks, one of the jurymen being Mr Stelling's father.

At the Post Office corner the story was told of John Roper who built the Globe Hotel in 1860. He was a member of Leichardt's expedition of 1844, Albury's first Clerk of petty sessions and a member of the first council.

The Rose Hotel in Kiewa Street (where Target car park is now) was run by John Nicholls known as "John the Cashman", who kept a bucket under the bar to receive the takings. When the telegraph line was constructed between Melbourne and Sydney no provision was made for it to serve Albury, and John Nicholls offered an office in the hotel building and whatever furniture was required if the cost of bringing the lines into town could be arranged. No doubt the hotel trade would have improved as a result of people doing business with the telegraph office.

At the corner of Olive and Smollett streets some of the history of the Catholic Church building revealed the story of Rev. Michael McAlroy, who has a reputation as a great builder, having been an architect, and acting as clerk of works on buildings at Yass, Goulburn, and in Albury where he built the Convent of Mercy, a primary school building for girls, an infants school, and St Patrick's Church which was opened in 1872.

HERITAGE WEEK (continued) The Pied Piper's Walk

In Olive Street, on the corner of the lane where the supermarket now stands, there was a biscuit factory, which was later taken over by Wilkinsons, printers. Diagonally opposite was the private hospital, run at one time by the Misses Walsh, and at the south west corner of Dean Street was Ryan's Hotel.

Many thanks are due to Cliff Chamberlain for the time, and research which went into preparing a delightful morning's journey into the past.

Helen Livsey.

Wooragee historian Alan French gave the Society a most excellent dissertation on his district. Geology, archaeology and history were all combined to illuminate the Wooragee valley and its people. Slides showed the lie of the land, old homes and sites (i.e. garden flowers in a paddock), school and family photographs, Chinese walling and the rough land left hummocky when it had been turned over for gold.

Two buses provided by Wodonga Council carried 92 people on Saturday to see the actual sites. What did we see? * The old stone hut probably built by William Bowman who was the first settler in 1839. * David Reid's homestead site and Reid's Creek goldfield near Woolshed Falls. * Star Lane, but no Star Hotel as it has been taken stone by stone to Tooma. * Magpie Creek where 3000 Chinese walked in single file the eight miles from Beechworth each day to mine gold. * The dam where the dredge was. * The brick first school. * The avenue of pin oaks. * The church the tree fell on. It was a most successful tour and the portable microphone enabled everyone to hear.

Alan's advice is "Keep recording, today becomes history very quickly".

Professor Ernest Moll - his life and work.

The library staff made visitors welcome at this Wednesday in Heritage Week. Cliff Chamberlain told of the Professor's early life on the land, first in Victoria and then at Gerogery. Horace Stelling and the Moll family contributed anecdotes. Merrick Webb assessed his poetry with insight and enthusiasm and read four poems. Though Professor Moll has lived most of his life in America, it has been to Australia that he has returned for visits and for much of the inspiration for his poems. The library has a good selection of his publications. Anne Holloway concluded the evening with a reminder that our Heritage was not only in buildings and landscape but also in people and their achievements.

River Bank Walks Sunday April 17th.

The last activity to celebrate Heritage Week for 1983 was in the form of a riverbank walk. Over eighty people, including several family groups, took advantage of the pleasant autumn sunshine to wander along the banks of the Murray River. The walks, lasting about an hour, were led by Historical Society members, who re-traced the early events and happenings since the explorers Hume and Hovell carved their names in the bark of two majestic river gums in 1824.

Robert Brown's slab hut, the Chinese market gardens and the Customs House are long gone but people were able to learn some of the early history of the river-bank and the township that developed not far away, beyond the reaches of the capricious floodwaters.

It was interesting to note that several people who came on the walks in 1982, came again.

\$28 was raised through book sales and donations - so all in all an enjoyable afternoon.
Jo Gordon.

MUSEUM REPORT The renovation of the Turks Head Museum continues. Council has undertaken extensive works with the completion date due at the end of May. The progress towards the creation of a Board of Trustees has now been further progressed with Council recommending that a committee of both Council and Society members be established to agree its formation.

John Alker-Jones.

THE MAYORS OF ALBURY - a request from Cliff Chamberlain, Community Affairs Officer.

"As you probably know, the portraits hanging in the old Town Hall, of former Mayors of Albury, are about to be removed to make way for further expansions to the Regional Art Centre. Plans are to have the portraits carefully preserved in the form of a bound book. Each portrait, it is hoped, will be accompanied by a thumb nail sketch of the Mayor concerned and of any known special achievements of his period of office. I have undertaken this latter task and would appreciate your Society's assistance. It is anticipated that these short histories would be completed by the end of June."

X Would you, you who are reading this, research one of the mayors in office from 1859 to 1894? William Bayley's "Border City" has a list of them. Holford Lempriere is the co-ordinator of this important Society project. Please contact him or see him at the next Society meeting, 10th May.

NEW TITLES IN THE HISTORICAL COLLECTION OF ALBURY REGIONAL LIBRARY

- "My Own Country" third book of Australian verse by Merrick Webb H829.1
A supplementary edition containing poems arranged in sections corresponding to sections in original volumes.
- "The Parish Map in family history research" by NSW Crown Lands Dept, Sydney HQ912.014
- "Huts of the High Country" by Klaus Hueneker H994.47
- "Social indicators for Albury Wodonga: a collection of some basic social statistics for the population of Albury Wodonga" by Peter Kranz HQ312
for the Albury Wodonga Development Corporation
- "Water Quality of the River Murray - the influence of Albury Wodonga" HQ628.161
by Mark K Brymner for A W D C
- River Murray Commission annual report 1982 H333.91
- "Changing Trains : a century of travel on the Sydney - Melbourne railway" HQ385.0994
by Phil Belbin and D Burke
- "Cemeteries of Victoria: guidelines for management, maintenance and conservation" by L P Planning Consultants for Dept of Planning, Victoria HQ718
- "The Old Melbourne Cemetery, 1837 - 1922" by Marjorie Morgan HQ929.5

AND

- X New South Wales registry of births, deaths and marriages: HQ929.3
"micro-fiche duplicates of indexes to pre-1900 records."
by the Department of the Attorney General and of Justice.

437 microfiche in 3 volumes, contents:

- Vol 1 Index of baptisms prior to 1856 with supplementary index; annual indexes of births 1856 - 69; 1870-79; 1880 - 89 and 1890 - 99.
- Vol 2 Index of burials prior to 1856 with supplementary index; index of deaths 1856 - 69; 1870 - 79; 1880 - 89 and 1890 - 99.
- Vol 3 Index of marriages prior to 1856 with supplementary index; annual indexes of marriages 1856 - 1899.

This micro-fiche set was given by a Society member & is The Robert Hatch Memorial.

The Australian Biographical and Genealogical Record (see Bulletin, October 1982)

This is a non-profit research unit set up for the Bicentenary in 1988 to compile a series of reference works on Australians of the past..... Mr and Mrs Phil Webb have recorded some of her family who came to Melbourne, or lived there, in the 1840s and later. They have filled in 22 names and 8 detailed forms. They found that the questions on the form gave useful reminders. X Have any other members provided biographies for the Bicentennial Record?

Over the Queen's Birthday weekend in June, the Centenary of this great event will be celebrated. A Special Historic Railway Display will be staged at Wodonga, and the organising committee would be pleased to hear from any folk who have relevant historic relics, documentary or otherwise that they would lend for display. If so, please contact Dudley Sheppard, El Dorado, phone (057) 25 1557.

Apologies to Tietyens, Angel & Jackling and Belbridge, Hague & Co whose names were mis-spelt.

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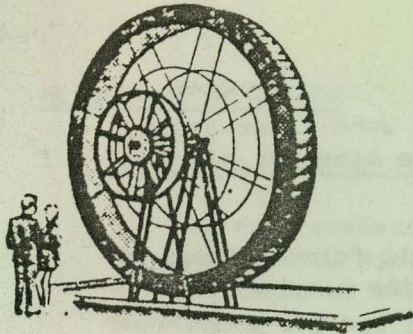
The descendants of James and Catherine Newth will be holding a Reunion at Tarrawingee Hall and grounds on 14th and 15th May. A church service will be held at St Paul's Church of England, Milawa at 11 a.m. on Sunday 15th May 1983, when Canon M.C.Newth, O.B.E.,B.A.,Th.L.,F.A.C.E. will officiate. Canon Newth was Headmaster of St Andrews Cathedral School in Sydney for 38 years, and retired in 1979. Invitations have been issued to members of the Newth/Nuth Family History Society of England, (whose editor and secretary live at 27 Charville Lane, Hoys, Middlesex, England.)

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1. Mr C C Hazelwood: 8 reel to reel tapes of Historic addresses:
"Seventy Years of Technical Education" by P D Burrows and the unveiling of the Water Wheel and handing over to the City Council; "America" by Mrs A L Quiggin; "Gold and Bees" by Alan Frost 13/11/67; Addresses by Lloyd Lange and by Jo Wright; The send-off to Harry Barnes in the Turk's Head building; "Mount Ophir" by R F Knight. Mr Hazelwood has also offered the Society a P.A. system.
2. Mrs A L Quiggin: \$6 in lieu of subscription.
3. Belbridge, Hague and Co for photocopying this Bulletin.

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Holford Lempriere's address is entitled, "Townsend's Mistake!"

TOUR

Corowa ~~X~~ Sunday June 26th

Meet at Corowa Town Clock at 11 am for a visit to Corowa Federation Museum and tour of local spots of interest guided by members of the Corowa Historical Society. Bring a picnic lunch. Contact Mr Lempriere (256308) if needing a lift.

RAIL LINK CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

Queen's Birthday Weekend, June 11 - 13th

Keep the weekend free to have steam-train rides, listen to the 40-piece Railway Band, post letters at the station specially stamped. attend unveiling of plaques and ribbon-cutting. For details, watch the press.

MAY MEETING

The "Bring and Tell" evening was made interesting by members' anecdotes and artefacts: from Mrs Odewan, programmes of cultural activities held in Albury during the 1920's and 30's including many familiar names in the Choral Society, and a farewell tour of Dame Nellie Melba in 1927; from Mrs Thurling a collection of local postcards from 1907 on, including some from Albury - same day delivery was expected, and afternoon appointments were made!; from Mrs Macdonald, part of a companionway from a sunken sailing ship in Bougainville Harbour; from Doug Royal, an aboriginal artefact from Queensland; from Holford Lempriere, a book of Natural History dated 1846 and bearing the signature of Mr Lempriere's great grandfather; from Marie Aney a report on Oral History lectures at the Continuing Education Centre; from Helen Livesey - using the microfiche in the library; and from Lois Humphreys (reflecting the influence of her Egyptian trip) an exposition of her new perspective of historical time using 100 people aged 50 to go back 5000 years instead of getting bogged down with generations!

Visitor to the meeting, Mr Kevin Jeffcoat, from Sydney is researching for a book he is writing for the Bicentenary on the history of Water Resources Commission.

MUSEUM REPORT

The new Chairman of the Museum Sub-Committee is John Alker-Jones. John has taken over from Keith Burnham to give Keith more time for his duties as President.

Representatives from the Society and Council will form a steering committee for the setting up of a Board of Trustees for the museum.

The Society is advertizing for a Museum Attendant to open the new museum for 5 days per week in return for renting the cottage at the rear of the museum, plus power. If members know of anyone interested, would they please contact a committee member.

Renovations to the Turk's Head including new door openings and painting should be completed by the end of June. It would be better if the floor were carpeted before fittings are built. However this would cost several thousand dollars. Can anyone suggest means of raising such a sum??

RETIREMENT OF REGIONAL LIBRARIAN, Mrs Anne Holloway

It is to Mrs Holloway that we owe the fine collection of local historical material in the U.M.R.L., gathered during the 1950's from the old Mechanics Institutes. Again, Mrs Holloway recommended to Council the setting up of the Historical Room to house the library's collection together with Society archives - a most progressive move in library administration.

Mrs Holloway has been a member of the Society since 1966, and during her retirement she hopes, among other things, to help index our collection.

Members wish her the very best for the future.

EARLY MAYORS OF ALBURY (See May Bulletin)

Bring any information you have collected to the June Meeting or post to Box 822, Albury.

Can You Help?

Miss Kristine Smith, 44 Huntingdale Drive, Chirnside Park, Victoria who is looking for information re her Great-Grandparents - Patrik O'Hare and Mary Ann Hodges (married at Wagga on June 1st, 1883.) Mary Hodges was born at Lester's Gully near Albury in 1865.

Mrs P E Morgan, 23 Hinemoa Avenue, Normanhurst, Sydney 2076 who is looking for information about Mr H G Thomas an early photographer in Albury.

HISTORIC HOMESTEAD, Rochester

The historic home, "Random House", Bridge Road, Rochester is now open to the public. The 50 sq. house dates from 1868 and is typical of northern Victorian and Riverina homesteads of that period.

The house is open for inspection from Wednesdays to Sundays, 1 pm to 4.30 pm and on public holidays.

METHODS OF RESEARCH

1. Recording Oral History

Several members of the society attended two lectures on "Recording Oral History" at the Continuing Education Centre. Ms Liz Weaver of the A.B.C. talked about her interviewing techniques and her own research into the depression years of the 1930's. She stressed the need to research background material and to be prepared with specific questions about memorable days eg. The great bushfire, a notable family event. Harry Stevenson, author and publisher with Hawthorne Press found tape recorders often caused people to feel inhibited and preferred to take notes and make tapes himself as soon as possible using his notes. He also carried a polaroid camera to copy treasured photos on the spot. He saw oral history as recollections and reminiscences and discussed the often conflicting views within a family, the admissability of material and the problems of copywrite on manuscripts and post 1931 photos. He, like Ms Weaver, also stressed the need for background knowledge and the need to home in on something and concluded with the reminder that the interviewer should never downgrade or ridicule.

Marie Aney

2. The Microfiche in Upper Regional Library

There are so many people making use of the reader/printer in the archives room of the Library that the staff are now taking bookings for its use.

The recently acquired indexes to the Births, Deaths and Marriages records of N.S.W. prior to 1900 are of great assistance to people interested in researching their family history. The records are on microfiche and are mostly easily readable, although some are handwritten in copperplate style.

The entries are in chronological order. Marriages are indexed under the names of both the bride and groom. Births are listed under the child's name, and gives the Christian names of the parents. Deaths show the name of the deceased and the Christian names only of the deceased's parents. The place where the event took place is not given, nor is the exact date. These details can be obtained by writing to the Registrar and buying a certificate.

Many local historians will be grateful to the anonymous donor of the Robert Hatch Memorial Indexes.

Helen Livsey

3. Tracing Family History

A few of our members attended two evening sessions to learn the methods of tracing our family ancestors and the sources of reference available. It was held at the Continuing Education Centre at Wodonga on April 11 and 18. The instructor was Mr Sean Sloley from Wangaratta. He explained the various ways of making a search - through Shipping Records for assisted immigration 1839 - 1871, unassisted immigration 1852 - 1923/4, Land Offices, Probate and inquest records, education records and school rolls, as well as cemetery records. Genealogical Societies, which mainly work on a self-help system, can be of great assistance.

Mary Thurling

DONATIONS for which the Society is most grateful.

- . Copies of the "Albury Banner", 1898, found in a demolition site, from Mr Bill Moffitt.
- . A donation of \$50.00 from Mrs P Boyes from book sales. We thank Mrs Boyes for her generous support.
- . Sketches of the river boats, P.S. "Albury" and P.S. "Cumberoona" from Mr Lloyd Holmes. (These will be on display at the June meeting.)

Background to the Sketches

P.S. "ALBURY"

Owned by Capt. Francis Cadell of the River Murray Navigation Co. First River Steamer to reach Albury 1500 miles from the sea, on October 2nd, 1855 towing the barge "Wakool". "Albury" was prefabricated in Scotland and assembled at Goolwa, South Australia. Capt. George Johnston was in command of P.S. "Albury" most of her long life on the rivers.

P.S. "CUMBEROONA"

Built in 1866 at Echuca, Victoria by G Linklater for James T Fallon and Partners. Fallon was Albury's first mayor (1859 - 62).

"Cumberoona" named after the station situated east of Albury on the north bank of the Murray was of 124 tons and powered by a steam engine of 60 H.P. Well known between Albury and Echuca the speedy "Cumberoona" was a popular passenger carrier. She was wrecked on a rocky bar near Wilcannia on the Darling in 1889.

Members 1983 (continued from last month's Bulletin)

Mrs M Armstrong, Mr C Angus, Mr L H Cary, Mr R Cohen, Mr & Mrs P Drew, Mr I Geddes, Mr A Grant, Mrs I Henwood, Mr J Henwood, Mrs A Holloway, K J Irons, Mr J J Lamerton, Mrs C Laycock, Mr K Monte, Mr D Nugent, Ms N Pampa, Mr G L Oke, Mrs N Reynolds, Mr L R Rigg, Mr D Royal, Mr and Mrs R Simmons, Rand O Snow, Miss E Talbot.

Membership for 1983 now stands at 133. How about showing your Bulletin to a friend and asking if they'd like to join?

Coming Meetings

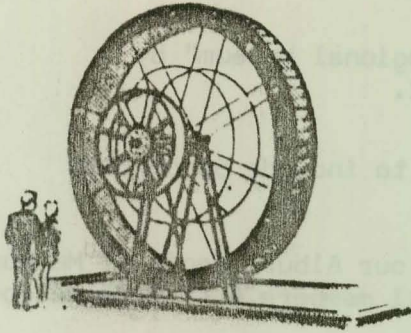
- ~~X~~ JULY : Films from the National Film Archives. ~~X~~
- ~~X~~ AUGUST : Our speaker will be the famous Australian historian, Manning Clark. Meeting to be held in the Civic Theatre - keep aside the date : Tuesday 9th August.

Bulletin Editor

Lois Humphreys has been editor of this Bulletin while Anne Davies is in the U.K.

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Next Meeting Tuesday 12th July, C W A Hall, Kiewa Street, Albury.

7.30 pm Business Meeting. Please note early start.

8 pm Alderman Paterson, Chairman of Albury City Council's Development and Health Sub-Committee, will speak on the proposed removal of Trees from Hume Street & Wodonga Place. He and Mr B McLennan, Deputy City Engineer, are prepared to answer questions from members.

8.30 pm "THE OVERLANDERS" - A film from the National Film Library - lasts about an hour - stars Chips Rafferty - black and white - made when the World War 2 threat of a Jap invasion of northern Australia was still fresh in mind.

August Meeting Advance Notice - Tuesday 9th August - 8 pm Albury Civic Theatre

Professor Manning Clark "Albury and Local History"

Come yourself and bring your friends

MEMBERSHIP CARDS Enclosed with this Bulletin should be a Membership Card. The Society decided at the last Annual General Meeting that members would be admitted free to the museum, so the card has been printed in preparation for the opening of the new museum. These cards are issued to members & are not transferable; please sign yours now. The Society has also negotiated the following discounts on presentation of membership card:

10% on all books at Angus and Robertson, Centrepont, Albury

10% on historic books at Riverina Educational Books, Kiewa Street, Albury

It is hoped to negotiate further discounts during the coming months, any ideas welcome.
Keith Burnham.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES On Thursday 23 June 1983 the President together with Mr R Simmons and the Museum Director had a meeting with Aldermen Stocker and Richards and the Albury City Council's Deputy Town Clerk. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss further the proposal to establish a Board of Trustees under the provisions of the N S W Local Government Act to administer the operation of the museum. The proposal appeared to be received quite favourably and the subject will be discussed at a forthcoming meeting of Council's Art, Education and Cultural Activities Sub-Committee. When specific proposals are available a more detailed report to the Society will be made. Keith Burnham.

MUSEUM REPORT Painting of the Museum is finished. Preparation for permanent exhibition now starts. A caretaker, Mrs Michelle Bush, has been appointed; she and her husband will be living in the cottage. John Alker Jones.

EXHIBITION at Myer City Centre, 18th to 23rd July, organised by the Museum Director:

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Albury Regional Museum HERITAGE SEMINAR Weekend 20th & 21st August 1983

Mr Harold Mair M L A will open the Seminar.

There will be Lectures & Films including "The Rôle of the Regional Museum" by Richard Wesley and "Conservation of Materials" by Geoff Kent.

Times: Saturday 8.30 am - 5 pm, 7 pm dinner
Sunday 8.30 am - 2 pm, followed by a 3 hour tour to include Beechworth

Fee: \$25 for seminar, meals and papers.

Booking by Friday 29th July with Narelle Pumpa, Director of our Albury Regional Museum c/o Albury City Council, or at the July Society Meeting. All members & friends welcome.

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RAIL LINK - an eye-witness' account by Margery Gibson.

Celebrations held to commemorate the Centenary of the Railway link between Albury and Wodonga took place on the holiday weekend 11th, 12th and 13th June last:-

I arrived at the Albury Railway Station at 1.30 pm to hear the strains of the Sydney Railway Band holding forth in a rousing march theme whilst crowds milled up and down examining the displays of historical interest on the brightly coloured decorated platform. The old steam engine on the front of the train which was due to leave at 2.45 pm drew a lot of interest. I managed to obtain a seat in the back carriage and we headed off to the bridge spanning the Murray River, the band supplying music all the way. Our train halted at the approach of the bridge whilst we waited for the Victorian train to come from Wodonga with its own steam engine. Thereupon all passengers alighted & scrambled down the embankment to watch proceedings. Cameras were clicking everywhere. Coloured ribbons were stretched across one end of the bridge & dramatically snapped as the two gleaming engines approached & passed one another. We all clambered aboard to travel to Wodonga where a brief ceremony was held and Mr Crabbe, Minister of Transport (Victoria), addressed the people, then unveiled a plaque on the entrance to the Railway Station. Following this, the trains & passengers travelled to Albury Station where the speaker and guests mounted a red carpeted dais where Mr Cox, the Minister for the State Rail Authority for NSW, unveiled a plaque which noted that the Albury Station is the longest undercover station in NSW. Members of the Sydney Railway Historical Society travelled down especially for the celebrations.

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R. A H S Conference at Bruce Hall, A N U Canberra, 9th - 11th October 1983.

Theme: "The Effect of Railways on the Development of N S W" \$40 for accommodation and attendance; apply by 18th July. Details at July Society Meeting or from Jo Gordon.

"A Tale of Twin Cities" Volume 2 "The Burgeoning Power" is the rest of Des Martin's story of this district - 600 pages, 200 photographs - \$27.50 by post before Christmas if enough people order it to make publishing worthwhile. Order forms from the Society or Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co, P O Box 500 Albury (Humesire Chambers). Do order now

MEMBERS 1983 (continued from Bulletins 204, 205 & 206) Miss M Gibson, Ms C Scammell, Mrs J Cox, Mrs N Taylor, Virginia P/L, Mr R E Jones, Mrs M Bott.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Porta on their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

For Holford Lempriere's excellent accounts of the Corowa Outing and of the Saxon Merinos you'll have to wait for the next Bulletin as there just wasn't space in this one, sorry.

Temporary Exhibitions are being planned by the Museum Committee and the Director:

September: "Wattle and Daub" Building Styles in the City of Albury.

October: "Law and Order" The Police Force - comments historical and humorous.

Many thanks to David Skinner for photocopying of the June Bulletin and to Dynan, McLachlan & Co for photocopying of this issue.

DEADLINE Copy for the Bulletin should be at the Society's Committee meeting which is held at 8 pm on the 4th Tuesday at Darjon House. The Editor always hopes for contributions but does reserve the right to edit.

"TOWNSEND'S MISTAKE"

(and I think you'll need a map! Editor)

Addressing the June meeting of the society on the contentious issue of the State boundary between N.S.W. and Victoria, Holford Lempriere suggested that the Murrumbidgee River and not the Upper Murray should have formed the boundary line.

Mr Lempriere quoted Dr Arthur Andrews in placing the blame squarely at the door of Albury's surveyor, Thomas Scott Townsend, for perpetuating the mistake in carrying out the instructions of the governor-in-council in 1839 to survey the boundary line between the colony of New South Wales and the Port Phillip District. Townsend was ordered to survey the shortest line from Cape Howe in the east to the nearest tributary of the Murray River. This course should have taken him to the headwaters of the Murrumbidgee River near Nimmitabel which is many miles closer to Cape Howe than the Upper Murray.

Townsend chose the latter course.

By 1840, settlement was pushing across the Murray from the south into what became the Riverina. This survey should have taken the boundary down the Murrumbidgee north-west through what was to become the A.C.T. and westward past Gundagi and Wagga, Narrandera and Hay along the line taken by the explorer Sturt, to join up with the Murray near Swan Hill. It would have placed the two capitals of Sydney and Melbourne much closer to equidistant from the border than at present.

The survey was completed about 1842 and the separation of the two into the Colonies of N.S.W. and Victoria was proclaimed early in 1851 - along the line surveyed by Townsend direct to the upper Murray near Corryong. No official comment was made public, which signified government assent in Sydney. The proclamation was almost lost sight of in the upheaval caused the same year by the discovery of gold in great quantity. The ensuing inrush of population resulted in the numbers of settlers almost doubling in the next decade in N.S.W. But in the new colony of Victoria, the population increased by sixfold. A Customs barrier was placed along the Murray by N.S.W., as well as an embargo on the shipment of gold between the two colonies.

Looking back, it is possible to surmise that no official action resulted from Townsend's "mistake" for at least two reasons - first that Victoria would take much less territory from N.S.W.; and second that Townsend's superior in government office was Major Thomas Mitchell. As a former explorer, Mitchell was himself very careless in his interpretation of his superior's instructions. Moreover, he was intensely jealous of the achievements of Capt. Charles Sturt in his exploration of the river Murrumbidgee.

Thus "a mere clerical error" was perpetuated into an interstate dispute which is still alive to the present time, even after the advent of Federation in 1901.

Just imagine the repercussions, were Wagga and not Albury the leading Border City after 1851, and had Riverina become a part of the territory of Victoria in the developments which followed.

Holford Lempriere.

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CAN YOU HELP?

1. Robyn Phillips, 91 Ely Street, Revesby NSW 2212, whose great-great-grandparents were William and Johanna O'Keeffee née Burke who arrived in Sydney from Cork, Ireland as assisted migrants in August 1839. Sons William, Jeremiah and Daniel were apparently farmers in Albury.....in the 1860s.
2. Mrs J Cleary, 80 Ross Crescent, Blaxland, NSW 2774...whose grandfather had a brickworks in Albury from around the 1890s. His name was William Smith or William Kenton-Smith (Bill). He apparently made the bricks for the Albury Post Office.
3. Frank Tucker, 153 Murlong Street, Swan Hill, 2585 who requires any information about the small paddle steamer, the "Ruby", which now lies as a wreck near Swan Hill. It was built by Hillier Bros in 1894 at Newton, NSW, for George Matthews & William Ash, and was launched at Albury. Mr Tucker has cause to believe that it may have been built to assist in the building of the railway bridge at Albury.
4. Dr Peter Spearritt, School of History, Philosophy & Politics, Macquarie University, North Ryde NSW 2113 who researching the life of Alexander Mair, M.L.A. for Albury 1932-4 and would like information about his life and political career in Albury.

DEATH NOTICE in the BORDER MORNING MAIL of 4 January 1938

LANKESTER: On January 3, 1938, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Murray, Buckingham st., Albury, JOHN DE'LAPPE, beloved husband of the late Annie Margaret Lankester, and loving father of Alfred Ernest (West Australia), John De'Lappe (W.A.), Maude (Sydney), Reginald Campbell (Albury), Gertrude Mary (Mrs. Murray, Albury), Jessie Frances (Mrs. Nelson, S.A.), Charles Arthur (Ettamogah), William Sydney (Albury). Aged 100 years. At rest.

Border Morning Mail, 4 January 1938:

DEATH OF ALBURY'S OLDEST RESIDENT

Mr. John D. Lankester.....Had Passed Century Mark...End Came Very Peacefully....

Albury's oldest resident is dead. He is Mr. John Delappe Lankester, whose death occurred yesterday morning at the age of 100 years.

Mr. Lankester died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. D. Murray, corner Mate and Buckingham Streets, Albury. He was 100 years of age on September 20.

He had been ill for the past month and the effect of the heat wave at Christmas weakened his resistance to such an extent that his condition became gradually worse, and he lapsed into unconsciousness on Saturday. He survived a severe attack of bronchitis last winter without any apparent ill-effects.

Mr. Lankester was born at Litchfield, in Staffordshire, England, and was called Delappe, as his second christian name, in memory of a French ancestor. When Mr. Lankester was aged 11 years, the family came to Australia, the passage in the ship: "Aztec" occupying 143 days. On the occasion of his birthday last year, he recalled incidents of the long sea voyage.

After some three years around Sydney, the family moved to the Patterson River district, but four years later returned to Sydney, where the father opened offices for Dr. Lindeman's wine business.

The young man was a ready student of wine vinting and selling, and in 1868 came to Albury as manager of the Murray Valley Vineyards for the late J.T. Fallon. In those days Albury was composed of a few hundred people, with a small number of shops and homes. After five years Mr. Lankester transferred to the management of "Ettamogah" a vineyard and wine cellars at Ettamogah (near Albury) owned by Harbottle, Allsopp and Biddle.

Simultaneously, the young man laid the foundations of his own property, "Emu Park", also at Ettamogah. He was granted 160 acres of land by the Crown in recognition of having served in the volunteer forces in Sydney, and he increased the area by selection. Four years before coming to Albury, Mr. Lankester had married in Sydney Annie Margaret Campbell, an Australian-born daughter of Scotch parents.

Expert on Wine

For 46 years he remained in personal charge of the two properties, and as a wine expert he knew no superior. He was appointed sole judge at the internationally recognised wine exhibition in Adelaide. In 1919 he sold "Emu Park" and bought "Ettamogah" handing the latter over to his son and retiring after 46 years. When 82 years of age, he set out to travel the Commonwealth. For about 15 years he kept moving, visiting his sons and daughters and sisters. He travelled to South Australia, West Australia and Queensland, but at the age of 97 settled down finally and had lived since with Mrs. Murray.

It was his custom every afternoon to sip a glass of light dinner wine, but though a vigneron for so many years, he never drank to excess. He smoked a pipe from boyhood, yet at no time had he over-indulged; and he was wont to attribute his long life to moderation in all things.

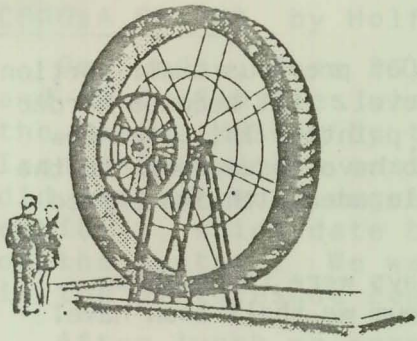
Mr. Lankester's family numbered 10, but two died in infancy. He is survived by Messrs Fred and Delappe (W.A.); Reginald (Thurgoona Street, Albury); Charles (Ettamogah); William Lankester (David Street, Albury); Miss Maud Lankester (Sydney); Mrs. D. Murray (corner Mate and Buckingham Streets, Albury); Mrs. T. Nelson (Glenelg, S.A.).

In 1910 Mrs. Lankester died, and now there are 16 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. Mr. Lankester also left two sisters. They are Mrs. Orr, Claremont, Queensland and Mrs. Lloyd, Sydney. The former is 87 and the latter 85 years of age.

Burial will take place to-day, the cortege leaving St. Matthew's Church at 3 p.m. for the Albury Cemetery. Lester and Sons have charge of the arrangements.

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Next Meeting

Albury Civic Theatre

There will
be no
business
meeting)

8 pm, Tuesday, 9th August

PROFESSOR MANNING CLARK

Public Lecture

Supper

Manning Clark was Professor of Australian History at the Australian National University from 1949 to 1975, and is now Emeritus Professor. His writings include: A History of Australia, Vols I - V; Select Documents of Australian History; Settlers and Convicts; Sources of Australian History; Earliest Times to the Age of Macquarie; A Short History of Australia.

Angus and Robertson who have helped sponsor Manning Clark's visit will have books on sale at the meeting which will be autographed by the author.

July Meeting Alderman Paterson and Deputy City Engineer, Mr Brian McLellan, spoke to the Meeting on the removal of street trees from Hume Street and Wodonga Place. As costs for an alternative route for the Hume Highway along Nurigong Street were prohibitive, Council had recalled the firm, Treemasters, to report on the condition of trees in Hume Street and Wodonga Place.

In Hume Street, there were seventy mature trees of which eighteen required immediate removal and sixteen would need removal in six to fifteen years. The remainder could last from forty to sixty years.

However, it was pointed out that whether the Hume Highway By-Pass was built by the Bi-Centenary or before, the projected amount of local traffic along Hume Street indicated that the street would need reconstruction within five years.

Reconstruction also involved moving of underground services such as water and sewerage pipes, electricity and telephone cables. Inevitably the root systems of the trees, which are not on a nature strip, would be damaged.

It was Council's view therefore, that the present trees should be removed and advanced trees be set aside now for planting along a nature strip when reconstruction of the highway has been completed.

A Visit to the Museum As the National Library was unable to provide the film, it was decided that members would adjourn to the Turk's Head to view renovations and proposals for the museum.

August 1983

A Visit to the Museum (continued)

The Turk's Head is now bright and fresh inside and out. Our previous small portion looks very happy, with new floor boards making all floors level. (It becomes harder to remember the gaps in the plaster and the flaking, mouldy paint!) This area now becomes the storage/workshop for the museum. It is good to have three doors to the museum - some of us used to get claustrophobia in our little area with its barred windows and one door.

As members progressed from room to room noting what displays were to be shown, with a little imagination it became evident what a fine museum we shall soon have!

Museum Report The Museum Director has now moved from her office in the Council Chambers to the Albury Regional Museum at the Turk's Head, Wodonga Place, Albury. Telephone number is 21 4550. Hours of work: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, 9 am to 4 pm.

Museum Attendant, Mrs Michele Bush, and her husband move into the cottage at the rear of the museum on 5th August. Mrs Bush will assist the Director in the setting up of exhibits.

The Museum Sub-Committee met three times this month, on July 6th, 18th and 25th, reflecting the amount of work required in order to ensure that the museum opens in September. In addition, several members spent two Saturday afternoons at the museum organising the storage area.

Orders have been placed for the enlargement of fifty seven photographs, and texts for the displays are being reviewed. The counter for the foyer is being built by London Craft Joinery for Albury City Council, and will be delivered shortly. Ervin Timber Supplies has donated all the wooden display panels.

The Society has requested Council to provide carpet in two stages, with the front rooms carpeted first, in time for the official opening which will be undertaken by the Premier of N.S.W. in the new year. Aldermen have been invited to view the progress made to date.

40,000 Years of Technology The photographs and video display in Myers proved to be of great interest to the public.

The photographs depicted the inventions of the Aboriginal people in assisting their hunting and fishing, as well as their inventions assisting the industrial society.

The display came from the Australian Institute for Aboriginal Studies in Canberra.

Presentation of Photographs On 18th July, President Keith Burnham, accepted on behalf of the Society twelve large, mounted photographs of historic Albury from the management of Myers.

Myers had used the photographs from the Society's Archives for display in their restaurant, and had copies enlarged and mounted for us in return.

BONEGILLA The Albury-Wodonga Ethnic Council is seeking the Society's support to establish a commemorative site at the former Bonegilla Migrant Camp as part of the Bicentennial Celebrations.

From the mid 1940's to early 1970's many thousands of people lived at the camp as their first home in Australia. There is now little to show their families as they re-visit, and nowhere to park or even stop.

As well as the tremendous personal effect on the lives of migrants, the Camp signified wide-reaching historic changes to the social and economic structure of Australia.

The Ethnic Council envisages perhaps a garden, museum and landscaped tourist area on the site.

COROWA OUTING by Holford Lempriere.

On Sunday, June 26, a number of carloads of Historical Society members and their families visited Corowa Historical Society. They were met at the Corowa Museum by their members, headed by the secretary, Mrs Deirdre Izon, who made us most welcome over hot coffee and scones (on a day which did not exceed 7 degrees!). Then followed an inspection of the extensive exhibits, which date back towards Federation of the colonies, at the turn of the century. We were also shown the graves of many district pioneers, in the picturesque cemetery overlooking the Murray River.

After lunch we were escorted down river to historic Collendina Station, which was originally taken up in 1841 by Robert Brown, first settler at the Crossing Place, Albury in 1838. The huge selection of Collendina at first included the later properties of Sandy Ridges, Bull Plain, Cow Pasture, Sanger's Mistake, Dry Forest and Buraja. In 1867, Brown disposed of the lease to Gayer and Crosse, retaining only 1000 acres which he sold in 1878 to W. Hay and Sons. Brown married in 1843 and left a large family, descendants of whom still reside in the area. He then selected near Tocumwal. He was buried at Mulwala on February 14, 1879.

At Collendina, Brown ran mostly cattle and as early as the 1850s, cropped up to 150 acres of wheat on the property, while John Foord grew a further 70 acres across the river at Wahgunyah. These two men also operated sawmills and built the first bridge across the river in 1863.

Under the Hay family, Collendina expanded and prospered over a long period. The property was again subdivided, Jilamatong being purchased by Mr Ned Nicholson. Chief among improvements to the property was the erection of a two storey brick homestead which at one time contained up to 40 rooms, and which is still in excellent repair.

The Hays were followed by the Carrolls who eventually sold to the present owners, Mr and Mrs Peter Howard. Mr Howard has embarked on a comprehensive programme of pasture improvement and spray irrigation, backed by intensive mechanisation, making Collendina among the highest producing properties in the country.

Our party was also fortunate to fit in a tour of Wahgunyah Township and its industries, and the grave of John Foord who pioneered the area. Under his guidance, the town became a major port for the Murray steamers from South Australia, allowing the important industries of the district - wool, grain, timber, wine and meat - to prosper long before the advent of the railways.

EUROA Accepting an invitation from the Euroa Historical Society, Holford Lempriere recently gave a talk to them on the subject of "Seven Creeks and the Saxon Merinos". This covered the adventures of Mrs Janet Templeton and her family in importing the first shipment of superfine Merino sheep from the flocks of the Elector of Saxony in Germany to Sydney and subsequently across the Murray to "Seven Creeks" near Euroa in 1837. Secondly, Mr Lempriere traced the expansion of this flock through the Ercildoun stud near Ballarat to the whole of western Victoria; as well as the blending of the Wanganella, N.S.W. flock of the Templeton brothers to form the Peppin type of Merino in Riverina.

Holford Lempriere.

Donations to the Historical Collection, Upper Murray Regional Library.

Geological Research Directory, International Edition	H 929.1 Gen v.3
The Stanley Times & Mining Journal: a History of the Stanley, Hurdle Flat & Hillsborough districts. Geoff F Craig	H 994.55 Cra
Mundongo Public School Centenary, 1883-1983	H 372.9944
Rosewood Public School Centenary, 1883-1983	H 372.9944
Stream Gauging Information, by Aust. Water Resources Council	H 627.125
Dipped in Ink: a selection of writings from the Tallangatta Literary Competition. Lovejoy & Lang	H 829.08

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BEQUEST which is much appreciated by the Society.....

Under the will of Frances Charlotte Noakes (née Hodson) of Denniliquin, the Society is to receive the following items: cedar round table, cedar chest of drawers, 3 balloon chairs, rocking chair, a Mary Gregory vase and a painting by Rata Lovell-Smith. Mrs Noakes was born in Albury on 13.3.1906.

DONATIONS for which the Society is most grateful:

from Mr Horace Stelling: the Letter Book of Mr Stelling's grandfather, Mr G. Hunter, a prominent businessman of Albury. In the book are 734 business letters dating from 1899 to 1905. The Letter Book is to be placed in the Historical Collection of the Library.

from Mrs P Boyes, B.E.M. \$70.00 from sale of books.

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CAN YOU HELP?

Mrs B Clarke, 51 Torres Street, Kurnell who is trying to find information concerning James (Joseph) Casey and Margaret Quade (Quaid) and their children. The children were all born in Albury between 1867 and 1879: Mary, Catherine, Margaret, Johanna, James and Elizabeth. The family moved to Grenfell in 1885 with the families of Cleary, Madden and Leonard. James Casey was said to be a keen cricketer and footballer, a strong Labor supporter and member of the Catholic Church.

Bill Rourke, 2 Donald Street, Wangaratta who seeks information concerning his grandparents James and Mary (née Ryan) Mitchell who conducted a bakery in Albury about the 1880's and were long-time Albury residents.

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Mr Justice Nagle

Society member, Mrs P Reed, has sent us a cutting from the Sydney Morning Herald July 8th, 1983 regarding the retirement of Mr Justice Nagle.

Justice John Nagle was born and grew up in Albury. He was admitted to the Bar in 1939 and during the war served in the Middle East with the 2/2 Field Regiment, A.I.F.

Justice Nagle was made a Q.C. in 1959 and appointed to the Bench the following year. In 1977, he headed the Royal Commission into N.S.W. Prisons.

"Justice Nagle intends retiring to his 1600 acre cattle and sheep farm in Albury - used in the last century as a hide-out by 'Mad Dog' Morgan, the bushranger." according to the Sydney Morning Herald.

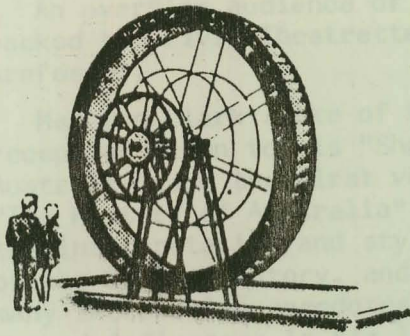
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Lois Humphreys was the Editor for this August edition of the Bulletin.

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Next Meeting

Tuesday, 13th September 1983,
8 pm, C W A Hall, Kiewa Street, Albury.

+ Frank Higgins will speak on
+ "The Development of Albury in the 1850s"

Anyone who heard Frank's first talk in March 1982 will know that we are in for a good evening with this enthusiastic and erudite local historian.

Museum Report

The Museum develops in accordance with the programme. The donated wall panels have been covered and will be mounted on the walls by Council in due course. The Museum Committee is now meeting regularly to prepare the text and to arrange the final details of the exhibition.

The Premier of N S W, Mr Wran, has indicated that he will be happy to open the Museum during December 1983. The date and invitations will be notified later.

In the meantime, temporary exhibitions are being arranged. A major one, in conjunction with the Albury Regional Art Centre, will be "Good Housekeeping 1830 to 1930" from November 1983 to January 1984.

John Alker-Jones.

+ ASSISTANCE REQUIRED AT THE MUSEUM

There are a number of jobs at the Museum which require volunteers. Anyone who would like to offer their assistance should contact Narelle at the Museum, Tel: 21 4550.

The jobs are:-

1. Dismantle large display case in old Folk Museum area and reassemble in new Museum.
2. Assist in moving heavy outside objects from Claud Hazelwood's garden to Museum, especially the old post box which needs restoring and painting before being placed outside the museum.
3. The museum sub-committee is investigating the possibility of placing some large exhibits outside linking Australia Park and the Waterwheel to the Museum, at the rear of the Tourist Information Centre. Anyone who might know of the availability of large, vandal-proof, outside exhibits which would be safe for children to climb on (e.g. steamrollers) please contact Narelle.

Keith Burnham.

DONATIONS for which the Society is most grateful.....

Mr C C Hazelwood - a P.A. System presently in the care of Doug Royal.

Y.W.C.A. - Two bookcases and a commemorative plaque in memory of Pilot Officer Peter Thompson R.A.A.F. killed in the second World War.

August Meeting PROFESSOR MANNING CLARK

An overflow audience of 230 people packed the Civic Theatre to hear the professor.

Manning Clark spoke of the contrasting reception given to his "Short History of Australia" and the first volume of "The History of Australia". He discussed the interpretation and style of writing of the longer history, and provided many interesting anecdotes of the background influences in his life which gave rise to the interpretation.

While the short history, written in six weeks, proved uncontroversial and sold well, "all hell was let loose" when the first volume of the long history appeared.

The theme of the long history was what the land did to the European settlers, and what they did to the land.

As the author now comes to judge his own work, he regrets that he gave insufficient emphasis to the aboriginal culture and the role of women in the history of Australia.

Just as Manning Clark's writing was in a narrative style, so was his address. Members of the audience felt they were being spoken to personally. Their respect for this foremost Australian philosopher and historian was more deeply enhanced by the evening's address.

As a result of the meeting, many members of the audience indicated that they would like to receive the Society's Bulletin, and extra copies will be sent out this month.

Lois Humphreys.



Professor and Mrs Manning Clark outside the Turks Head during their visit to Albury in August.

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Society Meetings The usual programme starting at 8 pm is:- Business, Speaker, Supper. Does this suit members and visitors? Would you prefer a short report from the president? Or would you like a business meeting which starts at 7.30 pm allowing for the Speaker to begin at 8 or 8.15? Or...business as usual?

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ALBURY'S MAYORS

Cliff Chamberlain, Community Affairs Officer, asked the Society for help in researching the Mayors of Albury. Mayoral portraits in the old Town Hall were to be removed and carefully preserved probably in the form of a bound book. Each portrait would be accompanied by a thumb nail sketch & it was here that Cliff hoped for the Society's help.

Holford Lempriere offered to co-ordinate a programme on the mayors from 1859 to 1894. Helen Livesy, with Holford's help, spent hours in research, usually starting with the obituary. They have collected some information on W N M Edmondson, T H Griffith, W J Jones, W E Lampport, Kenneth McLennan, Arthur Phillips, Conrad Tenbrink, D S Watson & R M Wilkinson but they say more is needed. They hope that as the material is published gradually in the Bulletin, members may remember facts or anecdotes to add to their research.

Pat Strachan contributed a copy of her article on Albury's first mayor:

"James Thomas Fallon, Mayor of Albury 1859 - 1861".

ALBURY'S MAYORS.James Thomas Fallon, Mayor of Albury 1859 - 1861

Albury's first mayor was an Irishman. Born near Athlone in 1819, James Thomas Fallon came to Australia at the age of 25. He started a business at Braidwood and was joined, in 1854, by his brother, Patrick. The opening up of the Victorian goldfields and the prospects of trade brought the pair of them to Albury, where they established their business in Kiewa Street, opposite the Rose Hotel.

The first Municipal election was held in Albury on 21 July, 1859. J.T. topped the poll and was elected Mayor. The occasion was marked with fireworks and bonfires.

During the year, the Victorian government was petitioned to provide a serviceable road to Wodonga and towards the end of the year, a contract was let for this work. Tenders were called for the erection of a bridge over the Murray River.

December 1859 saw the issue of the first rate assessments - many were dissatisfied and many appealed.

The years 1859/1860 saw progress in building. The Globe and Court House Hotels were built. There were extensions to the Exchange Hotel and work was commenced on the post and telegraph office on the corner of Dean and Kiewa Streets.

The Murray Valley Vineyard Company was founded in 1860. J.T. was one of its founding members and was later to become the owner of the Vineyard.

On 1 February 1860, Kidd & Brickell's tender of £7,500 was accepted for the erection of the first bridge over the Murray. J.T. drove the first pile on 16 August 1860 and the occasion was toasted with champagne.

Tenders were called for the Hospital and gaol and the site was chosen for the Mechanics Institute. The "Albury Banner" reported in 1860 that the main street, Townsend Street, was being ploughed and formed. Prior to 1860, the only buildings north of Dean Street had been the Court House, lockup and St. Matthew's.

The old National School site having been sold to T H Mate in 1860, W J Jones' tender was accepted in 1861, for the erection of a new school building in Olive Street. The census taken in April of that year showed a population of 600 in the town itself. The Agricultural Society was arranging for local wines to be sent to the London Exhibition of 1862 and the completion of the hospital was marked by a fancy dress ball.

The Council was making strong efforts to improve the streets of Albury and went so far as to prohibit the sale of meat on Sundays.

On 2 September 1861, Miss Chauncy opened the bridge over the Murray River, christening it "The Union Bridge" with a bottle of champagne. In 1861 there was a glut in agriculture and times were hard. There were many appeals against rates this year and finally the rates were declared illegal. No improvements were carried out and a large meeting of residents decided to petition for the repeal of the municipality.

As indicated above, J.T. was one of the founders of the Murray Valley Vineyard Company. In 1864, the Company borrowed £2,000, after having altered its Deed of Settlement to authorise the borrowing. When the mortgage fell due 3 years later, the Company was unable to pay and the property of 640 acres, bounded on the north, east and south by what are now known as Kaitlers, Dallinger and Union Roads, was auctioned by the mortgagee. J.T. was the successful bidder. He made the Murray Valley Vineyard a success and, in 1867, he bought land in Kiewa Street, where he built his cellars. The building itself may have altered, but the cellar, with its huge beams, remains. Fallon's Cellars were to become famous and no-one, but no-one, came away from Albury without having visited Fallon's Cellars (though one journalist had the temerity to assert that he had).

In December, 1869, J.T. replaced T.H. Mate as the local member of Parliament and represented the electorate for 3 years. The "Albury Banner" recorded that "in Parliament and out he showed remarkable energy and shrewd commonsense, both of which qualifications were always brought to bear on any move for the benefit of the Albury area."

"James Thomas Fallon" (continued)

He was active in efforts to have State customs duties abolished. He had extensive holdings around Albury, on both sides of the River - even Jindera has its Fallon Street.

J.T. left Albury in 1871, to devote himself entirely to the development of the wine trade. In 1873, he made his first trip home to the old country. He took with him a large photograph of the Murray Valley Vineyard and gave a huge picnic on an island in the Shannon River. He made a tour of the wine producing districts of France and brought Francois Gaston (Leonce) Frere to Albury, to make champagne. While in London, he spoke out (unsuccessfully) for the reduction of duties imposed on Australian wines. For his second overseas trip, in 1876, J.T. was better prepared to argue for the relaxing of duties on Australian wines. He was armed with facts and figures certified by the appropriate officials and he won the day.

J.T. never married. He died at his Sydney residence, "Riverstone", Manly, on 26 May, 1886, at the age of 67. Although he had lived in Sydney for so long, he was brought back to Albury for burial. The Mayor, Geo. Billson, and Aldermen attended his funeral and businesses were closed. For 97 years, the memorial to James Thomas Fallon, Albury's first Mayor, has stood looking down the street which was named after him.

P.L.Strachan.

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ALBURY'S MAYORS

William E Lampport, 1882.

Miss Struan Lampport of Pymble, great grand-daughter of William E Lampport, Mayor of Albury in 1882, has been corresponding with Society member, Helen Livesy.

Her letters correspond with our research surrounding the Mayors, for the Albury City Council. Limited information is known about William E Lampport. He owned land in Hovell and Macauley Streets and had done some mining at Black Range (Lavington), and previously at Snowy River and other goldfields. He worked in Albury as a road contractor, and died in 1890 aged 56 years. He had one son and two daughters.

Mr Lampport's son, Alfred was one of many members of the Lampport family who worked for the Bank of N.S.W. and he was seriously wounded during an attempted bank robbery while he was manager of the Henty branch in 1901.

Brothers Herbert and Joseph Minton tried to hold up Mr Lampport and Mr C J Hazelton, the accountant, in the manager's office. However Mr Lampport resisted, extracted a gun from a drawer, critically wounding one of the robbers, who in turn shot Mr Lampport. The Mintons were captured about an hour later and were subsequently sentenced to twelve years penal servitude.

Mr Lampport was rewarded for his courage when presented with a watch and chain, an address and, after he had fully recovered from his wounds, twelve months leave of absence on full pay, together with a cheque for £500 for the purpose of affording him the opportunity of visiting Europe.

The Government presented Mr Lampport with a gold medal for bravery. Other recipients of this honour had been Mr Keightly, Sir William Macleay, and Mr Bayliss, (police magistrate of Wagga), but Mr Lampport was the first recipient for 30 years.

Mr Hazelton was presented with a silver medal, given three months leave on full pay, and a watch and chain.

When the Bank of N.S.W. opened a branch at the Macquarie Centre, North Ryde, Miss Lampport was the first customer, in keeping with the family association with the bank in the employment of her great grandfather, David Maughan at Benalla during the Ned Kelly era, her grandfather Alfred W E Lampport, her great uncle and her uncle.

Helen Livesy.

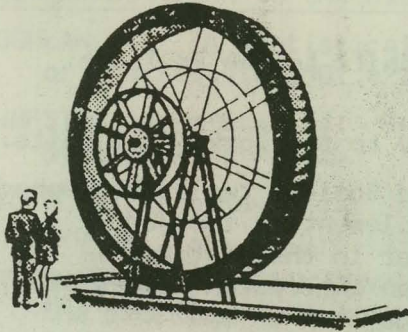
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The Society thanks Tietyens, Angel and Jackling for photocopying the August Bulletin and Fleming, Henderson and Gardiner for photocopying this issue.

The Bulletin is printed in time to be posted to members as a "Notice of the Society Meeting". Deadline for copy is the Committee meeting on the 4th Tuesday.

Anne Davies, editor.

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Next Meeting 8 pm, Tuesday 11th October 1983
C W A Hall, Kiewa Street, Albury

"Memories of Malcolm McEachern, Albury born bass baritone"
by Mrs Frank Boyes, B E M.

The Society hopes to play some of his songs on its phonograph.

EXCURSION to Woomargama Station Sunday 6th November. Meet at Woomargama pub at 10.30 am.
Bring picnic lunch and chairs or rugs.

It is marvellous that Holford Lempriere has been able to arrange for the Society to visit Woomargama Homestead. However, as there is a limit of 100, we have to restrict the visit to members and immediate family. Members may collect their tickets (50¢) from Holford at the October meeting. Holford Lempriere, 25 6308.

September Meeting Frank Higgins has written a precis of his talk, but without anecdotes:

CATHOLIC CHURCH ALBURY 1850 - 1868

During this period the colony of Victoria was constituted, payable gold discovered and significant changes made to the Land Act. Albury felt the impact of these developments.

Hardworking pious Catholic families commenced settlement in Albury from May 12, 1851. The names of some of them were Frauenfelder, Schubach, Rau, Dallinger, Dick, Gehrig, Stassen.

Following them were Fallon, Day, Bell, Keogh, Cullen, Dwyer, Daly, Mullavy, Devine, Plunkett, Keighran, Costigan, Gorman, Long of Irish origin and McLennan of Scotch.

The Albury parochial district was established in 1854 with young Father Maher in charge until 1857 when the practical Father Twomey took over as pastor until 1868. Albury was now part of the recently formed Diocese of Goulburn under Bishop Lonigan.

The mould of the Catholic Church in Albury was set in this period and was now ready for the impact of Dr. McAllroy and the Mercy nuns.

Museum Report The preparation of the museum continues for a likely opening date in October. All the display boards have now been erected by Council, and the full carpeting of the museum will be complete in early October.

The sub-committee has spent considerable time preparing the text. It has now co-opted the services of Frank Higgins to assist in reviewing and finalising the information before presentation.

The museum director has been in contact with various schools in the area and has prepared an outline museum education information sheet for 1984. We will have by then a very extensive display of the local history and development of Albury and region.

John Alker-Jones.

TIBBITS EXHIBITION - MELBOURNE

The Society has loaned its painting of Table Top by William Tibbits to the La Trobe Library in Melbourne.

The Library is currently holding an exhibition devoted entirely to the works of Tibbits.

Whilst our painting is away the La Trobe Library has loaned the Society two lithographed views of Albury. One is a coloured view of Albury issued as a supplement to the Border Post in November 1888. It shows a panorama of Albury with the river in the distance and important shops, offices and hotels around the border. It is an interesting piece and one which the Society does not possess. Members are urged to go down to the Museum and have a look at this lithograph. If anyone knows the whereabouts of another copy please contact Narelle at the Museum. Tel: 21 4450.

Keith Burnham.

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME to be funded by the Commonwealth Government:

The guidelines are: a project of 3 to 6 months - of use to the community; to provide full time employment, if possible, and useful work experience to someone who has been unemployed for 3 months and is on the C.E.S. Register.

The President suggests applying for:

1. a) Photographic Survey of Buildings and Streetscapes.
- b) " Record of Society's Collection of Artefacts.
2. Cataloguing of Society's Artefacts and Archives.
3. Education Officer in Museum.
4. Local History Research including local Aboriginal Research.

ORAL HISTORY- and there is very exciting news from Radio Ettamogah. The Co-operative had applied for a grant under the NSW Wages Pause Employment Program for the recording of Oral History. They have been granted \$18,100 to recruit two unemployed people for six months to undertake this task. Before doing so, they have asked for discussions with Albury and Wodonga Historical Societies, the A.B.C., local libraries, etc. Holford Lempriere, Anne Davies and Marie Aney will represent the Society.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 13th December 1983 Just to remind you that nominations for the 1984 committee need to be with the Secretary, Jo Gordon, before the committee meeting on 22nd November. They have to be in writing and signed by the nominee and two financial members. Positions are: President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Minute Secretary and six committee members. "Notices of Motion" would also need to be at the November committee meeting.

For consideration: The committee meetings can be too long and still not allow enough time for discussions. The Society already has one sub-committee - for the Museum. It has been suggested that we need more, drawn from the committee, Society members and other interested people. Three suggestions are:

1. Research, answering "Can You Help?" letters, Oral History and Publications.
2. Social activities and fund raising.
3. Historic Buildings and Conservation.

CAN YOU HELP Miss K Edmonds? She says "During the 1950's my father, called Gabby Hayes, moved 2700 head of cattle from Roma in Queensland down to Wodonga. At the time there was major flooding in the Albury/Wodonga area and the cattle had to be moved through the main street of Albury. The event was written up in the Border Morning Mail. We would like a photocopy of the article, but as we do not know the precise date, we cannot order one from the newspaper." Can you help?

Recent Additions to the Historical Collection, Upper Murray Regional Library.

COGHLAN, T. A Statistical account of the seven colonies of Australasia 1901 - 1902	H919.404 Cog
CUMPSTON, John Stanley. Shipping arrivals and departures, Sydney, 1788 - 1825	HQ387.2 Cum
NICHOLSON, Ian Hawkins. Shipping arrivals and departures, Sydney, v.2, 1826 - 1840	HQ387.2 Nic
NATIONAL AUSTRALASIAN CONVENTION, Sydney. Official record of the proceedings and debates of the National Australasian Convention, held in the Parliament House, March April 1891	H342.94 Nat
The Border Post Almanac, 1887 - 1901 -- Albury: Affleck and Gray	H050 Bor
Rutherglen Miner and Howlong & Wahgunyah Times 4.11.1903 - 10.1.1912, 6 microfilm reels; 35mm	H079.945 Rut
Yarrawonga Chronicle, 29th June 1983, Special centenary feature	HQ079.945 Yar
PHILLIPS, Peter. Riverboat days on the Murray, Darling, Murrumbidgee.	H919.44 Phi
BRIDLE, Jack. My mountain country Talbingo	H994.48
MOLL, Ernest G. The Well and the Star: poems	H829.1 Mol
Corryong Community Guide:	H919.455 Cor
MIDDLE INDIGO CREEK SCHOOL CENTENARY COMMITTEE 100 years at s.s. 1115 Middle Indigo, 1974	H372.9945 Mid
MOUNTAIN DISTRICT CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA Submission in respect of the Alpine area of Victoria to the Lands Conservation Council of Victoria 1982	H333.73 Mon
ALBURY WODONGA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, Bibliography of reports 1981	H016.7113 Alb
LEWIS, John. Report on planning and information services in Albury Wodonga, A W D C, 1975	H027.094 Lew
BRENNAN, Ann Dorothy. Review of the A W D C Library facility	H027.6 Bre
BRYMNER, Mark H. Trace metals in the River Murray - the influence of Albury Wodonga, A W D C 1983	HQ628.161 Bry
STREET, RYAN & ASSOCIATES Population projections for Albury Wodonga 1981 - 2001 A W D C 1983	HQ304.6 Str
Small area population and housing information, Rural City of Wodonga A W D C 1981?	HQ312.9 Sma

Donations Mr C C Hazelwood has handed over another instalment of artefacts and archives, presented to the Society and already acknowledged, which he has been storing. They were on display at the September meeting. Artefacts include: nutmeg grater, glasses, mug, teapot & sharpening steel; a bulldog clip, curling tongs & a packet of "Handy Soap"; matchbox, tobacco tins and a pouch; 7 home made nails and 2 horseshoes; commemorative medals; and a model of a Tumbling Tommy silt scoop for cleaning out dams....two bullock teams required. Archives: 5 cardboard sheets of "Border Personalities" caricatures by Dudley Gordon and caricatures by Tim B. from Mr and Mrs A J Allen; 1886 & 1888 studio pictures of Batstone children; photos from Webster Bequest; photos of Water Wheel, Hume Weir, Hume Monument & presentation of gold scales; letters & poems from Geoff Frauenfelder; etc.

Thanks to Greig, Weatherly and Co. for photocopying this Bulletin.

ALBURY'S MAYORSArthur Phillips

Member of Council 1889 - 94. Mayor of Albury 1892. Born at Goulburn, the son of N C Phillips of "Lansdowne", Goulburn. He came to Albury when in his teens to take a position on the staff of the Commercial Bank and was a smart and efficient officer. At the age of 21 years he was the manager of the Germanton (Holbrook) branch. His association and residence in Albury and district extended over 34 years and he became a stock and station agent and auctioneer. He was appointed a Territorial Magistrate and was Secretary of the Albury Racing Club and Albury Pastures Protection Board. When the Hume Shire was formed Mr Phillips was appointed clerk to the temporary council. He was Deputy Coroner, Justice of the Peace, and returning officer for state elections. A well read man who took a keen interest in public and general affairs, he had one daughter, Emilie, and two sons, Bowen and Lloyd. He lived at "Bowen Villa", Wyse Street, Albury and died on October 15, 1909 aged 55 years.

William John Jones

Member of Council 1869-71, 75-90, 92-94, 96-99. Mayor of Albury 1877 and 1878. Born in the village of Carrabeg, County Roscommon, Ireland about 1827. At about 19 years of age he and his sister (aged about 8) sailed to America. He married in New York in July 1853 and came to Australia in October 1854 with his wife and infant son (who predeceased his father). They went to Goulburn where he engaged in the building trade for a couple of years. In June 1857 the family arrived in Albury - the journey being made with a dray and two horses. He eventually purchased a house for £28, and also 22 acres of land at Corowa which he sold soon after. On this land was to become the township of Corowa. After spending a time on the Indigo Diggings he returned to Albury and the building trade, while also holding the position of Town Surveyor for two years. On his retirement from this position he stood for Council and was elected.

During his mayoral term of 1877 the Botanical Gardens were laid out, the planting of trees in it commenced and a lake formed in the centre. He was again mayor in 1878 when the planting of street trees was discussed at length and ultimately decided on the casting vote of the mayor. The planting commenced in August of the following year when elms were planted along the northern side of Dean Street, between Olive and Kiewa Streets at a cost of £1/12/6 each.

Mr Jones was no public speaker but had a sense of humour and a capacity for seeing things in their right perspective. He was a foundation member of the H.A.B.C. Society which was established in 1870, and conducted a furniture store at the corner of Dean and Townsend Streets, and an undertaking business.

He died at his residence "Elsinoire", Dean Street, Albury on September 1, 1914 aged 86.

These two articles were researched and written by Helen Livesy at Cliff Chamberlain's request to the Society for "thumb nail sketches" of Albury's mayors. Pat Strachan's article on J.T. Fallon in last month's Bulletin was also specifically researched and written for this project. The Society is grateful to both of them. A.I.D.

THE MARGARET CARNEGIE COLLECTION, quoted from two Newsletters from R.C.A.E., Wagga Wagga.

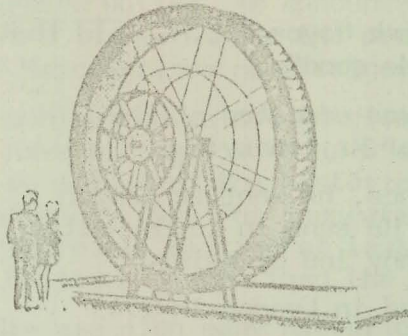
The Library of books, journals and papers which Mrs Margaret Carnegie of Holbrook, N.S.W. has given to the Riverina College of Advanced Education is significant in terms of its contents and because it compliments other material held at and being collected by the Riverina College Archives and Records Service.

Mrs Carnegie's Collection, to which she is still adding material, has a number of strengths. These include extensive runs or complete sets of a remarkable array of journals; a substantial gathering of local history for the Riverina and North-Eastern Victoria; and much material on Australian art and Australian literature, especially Henry Lawson. The Collection also contains a great deal of 19th century Australian history.

The Collection contains a considerable number of rarities. These include maps, journals, contents pages & covers of volumes & books, both fact & fiction. It also contains a large quantity of notes & related materials used by Mrs Carnegie in her historical writing.

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NEXT MEETING: 8 pm, Tuesday November 8th at the C W A Hall, Kiewa Street, Albury.
A "History of the Albury Railway Depot and Memorabilia"
by Mr Fred Peachey.

MUSEUM REPORT:

OFFICIAL OPENING of the ALBURY REGIONAL MUSEUM by the N S W Premier Mr Neville Wran will be on Wednesday December 7th!

The Museum subcommittee is now working at full speed for the preparation of this important event. There will be a lot of preparation and we hope to be able to call on members to assist us. We will give details of the opening in the next Bulletin. There will be of course an invitation to all A & D H S members to attend.

To allow members to have a preview of the museum, an open day will be held the week before the above official function; this is to be at 2 pm on Sunday November 27th.

In the meantime the Director has arranged in conjunction with the Albury Regional Art Centre, for an exhibition titled "Good Housekeeping 1830 - 1930". The exhibition will be from November 20th until February 1984; the major part of the exhibit will be at the Art Centre in the Old Town Hall, Dean Street and a smaller part at our museum.
John Aiker-Jones.

R A F F L E - to be drawn at the Annual General Meeting on December 13th.

First Prize, worth \$50, "SONG OF THE PEN" the complete works of BANJO PATERSON,
Two handsomely bound books of 800 pages each.

Two Consolation Prizes "Australia's Wildlife" by Currey O'Neil

and the Facsimile Reprint of Dr Andrews' "First Settlement of the Upper Murray"

Tickets, 50¢, available at the Chiltern Outing, the November Society meeting;
the Pre-View of the Museum, the Official Opening of the Museum and at the A.G.M.

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October Meeting "Memories of Malcolm McEachern."

In opening her address to Society Members and Visitors Mrs Frank Boyes, B.E.M., said that Malcolm McEachern is the perfect example of "the local boy made good".

Born in Albury 1st April 1893, Walter Malcolm Neil McEachern was educated at the Albury Public School, and studied singing under the guidance of Mr Tracey.

Later he toured Australia, then seeking international experience, he went to London where he made his debut as Malcolm McEachern, bass baritone. He sang in London with Dame Nellie Melba and toured Australia as soloist with a company led by Melba.

He became famous as one of the Duo Flotsam and Jetsam. He died in London in 1945 at the age of 61 years.

Mr Cleaver Bunton, O.A., O.B.E, in rising to a vote of thanks to Mrs Boyes for her entertaining talk, told several amusing anecdotes of their experiences when he, Cleaver, and Malcolm were students with similar voices, under the guidance of Mr Tracey who gave lessons in the historic house "Kia Ora".

Lively discussion and exchange of stories continued during a "cuppa" after the meeting.
Lila Quiggin.

October Meeting It was requested that the Treasurer's Report be published in the next Bulletin:

1. Worker's Compensation for new employee - form to be given to Mr Alker-Jones to complete.
2. Balance to 27.9.83:

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Brought forward		Telephone	\$113.80
General account	\$1,821.99	Stationery - Director	103.36
Investment account	13,770.67	Wages	749.52
Receipts:		K Burnham (M Clark)	83.30
Seminar	117.00	Travelodge	10.90
Membership	6.00	Thomson Printing	42.00
Donation	3.00	Repair typewriter	26.00
		Seminar costs (N Puma)	66.97
		Museum director -	
		petty purchases	144.39
		Bulletin postage	26.07
		Secretary - petty cash	33.83
		Bank costs	15.94
		State tax	1.35
		Federal tax	6.20
		General account	126.00
			398.36
		Investment account	13,770.67
	\$15,718.66		\$15,718.66

note: the Treasurer presents a monthly report at the committee meeting.
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New Members Mr M G Curtis, 682 Holmwood Cross, Albury.
Dr R Paton, 181 Lawrence Street, Wodonga (Corporate membership)

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DONATIONS for which the Society is most grateful.....

Mrs P Boyes Framed Route Map of Hume and Hovell's Expedition.

A book on "Australia's Wildlife" as consolation prize for the raffle.

Angus and Robertson - \$22.50 towards the first prize for the raffle, a special edition in two volumes of Banjo Paterson's poems.

Mr W J Kell for photocopying this Bulletin.

November Outing As announced at the October meeting, our trip to Woomargama is off for the present. Mrs Darling wrote that they will be away till mid-November, so no arrangements can be made for our visit till next year.

Meanwhile, so as not to disappoint all those who have booked for the November outing, we have arranged with Mr Graeme Parkes, Ranger for the Chiltern State Park, to take us on a tour of the historic mining area - two at least, of the rich gold mining shafts are open for inspection, besides the site of the cyanide extraction plant. In the early sixties of last century, more than 60,000 miners worked on the gold fields at Chiltern - more than the present combined population of Albury-Wodonga.

There are also many historic buildings and places to be inspected, including the home of the poet "Henry Handel Richardson" a woman whose father lived at "Lake View", a property since restored by the National Trust.

Arrangements are that members and friends of the Historical Society meet at 11.30 am on Sunday November 6, outside the Court House in Chiltern.

Please make your own transport arrangements and bring a picnic lunch. Barbecue facilities are available. After lunch, Mr Parkes has promised us a thoroughly interesting and worthwhile visit.

Holford Lempriere, 25 6308

ALBURY'S MAYORS

John Roper, Councillor 1859 - 62.

Mayor of Albury, February to October 1862

John Roper was born in Gayton Thorpe, Norfolk, England in 1820, the eldest son and third of ten children of Thomas and Frances Roper (nee Nurse) of Geminham Hall. He was educated at King's Lynn, Norfolk, migrated to New Zealand in 1838 and arrived in Sydney in 1843.

He was a member of Leichhardt's expedition to Port Essington in 1844-45 when he was speared by aboriginals and lost his sight in one eye. On this journey Leichhardt named the Roper River in his honour.

Mr Roper was appointed Albury's first Clerk of Petty Sessions in 1847, and was also Postmaster. He became a Magistrate in 1854. Elected to Albury's first Council on July 21, 1859, he was a member of the Show Society, Albury Co-Op store, Hospital and Race Club when he resigned due to insolvency in 1862.

He had built the Globe Hotel in 1860, but did not operate it and owned considerable township property including all the land on the north side of Dean Street from the Globe Hotel to Elizabeth Street, and a grain store and five room cottage in Kiewa Street, as well as land at Doctors Point. He also held small parcels of land planted with tobacco and vines. His team of draught stallions and farm machinery were some of the earliest in the district and included a Robinson reaper and binder.

The Border Post paid tribute as follows: "Much sympathy is felt for Mr Roper in the trying situation in which the depreciation in real estate has placed him. He is one of the oldest residents in Albury and has done much, both in public and private, to advance the interests of the town ... he has deserved well of the colonists at large, for he was one of the companions of Leichhardt to Port Essington". He was released from insolvency in 1873.

John Roper moved to Merriwa, near Scone, N.S.W. where he was Stock Inspector until two years before his death in 1895, when he was a respected townsman, director of a flour milling company and owner of a substantial property, "Roseberry Park". In the Holy Trinity church yard at Merriwa stands a memorial to John Roper, which was built from a subscription fund raised by the Sydney Telegraph.

After his return from Port Essington, John's brothers William, Frederick and Walter, and his sister Frances, migrated to Australia. John did not marry but descendants of his brothers still live in the Victorian country not far from Albury and Mount Beauty as a reminder of the English family who made Australia their home.

Helen Livsey.

Thank you to our member, Mrs Wilma Davies of Tawonga for the information about Mr Roper.

"PICTURESQUE VICTORIA THROUGH THE EYES OF WILLIAM TIBBITS"

This is the title of an exhibition currently on display in the State Library of Victoria, 328 Swanson Street, Melbourne and it will continue to 30 January 1984. It is open seven days a week (10am - 6pm) and admission is free.

The Society has loaned its painting of Table Top to the State Library for the exhibition. The painting is titled 'Table Top, Yambla, property of James Mitchell Esqr' and dated 1887. Unfortunately it is probably the painting in the worst condition in comparison with the others & highlights the need for conservation work to be undertaken.

Between 1877 and 1896 William Tibbits lived in Albert Street, Windsor, Melbourne, and developed a richer clientele and a more professional and businesslike approach.

A copy of the exhibition brochure will be available for inspection at the November general meeting.

William Tibbits died on 15 December 1906 at the age of 69 and was buried at Waverley Cemetery, Sydney.

Keith Burnham.

OLD ALBURY NEWSPAPERS AT LA TROBE LIBRARY, MELBOURNE.

The La Trobe Library is next to the State Library on the corner of Swanston and Lonsdale Street, Melbourne.

The La Trobe Library has the following Albury newspapers in 'hardcopy' (i.e. the original newspaper and not microfiche):-

Albury Banner	August 1860 - November 1863
Albury Daily News	1891 - December 1924
Albury Evening Mail & Wodonga Chronicle	1889 - 1891 (some missing)
Border Morning Mail	March 1925 to present
Border Post	1856 - 1859
	1870 - 1902 (some missing)

The newspapers are kept in the La Trobe Library's store and 24 to 48 hours notice is required to get the copies out of storage. Anyone who would like to inspect a particular copy of an old newspaper when next in Melbourne should write to the La Trobe Library or phone the Librarian on 03 669 9949.

Keith Burnham.

NOTES ON VICTORIAN FAMILY HISTORY.

This 8 page document produced by the La Trobe Library, Melbourne, has been placed in the Local History Room in Albury City Library.

It outlines how to begin a search; where to apply for certificates; how the library's resources may help; details of the various types of occupational listings; shipping records; genealogical societies; etc.

Keith Burnham.

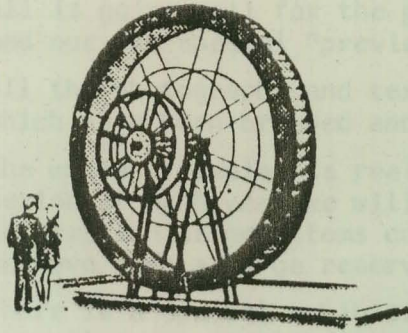
RADIO ETTAMOGAH have received the first instalment of their grant under the N S W Wages Pause Employment programme; it is for recording ORAL HISTORY of the district. Who do you know who remembers back vividly - and would like to tell about the past so that the history is not lost? The work of the two people employed would be: training, research, recording, transcribing and indexing. Quite a programme! Training in technical aspects of recording and interviewing would be by 2REM people; probably Keith Melbourne who is the Station Manager and Kath Davey & Cherry Scatchard who are experienced interviewers and broadcasters. Would the material collected be broadcast? Yes, it could be, unless permission is with-held, but the main object is to keep records for posterity. Albury City Library have offered storage space for tapes or reels. Holford Lempriere, Marie Aney and Anne Davies are representing ADHS.

Anne Davies.

The Wagga & District Family History Group has been formed. It will meet on the 3rd Wednesday at the Wagga City Library at 8 pm. The President is Doug Thomas, 172 Lake Albert Road, Wagga Wagga. He can be contacted at work at the Public Works Department on 069 25 1181.

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will be by the Honorable N C Wran, Q C, M P, Premier of New South Wales
on Wednesday 7th December, 1983 at 10.30 am. The ceremony will be held in
Australia Park (behind the NSW Tourist Information Centre), Wodonga Place, Albury
and will be followed by refreshments and an inspection of the museum.

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X ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 8 pm Tuesday 13th December 1983
CWA Hall, Kiewa Street, Albury.

Agenda: Reading and Confirmation of Minutes of A G M, 1982.

President's Report, which is enclosed with this Bulletin.

Treasurer's Report and audited accounts,
to be presented at the meeting and printed in the next Bulletin.

Notice of Motion: Honorary Life Membership. Moved Mr Burnham, seconded
Mrs Humphreys that the Committee recommends to the Annual General Meeting
that Honorary Life Membership be conferred on Mr Jack Anderson for devoted
and continuous service to the Society and the Turk's Head Folk Museum.

Election of Office Bearers, Committee and Auditor.

Mr Theo Charles-Jones has agreed to be Chairman for the Elections.

Nominations have been received for the following positions:

President	Mr Keith Burnham
Senior Vice President	Mr John Alker-Jones
Junior Vice President
Secretary	Mrs Jo Gordon
Treasurer
Minute Secretary
Committee (six)	Mrs Marie Aney, Mrs Gwen Brown, Mrs Anne Davies, Mrs Anne Holloway, Mr Holford Lempriere, Mrs Helen Livesy, Mr Doug Royal, Mrs Mary Thurling.

Notice of Motion: Alteration to the Constitution, Clause 10.

Moved Mrs Aney, seconded Mrs Gordon that the future Annual General Meetings
be moved to another month to be decided at the 1983 A.G.M.; any subsequent
relevant clauses to be altered.

General Business, including setting the subscription rate & drawing the raffle.

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MUSEUM REPORT Count Down to Opening Days 27th November and 7th December.

All is going well for the preparation of both the "official" opening by the Premier, and our own special "preview" on Sunday 27th November at 2 pm.

All the photographs and text have been printed and mounted and together with our artifacts which have been brushed and polished etc, the museum will open on time.

The current display is really the framework or stage 1 of the presentation. Over the period of each year we will expect to change the exhibition by adding or varying the information as new items come to hand. This could be every 3 or 4 months. Because we have such a large reserve of items they will not all go on display at once.

There is a special exhibition room which will accommodate travelling exhibitions as well as providing the opportunity to exhibit more of our own collection.

John Alker-Jones.

MUSEUM OPEN TO THE PUBLIC from Monday 28th November, every day, 10.30 am to 4.30 pm.

Adults \$1

Pensioners, Students under 16, Children 50¢

Family \$3

Members FREE, on showing current membership card of A.& D.H.S.

MUSEUM ROSTER Great opportunity for members to volunteer as Museum Attendants, Sundays only, 10.30 am to 1.30 pm or 1.30 pm to 4.30 pm.

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Two Consolation Prizes "Australia's Wildlife" by Currey O'Neil

and the Facsimile Reprint of Dr Andrews' "First Settlement of the Upper Murray"

Tickets, 50¢, available until the raffle is drawn at the A G M.

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

The Society has submitted four Grant Applications under the Commonwealth Community Employment Program for the following projects:-

Museum Education Officer.	One person for 52 weeks	\$20,300.
Library and Museum Cataloguing.	One person for 52 weeks.	\$18,492.
Albury Photographic Record.	One person for 26 weeks.	\$8,445.
Local and Aboriginal Historic Research.	One person, 26 weeks	\$8,157.

The deadline for submission of applications was 11 November 1983 and it will probably be some months before we know whether the Society has been successful in whole or in part.

Keith Burnham.

NSW PREMIER'S DEPARTMENT, DIVISION OF CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The Society has been informed that it will receive a grant of \$13,750 in 1984 from the Premier's Department. This grant comprises \$13,000 towards the employment of a full-time Museum Director and \$750 towards the purchase of storage equipment.

The Society applied for \$15,375 and the unsuccessful applications were \$375 towards the purchase of audio-visual equipment; \$1000 towards the cost of photographic reproductions; and \$250 towards the cost of meeting visiting speaker's expenses.

Keith Burnham

NOREUIL PARK COMMITTEE

Members may have read in the Border Morning Mail that Albury City Council has set up a community committee to advise on the recreational development of the Noreuil Park area, from the Union Bridge to the Botanic Gardens.

The Society is represented on the Committee by the President and further reports will appear in the Bulletin on the Committee's progress.

Keith Burnham.

1934 AIR RACE RECALLED

Echoes of the 1934 London to Melbourne air race, in which the town of Albury featured prominently, are to be found in the proposed mock-up film of the race, at present under preparation by the Dutch authorities. During a wild night storm, the Dutch entry, a Douglas D.C.2 airliner the Uiver, made a forced landing on Albury racecourse, with the aid of headlights of cars. Next day, the plane flew on to Melbourne to finish second in the race. Uiver was piloted by Messrs Parmentier and Molle of the Netherlands Air Services.

Numerous photos of the Uiver and its crew were taken by Holford Lempriere on that occasion, when he flew down to Laverton airfield next day to review the air race, which was won by Scott and Campbell Black in a D.H. Comet.

Holford Lempriere.

1884 - 1984 TABLE TOP CENTENARY

Preparations are well in hand for the publication of a district history to mark the centenary of the first school at Table Top in 1884. The story also covers that of nearby Table Top Station conducted over many years by the Mitchell family. Holford Lempriere has been co-opted to the local committee who are preparing for the celebrations in March next year.

H.L.

The Chiltern Outing Thirty five or so members, family and friends had a most interesting excursion to Chiltern and the State Forest. We succeeded in finding the Currt House, not now in use but still furnished and in good condition. The bricks are laid in the same fashion as those of the old Presbyterian church in Albury (behind St Pat's Hall) - both date from 1860. The National Parks Service have restored the Police Residence as a home for the State Park Ranger and rebuilt the kitchen in an excellent complementary style. The Police Stables still exist; the same design occurs throughout Victoria. The Lock-Up is strongly built of stone and brick; members agreed that there would be little chance of escape from the small high barred windows.

Mr Graeme Parkes, the Ranger, then led us to Frog's Hollow picnic place for lunch. When he returned, we all walked up to the site of the State Battery. The Government encouraged new miners by crushing their first three tons of ore free. We moved on to the Magenta Mine, a deep open cut mine, so called because of the colour of the rock when first exposed. Mines and batteries were operating in this area for seventy years until about 1930. We then visited the site of the Pioneer Cemetery, but it had been stripped of the wooden grave markers years ago by a firewood seller.

We thank Graeme Parkes for taking the Society on this tour and Holford Lempriere for arranging it.

A.I.D.

The November Meeting lacked a speaker as Fred Peachey had to go on duty. However, organising preparations for Official Opening of the Museum took some time.

Mr A. Kimber told members that there may be a branch of the Heritage Society formed at Tallangatta and he took away a copy of our Constitution.

Mr John Brett spoke about the book he has written on "The Life of Johnny Hunter" for the Albury High School P. & C. Mr Brett's research and writing has made him a profound admirer of the genius and character of John Hunter.

General Invitation to Society members to attend the launching of the book "The Life of Johnny Hunter", written by John Brett & published by Albury High School. The launching is at 8 pm on 6th December, at the Library of Albury High School.

John Irvine Hunter (born 1898) was an Albury boy, supreme in scholarship and intellectual brilliance, who continued his education at Fort Street School, Sydney and became the youngest professor at Sydney University. "...without wealth or influence, he won world wide fame as an anatomist ... one in whom genius flourished in a character of singular charm and simplicity."

"Good Housekeeping Exhibition, 1830 - 1930" is showing at the Regional Art Centre, Old Town Hall, Dean Street until 16th December 1983.

ditions to the History Collection, Upper Murray Regional Library.

- our books by James McClelland in the Convict, Pioneer & Immigrant Series of Australia:
 A History of Germany & guide to tracing immigrants who came to
 Australia from Germany HQ929.243 McC
- Index no.1 to all readable names of convicts and free persons
 arriving Australia, 1788 to 1793 HQ929.3 McC
- Index no.2 to readable names of all convicts and free persons (not
 naval and military) arriving Australia 1794 to 1800 HQ929.3 McC
- Names of convict & immigrant ships known to me arriving Australia
 1794 to 1899 HQ365.994 McC
- MITCHELL, Elyne. The Man from Snowy River. H829.3 Mit
- MAWSON, Sir Douglas. The Home of the Blizzard: being the story of the
 Australasian Antarctic Expedition 1911-1914 (Abridged edition) H919.89 Maw
- Genealogical Research Directory, volume 4 H929.1 Gen
- Australian Trade Union Training Authority, Annual Report H331.87 Aus
- Albury and District Golden Jubilee of Guiding Committee:
 50 years of Guiding, 1925-1975 H369.436
- Blue Guide, Albury-Wodonga H919.448 Blu
- Wodonga Rural City. Community Guide. H919.45

X "THEY CAME IN THE BRILLIANT" by J O Randell is a history of the McLaurin, McMeekin and
 Paton families who left Scotland in 1837 under the bounty
 immigration scheme and settled in this part of Australia. Widely researched and well
 illustrated, this is more than a strict family account and shows the background to
 the problems and successes of immigrants as they worked on the land & became farmers and
 graziers.

Erratum In the November Bulletin, the last paragraph of "John Roper" should be:
 "John did not marry but descendants of his brothers still live in the Victorian
 country not far from Albury, with Roper Streets in Albury and Mount Beauty as a reminder
 of the English family who made Australia their home."
 Helen Livesy.

DONATIONS, as reported by the Museum Director, for which the Society is most grateful:
Fleming, Henderson & Gardiner - Print "Commonwealth of Australia Opening 1901"
 by Charles Nuttall.
P. Ferris, Glenrowan - Pencil sketches by Thomas Greenfield - "Lily Langtry"
 "Prime Minister Gladstone"

ORAL HISTORY Mrs Prue Paton and Miss Bev Geldard are being engaged by Radio Ettamogah
 under the NSW Wages Pause Employment Programme to record the Oral History
 of Albury Wodonga. There will be plenty of opportunities for meeting them.

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HERITAGE WEEK 1984 - 8th to 15th April - A Week of Discovery. Bring your ideas to AGM.
