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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



Welcome to 2025 already 3 months in and quite a bit has happened.

We were saddened to the passing of Brian Haynes, our thoughts are with Lyn.

I wish those that are feeling poorly that a swift recovery is imminent.

Our treasurer Graeme Jarman has been working tirelessly to straighten our standing with the Taxation Department. Graeme found the need to call on our patron accountant Graham Brown to assist in this endeavour.

The following executive visited Graham Brown at his office—President Ken, Secretary Barbara, Treasurer Graeme Jarman and Vice President Graeme Rose to clarify our position

Once started it was a cannon ball run with decisions to be made urgently, as it had to be in place before the end of the month.

Lyn our Public officer was not involved due to her current situation and we had to change this position urgently so as to complete our tax obligations. Our treasurer Graeme Jarman was appointed Public officer by electronic vote and included other members. All raised their thoughts about the change.

My apologies to Lyn for this required action.,

Explanation of the need for change is that we are not a charity and as such, now we have to do a tax return, stating we are an education not for profit.

Basically, it is to clean up the charity register, so those that have claimed as a charity have to prove that, otherwise they are a Not-for-Profit, which the Taxation Department will control.

We are starting our training sessions soon and please show your interest by attending as the organizers feel that they are doing what you, as a member, want.

If you wish a particular session then advise us so that we can organize for your and others.

Just a thought 9 months to Christmas!!!

Ken Beeton
President.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Sorry I'm running a bit late with this year's first edition of The Figtree, however, holidays got in the way.

As always I welcome your contributions, no matter how big or small. It doesn't have to be a detailed family story (although I wouldn't say no) perhaps an interesting snippet from a newspaper, a joke or cartoon to cheer us up, or perhaps an upcoming family history related event. Just email to me and I will do the rest.

Joan Irvine

COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2024-2025

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Isolated & Unmarked Graves Graeme & Pam Jarman

PROBLEM-SOLVING TIPS WHEN RESEARCHING

When searching online databases less is always more.

1) Enter as few details as possible, perhaps using the surname or forename. Try different combinations of name, age & birthplace. 2. Use wildcards. * stands for any number of characters (including no Characters) ? stands for a single character. 3. Avoid precise birthplaces where possible. People were not always consistent when it came to stating where they were born. People tend to be less precise the further they are from their birthplace. 4. Consider alternative spellings. Standardised spelling of personal & place names is a relatively modern concept, so Brown and Browne can be the same name! 5. Middle names can help. Some databases allow you to search using middle names, particularly useful if Ancestor had a distinctive one. 6. Search for the family member with the least common first name. Look for Herbert Smith, rather than his brother John, but weigh this against the increased possibility of transcription error with less common names. 7. Where possible, search for children rather than adultse. Children's ages are more likely to be accurately recorded. 8. Find out everything you can about your ancestors & their extended families. This is the best way to identify inconsistencies in your evidence; you never know what else you might discover. 9. Use a combination of the "focussed" and the "scatter-gun" approaches. Try records for the area where your ancestors lived. Search in major family databases. If all else fails, try Google. 10. Build up a theory, then attempt to knock it down. It's usually easier to disprove something than it is to prove it. If you can't disprove your theory, it might just be the answer. 11. Ask a fellow enthusiast.

Writing Competition Information

The E.M. Fletcher Writing Award is a great way to share your family history stories.

2025 competition coming soon

The E.M. Fletcher Writing Award is an annual short story writing competition on a family history / genealogy theme. The competition is judged to select the best short story between 1,500 - 2,000 words. The genre of writing is not limited and the broad theme allows plenty of scope for creativity.

The competition opens on 15th February and closes on 15th July each year. Entrants are in the running to win a \$1,000 cash prize sponsored by Family History ACT, a runner-up prize of \$500 cash sponsored by the University of Tasmania and an additional cash prize of \$100 for Family History ACT members.

Each year, the Family History ACT (FHA) Writing Competition Committee convenes a panel of three judges. Two judges are customarily drawn from within the FHA membership, and one is an external judge.



MORE PROBATE PACKETS ADDED TO THE STATE ARCHIVES CATALOGUE

The Supreme Court of NSW has just transferred more than 163,000 probate packets into the State Archives Collection.

These are for probates that were granted in the years 1982 to c.1 March 1988, and they are listed in the State Archives catalogue. There are now over 1 million probate packets listed in their catalogue.

Probate packets are one of the most heavily used record series for family historians State Archives hold them for the years

1817–1982, 1988 and 1989 (with some gaps in the 1970s and 80s)

Records in a probate packet include:

- the last will and testament of the deceased
- codicils (additions or revocations to the will)
- letters of administration

You can find a probate packet in their catalogue by searching for the deceased's name followed by the word "death" (i.e. John Smith death)

Search for a probate packet at:

Public Record Office Victoria

<https://prov.vic.gov.au/explore-collection/online-galleries-and-exhibitions/lucy-bell>

<https://youtu.be/O3ZE3m-dlyU?feature=shared>

<https://prov.vic.gov.au/explore-collection/explore-topic/wills-and-probates>

MHNSW – State Archives

<https://mhnsw.au/archive/subjects/probates-and-wills/?filter=webinars>

<https://mhnsw.au/archive/subjects/probates-and-wills/?filter=guides>

State Records Office of Western Australia

www.wa.gov.au/organisation/state-records-office-of-western-australia/court-records

Tasmania

<https://libraries.tas.gov.au/slat/guides-to-records/wills/introduction/>

Note: Records are not always found in the state where the person died. Also, records of wills are not recorded in Australia unless it was submitted for probate after they died.

KEY IRISH WEBSITES

Archives of Ireland:

www.nationalarchives.ie/article/testamentary-record/

The National Archives of Ireland holds a comprehensive collection of Irish wills, primarily focusing on the pre-1858 period, when Ireland was under British rule and probate matters were dealt with by church courts. Following the introduction of the Irish Probate Act in 1858, the civil courts began handling probate, which is now managed by the courts in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland.

Accessing Wills via the National Archives of Ireland

To access Irish wills and probate records on the National Archives of Ireland website, follow these steps:

1. Visit the National Archives of Ireland website: Navigate to **www.nationalarchives.ie** which provides access to a range of Irish historical records, including wills.
2. Search the Will Index: The National Archives hosts digital indexes for pre-1858 Irish wills.
You can search these indexes by surname, location, and year. Unlike PRONI, this resource focuses on records prior to the establishment of civil probate courts.
3. Browse the Will Calendars: These are lists of probated wills, which can be searched by name, date, or location. This is especially useful when searching for ancestors from specific counties.
4. Requesting copies of wills: Once you have identified a will in the database, you can request a copy of the document. The National Archives offers access to scanned images of original documents, which can be either viewed or requested for reproduction.

Key National Archives resources Pre-1858 Wills: The National Archives provides indexes and images for Irish wills probated before the creation of civil Will calendars: Similar to those available at PRONI, these indexes provide a vital starting point for finding Irish wills, especially if you're looking for records prior to the 1858 date.



VIRTUAL TREASURY OF IRELAND

The Virtual Treasury of Ireland is an online resource provided by the Irish government that digitises and makes accessible many of the country's historical records, in an attempt to replicate those lost in the destruction of the Four Courts precinct in Dublin in 1922. This includes a variety of documents, including some wills and probate records.

Accessing Wills via the Virtual Treasury of Ireland

To access wills and other records via the Virtual Treasury, follow these steps:

1. Go to the Virtual Treasury of Ireland website:

Visit **www.virtualtreasury.ie**, which serves as a digital repository for many Irish historical records.

2. Use the search function:

You can search for specific wills or probate records by name or time period. The site's search engine will help you locate relevant records.

3. Explore additional resources:

While the Virtual Treasury focuses more on historical manuscripts and state papers, it may also contain references to Irish wills, particularly for those probated in the 17th and 18th centuries.

Benefits of the Virtual Treasury of Ireland -

Access to historical records:

It's a great resource for accessing broader collections that may not be directly related to probate but still contain important genealogical information.

High-quality scans:

The records available through the Virtual Treasury are high-quality scans of original documents, which can be used in your genealogical research.



In writing this article I would like to acknowledge the information I found in the December edition of "Descent", Journal of the Society of Australian Genealogists.

THE REVELATIONS OF UNCLE CLEM'S DIARIES

A PRODIGIOUS LIFE - Continued

You may recall that the first two parts of "The Revelations of Uncle "Clem's Diaries" were in the previous two issues of the FigTree. If you didn't get a chance to read them you can find the previous issues on our WebSite— www.ManningWallambaFamilyHistorySociety. If you have trouble accessing them, please just let me know and I will email you a copy.

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At the end of the previous issue Clem leaves Denver by train and arrives home at Porterville on his birthday the 13th February 1913. The final entry in his diary is from Edith on the 7 June "Dinna forget yr tru friend".

Porterville had grown and developed in the nine years he was away and Clem now enjoyed concerts at the Opera House, lectures, circus parades, silent movies at the Gaiety theatre, seances, airplanes barnstorming etc. Clem resumed his family responsibilities of attending to family properties and business affairs, looking after his aging parents and seeking financial opportunities. He invested in asbestos shares, took on an insurance agency and bought an orange grove himself and a citrus packing house with my grandfather Wilburn. He and Mama leased their oil well on their land out of town. He was certainly living a very full life!!

Having enjoyed the silent movies in Denver and Long Beach with Edith, and the growing interest in: "Talkies" and charming actresses towards the 1920's, Clem and brother Everett went into partnership in 1916 with the financial backing of a silent partner, to build the modern "Monache" Theatre. As it was being built, Clem suffered a head injury while he was passing under a wheel barrow loaded with brick that was being hoisted to the fly gallery walls. A falling brick put a large gash in his scalp, but fortunately did not fracture his skull.. He was treated by a nearby doctor and taken to the hospital, but apparently suffered no ill effects.

At one time they owned three theatres, including the "Kyrstal" and the "Molino" showing Mexican movies, Clem attending to the business side with his bookkeeping and advertising expertise, while Everett took care of the technical issues, as he had been a machinist and projectionist for an earlier movie theatre. They were very busy seeing representatives from the major movie studios, including Metro, Pathe, Fox, Goldwyn and United, to hire the large reels of film and contracting with theatre groups for vaudeville acts and stage productions. They made trips, often individually to San Francisco, by rail or auto to the studio exchanges, visiting family on the way.

Papa bought a new Buick, the most popular auto at the time, just after Clem arrived home. Everett ferried the family about town to calm Papa down from his dementia rages and help him sleep. Clem then drove to San Francisco occasionally, twice experiencing misadventures in poor weather. The first time in the notorious winter fog of the Central Valley when he ran off the road and nearly rolled over. The second time in rain when the Buick spun around and slammed against the curb, damaging a wheel and tire.

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THE REVELATIONS OF UNCLE CLEM'S DIARIES -

A PRODIGIOUS LIFE—Part 3 Continued

Clem then had to find parts himself to repair it—no road service then! Clem then stopped driving and the Buick remained in the shed for some years after Papas death; Wilburn and Clem got it running after Mama died and sold it in 1930 for \$US325,

The Spanish 'Flu pandemic was rampant in late 1918-19 but only affected the theatre with a two week shut down in mid-January 1919. However, there was enormous controversy in major newspapers over the effectiveness of vaccines, quarantine, mask wearing and closing of all public spaces, with them and Olin attending a large mask-wearing protest in San Francisco. "Are Flue Masks A Filthy Face?", "Plague Mask Ban Ridiculed in Sacramento" and "2000 Indians Die from Influenza" were some of the headlines.

As an independent theatre, they were soon pressured to sell out to the National Independent Theatre syndicate, threatened with ruin if they did not. At this point Clem officially retired in January 1924, leaving Everett as the manager. However, Clem continued to set up advertising, distribute programs and secure the evenings takings in the safe. He listed the actors and movies showing and attended the movies for many years, often taking Mama, brother Ed and family and occasionally my grandfather Wilburn and family. Some of the actors mentioned were Charlies Chaplin, Bessie Love, W.C. Fields, Fatty Arbuckle, Clara Bow, Joe E Brown, Gloria Swanson, Douglas Fairbanks, Will Rogers, Gary Cooper and Ginger Rogers. He mentions "The Mickey Movie" in 1930, the beginning of the Disney's Mickey Mouse empire that would become important to the theatre's success in later years, as well as a technicolour movie of "The Rogue Song" with Lawrence Tibbett that same year.

After several years looking after Mama and an increasingly unpredictable and rampaging Papa, the family arranged for "T.W." to be committed to the Stockton Sanatorium, where he died in October 1920, leaving an estate of \$US100,000, mostly in land on the ranch and buildings in Main Street, Porterville. Mama Rhoda struggled on for another nine years in declining health that brought Clem to tears. He wrote painfully on 15 August 1929. "Mama was all afternoon dying".

Edith's health too was failing leading up to 1920 but Clem was too busy with theatre work to answer her letters promptly. When he did receive a telegram urging him to go to Long Beach quickly, he was not able to arrive before she died 26 April. As her executor, he took charge of arrangements and legal issues, with both he and Mrs Sherburne attending Edith's burial in Sunny Side Cemetery, where she too would soon be laid to rest beside her.

Edith's obituary, which Clem likely wrote, stated: "Mrs Raymond was widely known in Denver where she had resided for twenty years. She was a teacher of psychics and was said to have possessed one of the most extensive libraries upon new thought and kindred subjects in the west". Clem kept in close touch with Ma Sherburne and visited on the anniversary of Edith's death until Ma too passed away in 1929 aged about 97 years.

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THE REVELATIONS OF UNCLE CLEM'S DIARIES -

A PRODIGIOUS LIFE—Part 3 Continued

Clem's final years were spent quietly at home in Porterville, often in bed or napping, reading the papers, sweeping, watering the new lawn in the hot summers, visiting with his many friends and relatives—who often arrived before he was up and dressed—and taking most meals with family. He still walked down town and checked his watch at the jewellers—a town icon. Clem's writing deteriorated in the last months and the entries reduced to shaky temperature entries only at the end. He did not record his brother Ed's passing just twelve days before his own.

He was in pain from prostate cancer, receiving a services of 30 weekly injections from a nurse and a castration operation. The family gathered around for weeks, mourning the passing of the two oldest brothers. Clem is buried in Hillcrest Memorial Cemetery next to his parents. Part of his obituary reads :

"He was widely read and vitally interested in national and state politics. He was also at the forefront of civic affairs and always backed any worthy endeavour. He was widely known and his friendships were legion"

Clem lived to see railroads, telephones, airplanes, automobiles, gramophones, photography, vacuum cleaners, radios, silent then moving pictures, World Wars 1 and 2, the Spanish Flue pandemic, The Depression of 1920's and so much more. His existing diaries, that mention hundreds of people , are a treasure trove of information as well as recording declining births and marriages, as families grew smaller, but increasing deaths, entered in the back pages as the early settlers of his era passed away. One entry of March 28, 1919 tells of "H.M. Lee blown to atoms today by an explosion of dynamite, while hauling it in his auto to his well-boring outfit".

His scrapbooks too have proven invaluable in having details and context to some entries and labelling photos. The diaries survived in the care of Everett's son James Howell, who succeeded his father as manager of a modern "Porter Theatre" and ran the "Micky Mouse" Club on Saturday afternoons for years, entertaining the children and patrons with his singing. Jim lived to be 100 years passing in late 2021, another Porterville icon of the Howell family. It was Jim who passed the diaries on to me.

Uncle Clem endured ill health for so much of his life that it's amazing that he accomplished so much and survived to '76 years, 8 months and 8 days' - as he liked to record.

Always articulate, analytical, family-minded, industrious, trustworthy and reliable, his prodigious life ended quietly and was greatly mourned.

A big thank you to our member Nancy Howell for sharing this wonderful true story with us.



LEYSER LEVIN 1829-1908

My 2nd Great Grandfather

Submitted by Joan Irvine



Although I haven't been able to find very much about Leyser's early life and no records naming his parents, his Obituary on the 31 January 1908 in the Corowa Free Press advises that he emigrated from Bromberg, Preussen (Prussia) now Poland to London in 1852 when he was 22 years old, his Immigration Record giving his employment as Merchant.

Whilst in England he married Johanna Schnog on the 22 March 1854 in the New Synagogue in Liverpool, Lancashire. The first two of their seven children were born in England prior to their emigration to Australia, his Natralization Record at the age of 32 on the 7th September 1861 shows he arrived in Australia on board the "Champion of the Seas" on the 27 June 1855.

He opened a business in Wahgunyah, Victoria. Wahgunyah is a small town in north eastern Victoria, Australia. The town is on the southern bank of the Murray River, opposite Corowa, New South Wales, which is where he and his family later moved to.

In Corowa he erected the first brick store in the town and in 1870 he built the first flour mill in Corowa and did a large flour trade with the Riverina, most of the flour going away in steamers to Swan Hill, Deniliquin, Balranald and Hay etc. He was obviously a man of vision, he built the premises from which the Bank of New South Wales carried on their business. He rented the premises to the Bank for a number of years, as the Bank at that stage, not having sufficient confidence in Corowa to build for themselves.

In 1874 he purchased Goombargona and Oil Tree Station which he kept for a couple of years before on selling it.

In 1880 he was elected to the New South Wales Legislative Assembly for Hume. Re-elected in 1882, he did not re-contest in 1885. While a member for the Hume he lost no time in having Corowa's requirements attended to and was well supported by his colleague Sir William Lyne. Amongst the principal items was telegraph communications for Corowa between Albury and Deniliquin. Prior to this wires had to come via Wahgunyah.

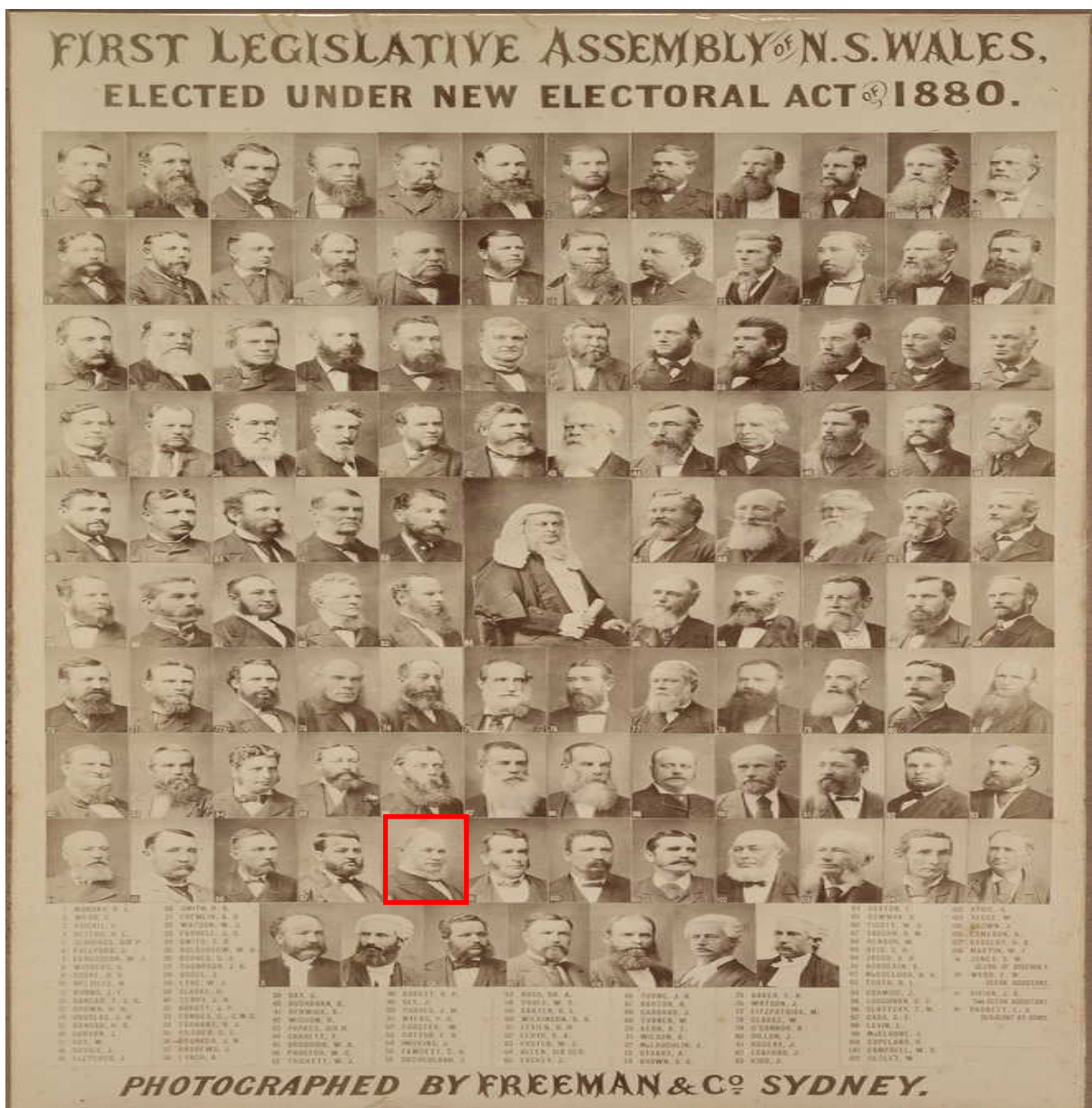
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LEYSER LEVIN 1829-1954 Continued

He was also instrumental in having bridges built across the Murray at Howlong and Yarrawonga both places up to that time being served by punts. He was one of the directors in the original Wahgunyah Murray Bridge company. If that wasn't enough he was one of the founders of the Corowa Agricultural Society and the School of Arts and he assisted in all local matters. He took a great interest in securing settlement in the Corowa district, and helped in many ways to keep people on the land.

After giving up his interests in Corowa due to ill-health, he resided at his property at Lake Vineyard for some years, but as he aged and his declined, he moved with his wife to St. Kilda, where he remained for the rest of his days. He died on 26 January 1908 and was buried on the 27th January in the Melbourne General Cemetery, Carlton, Vic. His obituary showed he left a wife and six children namely —

Mr. J. Levin of Brockleaby, Dr. J. Levin and Mr. A. Levin of Melbourne,
Mrs. Goldberg of Melbourne and Mrs Grimm and Mrs Rosenbloom of Sydney.



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The following article appeared in

"The Northern Champion", Taree Wednesday February 25 1925.

With an election not far away I couldn't help myself I just had to share!!!

The Northern Champion.

FOR THE PEOPLE AND PROGRESS.

TAREE, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1925.

The "Free" Elector.

Recently the Nationalists made a selection of candidates for the Ryde constituency, after a proceeding which satisfied the body extremely limited numerically that has arrogated to itself the right so called, of expressing what it declares to be the preference of the Nationalist electors of Ryde, and those electors somewhere round about the first of April, which would be the truly appropriate day, will be expected to go to the poll and ratify this arrogation of political wisdom. A neighboring constituency, North Sydney, has just witnessed the performance, with all solemnity and perfection of routine, of a similarly farcical presumption on the part of a mere handful of the Labor electors of that constituency, to exercise the alleged right of selection of the Labor candidates for it. North Sydney in the last Parliament had one Labor representative. In the next Parliament Labor promises itself easily two for this constituency. Whether that hope can be realised or not it has a certainty of one and that one has already been elected for it by less than one hundred and seventy of the Labor electors of North Sydney. The same coterie may have decided the identity of two.

If the Nationalist party had any true national spirit it would have taken steps in the expiring parliament to have made the perpetration of these arrogant selections no longer possible. They have not done this because their own system of selection could not have survived any genuine attempt to cut out the abuses that have for years now, sent forth smells and yells that would have called into action any Ministry that could realise its duty to the electoral body, and recognise that this system of selection is strangling Parliament as a representative institution. Plainly the "National" idea of trusting the elector is to get him well tied up in the first place. Only when properly bound by "safe" selection methods is this ferocious animal approachable.

What has happened in Ryde and North Sydney is characteristic of what has been going on for months, in some cases years, and is still going on in some of the constituencies of this State. Evidently it is hopeless to expect either of the two parties, "leading" to-day in the affairs of this State, to afford any relief from the system, that is at the bottom of most of the things that every decent elector, irrespective of party, and whose only interest in politics is a fair deal for all, would like to see eliminated from our public life. If the Progressives are true to label, they will at the coming elections seize with both hands the opportunity held out to them in this direction, and consign the selection ballot and kindred devices to a long delayed perdition early in the next Parliament.

WORLD WAR 1 PERSONNEL RECORDS - ABBREVIATIONS

RANKS NO LONGER USED

Ab/Dvr	Able Bodied Driver
AM	Aircraft Mechanic
Far	Farrier
L/Sgt	Lance Sergeant
MT/Dvr	Mechanical Transport Driver
PO	Petty Officer (Naval Bridging Train only)
S/Smith	Shoeing Smith
Whr	Wheeler

GENERAL ABBREVIATIONS

WORLDWAR 1 UNITS

AOC	Army Ordnance Corps	AAH	Aust. Axillary Hospital
Arty	Artillery	AAMC	Aust. Army Medical Corps
ASC	Army Service Corps	AANS	Aust. Army Nursing Service
Bde	Brigade	AASC	Aust. Army Service Corps
Bn	Battalion	ADBD	Aust. Divisional Base Depot
Bty	Battery	ADH	Aust. Dermatological Hosp.
Coy	Company	AFA	Aust. Field Artillery
Cps	Corps	AFC	Aust. Flying Corps
Div	Division	AGBD	Aust General Base Depot
Engrs	Engineers	AGH	Aust General Hospital
GSW	Gun Show Wound	AIBD	Aust. Infantry Base Depot
HMAT	His Majesty's Aust T'port	AIR	Aust. Imperial Force
HQ	Headquarters	AL Rwy	Aust Light Railway
HS	Hospital Ship	AMGBD	Aust. Machine Gun Base Depot
HT	Hired Transport	AMTS	Aust. Mechanical T'port Service
Int	Infantry	AN&MEF	Aust. Naval and Military Expeditionary Force (New Guinea)
M/I	Marched In	ANZAC Cyc	ANZAC Cyclist Company/Battalion
M/O	Marched Out	Coy/Cn	
NYD	Not Yet Determined/Diagnosed	ANZAC Mtd Reg.	ANZAC Mounted Regiment
Pnrs	Pioneers	ASH	Australian Stationary Hospital
PUO	Pyrexia of Unknown Origin	AVES	Australian Vet. Evacuating Stn.
Regt	Regiment	AVH	Australian Veterinary Hospital
Sig	Signals	BEF	British Expeditionary Force (Belgium, France, England)
Sqn	Squadron	BGROC	Broad Gauge Railway
SW	Shrapnel Wound	CCS	Casualty Clearing Station
TOS	Taken on Strength		
Tp	Troop		

WORLD WAR 1 PERSONNEL RECORDS - ABBREVIATIONS (Cont'd)

Con Dep	Convalescent Depot
DAC	Division Ammunition Column
Den Cps	Dental Corps
DSC	Divisional Supply Column
EEF	Egyptian Expeditionary Force (Egypt, Sinai, Palestine)
EMM& B Coy	Electrical and Mechanical Mining and Boring Company
F Amb	Field Ambulance
FAB	Field Artillery Brigade
FCE	Field Company Engineers
GSR	General Service Reinforcements
ICC	Imperial Camel Corps
L/M/H	Light/Medium/Heavy Trench Motor Battery
LGROC	Light Gauge Railway Operating Co
LH Bde	Light Horse Brigade
LHRR	Light Horse Reserve Regiment
LHTR	Light Horse Training Regiment
M Vet Sec	Mobile Veterinary Section
MEF	Mediterranean Expeditionary Force (Gallipoli)
MG Coy/Sqn/Bn	Machine Gun Company/Squadron/Battalion
RAA	Royal Australian Artillery
RAE	Royal Australian Engineers
RANBT	Royal Australian Naval Bridging Train
RBAA	Reserve Brigade Australia Artillery
RMT Unit	Remount Unit
RSD	Railhead Supply Detachment
SAN Sect	Sanitation Section
SB	Siege Battery
Sig Tp	Signals Troop
STS	Sea Transport Staff
Tun Coy	Tunnelling Company
Vet Sect	Veterinary Section



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1

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as you work
mark your papers
for easy filing later.

2

SORT

before you
file put papers into
piles accordingly.

3

FILE

file all your
papers in respective
binders and files.

Weekly

On a weekly basis do these three things.

1

BINDER

make sure all
the research in your
binders is active.

2

FILES

move papers
from binders to files
if it is not active.

3

BOXES

group related
bulky files into
bankers boxes.

Monthly

On a monthly basis do these three things.

1

LABEL

update all
labels to make sure
they are accurate.

2

INDEX

create an
index for the con-
tents of each box.

3

ASSESS

decide if the
system you have in
place is working.

Yearly

On an annual basis do these three things.

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Renewal Form is following or is available from our room at Taree Library during our normal operating times -

Monday-Saturday 10.00am to 12 noon or alternatively can be downloaded from the Society's web page

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Members are entitled to

Use the Society's Resources during opening hours

Attend meetings and workshops, and vote at meetings

Free copies of the Fig Tree by mail or download

Free Research Enquiries in "Fig Tree"

18 free entries per year each membership/family in Society's Members' Interest Directory

2 hours free research per membership year, for out-of-area members, on receipt of a business sized,

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1 July – 30 June	1 July – 30 June	1 Jan – 30 June
Single \$25.00	\$30.00	\$17.50
Family \$33.00	\$38.00	\$21.50

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