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Meeting postponed from 8th June to 22nd June 2024

22nd June 2024

General and Annual Meeting

Membership Raffle to be drawn that day \$1.00 a ticket

NEWSPAPER ITEMS

Mr Henry David Walker

Mr Henry David Walker of Cabbage Tree Creek,, Gin Gin ,died in the Mater Miscricordiae Hospital West Bundaberg yesterday afternoon, aged 75. Mr Walker was one of the best known men in the district. He was a native of Minji Creek, Gayndah, and for the past 50 years he had been a resident of Gin Gin, where for 20 years conducted the business of saddler and harness maker. He then selected a grazing property at Cabbage Tree Creek, which he carried on with success.

Mr Walker had been actively associated wit5h all matters pertaining to progress and welfare of Gin Gin, for the past a half century. He was a member of the Kolan Shire Council for several years, vice-president of the Show society and a trustee of the Race Club. In his youthful years, he was a prominent athlete and sporting enthusiast. He was a member of the M U I O O F Lodge, and the Bowling Club. His death followed a brief illness.

Mrs Walker died in 1940. And a family of three daughters survive. They are Mrs T Carmen (Bingera, Mrs R Baldwin (Booyal) and Mrs W T Blake (North Bundaberg). A sister Mrs Gerrard lives in Gayndah.

The funeral will take place in Gin Gin this afternoon. The arrangements are in the hands of F C Brown and Co (Bundaberg News Mail 10th September 1948)

Before his departure for Bundaberg on transfer Mr Mervyn Kaczmarowski was farewelled by the administrative staff at Maryborough Railway Station. The District Superintendent Mr Geo Hayes and fellow officers referred to the excellent service Mr Kaczmarowski had rendered and wished him well in his new scene of activities. Me Hayes then made a presentation of a fountain pen and a note wallet. (Bundaberg News Mail 10th September 1948)

On the 26th instant, at Moolboolaman, of congestion of the brain, Eliza Perhamus, the beloved and faithful servant of Augustas P Barton, Esq.
Maryborough Chronicle, Wide Bay and Burnett Advertiser TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1875.

At Moolboolaman on July 8th, of bronchitis, Annie Beatrice, infant daughter of Augustus Purling Barton, Esq., aged 5 weeks and six days. Maryborough Chronicle, Wide Bay and Burnett Advertiser. SATURDAY, JULY 20, 1872.

Goodnight Scrub

School reopened – The Goodnight School re-opened on Monday under the care of Miss Daphne Harper. Miss Harper came from Ravensbourne near Toowoomba. There are sufficient children to keep the school open but some parents have refrained from sending their children regularly, causing the average to fall below the required number (Bundaberg Daily News Mail 20th February 1941)

Cane Farm Submitted to Auction

The sale of Mr W G Heidke's cane farm on Colanne Road, near Booloongie. Attracted a large number of growers to W E Curtis and Co's auction rooms on Saturday morning. Bidding started at £2000 and advanced to £2600, at which figure the farm was withdrawn from auction and is now held for private sale. (Bundaberg Daily News Mail 20th February 1941)

SHOWER EVENING

Approximately 200 guests were entertained at Apple Tree Creek Memorial Hall on Saturday, 8th December, by friends in honour of the approaching marriage of Miss Adell Patrucco and Mr. Gordon McKay.

Miss Patrucco arrived at the shower evening wearing a frock of ice blue silver threaded chiffon over satin and white accessories.

Mr. Boy Sutton, who proposed the toast to the bride and groom-to-be acted as chairman.

Gordon responded and thanked everyone who helped in any way.

Mr. H. Kuskey proposed the toast to the caterers who did an excellent

Mrs. V. J. Love responded on behalf of the ladies.

Mr. Seb Marano also added his best wishes to Adell and Gordon and proposed the toast to the chairman

The chairman responded and proposed a -toast to the parents of Gordon and A4eIL

Both Mr. W. McKay and Mr. W. Patrucco responded on behalf of their wives.

Isis Recorder 1962

Pre-Wedding Parties

Childers Miss Zoe Mittelheuser, daughter of Mrs. Mittelheuser of Isis Central Mill and the late Mr A. Mittelheuser, who will marry Mr. J. Lang today was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. B.Stocks by Miss Merle Stocks friends.

Competitions were won by Mesdames J. Cooke, J. McGlbbon and Broadhurst, who, handed the prizes to the guest of honour

Miss Mittelheuser was frocked in a royal blue frock with white accessories.

Among the guests were the bride's mother and Mrs Lang, of Bundaberg, mother of Mr. Lang.

Mrs. J. Cooke on Tuesday entertained friends in honour of Miss Mittelheuser. A -kitchen competition was won by Mrs. H Kuskey who handed the prize, a tatted handkerchief to the guest of honour.

Each guest on arrival handed over her favourite recipe to Miss Mittelheuser who received a beautiful recipe book from Mrs. Cooke. Isis Recorder 1962

Funeral of Mr Abbott

Bundaberg Mail and Burnett Advertiser 17th February 1908

The funeral of Mr Percy Abbott, who was drowned at Bundaberg Creek crossing on Thursday, took place yesterday afternoon, and was largely attended. In the absence of a minister of religion, the burial service was read by Mr J Noon, of Walla road. The funeral started from the Presbyterian Church, where the body was taken yesterday. Mr Abbott, who was about 33 years of age was a brother of Mr J T Abbott, who recently acquired several properties in the Gin Gin and Albionville district, having brought over from New South Wales a number of stock which grazes on these areas.

Foster – At the Lady Chelmsford Hospital, West Bundaberg, on February 20, 1957, to Geoffrey and Joan Foster of Cnr Brown and Faldt Street, Norville, a daughter (Stillborn) Bundaberg News Mail 22nd February 1957. (This one is buried in Bundaberg General Cemetery but not registered in Qld BDM's)

Mr John Alison, of George Street, West Bundaberg celebrates his 83rd birthday. He spent most of his life in the sugar industry, and up to his retirement was General Manager of the Isis Cooperative sugar mill. Prior to that he was general manager of the Gin Gin mill. (Bundberg News Mail 22nd February 1957)

Daphne Wheeler, 14,, of Oakwood, dislocated her elbow when she fell at Oakwood School yesterday Bundaberg ambulance gave attention and she was taken to the General Hospital (Bundaberg News Mail 28th February 1957)

Shirley Streeter, three, of Stewart Street, burnt her hand when she touched a copper. She was given treatment by ambulance. (Bundaberg News Mail 28th February 1957)

The Gin Gin Hospital is seeking an Isolation ward and a dental clinic for the Hospital (Bundaberg News Mail 28th February 1957)

Businesses in Bundaberg in March 1957
W J McGrath Real Estate 76 Bourbong Street
Pulsford Bros Real Estate 41 Targo Street
D J Brown & Co Real Estate 56 Bourbong Street
McColm & Co Auctioneer 7 Commission Agent 35 Woongarra Street
J V Clemence & Co Real Estate131 Bourbong Street
Brian McCarthy Upholstery 14 Tantitha Street next to Stewart's Garage
Frank R O'Sullivan Optometrist 12B Barolin Street
Sel Hewitt & Co Battery suppliers 20 Bourbong Street
C M Limpus & Co Auctioneer Targo Street
Fred Whitaker Estate Agent Round's Arcade
The Sunglass Shoppe Flinders Way

There are two State Schools in the settlement. The Kolan North school is erected on the summit of a steep hill of a stony and barren appearance, but the excellent cane- and pine apple crops on the surrounding hillside proclaim the fertility of the soil, The head teacher, Mr. H. O. Jullis who came from the Lower Burdekin district early this year has an embryo garden in preparation and already the children are taking quite an animated interest in It. The school has enrolment of 36 with an average attendance of 31 pupils.

At Bucca Crossing school, which is presided over by Mr. C. H. Ferguson overlooks the river on the south side. It has an enrolment of 43 with an average attendance of 36. (Bundaberg Mail and Burnett Advertiser 16th October 1917)

Accident at Wallaville

A young man, Arthur Walsh, employed at the Gin Gin sugar mill, Wallaville was admitted to the Gin Gin hospital on Tuesday, suffering the effects of burns about the body, sustained while he was using a blow lamp. Last evening he was reported to be progressing favourably. (Bundaberg Daily News and Mail 24th March 1932)

Fire at Gin Gin

A five-roomed house owned by Mr Percy Saunders, of Gin Gin, was destroyed by fire yesterday morning during a temporary absence of the occupants. The building, which was located on the hill, adjoining the Catholic Church, made a spectacular blaze. The home was purchased from Mr G Noakes, some six months ago. The origin of the fire is a mystery. (Bundaberg Daily News and Mail 21st November 1932)

Child Injured

On Saturday afternoon, the Bundaberg Ambulance Brigade treated Hazel Bowra (2) for a lacerated wound on her right hand and subsequently conveyed her to her home at Rubyanna Street, Bourbon Estate. Hazel fell on a glass bowl which broke and inflicted a deep cut on her hand.(Bundaberg Daily News and Mail 17th November 1932

GUNNER ANDREWS DIES IN P.O.W. CAMP

Childers, April 23, 1945: Mr & Mrs Alf Andrews, Brisbane (formerly of Horton) have been officially advised that their second son, Gunner Leslie James Andrews died of illness at a prisoner of war camp in Thailand last June or July. The late Gunner Andrews was 36 years of age. He was born at Horton and educated at the Doolbi State School. He was well known in the district and was a popular member of the Childers Rifle Club. Enlisting in March 1941, he went to Malaya with the AIF in November that year and was taken prisoner in February 1942. In addition to his parents, he is survived by two brothers, Messrs George (Horton) and Alf Andrews (Brisbane) who was recently discharged from the military forces, also three sisters, Mesdames LG Cole (South Isis), H Irwin and J Ekins (Brisbane). (Maryborough Chronicle Friday 27 April 1945)

EATH OF SPR J J MASSEY

Maryborough Chronicle, Wide Bay and Burnett Advertiser 20th November 1943

Childers November 16. Mrs J J Massey of Booyal was advised by the Minister for the Army yesterday of the death of her husband Sapper J J Massey, A I F, who had been reported dangerously ill on Thursday last. Sapper Massey had resided in Booyal for ten years prior to enlisting in December 1941. He had been in New Guinea for some months. He was well known and highly esteemed in Booyal. He was 32 years of age. In addition to his wife he is survived by three children.

LOST IN THE BUSH - FIVE-YEAR-OLD CHILD'S ORDEAL

18th December 1936 Isis Recorder

Leaving home at 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday to bring in the horses, Mervyn **Howard**, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. **Howard**, Booyal Road, has not been seen since, and is believed to have lost his bearings in a 200 acre paddock some five or six miles from Childers. Having been reared on the property it was not unusual for the boy to go for the horses in the paddock but when he had not returned home by lunch time on Wednesday his father went in search of him. He found the horses but no trace of his son and the assistance of neighbours and relatives was obtained in the afternoon when an intensive search of the paddock was made without result.

The Childers Police Station was notified at 6.15 p.m. and a search party 1eft for the locality as soon as possible. Under the direction of Sergeant A. R. **Ziebell**, Constables H. **Wyatt** (Childers), **Johnson** (Biggenden) M. **Anderson** (Cordalba) and **Walker** (Howard), assisted by a number of civilians, the search continued throughout Wednesday night.

Stony ridge and dense undergrowth hampered the operations considerably, but the search proceeded yesterday with the party rapidly increasing in numbers until it reached 65 including fifteen horse men. The country was combed for miles around and it was not until sundown that tracks were found leading to a waterhole near a salt pan, several miles from the **Howard's** home in the direction of Booyal. It was obvious that the boy had obtained a drink of water at this spot which is to the right of the old Booyal Road, but the direction he took from the waterhole was indiscernible.

Difficulty was experienced in obtaining the services of a black tracker, owing to the limited number now attached to the Police Force, but during the afternoon advice was received that two were available at Murgon. Mr. P. **O'Brien**, who had played a prominent part in the search, immediately set off by car for Murgon, and it is expected that he will return with the trackers at an early hour this morning when the search will be continued from the spot where the tracks were so plain.

No effort has been spared to save the unfortunate child from a terrible fate, and as there are numerous waterholes in the locality, great hopes are held that for his recovery when the trackers set to work. The search was maintained last night by Police and civilians but up to a late hour no further news had come to hand

MISSING BOY FOUND - 150 JOIN IN SEARCH

22nd December 1936 Isis Recorder

The search for Mervyn **Howard**, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. **Howard**, who had been missing from his home on the old Booyal Road since Wednesday morning was brought to a happy ending shortly after mid-day on when he was found about three miles from his home. Despite his wanderings in the bush, the boy, showed little evidence of distress. Apart from scratches on his legs and blistered feet, he was fit and well although he had been without food for two days. When discovered his greatest concern was the approach of Christmas and the

prospect of receiving toys from Santa Claus.

The search for the boy was the most intensive ever conducted in the district. Early on Friday morning it was estimated there were 150 men combing the country adjacent to the boy's home. The party included 50 mounted men. Mr. P. P. O'Brien, of the Queen's Hotel, whose generous offer to motor across to Murgon for the purpose of bringing two black trackers to assist in the search was gratefully accepted. He reached that centre at 9 p m. on Thursday and the return journey was commenced immediately. After driving all night Childers was reached at dawn on Friday and the trackers, McGrath and Edwards, left for the scene immediately. Picking up the trail at the salt pan where tracks were discovered late on Thursday evening, the trackers found that the boy had followed the banks of Woco Creek which he crossed twice, and there was evidence that he had obtained a drink at different places. The search party concentrated on the area to which the tracks were leading and shortly after 12 noon Mr. P. Harney, who with Mr. J. Hawe was riding in advance of the party, discovered the boy in McGibbon's paddocks, about three miles his home.

Tracks picked up by the trackers indicated that the boy must have covered at least 30 miles during the two days he was missing and he crossed two of the roads which lead to Booyal. Giving an account of his experiences the boy said he saw some cattle and two horses but only one dingo. He slept during the daytime and kept moving at night. On Thursday afternoon he stated that a man and a boy passed him but they would not come to him. When his father came up he was greeted by his young hopeful with the remark. "Daddy, I've been lost for two days why didn't you come and get me?" The father had searched night and day through miles and miles of bush and was almost exhausted when the boy was found.

Police Tracker **McGrath** stated that the bushmanship displayed by the boy in following the watercourse was remarkable, and it was this that saved him from exhaustion. "He was as good as the day he left home," added the tracker. Sergeant A. R. **Ziebell** paid a tribute to the work of the officers and men who had voluntarily joined in the search, stating that the sustained and arduous effort revealed a most commendable spirit. It was most gratifying that success had been achieved. The Sergeant also paid a well deserved tribute to the black trackers for their part in the work.

A warm tribute to the assistance rendered by the public was paid on Friday afternoon by Inspector **Portley**, of Maryborough, the Inspector remarking that the ready response by the public had lightened the task of the police considerably and he was pleased with the manner in which they had volunteered their services.

EARLY BUNDABERG.

INTERESTING EXPERIENCES BY THE LITTLE FAMILY. : INFORMATION NOT PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED. (Contributed Glen Nelson)

With the formation of a local branch of the Royal Geographical Society of Australasia, the President (Mr. L. H. Maynard) and hon. secretary (Mr. Frank Haly) have set themselves out in an endeavour to get at the history of Bundaberg.

Much information could be gathered within the past half century, but what is required is information extending back over sixty and seventy years, in the days of Burnett, who is believed to be the discoverer of Bundaberg, and who it is claimed landed on the south side of the Burnett River somewhere (Close to. where the butter factory now stands. Some particulars concerning Burnett would be appreciated. Mr. Jas. Little, of Rosedale Cattle Station, who strolled into the "Mail" Office yesterday, and who has been in the district for some 70 years, long before Bundaberg existed, informed us that the first time he heard of the name "Burnett" mentioned, was only quite recently. Mr. James Little who was the youngest member of the well-known Little family, a name associated with the Bundaberg district for the past 70 years, is able to relate some thrilling experiences, his parents, brothers' and sisters had to contend with in the wild bush in the early days, years before most of those now living in Bundaberg saw daylight. In the course of conversation with our representative, and in reply to questions, Mr. Little said: My parents came out from Ireland and settled in New South Wales in the early forties. The family comprised four sons and three daughters, one of the latter being born on the voyage out. 1 was born in New South Wales and christened at St. James Church of England, in Sydney. After gaining a little experience on the land, most of the time on the late Mr. Thos. Rutledge's property, known as "Kurrawullah," where we spent five or six years, my father launched out on his own account, on a little place called Quinborough, where we remained about two years, during which he accumulated a large herd of sheep and a number of head of cattle and horses. About the year 1851, on learning that Mr. Rutledge was sending a mob of cattle to Gin Gin station, my father decided to accompany him. We accordingly broke up our home. My mother and sisters went to stay in Sydney, and we boys accompanied our father, with the sheep. It was a big cross-'country undertaking. It was a very dry time, but nevertheless we had some nasty rivers and creeks to negotiate. We were compelled to stop at Frazer's Creek owing to the ewes starting to lamb. Mr. Rutledge went ahead with his cattle. When the sheep were fit to travel again we came on to the Darling Downs, and was given permission to camp on a deserted station where we sheared the sheep, and sent the wool on to Brisbane. My father went to Sydney to sell the wool and bring my mother and sisters back. With the kind permission of the late Mr. John Gammie, we remained on the Ellen Downs station until the following year when we relieved the sheep of another fleece and sent the wool away. My father then came ahead and inspected the country at Gin Gin and Rosedale, and in 1853 we all started for Gin Gin with the sheep. We reached Gin Gin safely, and remained there for some six or despatched to Maryborough for supplies. eight weeks, while a dray was

There were several families in the Gin Gin district, including the Blairs, Peggs, Fosters and Moyles. On the return of the dray from Maryborough with the supplies we started for what is now Rosedale Cattle Station. The first night we camped near Monduran. It was slow and tedious journey, owing to the trees having to be blazed ahead, and tracks cut through the bush to enable the bullock wagon to proceed. We camped on Bottle Creek on the 12th July. That

night we consumed a bottle of rum and christened the creek "Bottle Creek." My father then went ahead and selected the site for the camp, and the next day we reached our destination. We immediately set to work erecting a slab house, stock yards, sheep pens, and other barricades against the blacks, who were prowling about on mischief bent. My father and brother then returned to Gin Gin for my mother and sisters. Wool sheds and other improvements, were quickly erected. Each one of the family had his or her own particular work to do. Being the youngest, only 12 years of age, the-duties entrusted to me were those of shepherding the sheep — a lonely job in a lonely bush infested with blacks. We stopped at this place until our new home was built in 1859,

Much of the material used in its erection having come from Tasmania. For some years our wool had to be carted to Maryborough, there being no Bundaberg then. After that my father went to Sydney, Where he chartered a little steamer, called the "Albion,' to bring up rations and take the wool away. In the meantime Kolonga station was opened up by Mr. Holt and Walla by Mr. Blackman. A road was also opened through to Gladstone via Miriam Vale. The little Albion steamed up Baffle Creek and berthed near the boiling down works. Mr. Robertson then came up and selected Taunton station, and started a boiling down works. By this time much of the country was devoted to sheep raising, but after 1859 a succession of wet seasons played havoc with the sheep. We had to look out for fresh country, and eventually we selected on the Dawson, where we transferred our sheep. That was in 1861. Two years later my father was clearing land for our new house at Rosedale, when he was struck by the limb of a burning tree and killed, and we buried him on the station. Four years later we lost our mother. My elder brother, William, carried on Rosedale, my other two brothers. John and Thomas, were on "Redcliffe," in the Dawson. I subsequently went up to the Dawson with the sheep, but the spear grass becoming troublesome, I came back to Rosedale. That was in 1872. One of my elder brothers, who had remained behind in New South Wales, the "diggings" having more attraction for him than that of cattle or sheep, subsequently came to Westwood where he died some years ago. "Yes," continued Mr. Little, "I could relate many hardships with which we, in common with the other settlers of 60 and. 70. years ago, had to contend. The blacks were source of annoyance, and one always had to he on the alert. Night after night we had to spend with the sheep to prevent them being stolen by the blacks, who had to be kept at a safe distance by gun fire. One night we were all at home, when we saw a large tribe of blacks, carrying lighted torches, making their way along the bank of the creek. When opposite the house, they halted, apparently to plan their attack. Instead of surprising us, however, we surprised them by discharging our firearms in the midst of them. They immediately dispersed in all directions, dozens of them plunging headlong into the creek and swimming away. We heard groans, which told us that some of the lead had taken effect, but we failed to find any dead or wounded the following morning. Of Course this was only one of the many incidents. During shearing operations in the Miriam Vale district, a shearer named Hilrey, who often worked for us, was sitting outside his hut after tea, when a black stole up and sent a spear through his body, a second shearer narrowly escaping a similar fate, the spear passing through his clothes. It was the intention of the blacks to have murdered the whole camp that night, but fortunately one of the hands happened to be possessed of an old pistol, which he discharged, and the blacks fled. Murders were also committed by the blacks at Gin Gin. A youth named Pegg was murdered whilst shepherding sheep, and a Mr. Blaxland, one of the owners of Gin Gin station was murdered in Gin Gin creek." Gin Gin Cattle Station was a very big run, but in more recent

years, parts of it was cut up and selected. At the present time it comprises about 8000 acres of freehold, and 13,000 acres of grazing farm, the whole carrying about 3000 head of cattle.

There was no Bundaberg until some ten or twelve years after we came here. It is a long time to look back over, and see what development and progress has since taken place. The only surviving members of that Illustrious family — the Littles' — are Mr. James Little, the youngest of the family, who is 82 years of age, and his sister, Mrs. John Murray, who is 84 years, and living with her brother at Rosedale. William died in 1879, as the result of an accident, and is buried in the Bundaberg cemetery. He was 50 odd years of age. John was over 70 years of age when he died in Sydney, and Robert was also in the seventies, when he died at Westwood a few years ago, Thomas died at Bundaberg In 1914, at the age of 86 years, Miss Harriet Little died .a year later at the age of 86 years, and Miss Elizabeth Little died a year or two ago at the age of 88 years, and as we have already mentioned the only surviving brother and sister, are 82 years and 84 years respectively, at which ages, we are pleased to be able to say they are still hale and hearty. Mr. Little informed us yesterday that he has never been out of Australia. He had several trips south in years gone by. In 1888 he went to Melbourne to see the Melbourne Cup, which was won that year by Mentor. He was accompanied on that occasion by Colonel J. F. Boreham. and Mr. A. C. Walker. Mr. Little has been a member of the Brisbane National Show Society since, its inception, and, is still a member. Some 30 years ago he was a member of the Gladstone Divisional, Board, which local authority at that time embraced; Miriam Vale and Rosedale. There was no train and in order to attend the meetings of the Board at Gladstone, Mr. Little was three days in the saddle. Referring to historical names, Mr. Little informed, us that Baffle Creek was named as such after the blacks had eluded capture by the whites, who had chased the dusky warriors with a view to punishing them for some crime they had committed. On being baffled by the niggers, the creek was named "Baffle Creek." The name "Rosedale," said Mr. Little emanated in this way. My father was writing his first letter after we had settled in the district, and asked what address he should give for the reply. My mother suggested "Rosedale."

MEETING 22nd June 2024

General Meeting 1pm Annual General Meeting follows

Membership Raffle drawn that day Please obtain your tickets at rooms \$1 1st Single Membership 2nd Crochet Rug

CEMETERY Project in Eastern Europe documenting of graves on databases

Finding cemetery databases for the former USSR on Russian-speaking people is quite the challenge. It gets hard when the people moved to smaller countries of the former USSR. A newer cemetery project is making that much easier. The bonus is that the information is searchable for free and without registration in English. Russian, German and Jewish gravestones can be found in this project.

Cemety has been documenting cemeteries in Lithuania and Latvia. So far about 1.6 million graves from 515 cemeteries are searchable in <u>Latvia</u>, while another 1.2 million graves from 738 cemeteries can be searched in <u>Lithuania</u>. These databases are much larger than what can be found on FindAGrave.

The project offers the deceased's known full name, birthdate, death date, place of burial and exact location within the cemetery, in addition to photos of the gravestone.

Here are some quick tips on using these databases:

- Search as many versions of name spellings as possible.
- Keep a list of searched names in an open document to keep track of your searches.
- Make sure to look at matches that have close spellings. Names can vary from how they were spelled in the last country where they lived or were known to relatives.
- Names that would end with ov/ow/off are more often being spelled with ov and ow on the ends.
- Remember that y's in names could be switched to j's.
- Don't forget to download photos of the gravestones and copy and paste information with all the details into a file.
- If useful matches don't appear, try searching by first name.

This project is expected to continue growing its databases. Just last month, Cemety announced expanding its project to Mažeikiai and Kupiskis districts in Lithuania at more than 200 cemeteries.

In addition to the work in Latvia and Lithuania, Cemety has sights on doing the same work in <u>Poland</u>, <u>Romania</u> and the <u>United Kingdom</u>.

These projects will continue to grow so check back a few times a year. Those who are interested in finding relatives and ancestors who were buried in Vilnius, Lithuania's capital, can find another free database here. Searches can be done in Lithuanian, English, Polish, Russian or Hebrew.

More cemetery databases for Eastern European genealogy can be found on the <u>Cemetery Databases page</u>.

Related posts:

The User-Friendly Guide to Find A Grave for Russian and Ukrainian Genealogy
One website could become the Russian version of Find A Grave
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Large Russian-American cemetery database offers another resource for researching immigrants
Don't blink in a cemetery

Quiz: Can you guess how former USSR immigrants changed their names?

NSW ARCHIVES

Bubonic plague index, 1900-1908

The single volume in series <u>NRS-591 Register of cases of bubonic plague 1900-1908</u> records the names of those suffering from the plague and whether they died or recovered from this fearful disease.

By recording all cases of plague, infected areas could be cleansed, contact with the disease isolated, actual cases hospitalised, and systematic inoculation of people living in the infected area undertaken.

This index of the volume can be searched by name, occupation, or location of the plague victim.

Chemists, druggists and pharmacists index 1876–1920

The Pharmacy Board of NSW and its predecessor, the Board of Pharmacy of NSW, were established to regulate the pharmaceutical profession, essentially to prevent unqualified persons from selling poisons to the public.

This index may assist those researching chemists, druggists and pharmacists who were registered between 1876 and 1920.

It contains approximately 3,000, entries including the registered name, residence, qualification, and date of registration.

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