

COMMISSIONERS TOUR OF INSPECTION.

TUESDAY 20th TO THURSDAY, 22ND AUGUST, 1963.

ORBOST to SALE

MAFFRA to TRARALGON

MORWELL to HALLAM

ALSO BY ROAD CAR

KILMANY and ROSEDALE

YINNAR to MIRBOO NORTH

and

YALLOURN

(S. 1480/63.)

Train departs Spencer Street (No. 10 Platform)
at 2.12pm on Monday, 19th August, 1963.

TOUR PERSONNEL

COMMISSIONERS TOUR - ORBOST LINE

19th to 22nd AUGUST, 1963.

Mr. G. F. Brown	Deputy Chairman.
Mr. J. R. Rewell	Chief Traffic Manager.
Mr. W. O. Galletly	Chief Mechanical Engineer.
Mr. D. D. Wade	Actg. Asst. Chief Civil Engineer.
Mr. A. C. Stockley	Chief Electrical Engineer.
Mr. M. McLachlan	Chief Commercial Manager.
Mr. J. L. Hawkins	Commissioners Representative. (Transport Regulation).
Mr. J. V. Ross	Claims Agent.
Mr. G. Matthews	Auditor of Revenue.
Mr. Caldwell	Live Stock Agent.
Mr. D. McInnes	District Superintendent.
Mr. A. L. Johns	District Engineer.
Mr. C. Granger	Chief Clerk - Way & Works Branch.
Mr. C. W. Miller	Commissioners' Secretary.
Mr. D. F. O'Mara	Tour Clerk.

Mr. W. H. Dollamore	Divisional Engineer, Bairnsdale Country Roads Board.
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Bairnsdale to Orbost and return.

TRAIN CREW

Driver	T. Donnelly
Fireman	M. Collins
Guard	A. Burton
Conductor	J. Freeland
Steward	W. Hallett
Chef	R. Parry
Kitchen Hand	W. Tabaka

FIRST DAY

TUESDAY - 20TH AUGUST, 1963.

INSPECT ALL STATIONS

ORBOST to MUNRO

and

MONTGOMERY to SALE

STAY OVERNIGHT AT SALE

O R B O S T

Mr. H. W. Sambell, Station Master (Cl. 4) 1.
 Rolling Stock Branch Driver-in-Charge, V. McMasters.
 Staff 4. Engines Nil.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	271388	8	81270	8966	590	92	110	20	38
1961	249087	8	71941	8161	244	91	75	31	16
1962	199811	3	55572	11136	132	69	49	43	45
to 31. 5. 63	238153	7	67626	8145	90	42	38	56	31

TELEGRAPH INSTRUMENT. 2.

The matter of withdrawing the telegraph instrument which is not now used is in course.

(C. T. M. 17/756/12)

BATCHING QUARTERS. 3.

(a) A portion of the old station buildings has been converted into batching quarters for the Traffic Branch.

(W. W. 2867/63)

(b) The material has been received for the provision of linoleum on the floor of the batching quarters. This work will be completed in early August, 1963.

(W. W. 4122/63)

FIRE PROTECTION. 4.

Investigations are in hand for the excavation of a dam on property leased by Mr. H. Scott, for purpose of using the water in the event of fire on Railway land.

(W. W. 6509/60)

DRAINAGE 5.

Drainage in the vicinity of the goods shed and the passenger platform is not satisfactory after heavy rain and arrangements are in hand to rectify the position.

(W. W. 9018/61)

POLE AND TIMBER STORAGE SITES 6.

Mr. Kevin Varney leases 2 No. pole storage sites (1) 300' x 115' near weighbridge and fronting Princes Highway from 1. 1. 62 (2) 11,000 sq. ft. on approach road to stock yards from 1. 5. 63. (E. O. 150720L) (E. O. 151959 L)

(3) R. H. Mann & Co. Pty. Ltd. lease a site 400' x 20' fronting Princes Highway and over the approach road directly at the rear of the goods platform.

(E. O. 149920 L)

LEASE OF LAND 7.

Goldsbrough Mort & Co. Ltd. have applied to lease approximately 1/2 acre of land for stock holding purposes on the up side, up end of the stock yards.

An offer of an area 211' x 100' was made on 29. 4. 63, but no reply has been received.

(E. O. 151546L)

O R B O S T (Contd.)

D. R. 3274.

8.

Rehabilitation of this D. R. is practically complete. Painting is in course but a bath heater has yet to be installed.

(61/4859) (W. W. 6582/61)

COMPLETED

9.

- Defective pole replaced.
- 26.9.62 Conversion of station building to single men's quarters.
- " Supply installed for W. S. Cars.
- 13.11.62 D. R's. 3655 & 4090 - Electric H. W. S. installed.
- 1.2.63 Re-arrangement of facilities in Station Yard.
- 3.4.63 D. R. 3274 - Rehabilitation of wiring and provision of electric stove.
- 19.7.63 New Supply for W. S. Cars.
- 22.7.63 Batching quarters, installation of additional lighting and power supplies.

WAYGARA

No-one-in-Charge

10.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outwards Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep	Cattle	Sheep	Cattle
1960	16264	-	4706	37	-	-	-	-	-
1961	19346	-	5324	28	-	-	-	-	-
1962	22907	-	6620	33	-	-	-	-	-
to 31.5.63	36231	-	10902	35	-	-	-	-	-

TOSTAREE

11.

No-one-in-Charge

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outwards Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep	Cattle	Sheep	Cattle
						Pigs	Horses	Pigs	Horses
1960	80	-	21	131	-	-	-	-	-
1961	213	-	61	131	-	-	-	-	-
1962	-	-	-	58	-	-	-	-	-
to 31/5/63	16	-	13	82	-	-	-	-	-

NOWA NOWA

Mr. A. G. Galbraith, Stationmaster, Class 7. 12.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep	Cattle	Sheep	Cattle
			Pigs	Horses		Pigs	Horses		
1960	112236	-	34639	2417	1414	7	-	-	-
1961	97071	1	28679	2117	1286	-	-	-	1
1962	77415	-	23442	2615	1111	-	-	-	1
to 31/5/63	85001	-	26829	2816	985	-	-	-	-

FOOTBRIDGE ATTACHED TO BRIDGE OVER RAILWAY AT 207M. 76C. 13.

The Commissioners have, at the cost of the Country Roads Board, constructed a footbridge which is attached to the road bridge over rail.

As the Board paid £125 for the capitalized cost of future maintenance of the footbridge, this Department is responsible for its future maintenance.

The maintenance of the approaches to the footbridge, and the provision of artificial lighting on it or on the approaches, is not this Department's responsibility.

(58/346)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM 14.

Pending. Provision of electric supply to station and Departmental residences. (S. E. C. advises supply will be available in June, 1964).

COMPLETED. 15.

- 4. 6. 63 Passenger platform reduced by 50' at up end.
- 30. 7. 63 Abolition of livestock trucking facilities.

COLQUHOUN

No-one-in-Charge 16.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outwards Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep	Cattle	Sheep	Cattle
			Pigs	Horses		Pigs	Horses		
1960	-	-	-	87	-	-	-	-	
1961	-	-	-	76	-	-	-	-	
1962	-	-	-	84	-	-	-	-	
to 31/5/63	-	-	-	64	-	-	-	-	

COLQUHOUN

FUTURE OF STATION

17.

In June, 1962 Commissioners' approval was given for the closure of Colquhoun station and the removal of all facilities as recommended by the Chief Traffic Manager, but following representations to the Commissioners on tour by Councillors and the Secretary of the Shire of Tambo they agreed to the retention of the facilities subject to review in twelve months time.

The papers have now been put into course.

(Papers on Tour)

(62/5935)

TEMPORARY SUPER BIN.

18.

Commonwealth Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. have been authorised to erect a temporary bulk super storage bin at this location.

(E. O. 151005L)

BRUTHEN

Mr. L. J. McCormick, Stationmaster, Class 8.

19.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	57007	-	16842	5146	6048	25	49	29	8
1961	48694	-	13562	4727	7017	-	64	-	4
1962	58256	-	16410	4740	7239	25	49	-	4
to 31/5/63	58711	1	16865	5665	6892	29	66	2	1

SEPTIC TANKS.

20.

On 7th June, 1963, the Shire Secretary of Tambo advised that his Council had declared Bruthen a septic tank area and that the present night soil clearance service would be discontinued as from 30th September, 1965.

This Department was therefore requested to arrange for septic tanks to be installed at all premises in Bruthen and Mossiface by that date.

The matter is in course.

(63/5597) (W. W. 6861/63)

DRAINAGE.

21.

Investigation and survey disclosed that the tracks in the station yard become flooded during wet weather due to lack of adequate drainage.

A scheme has been prepared for the construction of a drainage system to remedy the existing unsatisfactory conditions.

(W. W. 13901/61)

BRUTHEN (Contd.)

SHED SITE. 22.

An application by Mr. R. Cavanagh for a site for a 12' x 10' shed has been approved by Chief Traffic Manager. Matter to be investigated by Signals Engineer, Track & Drainage Engineer.

(E. O. 152401 L)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEMS 23.

Pending. Wiring of W. S. car No. 353.

Installation of electric hot water services in DR. 's 2252 and 2254.

COMPLETED. 24.

15. 12. 62 Provision of electric lighting at the station, in the goods yard and the goods shed.

" Provision of electric supply for W. S. cars.

BRUTHEN - MOSSIFACE

CLOSURE OF OCCUPATION CROSSING AT 188M. 36C. 29L. 25.

When the fees for occupation crossings were reviewed in 1962, the Education Department advised that it no longer required the above crossing, which has now been abolished.

(EO 39/710)

MOSSIFACE

No-one-in-Charge 26.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	1661	-	672	55	-	-	-	-	-
1961	5135	-	1653	3	-	-	-	-	-
1962	1396	-	518	6	-	-	-	-	-
to 31/5/63	1679	-	630	23	-	-	-	-	-

SEPTIC TANKS 27.

On 7th June, 1963 the Shire Secretary of Tambo advised that his Council had declared Bruthen a septic tank area and that the present night soil clearance service would be discontinued as from 30th September, 1965. (Contd.)

MOSSIFACE (Contd.)

SEPTIC TANKS (Contd.)

This Department was therefore requested to arrange for septic tanks to be installed at all premises in Bruthen and Mossiface by that date.

The matter is in course.

(63/5597) (W.W. 6861/63)

COMPLETED.

27A.

3. 5. 63 Removal of gents sanitary convenience.

BUMBERRAH

Mrs. L. Hewerdine, Caretaker, Class 5.										28.
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock				
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards		
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1960	1373	-	70	1268	227	20	32	2	-	
1961	1210	-	47	1146	183	16	23	-	8	
1962	1477	-	117	1569	204	9	34	-	1	
to 31/5/63	908	-	54	1343	233	5	22	1	1	

TEMPORARY SUPER BIN.

29.

Commonwealth Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. have been authorised to erect a temporary bulk super storage bin at this location.

(E. O. 151005L)

COMPLETED.

30.

29. 11. 62 Inspection of wiring and renewal of power point in D. R. 2250.

20. 6. 63 Installation of electric supply for W. S. cars.

BUMBERRAH - BAIRNSDALE

FENCING.

31.

At Nicholson on 7th August, 1962, the Commissioners were met by Messrs. J. Jennings and D. Davis who asked that the fence along the railway between Bumberrah and Bairnsdale, be repaired as it was in poor condition and stock could get onto the line.

The Commissioners stated that they were not liable to maintain fences along the line and were in the same position as the Country Roads Board and

BUMBERRAH - BAIRNSDALE (Contd.)

FENCING. (Contd.)

municipalities which were also not liable to fence along their roadways.

There was, however, no objection to adjoining landowners using what material remained in the fence to effect repairs.

In answer to a question, the Commissioners stated that where landholders maintained fences up to a roadway, the wing fencing of the level crossing was linked to it. The wing fencing was not maintained if the boundary fencing was not.

(62/7837.) (W. W. 9403/62)(W. W. 13887/62)

NICHOLSON

No-one-in-Charge 32.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	42	-	9	54	-	-	-	-	-
1961	30	-	6	53	-	-	-	-	-
1962	32	-	6	55	-	-	-	-	-
to 31/5/63	37	-	6	58	-	-	-	-	-

BAIRNSDALE

Mr. W. C. McConnell, Station Master, (Cl. 2) 33.
Rolling Stock Branch Driver-in-Charge A. J. Lane. Staff 11. Engine 1.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	143437	21222	42536	37000	4521	310	411	372	221
1961	144292	17239	43323	35926	5596	359	184	100	61
1962	117354	15769	28178	35818	5434	191	216	172	34
to 31/5/63	122192	18252	28153	36436	5438	372	685	36	22

ROADWAY TO STATION 34.

The local shire has agreed to undertake the work of sealing the roadway to the station at the expense of this Department.

The work has not as yet commenced.

(63/3106) (W. W. 3604/63)

BAIRNSDALE (Contd)

RE-LOCATION OF E. L. SWITCH-BOARD AND TELEPHONES

35.

The question of re-locating the electric light switch-board and telephones to provide for more privacy and security in the booking section and a better working arrangement generally is in course in connection with alterations to walls and partitions shown on plan 1134/60.

(C. T. M. 17/47/24)

YARD LIGHTING

35A

Notwithstanding that a number of additional electric lights were recently installed in the shunting yard the guards and yard staff are not satisfied and have requested the provision of 4 more lights.

Further investigations are being made.

(E. E. 62/1203)

GOODS SHED ACCOMMODATION

36.

To overcome congestion in the goods shed arrangements are in hand (a) to remove the 20 cwt. scales from within the shed; (b) to relocate the goods checkers office to where the scales are now located; (c) to relocate the cage to the south west corner and (d) provide a portable 5 cwt. or 10 cwt. set of scales outside the shed.

The work will be carried out as soon as the weighbridge fitters remove the scales.

(54/13456) (W. W. 18081/54)

PORTABLE HURDLES FOR GOODS SHED

37.

Arrangements are in hand to provide 5 No. portable hurdles approximately 9'0" long by 3'0" high with lower timbers placed close together for use in separating inward goods and thereby facilitating delivery.

(W. W. 8723/63)

ADDITIONAL LOADING AREA.

38.

An additional 200 feet of loading area has been provided between Delmahoy Street and stockrace road necessitating the construction of an entrance roadway and some surfacing as well as provision of a gate.

Pipes which are to be placed for culvert at the entrance have been ordered and work will commence when they are to hand.

(W. W. 10319/62)

SEALING OF GOODS YARD

39.

Representatives of the Bairnsdale Chamber of Commerce requested the Commissioners when on tour in August, 1962 to have the goods yard, particularly in the vicinity of the goods shed, sealed. The Commissioners stated that the matter was being looked into.

BAIRNSDALE (Contd.)

SEALING OF GOODS YARD (Contd.)

Survey and investigation disclosed that the existing gravel pavement of the goods yard road-way is badly potholed with considerable sub-grade failure due to poor grading and lack of suitable drainage facilities and the roadway is in an unsatisfactory condition for the operation of Coles Mobile cranes.

To remedy the existing conditions and provide a suitable roadway for the operation of heavy motor trucks and mobile cranes, it has been proposed that the roadway be re-constructed in accordance with the details shown on plan No. 921/62 at an estimated cost of £16,600. (Capital £16,450. W. E. £150).

Papers are now in course.

(62/7834) (W. W. 9401/62)

ALTERATIONS TO YARD

40.

On 7/8/63, the Commissioners directed that the re-arrangement of the Yard including the provision of a private siding to serve Caltex Oil Aust. Pty. Ltd. was not to be carried out. The Caltex Company has been granted permission to stand tank - wagons on the end of the livestock siding and a pipe line is at present being laid from the Oil Depot to this point.

(60/7309)

(W. W. 9336/60)

CLOSURE OF P. C. R. - McMillan Street

41.

The Commissioners are desirous of closing this P. C. R. ; but the Shire and the Bairnsdale District Farmers' Co-op Co. Ltd. , as well as Parliamentarians, have objected.

A conference is to be arranged between the Level Crossing Committee and the Shire.

(61/4507)

(Papers on Tour)

BUCHANAN AND MACARTHUR STREETS LEVEL CROSSINGS.

42.

Representatives of the Bairnsdale Chamber of Commerce made request to the Commissioners when on tour in August, 1962 for "over" or "under" passes to be substituted for the level crossings at the above-mentioned locations.

The Commissioners stated that, apart from the fact that under the proposed yard re-arrangement at Bairnsdale Macarthur Street crossing would be closed, the grade separation of these crossings would have no priority.

(62/7833)

LEASES OF LAND

43.

(a) Caltex Oil (Aust) Ltd. , applied to lease additional land adjacent to its present leasehold.

BAIRNSDALE (Contd.)

LEASE OF LAND (Contd.)

The land desired is leased for stock holding purposes, and negotiations are in course to lease portion of it to the Company.

(E. O. 150891L)

(Papers on Tour)

(b) Caltex Oil (Aust) Ltd. has applied for permission to erect a 12,000 gallon storage tank to extend its warehouse on its existing leasehold. The Company was requested to submit plans of the proposal.

(E. O. 151790L)

(c) Arrangements are in hand to relocate the leasehold of Mr. R. Holloway (Agent for Esso Standard Oil Pty. Ltd.) from the down end, up side of the goods platform, fronting on Dalmahoy Street, to a position on up end, down side of the station yard fronting McLeod Street opposite Grant Street.

(E. O. 151676L)

(Papers on Tour)

(d) The application to lease land has been received from the Country Women's Association. An offer of lease for land 60' x 80' fronting McLeod Street on the up end, down side of the station yard was made to the Association on 9. 1. 63. No reply has yet been received.

(62/7832) (W. W. 9471/62) (E. O. 150911L)

(Papers on Tour)

BRIQUETTE SITE.

44.

Bairnsdale District Farmers' Co-op. Co. Ltd. has applied for permission to instal a hopper for unloading briquettes on the Orbost Line at 171M. 63C.

The correspondence is in course.

(Papers on Tour)

(W. W. 6544/62)

BULK SUPER SITES.

45.

(a) The request of Commonwealth Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd. for a site on the old engine shed area for the erection of a bulk storage shed has been declined because of its proximity to the level crossing.

(b) A site selected by the Stationmaster has been made available to Commonwealth Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. for the erection of a temporary bulk storage bin.

(c) The request of Cresco Fertilizers Ltd. for a bulk shed site on the Pulpwood Siding was not proceeded with because of traffic operating difficulties.

(d) Tulloch & Co. who desire a site for the erection of a bulk super shed in the Bairnsdale area have asked for the lease of a site in one of the following areas :-

- (1) On pulpwood siding between the Gantry and West of Macarthur St.
- (2) On South side of live stock line between cattle loading ramp and Macarthur St.
- (3) On South side of live stock line between cattle loading ramp and buffer stops.

(E. O. Papers).

BAIRNSDALE (Contd.)

SHED SITE

46.

The request of A. Tulloch & Co. for a 30' x 25' shed site on the Old Wharf line adjacent to Lakeland's shed is in course.

Investigations to date indicate there is no objection to the erection of the shed and the relocation of fencing to permit free access to the shed at all times.

(E. O. 152299L)

PORTABLE FOR V. R. I.

47.

Instructions have been issued for a 20' x 12' portable at Sale to be relocated at Bairnsdale for the use of the V. R. I. members and work will commence when staff become available.

(62/5012) (W. W. 5892/62)

D. R. 290

48.

The request of Mr. McConnell, Station Master, for the installation of an electric hot water service in his Departmental Residence (D. R. 290) is in course.

(C. T. M. 17/47/23)

D. R. 3496.

49.

Approval was given to tenant of D. R. 3496 on 28. 3. 63 to replace gas stove at his own expense.

(C. E. E. papers)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEMS

50.

Pending. Necessary electrical work in connection with alterations to goods shed.

Electrical supply to 20' x 12' portable relocated ex Sale for V. R. I.

Re-arrangements of lighting in Stationmaster's Office.

Provision of flourescent lighting in goods shed and office.

Declined Provision of power point in bedroom of D. R. 1840 - declined because it is not the general practice to provide this facility.

COMPLETED

51.

- 8. 62 Removal of 52' turntable.

- 10. 62 Removal of engine shed to provide better view of the level crossing.

10. 10. 62 Installation of electric lighting in loco office, locker room and oil store.

30. 10. 62 Installation of telephone communication between Stationmaster's office and the Gantry Crane.

31. 10. 62 Repairs to gas stove, D. R. 3496.

31. 10. 62 Installation of temporary pumping plant at the rail tank discharging point at Siding of Caltex Oil Pty. Ltd.

BAIRNSDALE (Contd.)

COMPLETED.

- 1.12.62 Installation of power points in kitchen and lounge room and rear external light - D. R. 1840.
- 14.12.62 Instaliation of electric supply for W. S. cars.
- 14.12.62 Replacement of electric light pole at stock yards.
- 1. 3.63 Repairs to road surface at level crossing for Dunlop factory.
- 3. 5.63 Additional electric light in new office at Loco Depot.
- 19.6.63 Additional power point installed at Loco.
- 28.6.63 Provision of additional yard lights.
- 12.7.63 Improvements to teleprinter line.

BAIRNSDALE - HILLSIDE

LEVEL CROSSING AT 168M. 53C 51L

52.

Track work has been completed and fencing work is in hand in connection with the provision of flashing lights at 168M. 53C. 51L. (P. C. R. crossing).

(W. W. 9342/61)

HILLSIDE

No-one-in-Charge

53.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	1161	161	287	401	228	-	6	14	2
1961	1443	108	434	540	236	-	6	10	-
1962	2507	156	378	531	236	-	8	-	-
to 31/5/63	1049	115	240	524	234	-	11	-	-

FUTURE OF FACILITIES

54.

On 15th August, 1962 the Commissioners approved of the retention of the live stock facilities and the goods platform subject to further review on 1st July, 1963.

The matter is now in course.

(61/4855)

HILLSIDE (Contd.)

STAFFING OF STATION. 55.

As from 7.7.63 this station has been worked under no-one-in-charge conditions.

(63/5546)

PLATFORM SCALES. 56.

The tender of £10 from Mr. R. D. Miles for the purchase of the spare 5 cwt. platform scales at Hillside has been forwarded to the Comptroller of Stores for consideration and course.

(C. T. M. Papers)

LOADING RAMP 57.

The Commissioners have approved of the abolition of the high loading ramp, and on 29.7.63 instructions were made accordingly.

(63/6954) (W. W. 5974/63)

BULK SUPERPHOSPHATE SHED. 58.

Commonwealth Fertilisers and Chemicals Ltd. has purchased the Goods Shed for removal onto a site it leases adjacent to the previous position of the goods shed.

(The goods shed was previously leased to the Company's agent Mr. Bailey).

(E. O. 63/72) (E. O. 150347 L)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM 59.

Pending. Provision of electric supply to station and DRs. (S. E. C. advises supply will not be available before 1966/67.)

LINDENOW

Mr. E. E. Powell, Station Master (Cl. 8) 60.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	6382	911	619	2223	1723	42	93	66	78
1961	7335	925	934	1724	1895	48	68	32	21
1962	8700	1042	774	2372	2037	58	156	84	27
to 31/5/63	9122	896	917	2397	2173	108	140	16	6

VAN GOODS SHED. 61.

The 15' x 12' van goods shed at the centre of the platform is spare in so far as Traffic Branch requirements are concerned and the Chief Civil Engineer has been so advised.

(W. W. 5060/59).

LINDENOW (CONTD.)

COMPLETED

62.

- 1. 3. 63 Repairs to road surface at level crossing.
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- 20. 5. 63 Renewal of fences between railway boundary and property of
Mr. A. Morrison.
- 24. 6. 63 Installation of electric lighting at the station.

FERNBANK

Station Assistant (Cl. 1) T. L. Caldwell.

63.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	975	211	272	929	522	-	-	11	1
1961	5300	226	2554	1075	406	10	3	1	-
1962	12455	271	6965	1086	731	-	-	62	-
to									
31/5/63	17303	199	9571	1463	516	8	2	1	-

LIVE STOCK FACILITIES

64.

In May 1962 the Chief Traffic Manager reported that the outwards sheep traffic averaging 3. 66 vans per year over the previous six years is insufficient to justify maintenance of the facilities at Fernbank and during the 1961/62 financial year when the facilities were in reasonable order no sheep were loaded and there was no reason to believe the traffic would increase if new facilities were provided.

New yards, loading races and a transport ramp are available at Lindenow $6\frac{3}{4}$ miles distant.

Commissioners approval was given for the demolition of the facilities and the usual notice of intention to demolish them was given all concerned in June, 1963.

Following requests from the Hon. Secretary, Lindenow Branch of the Australian Primary Producers Union and Mr. B. J. Evans, M. L. A., it was agreed to retain the facilities pending review by the Commissioners when on tour and Mr. Evans was informed accordingly.

Further representations have been made by the Shire of Bairnsdale on behalf of the Lindenow Branch of the Australian Primary Producers Union to the Hon. the Minister.

(63/743) (63/7054)

(Papers on tour)

FERNBANK (Contd.)

GOODS SHED 65.

Portion of the goods shed is leased by Cresco Fertilizers Ltd. on a monthly tenancy.

(E. O. 150011 L)

TEMPORARY SUPER BIN 66.

Commonwealth Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. have been authorised to erect a temporary bulk super storage bin at this location.

(E. O. 151005L)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM 67.

Pending. Electric supply to station and departmental residences. (S. E. C. advises supply will be available about February, 1964).

COMPLETED. 68.

5. 3. 63 Installation of W. Sa. lever in lieu of existing spur lever at main line plunger locked points.

MUNRO

Mr. F. W. Delaney, Vol. Caretaker.										69.
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock				
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards		
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1960	12601	12	10823	715	39	-	-	23	-	
1961	13821	5	11408	570	168	-	-	33	-	
1962	7667	14	6191	817	168	-	-	23	3	
to 31/5/63	4807	9	3476	703	119	-	-	5	-	

CRANE 70.

The request of the Australian Paper Manufacturers Limited for a motorised jib crane to be installed at Munro for the handling of expected pinewood traffic was declined because of the limited amount of traffic involved and the fact that powered cranes were already available at both Stratford and Fernbank situated $6\frac{3}{4}$ and $8\frac{1}{4}$ miles respectively from Munro.

However, the firm was notified that should traffic develop by 1967 to the extent envisaged the matter would then be given further consideration.

(63/1647)

TEMPORARY SUPER BIN 71.

Commonwealth Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. have been authorised to erect a temporary bulk super storage bin at this location.

(E. O. 151005L)

MONTGOMERY

No-one-in-Charge										72.
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock				
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards		
June	£		Out	In		Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1960	232	-	67	406	190	-	-	4	-	
1961	226	-	44	258	188	-	-	12	-	
1962	237	-	36	286	237	-	-	2	-	
to										
31/5/63	279	-	44	391	214	-	-	-	-	

ACCESS ACROSS STATION GROUND 73.

In order to permit easier working of semi trailer milk tankers, permission has been given for L. J. Holland to erect an extra gate to give access from his property into the Montgomery station ground.

Mr. Holland has now applied for permission to construct cattle grids at the gate, and the matter is to be investigated by the Level Crossing Committee.

(E. O. 62/1110)

(Papers on Tour)

MONTGOMERY - SALE

APPLICATION FOR OCCUPATION CROSSING AT 128M. 20C. 74.

In August, 1962, Mr. E. Donovan, applied for an Occupation Crossing over the railway at 128M. 20C. to enable him to move cattle from the Council cattleyards to his property.

In the interests of safety the application was refused.

(E. O. 62/1063)

S A L E

Mr. M. E. Larkins, Station Master (Cl. 4) 75.
 Rolling Stock Branch Driver-in-Charge, W. Wake.
 Staff 4. Engines Nil.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
June	£		Out	In		Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	61445	27327	5508	36582	5282	258	178	269	274
1961	57975	24943	5399	38905	5371	162	181	167	100
1962	65639	23385	5456	34581	5775	212	228	149	44
to									
31/5/63	49833	25508	3639	31498	6425	224	289	177	12

S A L E (Contd.)

ALTERATIONS TO STATION OFFICE

76.

It is proposed to carry out certain alterations to the station office after flooring has been repaired. Work will be put in hand when material is delivered.

(63/48) (W. W. 11088/62)

LINO IN OFFICE

77.

The provision of lino on the floor of the office will be carried out when structural alterations to S. M's office have been completed.

(63/48) (W. W. 11088/62)

EXTENSION OF CARRIAGE DOCK

78.

To accommodate the State Car during official visits and to provide additional wagon loading facilities at other times the Chief Traffic Manager requests that the carriage dock be extended.

Material has been ordered and work will commence when it is to hand.

(63/5205) (W. W. 6116/63)

MOST IMPROVED RESIDENCES

79.

(a) D. R. 3838 occupied by Mr. D. McTaggart, Assistant Station Master, was awarded 1st prize of £7. in the 1962 Competition for the Most Improved Residence with piped water supply in the Sale Works Foreman's Section.

(W. N. 20/63)

(b) D. R. 4103 occupied by Supy. Signal Adjuster K. Eichler was awarded 2nd prize of £3. 7. 6d. in the 1962 Competition for the Most Improved Residence with piped water supply in the Sale Works Foreman's Section.

(W. N. 20/63)

LEASE OF LAND

80.

(a) Public tenders were invited for six shop sites fronting Raymond Street, at the down end of the station yard.

Messrs. G. Herscu & M. Alter were the successful tenderers and lease at a rental of £975 per annum commences on 1. 9. 63.

(61/ 5018) (W. W. 6800/61)

(E. O. 151842L)

(b) Mr. C. W. Ford has been granted tenancy of land at the down end of the stock yards adjacent to Fitzroy Street, on the up side of the line for stock holding.

(c) Miss. M. J. Shields has retained tenancy of a block of land for a residence 42' x 31' on the down side of the stock yards fronting onto the road along the up side of the line.

(E. O. 149633L)

S A L E (CONTD.)

CONDITION OF RAILWAY LAND.

81.

In December, 1962 the City of Sale, in pointing out that Cullinan Park had recently been graded, requested that action be taken to clean up the area of railway land along Cullinan Park, Sale from Reeve Street to the Butter Factory.

The necessary work was completed by 28th January, 1963.

(62/11955)

RELOCATION OF ROAD AND WORKS FOREMEN'S OFFICE.

82.

Investigations are in course re the preparation of detailed estimates for the relocation of the above office to a suitable position away from cranes working nearby to remove the risk of structural damage and physical injury.

(W. W. 5319/63)

LIVE STOCK TRUCKING FACILITIES.

83.

In reply to the City of Sale Council which, on 18th December, 1961, advised of the Council's plan to re-construct its cattle markets and raised the matter of installation of joint trucking facilities, the Secretary on 11th April, 1962, wrote to the effect that our existing trucking facilities had an estimated economic life of from 10 to 15 years and in the circumstances the Commissioners were not prepared at the present time to contribute to the cost of the new facilities which may be incorporated in proposals for the provision of municipal sale yards and any new railway stock yards constructed while our existing yards can be economically maintained in serviceable condition, will, therefore, require to be maintained at the Council's cost.

However, as it is understood the proposals were of a long range nature, we would be pleased to give further consideration of the proposal for joint facilities on receipt of an estimate as to when the Council's scheme will be carried out together with a plan showing details of the layout and location of the proposed yards.

Nothing further has transpired and papers have now been filed.

(Papers on Tour)

(62/3900)

LEASE OF LAND

84.

The application of A. Tulloch & Co., for the lease of an area of railway land facing Desailly St. adjoining their premises for use as a car park for their customers is in course.

Investigations to date indicate there is no objection to leasing the area in question approximately 90' x 160' starting from wire fence along their boundary to the small W. B. office building opposite the goods shed with depth to the departmental buildings.

(E. O. 152383L)

BULK SUPERPHOSPHATE SHEDS

85.

Commonwealth Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. and Cresco Fertilisers Ltd., lease sites for the erection of sheds.

(E. O. 149445L & 1507161)

S A L E (Contd.)

POLE STORAGE SITE 86.

The P. M.G. Dept. leases a site for pole storage purposes.
(E. O. 150753 L)

NON ISSUE 87.

SALE OF LAND TO COUNCIL 88.

A right of way on railway land which is leased by the City of Sale has been offered to the Council for £350.

In March 1957, the Council requested that the offer remain open till estimates for 1957-58 were being framed in November.

This request was agreed to but nothing has been heard from the Council.

(56/680) (W. W. 1051/56)

SEPTIC SEWERAGE 89.

Instructions have been issued for the provision of sewerage connections to Signal Box and Works Depot. The work will be carried out as early as practicable.

(62/7822) (W. W. 4787/61)

DYER'S TRANSPORT SIDING 90.

Points into the siding jointly owned by Dyer Holdings Pty. Ltd. and Caltex Oil have recently been timbered. An account and a letter setting out the necessity for timbering is in course to Dyer Holdings Pty. Ltd.

(W. W. 737/63)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEMS. 91.

Pending. Provision of electric supply for W. S. Cars.

Provision of electric light in internal toilets at D. R. s 2468 and 3156.

Installation of rear external light at D. R. 3195.

Electrical work in connection with alterations at down end to allow for six shop sites.

Declined. Request for electric hot water service in D. R. 3195 declined on 5. 4. 63 because electric bath heater in serviceable condition already installed. (Occupant has appealed to the Secretary against this decision).

COMPLETED. 92.

27. 12. 62 Installation of 3½ pint electric kettle in locker room.

S A L E (Contd.)

COMPLETED (Contd.)

92.

- 27. 12. 62 Installation of tenant's own electric stove in D. R. 3839 in lieu of departmental gas stove.
- 10. 1. 63 Re-location of power point in kitchen and installation of rear external light at D. R. 3838.
- 10. 1. 63 Installation of rear external light at D. R. 3824.
- 13. 1. 63 Installation of tenant's own electric stove in D. R. 3838 in lieu of departmental gas stove.
- 3. 5. 63 Provision of septic sewerage at 13 No. departmental residences.
- 14. 6. 63 Provision of septic sewerage at station buildings.
- 17. 6. 63 Installation of electric hot water service in D. R. 3295
- 4. 8. 63 Reduction of passenger platform by 50' at down end, and re-arrangement of track work to plan 118/62.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY, 21st AUGUST, 1963

INSPECT ALL STATIONS

STRATFORD JNCTN. & STRATFORD

MAFFRA TO MORWELL

ALSO BY ROAD CAR

KILMANY and ROSEDALE

YALLOURN

and

YINNAR to MIRBOO NORTH

STAY OVERNIGHT AT YINNAR.

STRATFORD JUNCTION SIGNAL BOX.

Manned by staff ex Stratford.

93.

STRATFORD.

Mr. J.A. Murray, Stn. Master (Cl.7)

94.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horse
1960	10650	2492	2760	6093	3269	60	48	59	15
1961	9854	1725	1871	5759	3580	80	21	44	36
1962	13162	1657	4025	5670	3810	87	58	62	8
31/5/63	15340	1754	6179	5825	3692	91	107	29	9

FLASHING LIGHTS

95.

Work is in progress in connection with provision of flashing lights at Princes Highway (138M 47C 16L) (Dawson St.)

(W.W.13262/62)

PIPE UNDER RAILWAY.

96.

The Shire of Avon has placed a 1/2" copper water pipe under the railway at 139M 05C., and abandoned the water pipe under the railway at 139M 13C.

(63/8762)

(W.W.10384/62)

D.R. 279

97.

D.R. 279 occupied by Mr. Murray, Stationmaster, is in a condition beyond repair and the expense necessary to restore it to a satisfactory condition would not be justified.

Investigations are in course re the question of providing a new residence.

(W.W.11953/62)

COOKING STOVE D.R. 279

98.

An application from the S.M., occupant of the above D.R. to purchase a combustion cooking stove and have it installed has been held in abeyance pending the possible demolition of this residence.

(W.W.11887/62)

COMPLETED.

99.

- 10.10.62 Installation of electric supply for W.S. Cars.
- 11.10.62 Installation of electric supply to 6 ton derrick crane.
- 2.11.62 Filling of ash pit.
- Sealing of approach road to passenger platform.
- 6. 6.63 Replacement of defective electric stove in D.R. 4036.

STRATFORD - MAFFRA

OCCUPATION CROSSING.

100.

Instructions have been issued for the provision of an occupation crossing at 134M 06C. for Harkness Brothers. Work will commence at an early date.

(63/3321) (W.W.11461/60)

FULHAM

No-one-in-Charge.

101.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	-	-	-	274	-	-	-	-	-
1961	-	-	-	174	-	-	-	-	-
1962	21	-	3	200	-	-	-	-	-
31/5/63	166	-	63	156	-	-	-	4	-

FUTURE OF SIDING

102.

Under date of 18/7/62 the Commissioners approved of the retention of the siding at Fulham for a further period of twelve months, subject to review if any costly maintenance became necessary during that period.

The Chief Civil Engineer on 22/7/63 minuted the file to the effect that ordinarily, no major maintenance will be required to be carried out on existing facilities during the coming twelve months and the matter is now in course in the traffic branch.

(Papers on Tour)

(59/2868)

FULHAM - KILMANY

APPLICATION FOR OCCUPATION CROSSING AT 120M. 49C.

103.

On 19th October, 1962, the Shire of Rosedale enquired if this Department would give access across the railway line to the land between 119M. 67C. and 120M. 71C., if it was sub-divided by the owner, Mr. Atkinson.

On 28th November, 1962, both the Shire and Mr. Atkinson were informed by the Commissioners that in the interests of safety, access could not be granted.

In January, 1963, Mr. Atkinson made a request for an Occupation Crossing at 120M. 49C., or the re-opening of the Government Road which formerly crossed the railway at 120M. 71C.

FULHAM- KILMANY (Contd.)

APPLICATION FOR OCCUPATION CROSSING AT 120M. 49C. (Contd.)

On 28th February, 1963, the Commissioners replied that for the reasons previously stated, they could not agree to the provision of an Occupation Crossing at 120M. 49C., nor a P.C.R. at 120M. 71C.

(62/11241)

KILMANY

Mrs. M. P. Fox. Caretaker Cl. 4. 104.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	2138	214	208	1183	308	90	-	120	101
1961	1777	217	272	841	328	36	8	30	72
1962	2236	332	146	774	405	62	18	58	22
to									
31/5/63	1774	275	365	668	439	23	10	67	7

GOODS SHED 105.

A section (20' x 10') is leased to Cresco Fertilizers Ltd.

(E.O. 146845 L)

KILMANY - ROSEDALE

LEVEL CROSSING 119M. 4C. 55L 106.

The provision of flashing lights at 119M. 4C. 55L. (Princes Highway) will be carried out after the similar project at Stratford has been completed. The trackwork has been completed and fences have been realigned.

(60/6360) (W.W. 8239/60, 9342/61 and 6133/63)

ROSEDALE

Mr. E.L. Pitts, Stn. Master (Cl.8) 107.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	6361	2997	706	3074	2371	48	32	152	26
1961	5345	2584	635	2501	2225	28	5	83	75
1962	6121	2545	677	3124	2304	38	35	147	17
to 31/5/63	7231	3776	1152	3148	2288	35	46	79	6

TREE PLANTING AND DECORATION OF STATIONS, ETC. 108.

In the 1962 competition Rosedale station was awarded 1st prize in the Eastern District in the section for the maintenance of existing trees and gardens with piped water supply and the prize money of £13, has been paid to Mr. E.L. Pitts, Stationmaster.

(WN. 30/63)

SANITARY FACILITIES. 109.

A request from Mr. E.L. Pitts, S.M. for a septic tank system to be installed at D.R. 266 which he occupies, is being investigated.

Investigations are also in course re the provision of two conveniences, one for ladies and one for gents, at the station.

(W.W. 4177/62)

CAR PARKING SPACE, ETC. 110.

In connection with the request of representatives of the Chamber of Commerce for certain alterations to enable railway patrons to park their cars under the trees, the Commissioners when on tour in August, 1962 agreed (a) to shift four panels of fencing closer to the line, (b) to level the area beneath the trees and re-gravel the pedestrian approach to the station.

The work was completed by 12th October, 1962.

(62/8157)

UNLOADING AREA 111.

In connection with the request of Representatives of the Local Chamber of Commerce to the Commissioners on tour in August, 1962 to have the holes in the yard filled in and the yard regravelled, the work was completed by 30th October, 1962 and the Chamber was informed accordingly.

(62/8158)

BULK SUPERPHOSPHATE SHEDS. 112.

(1) Cresco Fertilizers Ltd. lease a site 100' x 40' on up end of stock yards siding.

(E.O.150992 L)

(2) Commonwealth Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. lease a site 100' x 40' on up end of stock yards siding.

(E.O.151127 L)

ROSEDALE

HIGH LOADING RAMP

113.

Calcimo Pty.Ltd. applied for a site on the up end of the stock yards, but did not proceed in the matter when offered a lease.

(E.O.150668 L)

LEASE OF LAND

114.

Pyneboard (Gippsland) Pty.Ltd. has been granted a lease in the station ground on the "up" side as from 1.11.62.

(E.O. 151316 L)

PRIVATE SIDING.

115.

A private siding has been provided in Rosedale Station Ground for Pyneboard (Gippsland) Pty.Ltd. The Commissioners have agreed to bear half the cost of the siding subject to 40,000 tons of freight being consigned to or from the siding over the period of 5 years from 1st January, 1964.

(62/12290)

DEPOT SITE

116.

The application of the Shire of Rosedale for the lease of an area of land on which to establish a stores depot and vehicle repair shop is in course.

The area sought fronts the station opposite 15 newly constructed Housing Commission homes and is adjacent to the Council Property allotment 2 of Section 39 Township of Rosedale.

(Papers on Tour)

(E.O. 152386 L) (63/6478)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM

117.

Declined Request for provision of electric hot water service in D.R. 269 declined on 18.4.63 because electric bath heater in serviceable condition already installed.

COMPLETED.

118.

- 3.8.62 - Renewal of livestock facilities to plan 728/60.
- 18.9.62 Reduction in length of goods platform from 73' to a 31' earth filled platform with ramp.
- 13.10.62 Re-location of 4 panels of fencing, area beneath trees levelled to form car park area and regravelling of pedestrian approach to the station.
- 15.10.62 Provision of electric supply for W.S. Cars.
- 23.11.62 Re-habilitation of D.R.'s 3653 and 3654.
- 18.12.62 Replacement of defective electric stoves in D.R's 3653 and 3654.
- 27.12.62 Installation of power point and electric kettle in locker room.
- Laying of water main under railway by C.W. Candy and Partners a/c Rosedale Waterworks Trust.
- 24.1.63 Provision of linoleum for office floor.
- 1.2.63 Provision of private siding a/c A.P.M. Pty.Ltd.

ROSEDALE (Contd.)

COMPLETED. (Contd.)

- 7. 2. 63 Repairs to office and cupboards, etc.
- 8. 2. 63 Conversion of ladies waiting room to general waiting room and old general waiting room to form part of the station office to give increased accommodation.
- 11. 7. 63 Electrical work in connection with alterations to office.
- 18. 7.63. Provision of rain gauge.

FLYNN

<u>No-one-in-Charge.</u>										119.
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	<u>Total Tonnage</u>		Wool Bales	<u>Livestock</u>				
			Out	In		<u>Outwards</u>		<u>Inwards</u>		
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
			1960	147		-	14	283	97	5
1961	115	-	16	291	92	-	3	4	1	
1962	142	-	12	383	88	5	1	10	-	
to 31/5/63	165	-	23	458	86	5	5	23	1	

GOODS PLATFORM 120.

Approval has been given for the goods platform to be reduced in length from 91' to 20' and work will be put in hand when staff become available.

(63/5251) (W.W.6115/63)

SANITARY CONVENIENCE. 121.

Approval has been given for the abolition of sanitary convenience at the station and work will be carried out as early as practicable.

(63/6814) (W.W.8696/63)

FLYNN - TRARALGON

O.C.C. at 105M. 20C. 122.

In connection with representations made by the Honorable Sir Herbert Hyland, M.L.A., on behalf of Mr. Bruce Ingle, regarding the railway crossing at the entrance to the latter's property, the Chairman replied that the crossing was provided for the adjacent land-owner when the line was constructed and would, of course, have been sited to meet his requirements and if the conditions associated

FLYNN - TRARALGON (Contd.)

O.C.C. AT 105M. 20C. (Contd.)

with this crossing are not now satisfactory to Mr. Ingle, any rectification desired by him would require to be at his cost or alternatively the crossing could be relocated at his cost if a suitable alternate site is available.

He was also informed that if Mr. Ingle wished to proceed with either proposal we would be glad to let him have on request, details, etc., of the conditions under which the work could be carried out on railway land but nothing further has been heard of the matter.

(62/43)

MAFFRA

Mr. W.J. Best, Stn. Master (Cl.4) 123.
Rolling Stock Branch Staff 2.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	107435	6004	29678	59921	633	51	74	68	41
1961	103027	5279	26464	42095	602	23	31	29	38
1962	110625	6374	26986	47067	559	15	74	29	12
to 31/5/63	105405	6601	29014	40933	612	18	56	29	7

LEASE OF LAND. 124.

The application of the Maffra Co-op. Milk Products Co. Limited for the lease of a triangular area of railway land (48' x 21') near the Bundalagah Road level crossing for use as a roadway is in course.

(E.O. 152182L)

(NON - ISSUE) 125.

COMPLETED. 126.

- 16.8.62 Provision of lino on goods shed office floor.
- 30.8.62 Installation of electric supply for W.S. cars.
- 19.12.62 Installation of electric hot water service and rear external light at D.R. 2828.
- 7.2.63 Replacement of faulty electric stove in D.R. 4086.
- 19.3.63 Removal of bridges over Avon River and at 138M. 70C. 81 L on Maffra-Briagolong line.

MAFFRA - TINAMBA

LEVEL CROSSING - BUNDALAGUAH ROAD

127.

Plans and estimates have been prepared in connection with the proposed installation of flashing light signals at 131M. 11C. 88L. (Bundalaguah Road) and instructions will be issued as soon as they are prepared.

(61/4860) (W.W.6577/61)

OCCUPATION GATES 129M. 1C.

128.

A request has been received from J.M. and A. Scott for the occupation gates at 129M. 1C. to be replaced by cattle pits thus allowing the Maffra Co-op. Milk Producers Co. Ltd. an open road when collecting milk in bulk.

The matter is still under investigation.

(W.W.11434/61)

MAFFRA - TRARALGON.

RELAYING TRACK .

129.

At a deputation on 22nd May, 1963, from the Maffra Shire Council, Chamber of Commerce and others, the Acting Assistant Chief Civil Engineer stated that over the past 18 months certain work had been performed on the above line and is continuing. Three and a half miles of track have been relaid in 75 lb. welded rails in 90 feet lengths, but no further relaying is proposed. It is considered rails heavier than 75 lbs. are not justified. Further work proposed consists of replacing the gravel ballast on the Cowwarr - Maffra section, with blue metal ballast, and at the same time carry out any resleepering necessary. This work is at present in course and should take about 18 months to complete.

The Acting Chief Civil Engineer advised on 1.8.63, that relaying of the Traralgon-Maffra line, under the present allotment of funds can only be done by stopping relaying work on other lines such as Geelong-Warrnambool, or Mildura.

Alternatively, reconditioning works at present proceeding on the Kerang and Korong Vale lines could be pending and funds transferred to the suggested Traralgon Maffra relaying.

However, because of the importance and/or the trackwork condition of the lines upon which work is now proceeding he did not recommend cessation of the work in order that the Maffra line relaying could be effected.

The only other way by which the latter work could proceed, is the allotment of additional funds.

(63/4545) (63/5687)

TINAMBA

Mr. E.A.C. Durrant, Asst. S.M. (Cl.5) 130.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	4298	1012	399	1640	269	80	57	45	19
1961	3245	747	334	1750	254	56	26	13	21
1962	2896	742	261	1692	242	57	14	17	14
to 31/5/63	2270	846	217	1530	189	56	8	7	11

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM. 131.

Pending Installation of power points in lounge, passage, kitchen and laundry in D.R. 438.

COMPLETED. 132.

19.9.62 Installation of electric supply for W.S. Cars.

11.2.63 Provision of an additional 600 gallon tank at each D.R. for household use.

HEYFIELD

Mr. J. Crough, Stn. Master (Cl.6) 133.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	65841	5239	23182	5291	530	60	126	73	58
1961	64955	4665	21402	4287	548	25	107	50	122
1962	51652	5111	17117	4481	621	28	56	67	46
to 31/5/63	58676	6468	18876	4016	552	29	260	31	32

LEASE OF LAND. 134.

A request was made that railway land, leased by Glen Maggie Timber Mills Pty.Ltd., be sold to them but the Commissioners did not agree.

The Company's lease which was for 10 years at a rental of £110 per year expired on 30.5.59, since which date the Company has remained in occupation as a weekly tenant under the "Carry over" clause in the lease.

The Company was advised on 4.7.61, that the Commissioners were prepared to grant it a lease for a fixed term of 50 years.

Nothing further has transpired.

HEYFIELD (Contd.)

SITE FOR HOPPERS. 135.

Mr. E. L. Hug has made application for a site for hoppers to hold bulk superphosphate and lime which he proposes to mix on the site.

Efforts by District Officers to contact him regarding the site have been unsuccessful.

(E.O. 151545 L)

TEMPORARY SUPER BIN. 136.

Commonwealth Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. have been authorised to erect a temporary bulk super storage bin at this location.

(E.O. 151005 L)

FENCING. 137.

Mr. McDiarmid applied to the Department for it to erect a fence on the boundary between his property and land owned by the Commissioners at the corner of River Street and Bessant Road. The Commissioners are under no obligation to erect or contribute towards the cost of the erection of a fence. As the land (which was once used for water supply purposes) is of no further use to the Department, it was offered to Mr. McDiarmid for the nominal sum of £10. Mr. McDiarmid has not replied to this offer.

(63/3857)

D.R. 3278. 138.

Arrangements are in hand to provide a portable for additional accommodation at D.R. 3278, occupied by Mr. R.W. Lobley, A.S.M.

(W.W. 2130/63)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM. 139.

Pending. Electric supply to portable - D.R. 3278.

COMPLETED. 140.

30.8.62. Installation of electric supply for W.S. Cars.

18.10.62. Replacement of defective stove - D.R. 4106.

31.10.62. Installation of electric supply for flashing lights at Maffra Road crossing.

20.12.62. Installation of flashing lights at Maffra Road crossing 120M. 47C. 20L.

23.1.62. Replacement of faulty electric stove at D.R. 4110.

- Construction of under line drain, Shire of Maffra.

HEYFIELD - COWWARR.

MAFFRA ROAD LEVEL CROSSING 113M. 63C.

141.

In reply to the Shire of Rosedale and B.J. Evans, M.L.A., who asked for advice as to whether there was a proposal to extend the shunting facilities at Cowwarr station involving the provision of two tracks over the level crossing on the Maffra - Traralgon Road the Secretary on 18th October, 1962 informed them that we have nothing in mind in the way of track alterations at the level crossing in question.

However, we are proceeding with the acquisition of a property adjoining the crossing with the purpose of improving the view.

A triangular area of land on the "Up" side of the railway and on the east side of the crossing has been acquired in order to improve the view.

The sale for removal of an old house on the land is in course.

(62/9450) (Land) 61/12472.
(House) E.O. 63/483.

COWWARR

Mr. B.W. Alfermann Asst. S.M. (Cl. 5)

142.

Mr. E.P. McGillivray " " "

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	2881	1092	571	880	583	40	-	30	6
1961	2667	902	575	649	432	22	1	28	12
1962	1471	1008	175	699	380	17	1	9	15
to 31/5/63	1463	932	220	718	373	21	-	19	13

PORTION OF GOODS SHED.

143.

Mr. D. Morgan leases 10' x 11' section of the shed.

(E.O. 137934 L)

TRANSPORT RAMP.

144.

The material for the provision of a portable transport ramp has been ordered and work will be carried out as soon as it comes to hand.

(Papers on Tour).

(62/8667) (WW.10614/62)

TEMPORARY SUPER BIN.

145.

Commonwealth Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. have been authorised to erect a temporary bulk super storage bin at this location.

(E.O. 151005 L)

TOONGABBIE

Mrs. W.U.M. O'Meara. C'taker. (Cl.3) 146.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	1057	919	187	437	415	4	1	5	1
1961	1087	838	166	486	415	1	-	36	-
1962	1040	784	191	508	544	2	1	-	-
to 31/5/63	923	690	178	418	488	-	-	5	1

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM. 147.

Pending. Installation of power point in lounge room of D.R. 1839.

Declined. Request for power point in bedroom at D.R. 1839 declined because it is not the general practice to provide this facility.

COMPLETED. 148.

7.11.62. Demolition of loading ramp.

GLENGARRY

Mr. J.A. Ward, Asst. S.M. (Cl.5) 149.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	2928	1647	674	2310	232	6	13	24	5
1961	2870	1555	657	2433	232	-	2	8	-
1962	3017	1646	678	2272	333	2	2	10	-
to 31/5/63	2817	1235	673	2138	253	3	4	13	3

COMPLETED. 150.

24.8.62. Installation of electric supply for W.S. cars.

20.10.62. Provision of lino for station office floor.

18.2.63. Wiring of W.S. cars 97 and 340 for electric supply.

16.5.63. Installation of electric supply for Special Gang Camp.

22.5.63. Repairs to sheep loading facilities.

TRARALGON

151.

Mr. V.J. Gaywood, Stn. Master (Cl.2) (A/L) Relvd. by Mr. F. Searl, R.S.M.
Rolling Stock Branch, Mr. H. Penberthy, Depot Foreman.
Staff 70 - Engines Nil.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	38732	29593	4064	30480	1098	93	46	78	20
1061	38439	24127	4209	37240	1108	145	26	55	27
1962	40695	29837	3910	30942	1244	121	62	57	31
to									
31/5/63	35074	32673	2836	24346	1250	103	99	72	18

STATION BUILDINGS.

152.

In April, 1962 and again in August, 1962 when the Commissioners were at Traralgon on tour representatives of the Borough of Traralgon stated that the existing station buildings were not in keeping with the rest of the town and it was thought new station buildings should be erected.

The Commissioners stated there were no plans for new station buildings and with the painting of the existing buildings they should be quite attractive.

They also explained that a new rail motor dock was being constructed at the up end of the station. This dock and auxiliary signalbox have since been completed. Instructions were issued on 6th June 1963, for a verandah at the station to be constructed.

(59/5728) (62/3382) (W.W.7331/61)

ASPHALT PAVING.

153.

Investigations are in hand re the proposal to provide asphalt paving over the gravel surface of the 270' x 14' area at the Rail Motor Dock.

(W.W.14357/62)

CONNECTION OF SEWERAGE AUTHORITY MAINS.

154.

Instructions have been issued for the connection of Sewerage Authority Mains to the Station Buildings and Loco. Depot.

The work will be carried out as early as practicable.

(62/5771) (W.W.5330/62)

ADDITIONAL YARD ACCOMMODATION.

155.

In April, 1963 instructions were issued for the provision of connections to up end of No. 5 road to provide accommodation for ten vehicles at an estimated cost of £3,459 (plan 567/61 Revision B) and it is expected that the work will be completed towards the end of the current financial year.

(63/755) (W.W.6280/61)

TRARALGON (Contd.)

CRANE POWER.

156.

Representations were made by Councillors of the Borough of Traralgon to the Commissioners when on tour in August, 1962 for the installation of a gantry crane which they thought might overcome damage being caused to consignments during unloading operations.

Investigation showed that installation of a gantry crane was not warranted and that damage to bulky consignments could be avoided by use of suitable spreaders which have since been supplied.

(62/8165)

GOODS SHED.

157.

To cater for increased goods business it was proposed to extend the goods shed by 45' x 20' at the up end to plan 195/62 at an estimated cost of £2180 but, following further investigation the Chief Traffic Manager on 19th July, 1962 reported that he considered sufficient accommodation would be obtained by enclosing the north side platform of the 90' x 20' existing shed and the provision of roll up type doors on a similar basis to that at Bairnsdale and asked for estimate of cost.

(62/6297) (W.W.15767/61)

PROTECTION FOR GOODS.

158.

When at Traralgon on tour in August, 1962 the Commissioners were approached by Representatives of the Borough of Traralgon who requested that some form of shelter be provided to facilitate the handling of goods in wet weather.

Following investigation the Town Clerk was informed on 10th January, 1963 that experience had shown that goods loading and unloading operations can be carried out without undue interference at open sidings at locations where the weather conditions are comparable with those prevailing at Traralgon and if we erected a shelter at this goods siding we could not logically decline requests for the provision of similar facilities at other stations and quite frankly the expenditure involved would be quite out of proportion to any advantage gained.

In the circumstances, the Commissioners were unable to accede to the request.

(62/8448)

PRIVATE SIDING FOR GIPPSLAND CEMENT LIMITED.

159.

In connection with representations by the Board of Directors to the Hon. the Premier in September, 1962 the Chairman informed the Hon. the Minister that preliminary investigations had shown that a private siding rail link from Traralgon station to the Gippsland Cement Limited Works would cost roughly £100,000. The cost of the portion of the siding outside the railway boundary (estimated at £90,000) would require to be borne by other than railway funds, as is the usual practice, typical examples in the area being the S.E.C. and A.P.M. who paid for their extensive facilities.

The freight for the carriage of the Company's cement from Traralgon to Melbourne is the tariff rate less 26.7% for the mileage involved which is the same basis as applies to cement from Fyansford to Melbourne and will also apply to cement despatched to Melbourne by the Victorian Portland Cement Coy. Pty. Ltd.

TRARALGON (Contd.)

PRIVATE SIDING FOR GIPPSLAND CEMENT LIMITED. (Contd.)

Waurm Ponds, but this rate excludes loading and unloading costs and shunting charge which normally apply to private sidings.

In November 1962 the Transport Regulation Board advised that the Governor-in-Council had confirmed the Board's decision refusing the applications for licences lodged by the carriers concerned for the transport of cement ex Traralgon Works on behalf of Gippsland Cement and Lime Co. Pty. Limited.

- (a) Between Traralgon and the Victorian Border between Cape Howe and Forest Hill and all places en route;
- (b) Between Traralgon and Omeo and all places en route;
- (c) Between Traralgon and Yarram, Port Albert, Port Welshpool and Woodside and all places en route;
- (d) Between Traralgon and any point within ten miles of any place on any of the aforesaid routes;

but has directed that pending the installation of a rail siding at the Traralgon works, permits at normal fees are to be granted for the carriage of cement in bags or in bulk to places on the routes described in the applications, but with the proviso that deliveries to any point along or adjacent to the Omeo Highway will be confined to the licensed carriers on that route subject to six-monthly review.

(Papers on Tour)

(62/9429)

PROPOSED PRIVATE SIDING.

160.

Supa Welds Pty. Ltd was advised of the approximate cost (£6,000) of providing a private siding to its works.

However, on 5th October, 1962, the company advised that because of the cost it was unable to proceed further with the application.

(61/11556)

LEASE OF LAND

161.

Messrs. L.G. Bell and Sons have surrendered their lease of land on the up end, down side of the goods shed, in order that they may be granted a new lease which includes an additional area adjoining their original leasehold.

Additional lighting on the ramp to the footbridge has been completed and the new lease will operate as from 1st of September.

(E.O. 151293 L)

LEASE OF LAND.

162.

The undermentioned have made application to lease land fronting Princes Highway between the Shell Service Station and the existing business sites for business purposes.

Mr. C. de Zwart

H.C. Ring & Co.

Ampol Petroleum

H.B. Bunk

Before this land may be leased re-arrangement of trackwork in yard will be necessary.

(E.O. 152286, 152239 & 152371 L)

TRARALGON (Contd.)

BULK SUPERPHOSPHATE SHEDS.

163.

(1) Commonwealth Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. 's application for a site near the stock yards is now being investigated.

(E.O. 152291L)

(2) Phosphate Co-op. Co. of Aust. Ltd., has made application for a site and the matter is with District Officers for investigation.

(E.O. 152323 L)

BRIQUETTE UNLOADING ELEVATOR.

164.

The site previously held by R.A. Schoer Pty.Ltd. for an elevator to unload briquettes was transferred to W.L. & C.N. Tynon from 1.8.62.

(E.O. 58/742)

SALE OF LAND.

165.

The Commonwealth offered £ 3000 for the purchase of land in the Station Ground which it had leased for some time and had erected thereon an Army Training Depot.

The offer was accepted by the Commissioners and the matter has now been completed.

(61/7959)

SALE OF LAND.

166.

In September, 1957, the Shire of Traralgon advised of the Council's proposals to improve footpaths and define traffic lanes for vehicles using the various roads in the vicinity of the underpass at the west end of the Traralgon station and requested approval to encroach on the railway reserve for this purpose.

The Secretary, on 27th June, 1958, replied that, subject to the approval of the Governor-in-Council, the Commissioners were prepared to sell to the Shire, for the sum of £ 5.0.0. certain land indicated on the plan, provided the Shire agreed at its cost, to :-

- (1) carry out the necessary survey and forward a plan of survey showing the actual dimensions of the land required;
- (2) remove the fences to the new boundary;
- (3) carry out any drainage works on railway land which are considered necessary by this Department, due to the alterations in the railway boundary.

On receipt of the plan of survey, arrangements were to be made to obtain the approval of the Governor in Council to the sale of the land, but as nothing further has been heard from the Shire, the papers have been filed.

The Sale of Land Act 1962, prevents the Department carrying out any further negotiations re the sale of this land.

(58/6559)

TRARALGON (Contd.)

CONDITION OF RAILWAY LAND.

167.

Representatives of the Borough of Traralgon requested the Commissioners when on tour in August 1962 to have railway land in the township area tidied up.

It was stated that the area between the service station and the entrance to the goods yard on the 'down' side of the line, 'up' from the station was particularly untidy and detracted from the appearance of the town.

The Commissioners agreed some attention was necessary and directed accordingly.

The work was completed by 31st October, 1962.

(62/8163)

V.R.I. BOWLING GREEN SITE.

168.

On 1.9.53 the Secretary for Railways advised the Victorian Railways Institute the Commissioners were prepared to grant the Institute permissive occupancy of land 130' x 100' for bowling green purposes on the down side of the V.R.I. building, provided it constructed a pathway 4 feet 6 inches wide between the building and the bowling green site.

The General Secretary of the V.R.I. acknowledged receipt of the letter and plan from the Department and stated they had been forwarded to Traralgon for the information of the local committee and he would advise further when a reply came to hand from Traralgon.

The papers have been filed pending further advice from the V.R.I.

(53/8920)

V.R.I.

169.

The reconditioning of the reading room floor at the V.R.I. has been completed. An air vent is to be provided when bricklayer is available.

(62/7104)

(W.W.8511/62)

SHUNTING NOISE.

170.

On 6th July, 1962 the Managing Director of John McGauran Pty. Limited wrote to the effect that the Grand Junction Hotel had been rebuilt by his firm at a cost of £100,000 and the firm was facing a considerable loss because guests complained they cannot sleep due to the noise of shunting in the railway yards notwithstanding the fact that a sound engineer had installed mechanical ventilation and sound proof tiles and asked whether it would be possible to prevent the loud crashing noises throughout the night.

Special checks, unknown to the staff, showed that exception could not be taken to the manner in which shunting was carried out.

The Managing Director was informed that whilst shunting cannot be carried out without some noise we will do our best to ensure it is kept to a minimum.

(62/6851)

TRARALGON (Contd.)

TRARALGON HOSTEL.

171.

At an interview with the Staff Board on 18.7.63, representatives of the Australian Federated Union of Locomotive Enginemmen requested that a drain be provided at the side of the bedroom block at the Hostel.

It was stated that owing to inadequate drainage, gravel which had previously been supplied to this area had been washed away during heavy rain,

The representatives also requested that the access road to the Hostel be given attention. It was claimed that the condition of the roadway had not been restored following damage caused by bulldozers and trucks working in the area.

The Staff Board promised that the representations would be considered.

The matter is in course.

(63/7245) (W.W. 9017/63)

GANGER'S SHED AND FOOTWAYS.

172.

Arrangements are in hand for the re-location of Ganger's Tool Shed to prevent interference to the view of Drivers and Shunters when working in "C" siding. Arrangements have also been made for repairs to the existing footway and provision of Shunters' footway, and the work will be carried out as early as practicable.

(W.W. 8125/63)

RENEWAL OF TURNOUT.

173.

Investigations are in hand in connection with the renewal of existing 9.73 turnout and double compound to "down" end of station yard between Sale and Maffra lines at 97M. 51C. 64L. and 97M. 54C. 57L.

(W.W. 8268/63)

LOCO SHED ROOF.

174.

Plans and specifications have been prepared for complete renewal of roofing to the loco shed. Work, which is to be done by contract at an estimated cost of £2,500, will be put in hand as early as practicable.

(W.W. 3238/63)

TURNTABLE.

174A.

Necessary attention will be given to the turntable in September 1963, when it is expected that staff will be available.

(W.W. 7908/63)

OIL DISCHARGE INTO TRARALGON CREEK.

175.

When on tour at Traralgon in August, 1962 the Commissioners were met by representatives of the Borough of Traralgon who stated that oil was being discharged into the Traralgon Creek from the Department's Locomotive depot.

TRARALGON (Contd.)

OIL DISCHARGE INTO TRARALGON CREEK (Contd.)

Following inspection the Council was informed that although on occasions oil had been discharged into the Creek from the Department's Locomotive depot, it appeared that the recent pollution of the Creek had been due to oil being discharged from other than railway property, upstream from the Locomotive depot.

The Commissioners at the time stated that the grease traps at the Depot had been enlarged and that this should have eliminated the problem. However staff concerned have since been suitably instructed to ensure there is no further cause for complaint.

(62/8209)

BRIDGE OVER RIVER.

176.

The Secretary of the Latrobe River Improvement Trust, in his letter of 23.7.63, stated that snags under this bridge are diverting water in such a way as to cause erosion on one of the banks of the Latrobe River. He also requested that permission be granted for the Trust to carry out the work of clearing the snags under the bridge, and for this Department to contribute to the cost of such work on a £1 to £5 basis.

The matter is in course.

(63/3073)

(W.W.3884/63)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEMS.

177.

Pending. Lighting on station ramp.
 Light over door, back wall at Loco Depot.
 Power point in kitchen at D.R. 3272.
 Re-location of electric light pole for new track.

COMPLETED.

178.

16. 7.62. Re-location of signal rodding between signal posts 4 and 4B.
20. 7.62. Installation of electric light and power in Nissen hut re-located
 ex Morwell.
- 8.62. Replacement of earth return circuits between Traralgon and
 Rosedale.
24. 8.62. Installation of electric supply for flashing lights.
24. 8.62. Installation of table hand set telephone in goods shed office.
24. 8.62. Installation of electric lighting for rail motor dock and auxiliary
 frame.
28. 8.62. Installation of loud ringing bell on postal telephone.
20.10.62. Provision of double window in the Depot Foreman's office.
- Repairs to "ladies" and "gents" toilets.
4. 3. 63. Installation of flashing lights at Liddiard Road, 98M.17C.99L.
20. 3. 63. Installation of power points in kitchen of D.R's 3266 and 3409.
27. 3.63. Installation of power points in kitchen at D.R. 3391 also power
 point in kitchen and read external light at D.R. 3406.

TRARALGON - MORWELL.

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL SIDING.

179.

Representatives of the Borough of Traralgon asked the Commissioners on tour in August, 1962 whether consideration had been given to constructing a siding between Traralgon and Morwell.

It was stated that the goods yards at both locations were quite often congested and if a siding were constructed it would serve both places.

The Commissioners replied that adequate facilities existed at both locations for the handling of goods and they could not foresee any necessity for the establishment of an additional siding between the two places.

(62/8164)

MARYVALE

No-one-in-Charge.

180.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	334599	-	133091	184247	-	-	-	-	-
1961	368743	-	130138	175714	-	-	-	-	-
1962	382800	-	138512	150729	-	-	-	-	-
to 31/5/63	354024	-	131115	148295	-	-	-	-	-

ELECTRIC LIGHT.

181.

On 9.2.62 the Commissioners approved of the provision of a service line of 16 No. poles from the Highway across land owned by A.P.M. at an estimated cost of £640 to provide electric lighting at the siding.

(62/1280)

COMPLETED.

181A.

30.6.63. Relaying of siding for Australian Paper Manufacturers Ltd.

MORWELL

Mr. D.C. Ross, Stn. Master (Cl.2)

182.

Rolling Stock Branch. Staff 6

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	38072	34528	2681	98576	362	23	20	163	31
1961	32627	30718	2164	23157	360	-	6	73	16
1962	37765	36781	2434	21706	219	3	11	54	6
to 31/5/63	34785	36749	2395	22039	267	26	25	54	24

MORWELL (Contd.)

OFFICE ACCOMMODATION.

183.

Work in connection with provision of 10' x 10' section of parcels office to provide office accommodation for the Maryvale clerk will commence when material is to hand.

(63/5422) (W.W.22/63)

RE-ARRANGEMENT OF YARD.

184.

When on tour at Morwell in August 1962, the Commissioners opened the new £ 30,000 brick station buildings.

At that time the future of the goods yard was discussed with the Council Representatives who were advised that it was not proposed to relocate the yard, but in connection with the deviation of portion of the line between Morwell and Moe, to make way for the State Electricity Commission's open cut area, a double track would be constructed out to the Morwell River Bridge to enable trains to be held outside the yard.

This of course would involve certain alterations of trackwork at the 'up' end of the Morwell Yard, including extension of No. 3 road.

This work was subsequently completed with the exception of signalling No. 3 road extension which will be carried out concurrently with power signalling of the deviation which is at present in hand.

An extensive Track and Signalling re-arrangement at the 'down' end of the yard is planned (estimated to cost £ 62,361), but funds will not be available to allow the work to proceed during the current financial year.

(62/8105) (W.W.466/62)

GOODS SHED AND PLATFORM.

185.

Instructions have been issued for the provision of an additional 20' x 12' Goods Shed and Platform. Work was put in hand on 29.7.63. Concrete facing slabs have been ordered but have not yet been supplied.

(Papers on Tour)

(62/10242) (W.W.673/62)

LIVE STOCK FACILITIES.

186.

In connection with the proposal of the Shire of Morwell for beautifying the area it was agreed that the live stock facilities could be reduced to fit in with the proposal.

(Papers on Tour).

(63/3076)

LIVE STOCK TRUCKING YARDS.

187.

When at Morwell on tour in August, 1962 the Commissioners were approached by Cr. A.L. Hare (Shire President) with Crs. Hourigan and Ronald who requested that the railway live stock trucking yards at Morwell be relocated to the Maryvale Siding and in support of their request advanced the following grounds:

MORWELL (Contd.)

LIVE STOCK TRUCKING YARDS (Contd.)

- (a) The existing trucking yards detract from the appearance of that part of the town in which they are situated;
- (b) With the present development of the town, the droving of cattle through the principal streets to proceed to and from the trucking yards is undesirable, both from the point of view of traffic density and the likelihood of damage to beautification works;
- (c) The movement of live stock on foot along the Highway is not favoured by the Country Roads Board and is rigidly controlled by permit;
- (d) Recognised Council Stock routes are confined to the perimeter of the town.

In reply, the Commissioners pointed out that the present live stock traffic at Morwell barely justified the existence of the trucking yards and it would far less warrant the cost of re-locating them. In the circumstances the request could not be granted.

(Papers on Tour)

(62/8150)

PAVING OF STATION APPROACH.

188.

The parking area is still to be sealed at a Council quote of £ 350. As part of the area is used for parking by private vehicles, a suggestion is being investigated that the Council be asked to bear part of the cost of sealing.

(Papers on Tour)

(61/5073)

PAINTING OF SUBWAY.

189.

The Shire Secretary of Morwell, on 25.6.63 advised that the subway under his control had been painted and requested that this Department arrange for painting white the walls and ceiling of the pedestrian subway leading from Commercial Road to the entrance ramp of the station.

Departmental policy is normally to leave the walls in natural concrete finish unless special circumstances warrant other action and as the walls have a satisfactory surface and the subway is adequately illuminated it is considered that painting is unnecessary.

The matter is in course.

(Papers on Tour)

(W.W.8787/63)

MORWELL (Contd.)

LANEWAY AT REAR OF D. R. 's 2313 and 2314 IN COMMERCIAL ROAD. 190.

By a Notice dated 4th June, 1963, the Shire of Morwell has required that owners and/or occupiers of properties adjoining the above laneway maintain it to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer, otherwise the Shire will consider :-

- (a) Construction of the lane by the Shire with apportionment of the cost thereof between adjoining property owners; or,
- (b) Acquisition, closure and sale of the lane by the Shire.

The District Engineer has advised that the lane is not required for Departmental purposes.

(Papers on Tour).

(E.O. 63/638)

ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR BUS TERMINAL, ETC. 191.

The Commissioners have agreed to the Council assuming control of lands on the "Up" side between the subway and Wilson Street. It was originally proposed that sidings be constructed on this area; but this was subsequently found to be unnecessary.

LEASING.

It is intended in the near future to offer for lease by public tender :-

- (a) For a service station, part of the land on the "Down" side between the station buildings and the stockyards.
- (b) land at the subway, between the railway and Princes Highway. Land has been appropriately zoned in the Council's planning scheme.

(Papers on Tour).

(61/4960)

LEASE OF LAND. 192.

(a) A Mr. Billingsley has applied to lease land for a business site on "up" side between his leasehold and subway. The matter is being investigated.

(E.O. 147641 L)

(b) The Shire of Morwell has applied for permissive occupancy of land on either side of the Commercial Road subway on the "up" side of the line for beautification purposes. An offer is to be made to the Shire shortly.

(Papers on Tour).

(62/5783)(W.W.6771/62) (E.O. 151300 L)

(c) The Morwell Postal Institute has applied to lease land 264' x 40' fronting Princes Highway opposite Hoyle Street for a clubroom site.

Overhead telephone cables will have to be relocated before the land can be leased.

An offer was made to the Institute by the Secretary on 9.11.62 advising that it would have to bear the cost of relocating the cables. No reply has been received.

(61/10994) (W.W.14002/61) (E.O. 150770 L)

MORWELL (Contd.)

FENCING. 193.

Fencing of an unauthorised path leading from a point opposite the subway kiosk to and across the tracks to the shopping area on the south side of the line is practically complete.

(W.W.7493/63)

BATCHING QUARTERS. 194.

Instructions have been issued for the provision of six portables and two amenities blocks. This will be done when sewerage permits are received.

(61/3223) (W.W.4526/61)

MOST IMPROVED RESIDENCE - D.R. 3045. 195.

D.R. 3045 occupied by Repairer L.A. Lawley was awarded 1st prize of £7. in the 1962 competition for the Most Improved Residence with piped water supply in the Warragul Works Foreman's section.

(W.N.20/63)

PORTABLE AT D.R. 2421. 196.

Work in connection with provision of a 12' x 10' portable at the above D.R. is in hand, and will be completed at an early date.

(W.W.10422/62)

PORTABLE AT D.R. 3361. 197.

A 12' x 10' portable has been erected at D.R. 3361. Lighting has been connected but painting has to be carried out.

(W.W.5748/63)

D.R. 3917. 198.

Septic sewerage has been provided at D.R. 3917. occupied by the Stationmaster.

Investigations are in hand to provide an open drain to dispose of the rain water which at present collects in the back yard of this residence.

(W.W.15538/59)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEMS. 199.

- Pending.
- Provision of electric supply to portables at D.R.'s 2421 and 3361.
 - Installation of electric hot water services in D.R.'s 2313 and 2421.
 - Electrical work in connection with alterations in station office.
(office for Maryvale Clerk).
 - Replacement of faulty electric stove in D.R. 3361.

MORWELL (Contd.)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEMS (Contd.)

- Declined (a) Requests for electric hot water services in D.R.'s 2314 and 2315 were declined on 16.11.62 and 10.12.62 respectively because electric bath heaters in serviceable condition are already installed therein.
- (b) Request for provision of electric stove in D.R. 3125 declined on 8.3.63 because fuel stove installed therein was in good condition.

COMPLETED. 200.

- 24.9.62. Repairs to defective stoves in D.R.'s 3390 and 3527.
- 28.9.62. Installation of 3-plate electric stove in lieu of 2-plate, D.R.3410.
- 28.9.62. Installation of hot point 3-heat junior cooker in station office.
- 13.12.62. Electric supply for W.S. cars.
- 14.12.62. Replacement of electric stove in D.R. 3432.
22. 1.63. Provision of crossing over line at 89M. 61C. 71L. down end of Morwell.
14. 2.63. Replacement of electric stove in D.R. 4136.
31. 3.63. Relocation of up end main line plunger-locked points 67 yards further out
24. 4.63. Replacement of electric stove in D.R. 3405.
14. 5.63. Provision of postal telephone with two extensions - (one to Stationmaster's table and other to the parcels office).
17. 5.63. Re-arrangement of the yard and signal operations at the up end.
3. 6.63. Replacement of electric stoves in D.R.'s 3425 and 3434.
- 7.63. Sealing of floor in station building.
- Earthworks in connection with duplication of track at "up" end.

MORWELL BRIQUETTE SIDING.

Mr. N. Zanelli, Stn. Master (Cl.6) 201.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	511874	-	277689	-	-	-	-	-	-
1961	2049115	-	1038385	-	-	-	-	-	-
1962	2041547	-	1004749	20	-	-	-	-	-
to									
31/5/63	1780089	-	914157	80	-	-	-	-	-

MORWELL BRIQUETTE SIDING (Contd.)

MOST IMPROVED RESIDENCE.

202.

D.R. 3526 occupied by Mr. N. Zanelli, Station Master, was awarded 2nd. prize of £ 3.7.6d in the 1962 competition for the Most Improved Residence with piped water supply in the Warragul Works Foreman's Section.

(W.N.20/63)

TELEPHONES.

203.

In September, 1960, the Chief Traffic Manager requested that the following points be connected to the Morwell local party telephone line :-

1. At the junction of the lead from Morwell and arrival roads;
2. At a point adjacent to the "up" end junction of the departure roads;
3. In the rail office.
4. In the Train Examiner's cabin.
5. At a point adjacent to No.1 departure road approximately 450' on the "down" side of the Train Examiner's cabin.
6. A selector telephone in the office.

Nos. 2, 3 and 6 have been provided and work in connection with 1, 4 and 5 will be carried out when staff can be made available.

(W.W.2217/60)

FUEL OIL TANK.

204.

It is proposed to instal a 500 gallon underground fuel oil tank at the briquette siding. This will reduce the fire danger and enable quicker refuelling of the diesel rail tractors which operate at this siding.

The permission of the State Electricity Commission has been obtained and on 26.7.63 instructions were issued accordingly.

(W.W.839/62)

STANDARD CROSSING SIGNS.

205.

On 9/8/63, advice was received that work of providing crossing signs at various locations will be put in hand by the S.E.C. at an early date. This Department will be supplying the material.

(W.W.2328/62)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM.

206.

Pending. Provision of additional lighting at Briquette Siding.

MORWELL BRIQUETTE SIDING (Contd.)

COMPLETED.

207.

- 14.2.62. Replacement of electric stove in D.R. 4136.
 18.7.63. Erection of 220 K.V. towers, adjacent to railway sidings within the Hazelwood power station area.

YALLOURN

Mr. P.T. O'Rourke, Stn. Master (Cl.3)

208.

Rolling Stock Branch. Driver-in-Charge C.A. Mangan.

Staff 10. Engines 1.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	2282459	934	1545472	20911	-	-	-	-	-
1961	1765404	904	1050737	22518	-	-	-	-	-
1962	1214945	972	706222	16603	-	-	-	-	-
to 31/5/63	18895	1972	7872	12254	-	-	-	-	-

STAFF ACCOMMODATION.

209.

Because of reduction in staff due to the cessation of brown coal traffic the office accommodation rented by this Department from the State Electricity Commission at a rental of £1,120 yearly is in excess of our requirements and with a view to effecting further staff economies the question of releasing the office accommodation to the S.E.C. and locating the staff in the goods shed which is owned by this Department is in course.

Plan 430/63 covering provision of additional office accommodation at the goods shed and toilet facilities at an estimated cost of £4,000 has been prepared and forwarded to the Chief Traffic Manager for further course regarding the necessity to provide toilet facilities, etc.

The matter is in course.

(Papers on Tour)

(49/1860) (50/2745) (W.W.1831/62)

STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION SIDINGS.

210.

(a) The State Electricity Commission has drawn attention to the fact that a short track connection near the briquette factory for which it paid in 1957 has not been constructed, and the Commission is seeking a refund.

The question as to whether this connection is likely to be required is being investigated.

YALLOURN (Contd.)

STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION SIDINGS (Contd.)

(b) The Commission desired the disconnection and dismantling of some surplus trackwork in the old marshalling yard; but as the Commission has recommenced transporting coal from Yallourn North, the proposal has been deferred indefinitely.

(W.W. 8576/62)

COMPLETED. 211.

- 27.8.62 . Removal of telephone from Yard Foremans cabin.
 24.4.63. Installation of electric kettle in lieu of 4 gal. urn in messroom.

YINNAR

Mrs. L.V. Harrington, Caretaker (Cl. 3) 212.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	520	251	87	6099	135	-	-	1	-
1961	506	229	79	5780	69	-	-	-	-
1962	507	256	68	5932	109	-	2	-	1
to 31/5/63	371	215	53	5542	110	-	1	-	-

TREE PLANTING AND DECORATION OF STATIONS ETC. 213.

Yinnar station was awarded 2nd. prize of £8. in 1959 and 3rd prize of £5.5.0. each year since then in the Eastern district in the section for the maintenance of trees and gardens without piped water supply and the prize money each year has been paid to Mrs. L.V. Harrington, Caretaker.

(W.N. 35/60; 33/61; 28/62; 30/63)

LEASE OF LAND. 214.

Mr. E.J. Williams has applied to lease land 33' x 80' at the down end, down side of the goods platform, on which he desires to erect a shop. The matter is being investigated.

(E.O. 152289 L)

GOODS SHED. 215.

Messrs. Vinning Bros. lease portion of goods shed for storage purposes.

(E.O. 124197 L)

YINNAR (Contd.)

SHED SITE. 216.

H.C. King Pty. Ltd. has been granted an extension of its site for shed purposes.

(E.O. 151032 L)

BULK SUPERPHOSPHATE SHED. 217.

Commonwealth Fertilisers & Chemicals Ltd. has been granted a site 100' x 40' adjacent to the stock yards for erection of a shed.

(E.O. 151358 L)

COMPLETED. 218.

8. 5.62. Abolition of one sanitary convenience and conversion of the other to common use.
19. 8.62. Installation of electric supply to W.S. Cars.
28. 5.63. Removal of live stock facilities.
1. 7.63. Installation of power point in laundry D.R. 418.

YINNAR - BOOLARRA

OCCUPATION CROSSING AT 98M, 00C. 219.

In connection with the application of Mrs. Nuttall, 15 Travers Street Morwell, for the construction of an occupation crossing at 98M. 00C. near Yinnar. the Secretary on 28th June, 1962 informed her there would be no objection to the construction of the proposed crossing provided she forwarded the sum of £43 which represented the estimated cost the Department would incur and gave a written undertaking and agreement to conditions set out and that when these conditions had been complied with arrangements would be made to enable the work to proceed.

As no further advice has been received from Mrs. Nuttall the papers have been filed.

(Papers on Tour)

(62/5937)

BOOLARRA

Mrs. G. Schiller, Caretaker (Cl. 3) 220.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	1150	1012	241	1091	165	2	2	11	8
1961	681	441	82	1066	140	1	2	-	2
1962	8887	326	3569	991	161	-	3	1	3
to 31/5/63	3396	897	1254	940	152	9	-	3	3

POSTAL TELEPHONE. 221.

In March 1962 Sir Herbert Hyland M.L.A. made representations to the Chairman for postal telephone to be provided in the Caretaker's residence.

After investigation which showed that the Caretaker was regularly in attendance at the station office from 10.0am to Noon and 2.30pm to 4.0pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11.0am to 11.45am and 3.30pm to 4.10pm on Wednesdays and Fridays and 11.0am to 11.45am on Saturdays and at other times as may be required and in view of the small amount of business offering the request was declined. The cost of providing the extension was estimated at £33.

(62/3800)

HIGH LOADING RAMP 222.

A site 80' x 50' and located 225' from goods shed has been leased to Sulphates Ltd. as from 1.3.62.

(E.O. 150727 L)

LEASE OF LAND. 223.

The Country Fire Authority was granted a six monthly tenancy of land 40' x 50' fronting Dunk Street, 254' "up" side from Christian St. for a fire station site.

(E.O. 147725 L)

BOUNDARY FENCE 103 M. 224.

On 23rd April, 1963, Mr. Baillie asked if the Department would contribute towards the cost of rabbit-proofing the railway boundary fence.

He was advised that the Department would not contribute; but there was no objection to him attaching, at his own cost, wire netting to his side of the railway boundary fence.

(E.O. 61/403)

COMPLETED. 225.

- 10.2.60. Provision of water supply for D.R. 419.
- 21.8.62. Installation of electric supply for W.S. cars.
- 8.5.63. Repairs to postal wires on railway poles between Boolarra and Mirboo North.
- 29.5.63. Installation of power point in lounge room and rear external light at D.R.419.

DARLIMURLA

No-one-in-Charge. 226.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	8	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1961	12	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1962	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
to 31/5/63	5	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

RE-OPENING OF SIDING. 227.

The question of re-opening Darlimurla siding for handling of bauxite was raised by Sulphates Limited during the latter part of 1959 and following investigation the Secretary for Railways in September, 1960 informed the Deputy Managing Director of that firm that the Commissioners would be prepared to contribute towards the cost of relaying the siding for the Company's use providing a sufficient amount of traffic was offering and that the siding, when constructed, would be regarded and operated as a private siding for the Company.

Nothing further has transpired.

(60/208)

MIRBOO NORTH

Mr. G.H. O. Beckmann, Stn. Master Cl.7 228.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	19835	1169	6612	8974	539	43	9	22	16
1961	22880	1414	7599	6607	410	43	1	-	6
1962	13375	1324	3479	6149	647	2	44	7	3
to 31/5/63	14073	831	4070	6683	574	32	-	-	3

TREE PLANTING AND DECORATION OF STATIONS, ETC. 229.

In the 1962 Competition Mirboo North station was awarded third prize in the Eastern District in the section for the maintenance of existing trees and gardens with piped water supply and the prize money of £5.5.0d. has been paid to Supernumerary Junior Station Assistant R.A. Durkin.

(WN. 30/63)

MIRBOO NORTH (Contd.)

LINO IN OFFICE. 230.

Material has been supplied for the provision of linoleum in the office. Work will be carried when staff can be made available.

(W.W.10315/62)

PORTABLE. 231.

Improvements to portable occupied by S/Laborer F. Lamesa (as from 22.6.63) will be effected when staff can be made available.

(W.W.9913/61)

LEASE OF LAND. 232.

The Shire of Mirboo has applied to lease a triangle of land next to the C.W.A. park, fronting the approach road on the down end of the goods platform. An offer of lease was made to the Shire in 1960, but was not accepted. Late in 1962 the Shire again applied for the land, and an offer with the same terms as the previous offer, is to be made shortly.

(Papers on Tour) (E.O. 149707L)

LEASE OF LAND. 233.

Mr. R.J. Knowles Interior and Exterior Decorator who on 18/6/63 sought information regarding lease of an area of railway land on which to construct a workshop (50' x 20') has now advised that he is not now interested in leasing railway land as he has been able to purchase a suitable block in the town area.

(E.O. 152336 L)

LAND FOR ROAD PURPOSES. 234.

The Country Roads Board has applied to purchase a strip of land 16' wide for road purposes, in Main Street.

The Board is at present arranging for a survey of the land.

(Papers on Tour) (63/123)

SALE OF LAND. 235.

The Commissioners have agreed to sell an area of land at the western end of the station ground to the Housing Commission.

The matter is awaiting the completion of the necessary survey by the Commission.

(59/3467)

COMPLETED. 236.

- 2. 6.61. Repairs to toilet in Stationmasters D.R. 423.
- 16. 6.61. Installation of 3 plate in lieu of 2 plate electric stove in D.R. 4144.
- 17. 8.62. Provision of electric supply for W.S. Cars.
- 31.8. 62. Provision of new linoleum in station office.
- 10. 5.63. Alterations and renovations with certain reductions to station facilities (plan 1089/61).
- 23. 5.63. Installation of hot water service in Stationmaster's D.R. 423.
- " Installation of third power point in kitchen of D.R. 4144.

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THURSDAY, 22ND AUGUST, 1963.

INSPECT ALL STATIONS

HERNES OAK TO HALLAM.

MORWELL - MOE

PROPOSED ROAD OVERPASS 81M 40C

237.

In connection with its proposal for a road overpass over the main Gippsland line at approximately 81M 40C near Newborough the Country Roads Board was informed in September 1962 that this Department had no objection, in principle, to the construction of the proposed overpass and that before permission could be given to carry out the work the Board would require to submit for approval detailed plans and specifications showing the clearance and levels relative to the track, such clearance shall, of course, be in accordance with our standard practice in such matters and that the plans, etc., should be prepared on the basis that duplication of the track in this area will be on the south side of the existing line.

Nothing further has transpired.

(Papers on Tour)

(62/8675)

HERNES OAK

Manned by staff ex Yallourn as required.

238.

NOTE: - The deviation of main line between 84M 28C 86L and 86M 65L with 1700 ft. loop available for electric traction was completed on 4/8/63.

Occupation crossings have also been provided by the SEC at 85M 54C 56L and 86M 71C 66L.

MOE

Mr. G. L. J. Bennett Stn. Master (Cl. 4)

239.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	50915	50022	8710	16849	189	9	5	33	43
1961	52291	46291	8731	21024	226	-	2	36	28
1962	57669	53349	9046	17054	214	-	4	52	22
to 31/5/63	61826	51486	9050	14745	248	-	8	50	27

STATION BUILDINGS

240.

When at Moe on tour in May 1961 representatives of the local council requested the Commissioners to provide new station buildings at Moe.

The Commissioners informed them it was not proposed to erect new buildings but arrangements would be made to paint the exterior of the station buildings facing the car parking area.

(Contd.)

MOE (Contd.)

STATION BUILDINGS (Contd.)

They also directed that the old toilet block at the up end of the buildings be demolished before painting was commenced and that the spouting around the entrance be given necessary attention. This work was all completed by 9th April, 1962.

The Hon. A. J. Fraser, M. C. M. L. A., Minister of State Development advised the Secretary on 19th April, 1963 that the Latrobe Valley Development Advisory Committee of which he is Chairman in March 1963 raised the matter of the condition of the Moe station yards which were termed by Cr. Scott, Mayor of City of Moe as being in a deplorable state and a disgrace to that City.

On 3rd July, 1963 the Hon. A. J. Fraser was informed that during the past four years a considerable sum had been spent by this Department on property improvements at Moe including provision of new sanitary conveniences, renewal of platform fencing in chain wire, regrading and paving of station entrance yard, replacement of former footbridge by a pedestrian sub-way, repair and renewal of boundary fencing around the entire station yard and regrading and gravelling of the loading area. In addition, the station buildings have been completely repainted within about the last twelve months and as the existing station buildings are reasonably adequate for traffic requirements and can still be economically maintained, the Commissioners do not propose to renew them in the near future.

In acknowledging receipt of this communication the Hon. A. J. Fraser said that on the date of the visit of the Committee to Moe the railway yard was extremely dirty and expressed the opinion that if the yard could be straightened up and kept tidy this would go a long way towards meeting the general criticism voiced by the Mayor.

Suitable action has been taken by the District Superintendent to keep the area clean and tidy.

(63/3757)

(Papers on Tour)

REQUEST FOR INCREASED SHELTER FOR PASSENGERS

241.

When at Moe on tour in August 1962 the Commissioners were approached by Crs. McHardy, McArthur and Staff who requested that additional shelter be provided at the up end of the station to cater for passengers desiring to travel in the leading carriages on 'up' trains.

Following investigation the request was declined on the basis that the existing shelter at the entrance is sufficient for requirements and passengers desiring to travel in the leading carriages can remain under shelter near the entrance until the train arrives and after entraining can then proceed along the corridors to the leading carriages.

(62/8149) (63/386)

(Papers on Tour)

WESTERN APPROACH TO STATION

242.

In connection with request of the Moe Chamber of Commerce that ornamental shrubs be planted along the southern side of the railway reserve to the west of Moe station the Secretary on 11th December, 1962 wrote to the effect that this Department proposes to provide additional track facilities adjacent to the boundary fences concerned and, in the circumstances, the proposal to plant shrubs would not be feasible.

(62/6443)

MOE (Contd.)

REMOVAL OF TREES

243

Brown Brothers of Moondarra, have submitted their tender for the removal of 4 pine trees at the entrance to the station yard. They are prepared to reduce their price from £280 to £230 if this Department accepts responsibility for any damage to wires whilst work is being done.

The matter is in course.

(W. W. 8786/63)

GOODS PLATFORM

244

Material has been supplied for the sealing of the goods platform and work will commence when staff are available.

(W. W. 5336/63)

LAND IN LLOYD STREET.

245

The Commissioners have approved of the Estate Officer taking up with the Moe Borough Council the rezoning of certain land in Lloyd Street, at the "Down" end of the Moe Station, to enable it to be used for a petrol filling station with provision for unrestricted car parking for a certain number of vehicles.

(Papers on Tour)

(62/8104)

SIGNS ON RAILWAY LAND

246

In December 1962 J. C. M. Balfour Esq., M. L. A., on behalf of the Nyaalinga Festival Committee made verbal representations to the Commissioners for erection of signs by the Council on railway land adjacent to the Princes Highway on both sides of Moe, one in the vicinity of Watsons Road and the other in the vicinity of the Narracan Creek. Following investigations he was informed (a) there would be no objection to the erection of the signs at about 79M and about 80M 60C subject to certain conditions which were set out and (b) the Council forwarding its acceptance of the conditions. The rental to be charged would be £18.0.0. per annum for each sign.

Further representations were made for the rental charges to be reduced from £18. each to about £5. each or £18. for both sites by J. C. M. Balfour Esq., M. L. A., to the Hon. the Minister to whom the Chairman replied that the Commissioners considered the charge was reasonable and any reduction which could only be regarded as being of a charitable nature to assist Moe would be counter to the previous Minister's direction that free or cut rates for advertising should not be granted as it is not the railways function to assist in that manner.

Nothing further has been heard of the matter.

(Papers on Tour)

(62/11975) (63/370)

LEASE OF LAND

247

Messrs. H. Gunn & T. Stephenson, of Gunn's Gully Service Station have applied to lease land between 81M. 48C. 10L. and 81M. 51C. 12L. on the down side of the line for car parking purposes. The matter is being investigated.

(E. O. 151979L)

MOE (Contd.)

SHED SITE

248

Gippsland Citrus Supply (S. Carey) has been granted a site 63' x 30' near the dead end of stock yards road for erection of a shed in connection with the distribution of citrus fruit.

(E.O. 151628L)

FIREWOOD STORAGE SITE

249

A site 240' x 42' near P.C.R. Crossing at 79M 53C 41L has been leased to Mr. R. Walker.

(E.O. 150545L)

LEASE OF LAND

250

Applications from Mr. Lowenstein, Mr. Steinic, and Ampol Petroleum (Vic) Pty. Ltd. to lease land are being deferred pending arrangements to be made by the Local Planning Authority. Four separate allotments of railway land are involved.

(E.O. 145189L, 147374L,
150403L.)

SALE OF RAILWAY RESERVOIR.

251.

The railways reservoir and adjoining land is leased to the Borough of Moe as a swimming pool and recreation area. The lease is for 21 years from 1.12.51 and the rental is £25 per annum.

On 21.1.58 the Borough requested that the land be transferred to the Borough as it desired to carry out extensive drainage works in the area.

The Borough was advised on 22.5.58 that the Commissioners did not have a transferable title to this land and, in the circumstances, they regretted that no better tenure could be given than that provided in the current lease.

The matter is in the hands of the Treasury to devise a means whereby purchase price can be paid to the Railway Department.

(58/1153)

BATCHING QUARTERS

252

The southern quarters of this hostel consisting of five rooms have not been occupied by Departmental staff for a considerable period and the question of moving the block to Traralgon for the use of special gang employed on points and crossing work in that yard is in course.

(W.W. 8238/63)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM

253

Pending (a) installation of power points in lounge, lobby, and laundry at DR 251.

(b) installation of electric hot water service in D.R. 251 (referred back for further information)

MOE (Contd.)

COMPLETED.

254

- 30.9.62. Alterations to station office and provision of Romesse heating stove to plan 800-61 and 358A-53.
- 2.11.62. Replacement of defective stove in D. R. 3343.
- 14.2.63. Installation of new electric stove in D. R. 4136.
- 14.5.63. Removal of 70' turntable.
- 26.6.63. Replacement of defective stove in D. R. 3302.

MOE - THORPDALE LINE

255

D. R. 417 (Thorpdale)

The above residence has been leased to a private person and although a Dismantling Act has been passed, sale of this residence will not be arranged for some time.

(W. W. 17812/58)

MOE - WALHALLA LINE

LAND AT GOODING

256

The State Electricity Commission has applied to purchase a small section of the above line and this matter will be dealt with when the line has been completely dismantled and inspections have been made prior to the sale of the land.

(63/2941)

SCOURING NEAR BRIDGE AT 82M.

257.

Logs which have been washed down the river have lodged against the piers of the bridge at approximately 82M. causing scour of adjoining land.

Snagging of the river has been carried out, and work is now in progress regarding the demolition of the deck and some beams of the bridge.

(W. W. 5683/63)

TRAFALGAR

Mr. R. E. Wilton, Stn. Master (Cl. 7) 258									
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	17935	8863	4760	11745	757	36	70	147	72
1961	14269	7933	3410	11939	709	10	17	82	104
1962	13871	10670	2922	12317	709	18	18	106	72
to 31/5/63	16668	9399	4116	11809	728	24	36	135	37

CRANE POWER

259

On several occasions since 1956, the question of providing crane power at this location has been under review and following investigation in July, 1961, the Commissioners approved of the provision of a Ronstrom Pillar Jib crane of 30 cwt., capacity similar to the one erected at Koroit.

Subsequently, the Commissioners approved of a mobile crane (5 tons) being provided in lieu of the Ronstrom Pillar Jib crane and it was brought into use on 3rd September, 1962.

During three months ended 31st January, 1963 some 337 tons of traffic was handled by the mobile crane, of this the amount previously road-borne was 230 tons outwards timber for £377 revenue and 77 tons inwards iron, concrete beams, etc., for £263, revenue.

The matter has been pended for review on 1st March, 1964.

(Papers on Tour)

(56/1901)

SHED FOR CRANVEL CRANE

260

Work in connection with the provision of a shed to house the cranvel crane will be carried out when lamp room, to be used for that purpose, is delivered from Stratford.

(W. W. 6583/63)

LAND FOR ROAD WIDENING PURPOSES

261

In connection with the proposal to widen Princes Highway east of Trafalgar the Deputy Chairman on 24th May, 1963 informed the Hon. the Minister that it would be practicable to make a 6 ft. wide strip of land available for road widening purposes on the Southern side of the railway reserve opposite the properties indicated in the C. R. B.'s survey plan No. 8306 and the Commissioners were prepared to transfer it to the Board under certain conditions which were set out.

The papers have been pended waiting further advice from the Country Roads Board.

(62/10533)

(Papers on Tour)

TRAFALGAR (Contd.)

LAND FOR C. R. B.

262.

The land sought by the Country Roads Board is a triangular area near the sub-station. The Board is already in possession of the land but has not yet made an offer for it nor advised the Estate Officer of the arrangements made with this Department's lessee (B. P. Aust. Ltd.) for the part of its lease which is affected.

(61/4644)

D. R. 1870.

263

This Departmental Residence is being renovated for Ganger Scambler, and arrangements have been made for the provision of a rotary clothesline.

(W. W. 8604/63)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM

264

Pending Installation of electric hot water service, power points in lounge room, kitchen, laundry and portable and a rear external light at D. R. 1870.

COMPLETED.

265

28. 5. 63. Installation of front external light at D. R. 313..

YARRAGON

Mr. J. A. J. Tulloch, Stn. Master (Cl. 8)

266

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	5066	3584	2386	8417	221	3	21	63	34
1961	7144	3442	6014	9081	198	4	2	18	27
1962	8468	3820	6985	9634	198	-	1	24	16
to 31/5/63	8578	4232	6397	6630	167	-	-	27	32

ACQUISITION OF LAND

267

On 31/10/60, the Country Roads Board requested permission to acquire land for the widening of Princes Highway East through Yarragon.

The Secretary advised the Board on 25/7/61, that the Commissioners were prepared to transfer the land for a consideration of £13,535, subject to the approval of the Governor-in-Council and with certain provision concerning leases and relocation of Department Residences.

Nothing further has been heard from the Country Roads Board.

(60/11738) (W. W. 14684/60)

YARRAGON (Contd.)

LEASE OF LAND 268

The application of Cresco Fertilizers Ltd. for a 16' x 9' weighbridge site is in course.

(E.O. 152365 L)

LEASE OF LAND 269

Messrs. F. E. & E. Porter have applied to lease land on "up" side between existing leasehold and platform. The matter is being investigated.

(E.O. 152006L)

BULK SUPERPHOSPHATE SHED AND WEIGHBRIDGE 270

An application by Cresco Fertilizers Ltd. for sites is now with District Officers for report.

(E.O. 152365 L
152163 L)

STORAGE SITE 271

Mr. A. Follett has been granted a site near the boundary fence and adjacent to the entrance gate for storage purposes.

(E.O. 150669 L)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEMS. 272

Pending Electrical work in connection with alterations to station building.

Provision of power point in kitchen of D. R. 3266. (papers were referred back for further information on 21.1.63).

COMPLETED 273

11.12.62 Installation of fluorescent lighting in station office.

5.1.63 Installation of power point in lounge and electric light in hall at D. R. 3285.

26.3.63 Installation of electric hot water service in D. R. 3285.

27.3.63 Demolition of old lamp room; demolition of 2 No. W.Cs and 2 Monier urinal stalls in men's conveniences; erection of small lamp room in vacant space at rear of ladies lavatory; provision of shelf in V.G. shed for storage of old stationary; erection of new wood yard with door at rear and on platform side.

27.3.63 Provision of electric hot water service in D. R. 3285.

DARNUM

Mr. L. Ando Asst. S.M. (Cl. 5)										274
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock				
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards		
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1960	825	625	77	1711	105	1	15	14	95	
1961	416	347	88	2260	45	1	-	2	38	
1962	446	377	68	2863	105	1	4	11	25	
to 31/5/63	370	513	61	2181	60	-	1	18	7	

TREE PLANTING AND DECORATION OF STATIONS, ETC. 275

In the 1962 competition Darnum station was awarded second prize in the Eastern District in the section for the maintenance of existing trees and gardens without piped water supply and the prize money of £8,0.0. has been paid to Mr. L. Ando, Assistant Stationmaster.

(WN 30/63)

VAN GOODS SHED 276

Messrs L. M. & R. J. Greening were offered goods shed for £200 in situ but they declined same. Shed is now leased to them on a monthly tenancy.

(E. O. 150885 L)

LEASE OF LAND 277

Mr. E. Neill has applied to lease land, 150' x 80' fronting Princes Highway on the 'up' side, up end of the passenger platform for a service station.

It is proposed to invite public tenders for the land and the matter of planning permits is being investigated.

(62/10073) (W. W. 11120/62) (E. O. 151819 L)

SHED AND STORAGE SITE 278

Mr. A. J. Peterson has been granted a site 165' x 70' near the stock yards from 1.1.63 for a term of 5 years.

(E. O. 151955 L)

COMPLETED 279

28.5.63 Installation of power point in laundry D. R. 2442.

11.7.63 Removal of van goods shed from down platform and renewal of fencing.

WARRAGUL

Mr. A.H. Cochrane Stn. Master (Cl. 2) 280
 Rolling Stock Branch Officer-in-Charge Mr. L. Fry, Clerk.
 Staff. 61 Engines 1.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	38350	42823	6630	41180	476	6	180	246	279
1961	35412	38889	5862	32547	361	12	166	123	113
1962	38201	44146	6848	36882	372	7	183	138	97
to 31/5/63	34681	41776	8466	28950	423	21	92	147	78

REFRESHMENT ROOM Mr. W. J. Danahay, Manager, Staff 10. 281

Operating Results:

1959-60	Revenue	£17592	Working Expenses	£18551	Loss	£959
1960-61	"	£14744	"	£15991	"	£1247
1961-62	"	£16610	"	£18730	"	£2120
1962-63	"	£17089	"	£19644	"	£2555

TREE PLANTING AND DECORATION OF LOCOMOTIVE AND WORKS DEPOTS 282

In the 1962 Competition Warragul Works Depot was awarded first prize in the New Work Section (State wide) and the prize money of £25.10.0d. has been paid to Mr. W. J. Carson Works Foreman.

(W. N. 30/63)

BEST KEPT RESIDENCE 283

D. R. 3793 occupied by Telephone Attendant V. Williams was awarded 1st prize of £10. in the 1962 competition for the best kept residence in the Eastern District.

(W. N. 20/63)

REFRESHMENT STAFF QUARTERS 284

The Victorian Railways Institute has been granted occupancy of the Refreshment Branch Staff Quarters for recreational and classroom purposes, and will be undertaking certain alterations by "working bees".

(61/6846) (W. W. 8888/61)

FOOTBRIDGE TO STATION 285

The condition of the stairways on this footbridge is deteriorating. It is intended to replace the stairways in steel and investigations are in course.

(W. W. 3237/63)

WARRAGUL (Contd.)

PROPOSED FOOTBRIDGE AT SMITH STREET 286

On 26th May, 1961, the Shire advised it was considering the provision of a footbridge over the railway at Smith Street.

The Shire has since advised that with the construction of the Smith Street bridge and the Country Roads Board's agreement to extend Armco fencing along the existing pathway, the provision of a separate footpath is no longer required.

(E. O. 61/620)

REPAIRS TO ROADWAY 287

Repairs to the approach ramp roadway from Smith Street Bridge to passenger platform are being carried out by contract. Contractors are still to apply final sealing.

(62/9989) (W. W. 11240/62)

CRANE POWER 288

The old crane has been dismantled and despatched and a new 8 ton derrick crane has been erected in the new position but the old goods platform has yet to be demolished.

(W. W. 11800/62)

TRUCK WEIGHBRIDGE CABIN 289

Repairs to the floor of the truck weighbridge cabin have been carried out. Painting has yet to be done.

(W. W. 7412/63)

FACILITIES FOR SHUNTING STAFF 290

Investigations are in hand in connection with erection of a permanent building equipped with proper facilities for both shunters and Train Examiners.

(W. W. 8395/62)

FUTURE OF CALTEX SIDING 291

Caltex Oil (Aust.) Pty. Ltd. requested that essential maintenance only be carried out on its siding at Warragul.

The Commissioners have agreed to the points of the turnout leading to the siding being spiked - the arrangement to be reviewed in 1966.

(56/1078)

SITE FOR STORAGE OF FARM MACHINERY 292

The Farm and Industrial Machinery Service has been granted a lease of land fronting Princes Highway near Kinnan & Sons.

(E. O. 149681L)

WARRAGUL (Contd.)

GRAIN SILO SITE

293

An application was made by Mr. Fowles for a site but later he called on the Stationmaster and withdrew his application.

(E. O. 151589 L)

SHED SITE

294

Mr. J. Bevan has been granted a site 79' x 20' near the stock yards for the erection of a shed to store poultry food.

(E. O. 151290 L)

LEASE OF LAND

295

Representatives of the local Shire in an interview with the Commissioners when on tour in August, 1962 asked that the low lying area adjoining the highway opposite the municipal sale yards be leased to the Council for car parking purposes.

On 7th June, 1963 the Shire was informed of the conditions under which a lease could be granted.

Advice from the Shire is awaited.

(62/8170)

(Papers on Tour)

LEASE OF LAND FOR CYCLE PATH

296

Councillor Green, Shire President, and other representatives of the Warragul Shire at a deputation to the Commissioners when on tour in August, 1962 requested that the Council be permitted to construct a cycle path on railway land adjoining the southern side of the line between Anderson Street and "A" signal box for the use of scholars attending the High and Technical Schools.

The Commissioners stated they had no objection to the proposal provided the council constructed and maintained the pathway to the satisfaction of the Commissioners and also erected necessary fencing of a standard suitable to prevent trespassing, the full costs of such works to be borne by the Council.

On 20th March, 1963 the Shire Secretary was informed (a) of the conditions under which a lease of the area for the desired purpose could be granted and (b) that on receipt of the Council's acceptance of the offer, arrangements would be made to seek the consent of the Governor-in-Council to the grant of the lease.

Nothing further has transpired.

(62/8482)

(Papers on Tour)

RAILWAY RESERVE EAST OF HAZEL CREEK.

297

Some time ago the Country Roads Board advised it was about to prepare a design for the intersection of the Warragul Bypass with the Princes Highway East at a point approximately half a mile east of Warragul station and as the design could involve the abandoned railway reserve east of Hazel Creek and part of the land between this and the new railway reserve, it desired to know what portions of this land could be made available for road purposes and if so, the conditions.

(Contd.)

WARRAGUL (Contd.)

RAILWAY RESERVE EAST OF HAZEL CREEK. (Contd.)

The Board was advised accordingly but as nothing further was heard from it, the Estate Officer on 3/10/61, informed the Board it was proposed to proceed with negotiations with the Shire of Warragul, which was desirous of obtaining land for the construction of new sale yards.

The matter is still in course.

(Papers on Tour)

(59/257) (E. O. 55/1736)
(58/2891)

LEASE OF LAND

298

The Shire of Warragul was offered a lease of approximately 3 acres of land adjoining Hazel Creek, with access to Howitt Street and Alfred Street.

The Shire has asked for a deputation to the Minister of Transport, as it considers the rent is too high, and it desires to purchase the land.

The Acting Chief Civil Engineer has recommended to the Secretary that the Minister be advised that the Department has no transferable title to the land, and in view of the large area and its close proximity to the business centre of the town, the rent is fair and reasonable.

(Papers on Tour)

(63/5023) (W. W. 5314/63)
(E. O. 152283 L)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM.

299

Pending Necessary electrical work in connection with the provision of a false ceiling over the booking office section.

Replacement of electric urn in shunter's cabin.

COMPLETED

300

- 14.8.62 Installation of electric supply for W.S. Cars.
- 30.10.62 Installation of linoleum on goods shed office floor.
- 22.11.62 Provision of new flooring in V. R. I. building.
- 18.12.62 Installation of new 8 ton electric crane in new position.
- 18.12.62 Provision of lagging on hot water pipes at D. Rs to improve flow of water.
- 20.12.62 Old dismantled crane loaded into wagon for despatch to West Footscray.
- 20.12.62 Provision of 20' x 12' portable at D. R. 3704, including electric supply.
- Reconstruction of Smith Street bridge.
- 22.2.63 Provision of motor shed and workshop for district fitter.
- 18.4.63 Wiring of W.S. Car No. 98 for electricity.

(Contd.)

WARRAGUL (Contd.)

COMPLETED. (Contd.)

- 23.4.63 Provision of extension bells to the 2 No. Spencer Street trunk lines.
- 24.5.63 Re alignment of crane road and shortening by approximately 20 ft and re-location of buffer stops.
- 6.6.63 Installation of electric light and power in V. R. I. Classroom.
- 3.7.63 Rewiring of R. S. Batching Quarters.
- 5.7.63 Installation of electric light and power in district fitter's shed.
- 10.7.63 Provision of caged shelf in goods shed for holding of tobacco, etc.
- .7.63 Demolition of old engine shed.
- Provision of false ceilings over booking office section.

WARRAGUL - NOOJEE

PURCHASE OF RAILWAY LAND

301

The Shire of Buln Buln has applied to buy railway land between Bravington and Noojee for road purposes.

Much of the land sought by the Shire will revert to the Department of Crown Lands and Survey when the line is completely dismantled. When this Department is in a position to proceed with the sale of its freehold lands the usual procedure of giving preference to Government and local government bodies will be adopted.

(61/9744)

BRIDGE AT 87M. 26C

302

The Shire of Buln Buln has applied to purchase the above bridge in situ.

The Railway Dismantling Act 1963 (No. 6987) authorises the Commissioners to sell the bridge in situ under certain conditions.

(63/3749)

LEASE OF LAND

303

Cr. W. A. Green, Shire President and Councillors made representations to the Commissioners when at Warragul on tour in August, 1962 for the Council to be granted use of certain land on the Noojee line adjacent to its depot near Sutton Street, Warragul.

(Contd.)

WARRAGUL - NOOJEE (Contd.)

LEASE OF LAND (Contd.)

On 17th December, 1962 the Shire was informed (a) that the area was already leased and unless immediate possession of the land was required by the Council we did not propose to disturb the present tenant; (b) when the Commissioners are in a position to sell the land the Council will be given the first opportunity to purchase it.

(Papers on Tour)

(62/8169)

DROUIN

Mr. W. Wilson Stn. Master (Cl. 5) (Off Sick) (Relvd. by Mr. C. Wilton Relvg. S. M.) 304

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	21786	90184	6845	27821	320	8	15	41	8
1961	21257	97967	6396	30035	-	1	8	30	2
1962	20412	88227	6219	24105	-	3	8	24	8
to 31/5/63	22460	127763	6980	19952	-	-	3	39	3

BULK STORAGE SHED 305

Cresco Fertilizers Ltd. is being granted a site adjoining and involving the stock yards.

(E.O. 151268 L)

BULK STORAGE SHED. 306

The Drouin Co-op Butter Factory has made application for a site in the vicinity of the company's existing shed for erection of a bulk superphosphate shed, a bulk wheat and oats shed.

The proposal has been discussed with the Estate Officer who is holding matter for further advice from the company.

(E.O. 151864 L)

LEASE OF LAND 307

Public tenders were called for an area of land fronting Main Street, adjoining the bridge over the line, on the down side.

The lowest tenderer, the Shire of Buln Buln, has made application for a deputation to the Minister of Transport to have its tender accepted. This will take place on Wednesday, 21st August, 1963.

(Papers on Tour)

(63/5240) (W. W. 6607/63)
(E.O. 63/627)

DROUIN (Contd.)

LEASE OF LAND

308

The Drouin Waterworks Trust was offered a lease of land with a frontage of approximately 7'6" to the Princes Highway at Drouin for a fixed term of 33 years. This term was not satisfactory as the Trust proposes to use this and adjacent land on which the Court House stands for the erection of new offices, etc. The question of a longer term lease is now being investigated.

(63/4946) (W. W. 6125/63) (E.O. 63/580)

COMPLETED.

309

- 17.9.62. Provision of 3-plate in lieu of 2-plate electric stove D. R. 3436.
- 28.5.63. Installation of electric lighting in portable D. R. 1830.

LONGWARRY

Mr. T. A. Williams Stn. Master (Cl. 7) (On A/L) (Relvd. by Mr. R. T. Hosking 310. Relvg. S. M.)

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	8507	31484	2532	15003	265	-	10	25	19
1961	8478	38381	1931	15207	220	-	-	14	5
1962	9649	43568	2448	14920	220	-	4	19	6
to 31/5/63	8189	45774	2186	9100	229	-	1	25	8

LEASE OF LAND

311

The local Boy Scout troop applied to lease land, and an offer to lease land 60' x 75', fronting Bennett Street, 230' from Modella Road, was forwarded to the head office of the Association on 21.3.63, but no reply has been received.

(E.O. 151060 L)

LEASE OF LAND

312

Messrs. Follett & Pope, Produce Merchants, have been offered a lease of additional land 87' x 64' on the down side, up end of the station buildings.

The offer has not been accepted as Messrs. Follett & Pope consider that the rent is too high, and negotiations on this matter are in hand.

(E.O. 151719 L)

LONGWARRY (Contd.)

BOOM BARRIERS

313

Representations were made by the Local Progress Association in 1958, for provision of boom barriers and by the Shire of Buln Buln in 1959, for the installation of flashing lights and for the crossing to be widened.

The requests for boom barriers and flashing lights were declined by the Commissioners who, in 1959, informed the Shire Councillors that if the Shire was prepared to meet the cost of installing wider gates, the matter would be looked into, but the Commissioners were not prepared to bear any portion of the cost of the facility, the need for which was brought about by the growth of the road traffic.

When the Commissioners were at Longwarry on tour in August, 1962 representatives of the Council and the Progress Association asked whether anything could be done to lessen delays to road traffic at the hand operated level crossing gates on the down end of the station.

In reply, the Commissioners stated that when the duplication of the Bunyip - Longwarry section is carried out in several years time, the gates will be replaced by either boom barriers or flashing light signals. In the meantime, the station staff are making every endeavour to minimise delay to road users and nothing further is practicable until duplication is carried out.

(58/10445)

LEASE OF RAILWAY LAND

314

An area of land in Mackey Street was leased to W. H. MacGibbon & Son, Plumber and Contractor, for business purposes and a table drain around the area was subsequently excavated to drain water into the front main drain.

In May 1962, Mr. Toy, President of the Longwarry Progress Association wrote the Estate Officer advising that the local Council had rotary hoed the nature strip at the rear of the railway residence in Mackey Street and sought advice as to whether the Department would be agreeable to re-locate the boundary fence thereby permitting the rough piece of land to be similarly treated.

In February, 1963 Mr. MacGibbon wrote to the effect that the Council had filled in portion of the front drain causing the storm water to bank back on to the leased area and requested assistance to avoid flooding in future.

The matter was investigated and in May 1963 the Shire of Buln Buln was informed that it was not customary to grant leases to impermanent bodies such as Progress Associations but the Commissioners would be prepared subject to certain conditions to lease the land in question to the Council, and requested early advice in this regard.

The Council was also informed that if it does not avail itself of the offer, it would be necessary for the filling to be removed from the unlined drain forthwith.

The papers have been pended waiting reply from the Council.

(Papers on Tour)

(63/4549)

LONGWARRY (Contd.)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM 315

Declined Provision of electric hot water service in D. R. 238 because bath heater in serviceable condition is already installed.

COMPLETED 316

26. 6. 63 Demolition of live stock facilities.

BUNYIP

Mr. W. J. Pascoe Stn. Master (Cl. 8) 317									
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	<u>Total Tonnage</u>		Wool Bales	<u>Livestock</u>			
			Out	In		<u>Outwards</u>		<u>Inwards</u>	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	8169	34245	1397	2448	127	1	7	18	23
1961	5229	37459	248	2319	42	1	-	13	2
1962	5001	40976	122	2390	71	-	1	16	9
to 31/5/63	5616	40815	507	1789	21	-	1	6	7

STATION BUILDINGS 318

With reference to the request of the Shire of Berwick for the provision of new station buildings, there has been no provision in the current Loan Allotment for duplication of the section of the track between Bunyip and Longwarry, and therefore there is no intention of renewing the station buildings at Bunyip at present.

(61/4952) (W. W. 665/61)

APPROACH FOOTPATHS 319

When at Bunyip on tour in August 1962 the Commissioners were approached by representatives of the Shire of Berwick and the local Progress Association who expressed concern at the arrangements made for pedestrian traffic on the plans for the proposed new station to be provided in conjunction with the duplication of the line and suggested the provision of a more direct pathway between the main street north of the railway line and the proposed footbridge shown on plan No. 786/51 (Rev. L).

Following investigation the Secretary on 8th October 1962 wrote the Shire Secretary and the President of the Progress Association to the effect that subject to the Council supplying and consolidating the necessary filling, the Commissioners are prepared to provide a direct pathway between the shopping centre north of the station and the footbridge provided for in the new plan and that when we are in a position to proceed with the duplication of the line between Bunyip and Longwarry the matter of construction of the proposed approach pathway will be taken up with the Council.

(61/4951)

(Papers on Tour)

BUNYIP (Contd.)

FLASHING LIGHTS

320

In addition to numerous requests previously made by the Shire of Berwick and the Bunyip Progress Association, Mr. Ure, representing the local Progress Association, asked the Commissioners when they were on tour in August, 1962, for further consideration to be given to the provision of flashing light signals at the level crossing at the "up" end of the station.

The Bunyip Progress Association has carried out a census of traffic over the crossing and submitted the result to this Department through the Shire of Berwick.

The matter is being investigated by the Level Crossing Committee.

(Papers on Tour)

(62/8139) (W. W. 9607/62)

SALE OF LAND

321

In order to improve the alignment of the Nar Nar Goon - Longwarry road, the Country Roads Board applied to purchase a triangular portion of the Bunyip Station Ground on the "Up" side of the Gippsland & Northern Co-op. Co. Ltd's. saleyards.

The Commissioners approved of the sale and the matter has been completed.

(61/3590)

D. R. 237

322.

The request of Mr. Pascoe, Stationmaster, for the replacement of the Dux. hot water unit in his residence (D. R. 237) was recently declined because the existing unit was in good working order.

(C. E. E. Papers)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM.

323.

Declined. Requests for provision of electric hot water services in D. Rs. 3199 and 237 were declined on 8.3.63 and 9.4.63 respectively because electric bath heaters in serviceable condition are already installed.

COMPLETED

324

29.9.62 Installation of power point in laundry of D. R. 3199.

21.3.63 Installation of power point in dining room D. R. 3199.

GARFIELD

Mr. F. G. Tighe Asst. S. M. Cl. 5										325
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	<u>Total Tonnage</u>		Wool Bales	<u>Livestock</u>				
			Out	In		<u>Outwards</u>		<u>Inwards</u>		
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1960	16017	33021	18649	1264	56	-	-	33	7	
1961	6697	35586	2921	1138	25	-	-	27	1	
1962	6108	38105	933	1573	30	-	-	14	2	
to 31/5/63	4460	34830	73	574	13	1	2	3	7	

TYNONG

Mrs. F. M. Taylor C'taker Cl. 1.										326
Miss E. F. Taylor " Cl. 3.										
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	<u>Total Tonnage</u>		Wool Bales	<u>Livestock</u>				
			Out	In		<u>Outwards</u>		<u>Inwards</u>		
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1960	2879	18187	103	1858	2	-	-	-	8	
1961	3002	20752	54	2038	4	-	1	1	1	
1962	2597	16869	26	2092	10	-	-	-	7	
to 31/5/63	2303	16310	11	1957	-	-	-	1	3	

LEVEL CROSSING

327

In connection with the request of the Tynong Progress Association per the Honorable the Minister for the installation of a warning device at the Tynong Level Crossing, the Deputy Chairman of 6th June, 1962, replied to the effect that the crossing had been inspected by the Level Crossing Committee accompanied by a representative of the R. A. C. V. which reported that the crossing is clearly defined with white wing fences and reflectorized crossing signs and the conditions do not warrant the provision of flashing light signals.

The Progress Association was previously informed in July, 1961, of this decision and informed that the Council had been requested to remove tree growth on the un-used roadway on the north west side of the crossing and to provide an advance warning sign on the northern side of the line, about 100 yards from the corner of the street.

Further representations in this regard were made by the Progress Association per the Hon. the Minister and to the Commissioners when on tour at Tynong in August, 1962.

The Commissioners explained that the crossing had recently been inspected by the Level Crossing Committee which included a representative of the R. A. C. V. and the Committee considered that the conditions did not warrant the provision of a mechanical warning device and as they were necessarily guided by the recommendation of the Committee they were unable to agree to the request of the Progress Association.

TYNONG (Contd.)

COMPLETED

328

- 22.3.63 Installation of electric hot water service at D. R. 3155.
- 29.3.63 Installation of electric hot water service in D. R. 3253.

NAR NAR GOON

Mr. L. R. Bowles Stn. Master (Cl. 7)

329

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	6621	21866	1446	2079	11	-	6	24	37
1961	4004	21292	365	1616	4	-	3	14	31
1962	5390	22340	527	1834	11	2	7	11	7
to 31/5/63	6786	21712	1222	1152	14	-	2	5	3

PURCHASE OF LAND

330

An area of land was purchased in 1960 from a Mr. J. N. Bentley for the sum of £410 for the re-erection of a Departmental Residence ex Neerim South but due to more urgent requirements of the Traffic Branch this residence was moved to Morwell instead of Nar Nar Goon.

The land is still vacant but its future is now due for review.

(59/12428) (W. W. 16161/59)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM

331

- Declined. Provision of electric hot water service in D. R. 233 declined on 23.7.63 because electric bath heater in serviceable condition was already installed.

COMPLETED

332

- 14.5.63 Replacement of postal telephone.

PAKENHAM

Mr. W. F. Elliott Stn. Master (Cl. 7)										333
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock				
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards		
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1960	7984	51758	297	5845	101	11	17	25	76	
1961	8178	49737	203	5982	56	2	9	33	42	
1962	7953	43967	380	6473	80	1	5	32	40	
to 31/5/63	7326	44073	367	4375	63	1	6	74	72	

WAITING ROOM DOOR

334

In connection with the request of the Local Progress Association representations to the Commissioners on tour in August, 1962 a door was fitted to the up side entrance to the station waiting room in February 1963 and the Association was informed accordingly.

(62/8155)

CRANE POWER

335

The question of electrifying the existing 6 ton manually operated derrick crane has been looked into but there is insufficient crane traffic to justify the cost of such a provision and the papers have been minuted accordingly.

(62/8582)

LIVE STOCK FACILITIES

336

In September 1962 the Commissioners approved of the yards and loading races which were in fair order being maintained in a usable condition but without major repairs subject to further review in twelve months time.

(62/8759)

PRIVATE SIDING

337

Investigations are in hand for the provision of a Private siding for Crosse and Blackwell Company, to enable them to freight products produced at Pakenham to both intra and inter-state destinations and to Melbourne for shipment overseas.

(63/6180) (W. W. 7587/63)

COMPLETED

338

- 25.7.62 Provision of clothes line at Stationmaster's D. R. 2455.
- Drain on West side of Ryan Road, Pakenham East cleaned.
- 14.2.63 Provision of doorway in the waiting room.
- 12.3.63 Provision of 3-1/2 pt. electric kettle in lieu of electric urn.
- 21.3.63 Removal of partition and re-location of fittings including lighting to improve conditions for handling of parcels traffic.
- Attention to fencing adjoining property of J. R. Canobie Pakenham East and drain under the railway.

OFFICER

Mrs. P.H.Hill, C'taker (Cl. 2)										339
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	<u>Total Tonnage</u>		Wool Bales	<u>Livestock</u>				
			Out	In		<u>Outwards</u>		<u>Inwards</u>		
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1960	1111	12539	14	528	3	-	-	2	-	
1961	1422	14963	2	313	1	-	-	-	-	1
1962	2412	16376	231	1060	-	-	-	1	-	1
to										
31/5/63	6033	17387	1248	1544	-	-	-	2	-	

GOODS SHED AND PLATFORM 340

The 21' x 11' goods shed and adjoining 59' goods platform which was offered for sale to Hickson's Timber Impregnation Co. (Aust.) Pty. Limited, and declined are surplus to requirements and are available for removal.

(61/13157)

TIMBER TREATMENT SITE 341

Hickson Timber Impregnation Co. Pty. Ltd. applied for and was offered a lease of a timber site but did not proceed with the lease.

(E.O. 151297 L)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM 342

Pending Installation of electric hot water service in D. R. 229.

COMPLETED 343

22.8.62 Provision of lock and keys for 2-ton crane.

15.9.62 Installation of front and rear external lights at D. R. 3237.

BEACONSFIELD

Mrs. W.M.Cheeseman C'taker (Cl. 1)										344
Mrs. M.K. Clarke C'taker (Cl. 3)										
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	<u>Total Tonnage</u>		Wool Bales	<u>Livestock</u>				
			Out	In		<u>Outwards</u>		<u>Inwards</u>		
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1960	2668	32960	-	429	-	-	-	-	-	
1961	2733	29738	-	380	-	-	-	-	-	
1962	3393	32793	2	391	-	-	-	-	-	
to										
31/5/63	2632	31588	1	265	-	-	-	-	-	

BEACONSFIELD (Contd.)

PEDESTRIAN ACCESS

345

The request of the Beaconsfield Progress Association for pedestrian access to be provided to Beaconsfield station from the South side is in course.

Inquiries to date show that regularly some fifteen passengers including school children approach from the area south west of the station where there are now thirty completed houses and others under construction.

It is said passengers from this area are inconvenienced during wet weather due to the roadway under the tracks at Cardinia Creek being subject to flooding and when impassable they have to walk over half a mile to use P. C. R. crossing at down end of the station.

The question of the best position in which to locate a new entrance as suggested is being investigated.

(63/4268)

(Papers on Tour)

TIMBER STORAGE SITE

346

The request of E. Brunt & Sons for a site to store timber ex Orbost has been declined because a suitable site is not available.

(E. O. 150653 L)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEMS

347

Pending. Provision of separate switch for platform lights.

COMPLETED

348

9.8.62 Replacement of platform electric light standards at station.

13.10.62 Installation of power points in kitchen and lounge room of D. R. 227.

BERWICK

Mr. R. E. Cruickshank, Stn. Master (Cl. 7)										349
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	<u>Total Tonnage</u>		Wool Bales	<u>Livestock</u>				
			Out	In		<u>Outwards</u>		<u>Inwards</u>		
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1960	4552	40273	71	1504	31	-	-	-	6	
1961	5323	46402	59	1146	23	2	3	1	1	
1962	5898	53698	50	1036	42	-	2	-	4	
to 31/5/63	5166	51493	28	957	26	-	1	-	10	

BERWICK (Contd.)

VAN GOODS SHED

350.

Approval has been given for the provision of a 12' x 10' goods shed with 3 ft. platforms and sliding doors on the north and south sides, positioned on the side of the line opposite the down passenger platform.

The work will be carried out as early as practicable.

(61/4950) (W.W. 12310/61)

TIMBER STORAGE SITE

351.

E. Brunt & Sons application for timber (ex Orbost) storage site declined - no site available.

(E.O. 150380 L)

BY-PASS ROAD.

352

In connection with advice from the Country Roads Board of its proposed by-pass road at Berwick, the Secretary on 8th May, 1962, replied that from preliminary information there appears to be no railway objection to the construction of the overpasses mentioned.

However, until detailed plans are received we are unable to formulate the conditions under which work on railway property could be carried out.

In the preparation of these plans the following should be taken into account:-

- (a) service road, if any, parallel to the railway should be located clear of the present boundaries;
- (b) while a clearance of 8'6" from the centre lines of the track is generally acceptable at the abutments beneath the deck of the bridges, wing walls and retaining walls should have a clearance of at least 10 feet from the centre lines of the tracks.

It would seem the Board will be involved in some expense which we will incur in re-locating overhead structures and signals but here again our precise requirements will not be known until we receive detailed plans.

In July 1962 the Board advised that the proposal was a long range one and it would be some years before detailed plans are prepared. However, when available the plans would be forwarded for this department's concurrence.

(62/973)

COMPLETED.

353

- 28.2.63 Installation of electric hot water service at D. R. 3108.
- 10.4.63 Demolition of sheep trucking facilities.
- 10.7.63. Replacement of wire in boundary fencing.

NARRE WARREN

Mr. W. A. Grant. Stn. Master (Cl. 8) (Off Sick) (Relvd. by Mr. Bruni Relvg. SM) 354									
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1960	2055	18115	5	519	5	1	22	16	210
1961	2552	21975	16	639	5	-	13	3	54
1962	2767	25128	9	778	9	-	10	11	45
to 31/5/63	1285	18826	7	1025	-	-	6	16	60

LIVE STOCK FACILITIES

355

When inspected in August, 1962 it was found that the cattle facilities were in good order and that the sheep facilities were in fair order and suitable for discharging purposes and it was agreed to retain both facilities until major repairs were required subject to review on 1st August, 1963.

The matter has been put into course.

(62/9184)

TIMBER STORAGE SITE

356

Messrs E. Brunt & Sons who desired a site at either Beaconsfield or Berwick were offered a site for timber (ex Orbost) storage purposes but did not proceed with the matter.

(E. O. 150380 L)

WATER SUPPLY

357

Instructions have been prepared and will be issued at an early date for the provision of water supply to the station buildings from the State Rivers & Water Supply Commission's main in Shrives Road.

(W. W. 14242/62)

ELECTRICAL BRANCH ITEM

358

Declined Requests for electric hot water services in D. Rs. 3492 and 3534 declined on 1. 8. 63 because electric bath heaters in serviceable condition are already installed.

COMPLETED

359

- 22.10.62. Installation of annett locking on gate to crossing over Nos 1 & 2 roads giving access to the van goods shed.
- 30.10.62. Sealing of up platform in front of waiting room.
- 14.1.63. Provision of verandah on south side of van goods shed and relay room.
- 11.3.63. Replacement electric stove installed in D. R. 3534.
- 5.7.63. Provision of water supply to D. Rs. 3492 and 3534.

THIRD DAY, THURSDAY, 22ND AUGUST, 1963.

HALLAM

Mrs. R. E. Canny C'taker Cl. 5										360
Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock				
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards		
	£					Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1960	184	2563	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	
1961	85	1293	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	
1962	45	514	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
to 31/5/63	30	247	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	