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Front Page: Military Medal Awarded to Lieutenant Edward J Worland DOW 1918



Museum News

MEMBER UPDATE.

TREASURER.

Following the resignation of our treasurer from that role and from committee we put out an expression of interest for the role with no success.

The treasurer agreed to stay on until the AGM and for that we express our sincere thanks and gratitude. However if anyone wants to put their hand up for the job she would probably be happy to mentor/teach and then stand down from the role.

INDIGENOUS ARTEFACTS.

We have been approached to return any of these items that can/have been identified to their place of origin. Agreement to this has been achieved and we are currently waiting to progress the matter.

TOOL SHED

The tool shed has been moved forward to allow for circulation of air. This is an attempt to reduce the rising damp in the kitchen /pantry area.

MEMBERSHIP.

Membership for 2026 was due in January and a reminder was sent in February. This is by way of being the last reminder.

LIVING VOICES

We have three copies of this book about the Bega Show for sale at \$30 each.

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'... the young people as we knew them in War years': Kenneth Gregory Lofts and the 'Bega High School War Memorial', 1939/1945

Driving into Bega from the west you can't miss it ... the 'Bega Soldiers' Memorial', to the left at the end of Carp Street, the town's central thoroughfare. It has a distinct World War I feel ... classical triumphal arch with two artillery pieces at either end. A photograph of the Memorial, as it looked just prior to World War II, is in the Bega Pioneers' Museum photo collection. The photographer was Kenneth Gregory Lofts. The names of the World War I dead had been listed on two central panels on the front of the memorial. The World War II dead, as we will see, were eventually carved on two outer panels under the dates 1939/1945. Just inside the central memorial gate, to the left and right, are engraved the names of the men who enlisted from the district and survived the war. In 2024 a major ceremony marked the 100th anniversary of the Memorial's dedication. Bega Pioneers' Museum has recently put an impressive and important World War II 'Bega High School War Memorial' book on public display. This was one of three copies of the book produced by Bega High School teacher Greg Lofts that were then presented to Bega High School (they still have their copy and a display lectern - see below), Council (their copy is now missing), and the Bega RSL Sub-branch (their copy is the one now on display at the Museum). Respected Australian military historian, Dr Richard Reid, has compiled an article about Lofts and this Memorial book for inclusion in the May 2026 edition of Recollections magazine, published by the South Coast History Society. It is appropriate that we share an advance copy of this article with our Society members, and hope many of you will again visit the Museum to view this new display.



Greg Lofts' photograph of the Bega Soldiers' Memorial. Image: Bega Pioneers' Museum

Walk through the memorial arch and an array of later commemorative features are revealed on the back. The most conspicuous of these, taking up the most space, are three large panels listing men who joined up from the Bega district in World War II and came home ...723 names. A 'Supplementary List' has another 11 names, 734 all told. Add to that, 45 names on a 'World War II Service Women' panel, put up later, and we have 779 names, a considerable number. On the second World War II servicemen's panel is the name 'K G Lofts', our Memorial photographer.

Born in 1909 in Lismore, Kenneth Gregory Lofts grew up and was schooled there before attending teachers' college and university where he graduated BA and eventually achieved an MA. He arrived in Bega to teach at the Intermediate High School in 1937, enlisted in 1942, served overseas in the 2nd AIF, on demobilisation in 1945 was appointed to Kogarah High, but quickly was sent back to Bega. Transferred to Ballina High in late 1959, to take up a promotions position as Commerce Master, Lofts retired from there in 1960. He wrote geography textbooks, continued to teach but, tragically, Lofts and wife Iris were killed in a car accident in 1985.

Photography was one of Lofts' interests as he exhibited number 1 out of four photographic entries in the Bega district show in 1939. Perhaps that was when he took that photo of the 'Soldiers' Memorial' along with a number of other scenic images which have ended up in Bega Pioneers' Museum under his name, but with no other information about him.

Lofts enlisted in February 1942 at the 'Bega Area Office' giving as next of kin his wife Iris and two children living at 21 Bega Street. Not long after returning to Bega, Lofts was hailed in the Bega District News as a 'well-known local identity'. This is no surprise as between 1945 and 1955, the years for which we can search the Bega District News online, there are approximately 80 references to Lofts, and wife Iris, who also taught and was active in community organisations. Apart from his teaching duties he was involved, as a parent, with the high school's P and C (Parents' and Citizens) committee. As described in the News, arduous camping trips were one of Lofts' specialities:

Master Leads Party on Tour of Main Range: If man biting dog is news, then certainly a party of schoolboys walking over Kosciusko for two weeks would be news. The group of six was organised by Mr Greg Lofts, of the Bega Intermediate High School, from among Fourth and Fifth year boys. It also included little ten-years-old Barry Lofts, who walked step for step with the brawny seventeen-year-olds, and carried his own small pack the whole way.

Lofts took senior boys on these two-week tramps over the mountains a number of times. On one occasion 'we were holed up in a mountain hut for four days while an unseasonal blizzard howled outside'. Survival he attributed to careful planning for all eventualities, but parents today might be less keen on such challenging experiences.

Lofts was active in the community in many other ways; in the Junior Farmers organisation, as a swimming instructor and secretary to local swimming organisations. Talented with his hands, in 1949 he 'made and donated a 'fine' hand painted wall hanger displaying the ideals and rules of the Red Cross Service' to the Bega Branch of the Red Cross. The Branch cannot now find this hanger. In 1951 Lofts produced a model of a new ambulance station for Bega which was exhibited at the Bega Show. The station plans, based on the model, 'were adopted'.

Local resident Dawn Bott (nee Gibbons; her Father was Bega Ambulance Superintendent) recalls:

I lived (1942-1955) in the old and then the new station on the corner of Bega and Canning Streets. The model I remember was used as a fund raiser for the new station. Money was dropped down the chimney, the model was 600x450x450 high. It was often taken to the Bega Show, and other community events. It was kept at the Ambo station. What eventually happened to it, I have no idea.

The ambulance station building survives as a private residence. Given his extensive community involvement, Lofts certainly earned the title, 'well-known local identity'.

As a veteran Lofts concerned himself with how Bega should commemorate World War II. Public moves began in August 1946: Councillor Cochrane proposed setting up of a 'District War Memorial Committee' and information was to be sought 'regarding those in the municipality who were killed in the war'. From August 1946 to the appearance of the World War II dead on the 'Soldier's Memorial' is a complicated and unedifying story. The paper reported on developments and commented, sometimes scathingly, about the ongoing failure of the Council to achieve much. In December 1951 the final paragraph, from an editorial headed 'The War Memorial Must Be Finalised', read:

The committee cannot drag on in its semi-lifeless condition, still holding money given by good people who sought to have the memorial constructed within reasonable time instead of waiting years to see some tangible result.

'Waiting years' indeed, as it was more than five years since the Memorial Committee had been set up. The News reported on various proposals for a new memorial, the dilatory nature of fund raising and the fluttering around by Council looking for money. There was an early decision to add an extension to the existing memorial, a competition was held for a design with entries received, but the idea was eventually vetoed. Rejecting a stone memorial with names, other types of commemoration were suggested such as a swimming pool with memorial gardens and eventually, in some desperation, a pre-school kindergarten. Aired at public meetings none of these ideas came to anything.

On Anzac Day 1955, ten years after war's end, Bega turned to the obvious solution and added the names of the war dead to the existing 'Soldiers' Memorial'. The panels listing all the returned servicemen and servicewomen are thought to have gone up much later, most likely, according to one local historian, in the 1970s.

About all the local shenanigans, toing and froing, ups and downs, of the Council's efforts to do something relating to commemoration, Lofts made only one published comment. In a letter to the News, symbolically printed just before Anzac Day 1947, he gave his views on an appropriate memorial:

... to boys who have lost their lives, to men and women who served, also to the finest effort ever put forth by citizens of this town at a time of national emergency.

Whatever was done, urged Lofts, it should be 'first and foremost a "Memorial"'. He was not impressed with calling utilitarian structures ... high schools, memorial parks, halls, avenues, swimming pools ... memorials, an approach which asked the unedifying question:

What does the town need most? We'll turn it into a War Memorial ... That Mr Editor is crooked thinking.

As efforts at public commemoration floundered, Lofts embarked on his own personal tribute to a segment of Bega World War II servicemen and servicewomen, those who had attended the Bega Primary and Intermediate High School. As he started teaching there in 1937, he would have known, possibly taught, some of those he sought to commemorate. In late July 1948 he placed an appeal in the News:

I would appreciate the help of your readers, who are ex-students of Bega School, whether primary or secondary, in the collection of names of ex-students who served in the armed services.

Lofts was planning something special:

The School Memorial is to take the form of a Memorial Book, containing the names of the school's servicemen and servicewomen, and a short paragraph about each person, giving details of service, rank, branch of service and so on.

These short accounts of individual service, which eventually he wrote himself, were, where possible, to be enhanced by photographs and unit shoulder flashes. But this was to be no ordinary book:

... it is to be bound in leather and gold, hand printed and bound with the best craftsmanship the country can produce.

Lofts' appeal embodied the soul of what he felt commemoration should achieve, going beyond public wrangles over swimming pools, public buildings, and town parks:

It is intended to last for ever, and we feel it will very fittingly carry out the thought 'Their names will live for ever' ... the names will 'really' live in a better manner than any list of names.

This was ambitious. Lofts devised forms, for return to his home address or the school, for individuals and families to fill in with relevant information. Time passed - 1948, 1949, 1950 - and he realised there was not going to be a hundred percent response. One ex-serviceman even refused 'point blank to be included ... on the grounds he did not believe in memorials of any kind, as a matter of principle'. Disappointed, Lofts nonetheless felt, as early as late August 1948, he had sufficient for a 'very fine book', with 'striking and gripping' as well as sometimes 'undeniably sad and poignant' stories. Vera Hatton, Lofts' daughter, recalled 'visits ... made to parents of the deceased, poignant interviews with choking voices and tears hastily wiped away'. Bega would be proud of the 'wealth of endeavour and sacrifice' revealed in the memorial book.

By November 1951 the book was with local printer. Walter 'Curley' Annabel, editor and owner of the Bega District News, who did the work 'gratis'. Using leather and linens, it was created to 'withstand the passage of time'. The title page featured words from ancient Athens' most famous general and statesman, Pericles, immortalising the city's defenders:

They saw their duty, and doing it with courage became an example for all time to those that follow them.

A 'tooled gold' torch of learning with an olive wreath of peace adorned the front cover. Symbols and language for a generation once familiar with their meanings and implications.

There was more to the memorial than the book itself. As reported in the News, it was to be displayed in a special lectern:

... a sloping desk with the Book under plate glass. What is especially interesting in this desk is the ornament in the way of carved oak. It is the details in the way of a carved olive wreath, high school monogram, and lettering which turn this lectern into a thing of beauty.

The lectern's creator was well-known NSW memorial sculptor Gilbert Doble, responsible for World War I statuary in Marrickville, Wellington and Bathurst. Doble was living in Bega at this time with the Lofts family. Two ex-high school pupils, brothers Arnold and Alan Clark, assisted Doble who, in Lofts' words, was an 'unassuming, old, retired artist' (Doble was in his early seventies at this time) who 'still possessed creative artistic ability and had a magnificent sense of the fitness of things in relation to memorials'.

The News called the memorial a 'fine book of remembrance', intimate and with photographs carrying the memory of 'the young people as we knew them in War years'. While Loft's might have hoped for full coverage of all who had served, he nevertheless managed short biographies of 140 men and women. Read these biographies, short as they are, and there is a picture of young, local men and women leaving an isolated rural region of New South Wales for areas of conflict far overseas most would never have imagined travelling to. Some never came home.

We fly the air war over Europe in RAF Fighter, Bomber and Coastal Command with Cyril Burcher (Bega Intermediate High School 1928-1933, BIHS hereafter), Thomas Done (BIHS 1929-1931) and Frederick Love (no dates BIHS). Love, a scholarship boy from Quaama, went missing in 1944 in air operations over Rhodes in Greece. Lofts included his own biography finishing his war in 1945 fighting along the north coast of New Guinea from Aitape to Wewak in the 6th Division AIF's final campaign against the Japanese.

In Australia the 'Siege of Tobruk' was once a household phrase. Tobruk, that little town on the north African coast, where the famous 'Rats of Tobruk', Australian, British and Polish forces held out, between April and November 1942, against General Irwin Rommel's 'Afrika Korps'. John Fleming (BIHS 1931-1933) was one of those 'Rats'. Other ex-students found themselves battling the Japanese 'Up North' in the jungles of Papua/New Guinea: Keith Armstrong (BIHS 1928-1933), Royal Australian Engineers, 7th Division AIF, Keith Otton (BIHS, 1936-1938), 2/10th Battalion, 7th Division AIF and William Shaw (Bega Primary and BIHS 1930-1939), 2nd Australian Division Signals.

Possibly the most travelled of all the ex-BIHS students was Anthony Harris (BIHS 1937-1938) who with the RAAF trained in Kenya and Canada then went on to fly in action in Aden, Abyssinia, Somaliland, Palestine, Sicily, mainland Italy and Gibraltar. Lloyd Guthrey (Bega Primary and BIHS 1924-1935) found himself in one of Australia's virtually forgotten actions, the Borneo (Tarakan) campaign of 1945.

Bega Intermediate High had its share of war deaths: Mitchell Hazelgrove, 8th Division AIF, in 1944 of beriberi in a Japanese POW camp in Borneo: Clyde Innes, RAF Bomber Command, 'had all his primary and secondary education at the school prior to 1938' and died when his aircraft was shot down over Germany in 1945: and Patrick Salway served with the 8th Division's ill-fated 2/22nd Battalion, and fired the first shots at the Japanese invading Rabaul in 1942. Patrick drowned when the Montevideo Maru taking POWs to Japan was sunk by an American submarine. The full facts of the sinking were not known until late 1945. In September 1942 Patrick attempted to comfort his anxious parents in words from a longer POW Red Cross message published in the News:

The main thing to do is not to worry, as we are OK. And all the worry in the world won't do any good.

By that time Pat was already dead: the Montevideo Maru sank on 1 July 1942.

As described above, Bega men who enlisted and returned after the war, were honoured on those three large panels at the rear of the 'Soldiers' Memorial'. The panel recognising the servicewomen was added later. It looks a bit like an afterthought. Lofts, however, included local servicewomen in his 'Bega High School Memorial'. Maris Schneider (BIHS 1937-1939) joined the Women's Auxiliary Air Force (WAAF) and used her signals training at Point Piper, Cairns and Townsville. Lorna Warren, Australian Women's Medical Service, attended Bega kindergarten and also first year at BIHS. She worked in the Blood and Serum Preparation Unit and as a nurse administered blood transfusions both in Australia and overseas. Aileen Perkins (Bega Primary and BIHS 1930-1938), Australian Women's Army Service, operated a coastal battery, the 18th Heavy Anti-Aircraft Battery, at Newcastle NSW.

In late 1953 the great day arrived: the 'Bega High School War Memorial' was to be unveiled by the Governor of NSW, Sir John Northcott, a Gallipoli veteran with significant service at the top reaches of the Australian military in World War II. The school has a typewritten account of the ceremony on Saturday 28 November 1953 written by Lofts himself, after his retirement in 1960, possibly given in 2010 to the school by daughter Vera Hatton.

Lofts organised the event. A special platform was built by pupils and woodwork teachers '*in the open air against the west end of the school*'. This seated the official party, Northcott and his entourage, Headmaster Norman White, and among others Mayor Alderman Charles Ayres and well-known local businessman, William Balmain, who had given Lofts his wholehearted and financial support. Beside the official party, on a raised dais, was the memorial book and lectern '*shrouded in a cloth drape, so arranged with weights that when a gold cord was pulled, the drapes fell back*'. Movingly, '*in seats of honour near the front*' were the next-of-kin of deceased servicemen students. The ceremony proceeded with the expected speeches from Headmaster and the Governor. Lofts spoke last and finished with these words:

At the conclusion of this ceremony, this lectern will be carried inside and placed in the school's quietest room – the Library – where it will ever be a hallowed corner of this great school.

Then Northcott stepped forward, pulled the golden cord, the shrouds fell away revealing the lectern, and the Governor opened the first page of the memorial book. That was the signal for trumpeter Lou Twyford: he blew the Last Post '*in simple clear tones that rang over the nearby streets and touched the hearts of his audience*'. This surely qualifies as one of the most moving ceremonies ever to be held at the school. Lofts concluded his account:

'And so the years of work of three men ... Lofts, Doble and Annabel came simply to an end'.

It was not quite the end.

In addition to the high school's memorial book Lofts made two copies. In February 1954, presenting a copy to the to the Bega RSL Sub-Branch, Lofts told his fellow Diggers that no other group in the community would derive so much pleasure in the book where a number of members had their names inscribed. President Bert Smithers was delighted to receive this fine gift from one of their own and requested the Branch Secretary to write Lofts an official thank you letter. The Sub-Branch had a display case made to exhibit the book.

Recently book and case have been moved to the Bega Pioneers' Museum for safe keeping and public display. Indeed, the Bega Pioneers' Museum is currently the only place where the public is able to view this beautiful commemorative piece. It can't be called 'unique', in the true sense of that word, unless we could know for sure that nothing else of its kind had been produced anywhere else in Australia. Certainly it is rare.

But what about the High School where, at the public unveiling, Lofts said the book would be on display in the Library? The school still has the book which it will bring out on request. Doble's lectern, that 'thing of beauty', sits empty in a corner of the school auditorium.

On Tuesday 19 January 1954 Lofts attended a Council meeting where he presented the town with his third copy of the 'Bega High School War Memorial'. Handing it over to the Mayor, Lofts felt that no other local body more deserved the book:

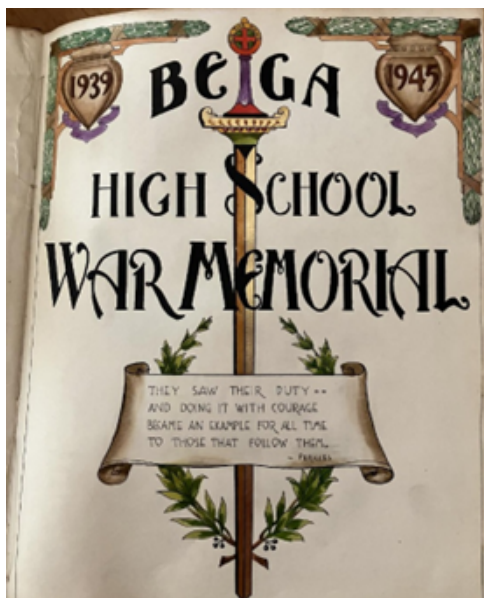
... he held the hope that it would be kept where it was available to the public and not be locked away somewhere in a drawer ... Alderman Ayres (the Mayor) assured Mr Lofts that the Memorial will be one of the Council's prize possessions, particularly as it is a record of the men (Ayres overlooked the servicewomen) who were educated at Bega and who served their country in time of war.

Where is the Council's copy today? It isn't on display: it cannot be found. But should we give the last word on Kenneth Gregory Lofts and his adopted town to Mayor Charles Ayres, who accepted the Memorial book into his care 72 years ago? Ayres appreciated the contribution of this 'blow-in' who was not, after all, a local but born and bred in Lismore:

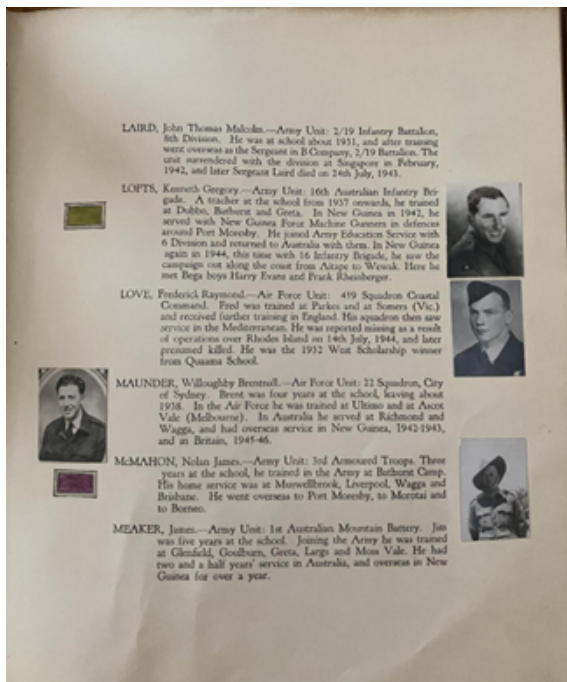
... [he] expressed the hope that Mr Lofts will long remain a citizen of Bega for which town he has done much while here. That was perhaps an understatement!

Sources: newspapers online, Bega District News, 1937/1954, Northern Star, Lismore, 1926, 1928, 1930, 1933; Sydney Morning Herald 1932; K G Lofts, typescript account 'The Story of the Bega War Memorial', in Bega High School, possibly written after Lofts' retirement in 1960; Letter, Vera Hatton to Tom?, possibly teacher at Bega High, 21 October 2010, in Bega High School; Bega Valley Historical Society; thanks to Pat Raymond, Bega area local historian and researcher; Dawn Bott; Bega RSL Sub-Branch especially Gary Berman, and Fiona Sullivan, Manager Access Services. Museums of NSW.

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The title page and front cover of Greg Lofts' Bega High School War Memorial book



A page from the Bega High School War Memorial book. The oak lectern crafted by Gilbert Doble to display the Bega High School War Memorial book at Bega High School

EXTRACT FROM KEVIN TETLEY'S NOTEBOOKS.

As part of the Kevin Tetley bequest we have his notebooks. This is a sample of the work

17 Dec 1923 Springvale - School Cinderella to farewell Mr. Pomery "Good music was supplied by Mesdames Reilly and Attwood and Mr. Leo Reilly."

Tarraganda - Breaking up day at Tarraganda Public School was the occasion for a very pleasant gathering of parents and children. A Xmas tree for the little one, supplemented by afternoon tea provided by the parents, and a "scramble" for all the children (nearly 50 being present), caused much delight. As the parents have decided to celebrate the new school building in February in a manner befitting such an occasion, breaking-up day party took more of the nature of a private function."

24 Dec. 1923 - ads - New Lyric Theatre - Clark's Boot Store Mr. H.H. Morton took some good photos of the Double Creek bridge open on Thursday.

Mon 24 Dec 1923 ads for - Mr Dingle, Auckland St.

R.B. BUSH - Carp St.

W.H. FISHER - Carp St. 'Late of Deniliquin. (has succeeded Mr. E.S. Heady and will be practicing forthwith)

Mr. E.S. Heady has been called to Sydney owing to his wife's illness and left on Saturday.

Th. 10 Jan 1924 Mr. Thomas Hull, Prop. Metropolitan Hotel passed away early on Wed morning at the age of 53 years, after a few days' illness. Deceased was an ex Imperial soldier who served in the Boer War.

Mon 14 Jan 1924 "A sad death occurred at Eden on Sunday Morning, when Ettie, the 13 month old daughter of Mr & Mrs F.W. Cock died after a short illness,"

Mon 14 Jan 1924 Bega District Hospital Report included mention of 'vegetable given by Mr. Dansey', amongst the list of gifts.

Th. 10 Jan 1924

DISTRICT DOINGS - SPRINGVALE "A very pleasant and well-attended farewell social was tendered to Mr. P. Reilly and family at the local hall on Thursday, 27th December. Felicitous sentiments were expressed in the addresses to the departing guest who have sold their holding to Mr. G. Turk and intend to reside in Bega, and a very elegant piece of plate was presented to them by the chairman. Dancing was indulged in until an early hour in the morning, interrupted only by the ceremony just referred to and the partaking of a very nice supper provided by the local ladies.

- Mr A Dowling has removed to his Daisy Hill property, having sold his Springvale holding to Mr. C. Squire.

Thurs. afternoon, 17 Jan. 1924

"Mr. Arthur Koellner, formerly of Stoney Creek, is now grader and tester at the Dorrigo Butter Factory

"Miss Leila Smith, B.A., who has just completed her course at Sydney University, has been appointed to the staff of the District School at Murwillumbah."

Mon. Feb. 18, 1924

A.S. Wallace reports a successful sale.

Jack Coffey - former Licensee of Occidental Hotel

"Mr. James Pearce met with a painful accident on Saturday morning whilst cutting firewood.

The axe caught in a clothes line, and altering its course, struck Mr. Pearce on the face, fracturing a bone in the nose, and injuring his forehead."

Thurs. Feb 21, 1924

In Memorium - In loving remembrance of John Hayden, who died Feb. 24, 1922. Inserted by his old pal, George Wilson. (see 1586 - P,127) EM Book

"A picnic to be held at Tarraganda on Saturday to celebrate the opening of the new school"

"Mr. Peter Ubrihien brought a fine specimen of the Matchless tomato to our office on Tuesday. It weighed just on 2 lbs."

"Mr. W. Reilly can do other things besides making good cheese. He pulled a watermelon on his patch at Tarraganda the other day weighing 27 lbs."

Mr. Staines, Racecourse Farm, Housefire whilst Mr & Mrs were in the milking yard. Narrow escape for kids - fire soon extinguished by Mr. Staines.

Mon, Feb. 25, 1924

Mr Carr-Boyd, President of Golf Club farewelled prior to departure to Maitland.

Vimy Ridge share were sold in Sydney on Thurs for 2/2½d per share.

"We were told on Saturday that Mr. Turnbull was the first schoolteacher at Tarraganda, and he also had a night school for those who could not attend in the day-time."

"Mr. S Dansey has sold his business to a Mr. Casey who takes possession on 10th instant." TOWN COUNCIL - "The camping reserve at Tarraganda, which was not required by the P.P. Board, would be suitable for a garbage depot. The land is not worth much." it was the preferred option over Stoney Creek site.

Thu March 20, 1924 - Ads

W.T. Herbert - Milk Vendor

MISS ASHBY, Dressmaker - New premises in Church St. Next door to Mrs. Salway's Tea Rooms.

Nurse HEARSE - Obstetric Nurse, Bega

Brixey's - W.A. EASDOWN

JAMES PEARCE - Coachbuilder & wheelwright, Church St. "Having taken over the factory in Church St, has commenced business in the above lines. Best workmanship at Reasonable Prices. A Trial Solicited"

RYAN BROS. Motor Proprietors, Carp St. Local Agents for Dodge Bros. Only the best drivers employed.

Publications for Sale

<i>Bega District Band</i>	<i>\$10</i>
<i>Bega High - 50 years</i>	<i>Free</i>
<i>Illawarra Steam Ship Company</i>	<i>\$10</i>
<i>The Bushfires of 52</i>	<i>\$25</i>
<i>Bayleys History of Bega</i>	<i>\$20</i>
<i>A Walk Along Carp Street</i>	<i>\$20</i>
<i>Fascinating Bega</i>	<i>\$20</i>
<i>Scrummaging On The Sapphire Coast</i>	<i>\$20</i>
<i>The "Braine" Book</i>	<i>\$20</i>
<i>Days of Long Ago by Harold Braine</i>	<i>\$30</i>

