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AREA ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Members and Friends,

Here we are again. Arrangements are in hand for our Open Day to be held at the Baptist Hall on the 11th October, 1997. We hope our display will entice visitors, plus our own members, to this day. We will have as many records as possible on display.

I approached Jim Leahy (of Beattie and Phillips Funeral Directors), and we now have a further 10 years of records to copy - up to 1935. I have had a quick look through and am amazed at the information available, e.g., John Martin Ardlie was one of our earliest citizens, and the data tells the maiden name of his wife, also his parents and mother's maiden name. We learn of second marriages (perhaps I should say first?). I did come across the fact that one of my uncles took a coffin to Ballarat, Nazareth House, where an aunt had died. Her body was placed in the coffin and he brought her back to Warrnambool for the funeral. I doubt very much this would be allowed in 1997.

Another thing I did read was that a man went missing in 1922, and his bones were found in a cave at Nirranda in 1934. We will have to check that one out.

Sounds like a lot of work ahead.

Till next month.

Sincerely,

Marie Boyce

EDITORIAL

The "historicals" compiled for The Warrnambool Standard of September 1897 and 1922 by Betty Beavis make up a significant part of this newsletter. As I type the contents each month, the "snippets" contained in Betty's notes raise many questions in my mind - they are interesting and challenging in terms of the general history of our City and District, even if they do not relate directly to personal family history.

There are similar challenges in the names and details of the early students of Warrnambool Agricultural High School, a further 33 of whom appear in this month's issue.

The details of the Koroit Presbyterian Church Honour Board come for many such included in the Library, while the comments on Hopkins Point school but scratch the surface of the vast history of schools which have disappeared from the landscape of our District.

I trust that you find at least some of it of interest.

Ray Welsford

The Warrnambool Standard, Thursday 20 April, 1922

HONOUR BOARD :::: KOROIT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

On Sunday, 19th inst., an Honour Board at the Koroit Presbyterian Church was unveiled. It contains the names of the adherents to the church who took part in the great war. The church was crowded, and the preacher was the Rev. T. J. Riddle, B.A., of Ballarat, son of the Rev. T. J. Riddle, who for many years was minister of the church. The preacher took his text from the 15th chapter of St. Mark. During an eloquent sermon he said they should glory in the fact our Australian men realised the call of duty and went to the war voluntarily. The lives of the people of Australia should be sanctified by the brave young men, and they should be nobler and more worthy citizens.

Mrs. John Kevan, Senior, then unveiled the Honour Board, on which appeared the following names:-

Anderson, A. E. [DCM]	Forsythe, W	Morrison, H. H.
Barr, C. W.	* Freckleton, W. J. T.	Morton, J
* Barr, A. T. D.	Gapes, G. J.	Morton, R. A.
Baxter, W. C. [MM]	Gapes, R. J.	Morton, W.
Bertrand, M. S.	Grimshaw, A. J.	McFarlane, D.
Black, A.	Hunt, S. J.	Nayler, R. F.
Brown, F. G. H.	* Kevan, R. L.	Paton, H.
Bruce, R. J.	Leishman, B. W.	Paton, J.
Clarke, A.	* Lumsden, C. A.	* Quin, J.
Duncan, R. J.	Lumsden, J. P. [MM]	Quin, J. T.
Eldridge, A. J.	Miller, J.	

Those marked * died on service.

The ceremony was an impressive one, and appropriate hymns were sung.

WARRNAMBOOL & DISTRICT HISTORICALS

September 100 Years Ago - 1897

[As reported in *The Warrnambool Standard*, compiled by Betty Beavis J]

MARRIAGES

J W CRAWLEY (Shire Engineer) to Miss DAVIES (daughter of late W D). To live at 'Waveney' [20].

James LINDSAY to Miss STAHLER [Report in 'Social notes'].

Samuel HARRIS, 'The Pines', Garvoc to Annie SCULLION, 'Mount View' [6].

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Warrnambool Mounted Riflemen off to Melbourne for competitions and to meet six comrades returning from London Jubilee celebrations, viz., Ptes SOMMERVILLE, HESKETH, MILNE, ROBINSON, WHITE and GLEN - on SS *Oroya* [1].

..... September 1897 continued

Interview with Pte ROBINSON of Grasmere (son of James) [6].

Gold Medal winners in Competitions: - Ptes GEARY (W'bool), GILLAN (Nirranda), FISHER (Panmure), BUCKLEY (Allansford), BERTRAND (Woodford). Silver Medals - Ptes GREENWOOD (W'bool), HENDERSON (Woodford), YATES (Panmure), MILLS (Allansford) and Cpl IRVINE (Nirranda) [1 & 3].

Arthur WILLIS tours western district and Mt Gambier in connection with Cycling Tourists' Guide [1].

Telegraph operator W CROLL hampered by gale [1].

Captain CHAPMAN brings SS *Julia Percy* safely through heavy gales [2].

Letters of complaint to hospital from Mrs GALL (Allansford) re out-door relief - interesting information [3].

Description of Warrnambool Hunt. References to Geo OFFICER, A ROWAN, A SCOBIE, A PHILLIPS, J DOHERTY, R SIMPSON and W HARPER [3].

Police Court case involving James LAWLOR, R W J MORGAN, William H HOWE, Joseph PHELP and Mr MORRIS (storekeeper, Allansford) [7].

Police court case involving H J PITHER, M LAST and Isaiah COLE [11].

Old state school at Crossley purchased by Father Lynch for R C School. Details of renovation and names of contractors [13].

Narran Soonda SINGH, Indian hawker, assaulted at Kirkstall. references to John BARRY, Mr McNAUGHTON, John and Mary Ann McNAUGHTON, Patrick VAUGHAN, Leonard BOURKE, HARDY, Michael LINEHAN, William HALLY and Gunga SINGH (interpreter) [15, 16, 24, 25]

Four die of heat aboard *Orient* while travelling through Red Sea [18]. Manager of Yambuk Butter factory returned on *Orient* [21].

Fire at Levi's Point. Fred MILLER's house originally erected for Mr COLE, burnt. Mounted Constable SHOEBRIDGE [16].

Rev. Mother CATHERINE's pupils (St Ann's) achieve phenomenal results in music exams. 100 marks - Lily LEHANE; 98 - Eleanor MURTON; 97 - Annie BAIRD, Clare BOWMAN, Sara NEHILL, Ethel O'BRIEN and Elizabeth ROONEY; 95 - Jennie BAIRD, Eileen DOWIE and Mary LAFF AN; 93 - May GREEN and Alice WIGGS; 92 - Rosie NEHILL; 89 - Agnes GARTLAN; 88 - Helena COFFEY; 85 - Maggie LAFFAN; 80 - May CLEARY [18].

Purnim Ploughing Match at Jas McKENNA's farm [7]. References to John GOODEN, J GLASGOW, M O'FLAHERTY, P GLEESON, jun., M GLEESON, J STRAIN, R HYDE, P QUIGLEY, Alex CUST, E O'FLAHERTY, M QUIGLEY and B O'FLAHERTY [10].

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Frank SMITH parts with bride immediately after marriage. Long report [21].

Boys mysteriously shot. References to Thomas KELLY, Frank: TURNER, Simon CLAFFEY, Dr MACKNIGHT and Constables DAY and SHOEBRIDGE [21 & 22].

Emilie S T AYLOR of Koroit applies to erect kiosk near steps at Shelly Beach. Council in favour [22, 23 & 29].

Confusion over selling of cow. References to Patrick LYNCH, Mr DAVIS and John LOONEY [22].

19 bales of leather (J GIBLETT) and 5 bales (James WORLAND) shipped to England per OROYA [24].

Portrait of Rev. GRAY-DIXON in "Weekly Times" [24].

Mrs PARRINGTON's sister, Helen DAVIS (Mrs HARRISON-DAVIS), produces her book very successfully as a drama in Liverpool and Cambridge. Also produces plays at the Shakespeare Theatre, Liverpool [27].

C G B HALL considers introducing flower festival with floats for Warrnambool [28].

Disturbance at Purnim Ball. References to Alex McDONALD, O GORMAN, John MURRIHY, Thos M'CARTHY, Thos KELLY, Chas McLEOD, Edward McKENZIE and Michael LONDRIGAN [30].

Accidents to Robert LYNCH [15] and William BROWN of Koroit [21].

Narrow escape for William WILSON and young lady [24].

FAREWELLS & PRESENTATIONS

W G LEWIS - popular postmaster - leaving Purnim for Koroit [1 & 4].

Rev. H F BARKER (Christ Church) off to Donald [4 & 11].

Rev. H H BARREN of Allansford (St Paul's) [27].

Presentation to ex-mayor HICKFORD [22].

Wedding present to T P WILSON by Tennis Club. To marry Miss LARKAN of Stawell [25].

DEATHS,ETC

Sudden death - John THOMPSON, elderly groom at Victoria Hotel. References to cabman, Thomas HOLLY; licensee, Mrs HENRY and Const LAWFORD [11]. Inquest [13].

Died at Alice Springs, S.A. - James WILLIS, aged 42 of Dennington, son of late George Wand Mrs John FERGUSON. Verse.

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Died at Roeburne, W.A of typhoid fever, John Andrew CASSADY of 'Boughton', Warrnambool. Aged 23. Message sent by Jas M CRAWLEY, engaged on the same public building construction in W.A [24].

DEATHS E ALLEN, Russell's Creek, aged 82 [4].
David Isaac CLARK, Ellerslie. Landlord of Bridge Inn and of Halfway House,
Ballangeich. Aged 69. Life story [11, 14 & 18].
Mrs T ANDERSON, nee CAMERON, at Euroa. Sister of Mrs ZENNOR
[11 & 14].

WARRNAMBOOL & DISTRICT HISTORICALS

September 75 Years Ago - 1922

[As reported in *The Warrnambool Standard*, compiled by Betty Beavis]

ENGAGED

Comley Thomas, only son of late Mr & Mrs Thomas MURRELL of 'Kings cote', Warrnambool, to Sadie TYLER of Port Fairy [8].

Arthur James MURRELL to Thelma SAYWELL, 'Warintel', Timor Street [15].

Pre-wedding social for Roy DAVIDSON and Miss HINDSON - valued workers at St John's [22].

COMING MARRIAGE

John REVELL, Melbourne, to Edith McGENNAN, 'Oarmuru', Warrnambool [1]. Report [29].

FAREWELLS & PRESENTATIONS

Mrs P B WEBB (AW.N.L.) [1].

Miss GOLSBROUGH - dress department, Youngers - off to Shepparton [2].

Miss Edith McGENNAN [8].

Miss Eva DAVIES [22].

E W BANT, jun., who has disposed of the Commercial Hotel at Panmure. Also to Mrs BANT and Misses N and Betty BANT [22].

J W CLARKE, clerk of courts, promoted to Melbourne. More details [29 & 30].

ITEMS OF INTEREST

ACCIDENTS to W ROBERTSON (second officer, S S *Casino*) [2]; A BAKER (footwear business) [12]; Jas CARROLL (Koroit) and Mr and Mrs Luke DEARNALLY of North Warrnambool, [18].

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S S *ORSOVA* brings 61 new settlers (single men) to Victoria [14].

Const C WRIGHT replaces Plainclothes Const Woolley [2].

Joe CONN, jun., organises workers on State School ground improvements [2].

Mrs STREET leaving Warrnambool. Sale of oak and ash furniture. Details [2].

Const De MAMIEL transferred to Prahran. Sale of household effects. Details [2 & 12].

Const PEEL also to leave [12].

W J MOORE (late of light-house) succeeds C B HILL, fruiterer, Liebig Street [9].

Fire almost destroys Fairy Street premises of baker, T O'GRADY [11].

Success of 19 year old J C Eccles - ex High School - wins exhibition in Anatomy and Physiology. Long report [4].

J A HENRY, AM.P., now of Horsham, best Victorian agent for half-year [5].

Harry BLOCK writes to Mrs W WHITE from Berlin [5].

W SPENCE contracts for repairs to breakwater [5].

Theresa PARSONS, Nirranda, writes to council re rabbits [7].

Miss Millie GLEN returns to Warrnambool after completing training at Royal Hospital for Women in Sydney [8].

Mrs McCONNELL, first president of local Baby health centre, retires [8].

C H BALLARD returns from operation in Melbourne [8].

Hilda MORTON celebrates 21st birthday at Yarrpturk [8].

Concert to celebrate opening of Hopkins Point School [13]. Also see item later.

Len LANGENBACHER, railways booking clerk, promoted to Serviceton [15].

Bert SAMBELL returns from overseas. Travels on to Sydney with wife and her sister, Miss HOGG [15].

Miss Josephine DEAR and H R LUKER conclude pharmacy training [15].

Mrs Galbraith MOORE returns from Colombo on visit [15].

.....September 1922 continued

Mrs (General) CHICHESTER daughter of Capt & Mrs HELPMAN, sells house in Park Lane, London, and visits Warrnambool [15].

Nurse WIGGS contracts diphtheria at hospital [15].

Duncan BROWN, aged 11, Panmure. Long walk to school [20].

Sale of Western Tannery (late GIBLETT's) advertised. Property briefly described [26].

Music teacher, A F ROPER moves to new premises in Merri Street opposite light-house [22].

Fine work done in Kindergarten by Miss FRANCIS. Also by Misses WILSON and PHILPOTT. Details given [22].

Warrnambool printers, W D JAMES and Co, produce high quality catalogue for Caracoorte Ayrshire herd [27].

Mrs Walter STEVENS appointed local delegate for AWN League's annual meeting [22].

Motherless children of jockey, Stanley G THOMAS, cared for by grandmother, Mrs L L CHAPMAN. More family details [25].

S B HOUGHTON advertises private school in Skene Street [30].

DEATHS, ETC.

Richard McCORMICK, Kirkstall, aged 81. Good family information [5].

Mrs John FLETCHER (nee Annie Elizabeth DAVIS) [8 - two items].

Alexander DAWE at Finley, N.S.W., aged 35 [9].

Agnes SOMMERVILLE, wife of John [14].

John McINERNEY, Port Fairy. Life *story* [18].

Joseph DAVIES (Tasmania), father of Mrs H I HOLMES of Warm ambol. Good article [19].

GENEALOGICAL PUZZLE

There has been no meaningful response to the Editor's "*LOXOM LOXONI*" puzzle. Searching will continue.

The Warrnambool Standard, Thursday 21 September, 1922

PROGRESS AT HOPKINS POINT

FINE NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

CONCERT AND WELCOME

Our Hopkins Point correspondent writes:

After months of unceasing agitation and numerous meetings Hopkins Point children have been delivered from their toilsome quest after the free educational facilities, long walks and rides in all weathers for those near enough to Warrnambool, while others had to leave home and board near schools, entailing long absences from home and its shelter. The residents interested are indebted to the untiring efforts of Mr J D Deany, M L A, for his representations of the urgency of the need of a school here, at head-quarters; also to Mr Thorne, B A, District Inspector, for his sympathetic help and advice, while Mr A Gaul has spared neither time nor energy to help the establishment of a school forward. Therefore the function on Monday night was of a very happy nature, crowning, as it did, the efforts of all who had interested themselves in the movement.

The school is situated on the coast road about 4.5 miles from Warrnambool. The contractors for the building were Messrs Beattie and Donaldson, who carried out the work under the supervision of Mr W Stevens, Inspector of Public Works. The school building is of the very artistic type now erected by the Education Department. It is built of Tasmanian hardwood with natural finish. The class room is lined with the same wood, with shelf and mantelpiece in lighter shades. This is capable of holding 35 or 40 children. A cloak-room and store-room are attached, with a pretty porch at the main entrance. The windows provide good lighting, having triple lights. The tout ensemble is most pleasing, and reflects great credit on the builders. To take charge of the school, Mr W J Allen, late of Mystic Park, has been appointed and comes to this district with high credentials as to scholarly ability, to which is added keen enthusiasm in his work.

DOES ANYONE KNOW ?????

Having typed the above item, gleaned from The Warrnambool Standard by Betty Beavis, the Editor was moved to consult his trusty copy of **VISION and REALISATION' A Centenary History of State Education in Victoria** (published 1973) which, in Volumes 2 and 3, gives a potted history of every school in Victoria. It is obvious that the records for the Hopkins Point school were somewhat slim, for its entry is as follows

4097 Hopkins Point

On 23rd of June 1914 the Premier Sir Alexander Peacock asked that a school be established but not until 5th of March 1921 did District Inspector Thorne recommend the opening of a full-time school here. William J Allen enrolled children on 1st of September 1922, and remained for two years. The school closed about March 1940.

If any of our readers is able to provide additional information about teachers, pupils or events, your Editor would be interested in hearing - the information could be included in the Newsletter, filed for future reference in the Library, and passed on to the Schools History Unit for storage as an addendum to the official history.

Let's hear from you!

	Reg	Date	Name	DOS	Parent	Residence	Parent Occup	Previous School	Comments
1	0067	00/02/08	Rankin, Malcolm	17/07/94	Rankin, John	Cororooke	Farmer	Cororooke	Clerk
2	0068	00/02/08	Inglis, Francis R	27/07/93	Inglis James	Cororooke	Farmer	Cororooke	Farmer
3	0069	00/02/08	Antony, Michael H	08/07/94	Antony, John	Hawkesdale	Ganger	Hawkesdale	
4	0070	00/04/08	Walton, Reginald L	04/09/93	Walton, Levi	Heywood	Minister	Heywood	AIF, SS Teacher
5	0071	100/04/08	Threlfall, Grace E	24/10/90	Threlfall Thomas	Ballangeich	Grazier	RC Train Coli, SMel	SS Teacher, Resigned, Deceased
6	0072	00/04/08	Burke, Dorothy	18/06/92	Burke, James	Warnambool	Salesman	RC Convent, W'bo	Commercial Life
7	0073	T1,09	McKenzie, Harold	23/01/94	McKenzie, James	Bushfield	Carpenter	Bushfield	AIF, Engineering Student
8	0074	T1,09	Morgan, Claude B	30/10/93	Morgan, Benjamin	Woodford	Dairyman	Woodford	AIF, Farming
9	0075	T1,09	Cameron, Ewen J	22/08/93	Cameron, John	Ellerslie	Boundary Rider	Ellerslie	AIF, SS Teacher
10	0076	T1,09	O'Keefe, Eileen N	21/08/94	O'Keefe, Peter	Warrenheip	Brewery Asst	Warrenheip	SS Teacher
11	0077	T1,09	French, Thelma	16/11/95	French, William N	Hawkesdale	SS Teacher	Hawkesdale	SS Teacher. Teachers College & University
12	0078	T1,09	Villiers Edith J	09/07/93	Villiers, John J	Warnambool	Shopkeeper	Warnambool	Home Duties
13	0079	T1,09	Wilson, Olive M	01/05/93	Wilson, John	Warnambool	Chemist	Warnambool	Home Duties, Deceased
14	0080	T1,09	Philpott, Hilda M	17/05/94	Philpott, William Henry	Warnambool	Law & Comm Agent	Warnambool	SS Teacher. Junior Teacher at W'bool
15	0081	T1,09	Nethercote, Charles	10/08/92	Nethercote, Charles A	Cotton Rd, Hawthorn	Accountant	Hawthorn College	AIF, Farming
16	0082	T1,09	Ross, Ivy F J	19/07/93	Ross, Jane	Byaduk	Storekeeper	Koroit	SS Teacher. Junior Teacher
17	0083	T1,09	Robb, Ethel M	16/12/92	Robb, Marguerite J	Naringal	Dairying	Narringal	Junior Teacher
18	0084	T1,09	Munro, Lachlin	25/04/94	Munro, John	Framlingham	Storekeeper	Framlingham	Commercial Life
19	0085	T1,09	Howey, George L C	24/03/94	Howey, William	James St, Northcote	Retired School Teac	Cont School, Melb	Farmer
20	0086	T1,09	Burke, James J	24/12/92	Burke, Hannah M	Bessiebelle	Storekeeper	Bessiebelle	Engineering Student
21	0087	T1,09	Patterson, Hazel	21/08/93	Patterson, John	Waverley, W'bool	Laborer	Warnambool	SS Teacher. Junior Teacher
22	0088	T1,09	Steere, Veronica	15/06/94	Steere, Arthur	Hyland st W'bool	Stonemason	Warnambool	Commercial Life, Attending Technical School
23	0089	T1,09	Furst, Herbert	20/10/94	Furst, Charles H	Bringalbert	Landowner	W'bool College	Pastoral Pursuits
24	0090	T1,09	Spalding, James A	19/03/94	Spalding, J ?????	Raglan Parade	Dairyman	Wangerup	AIF, Attending Melbourne College
25	0091	T1,09	Fewtrell, Ethel N	04/03/94	Fewtrell, Peter	Camperdown	Builder	Camperdown	Teacher
26	0092	T1,09	Watson, William L	04/03/95	Watson, Wm Alex	Huntingfield	Gentleman	Warnambool	Farmer
27	0093	T1,09	Ross, Ivy J	17/09/94	Ross James	Warnambool	Caretaker C,G,	Warnambool	Teacher
28	0094	T1,09	Buchanan, Leny J A	13/10/94	Buchanan, James	Dennington	Storekeeper	Warnambool	AIF, Scotch College, SS Teacher
29	0095	T1,09	Ward, Ivy May	24/09/92	Ward, John	Jamieson St, W'bool	Storekeeper	Warnambool	Home Duties
30	0096	T1,09	Peter, Campbell McD	01/07/94	Peter Robert	Cobden	Carpenter	Cobden	AIF, SS Teacher. Killed in Action
31	0097	T1,09	Peter, Rose Elsie	06/09/93	Peter, Alex Leo	Cobden	Blacksmith	Cobden	
32	0098	T1,09	Brown, Isabella M	21/05/94	Brown, Peter	Camperdown	Furniture Dealer	Camperdown	Left for Melbourne High School
33	0099	T1,09	Stimson, John Wm	04/08/92	Stimson, Joseph H	Macarthur	Tailor	Macarthur	SS Teacher, Training college