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COMMISSIONERS' TOUR OF INSPECTION

YARRAM TO LEONGATHA

RUBY TO NYORA

WOODLEIGH TO WONTHAGGI

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Tuesday, 11th to Thursday, 13th February 1958 inclusive  
Train leaves Spencer Street (No.8 platform) at 4.20pm on Monday  
10th February, 1958.

COMMISSIONERS' TOUR OF INSPECTION.

YARRAM and WONTHAGGI LINES.

11th to 13th February, 1958

TOUR PERSONNEL.

Mr. E. H. Brownbill	-	Chairman
Mr. N. Quail	-	Commissioner
Mr. T. R. Collier	-	Chief Traffic Manager
Mr. L. A. Reynolds	-	Chief Civil Engineer
Mr. P. Dance	-	Supt. Locomotive Maintenance
Mr. A. Cobham	-	Claims Agent
Mr. P. E. Cooper	-	Auditor of Revenue
Mr. J. F. Sutton	-	Livestock Agent
Mr. E. T. Stephenson	-	District Rolling Stock Supt.
Mr. J. Clarke	-	District Superintendent
Mr. B. Wadeson	-	Metropolitan District Engineer
Mr. G. L. Rayment	-	Commissioners' Secretary
Mr. J. Warrenner	-	Tour Clerk
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	Mr. C.A. Daw	Chief Officer, Country Fire Authority.

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TRAIN STAFF  
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Driver	-	C. W. Kettle
Fireman	-	H. J. Smith
Guard	-	J. McInneny
Conductor	-	J. Freeland
Steward	-	A. Portwood
Cook	-	F. Williams
Kitchen Lad	-	A. Bover

YARRAM - WOODSIDE

1.

DISMANTLING

This line has been dismantled beyond 136M. 51Ch. 50 Lks. one chain north of Church Street, Yarram.

The section of line from the buffer stops at 136M.35Ch. to 136M. 51Ch. 50Lks. has been retained at the request of South Eastern Milk Products, Ltd. to form part of a proposed future siding for the Company.

(55/1817)

SALE OF LAND

2.

The Shire of Yarram has agreed to purchase land on the old Woodside line adjacent to the recreation ground.

The matter is in course.

(53/7280)

YARRAM

3.

Mr. L. G. N. King, Stationmaster, Class 6.  
Rolling Stock Branch:-Driver-in-Charge J. V. Causon  
Total Staff - 7

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
1954	22,722	4,387	2589	12562	2594	204	429	144	26
1955	25,394	3,570	2970	10823	2892	222	354	118	29
1956	25,224	3,333	3229	13141	3450	251	379	113	84
1957	31,077	2,948	4440	12169	3608	263	358	115	43

DRAINAGE

4.

Following a deputation on previous tour by representatives of the Shire of Alberton discussions were held with the Shire Engineer at which it was decided that the Shire would submit for this Department's comments a proposal to reduce flooding in the South-Western section of Yarram township.

The Shire advised on 17/12/57 that owing to shortage of funds it had been found necessary to pend the matter for the time being.

(56/7695)

NON ISSUE

5.

CRANE

6.

It is expected that the restoration of the 6 ton gantry crane at present operating at the reduced capacity of 2 tons to its full capacity will be completed early in March 1958.

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YARRAM (Contd.)

TURNTABLE

7.

In connection with a revision in 1952 of the turntable facilities throughout the State it is proposed to install a 70 feet turntable at Yarram when one becomes available.

(50/12100)

COAL STAGE

8.

Arrangements have been made to relay the barrow road on the coal stage with 60 lb. rails when staff is available.

(W. & W.6188/55)

STOCKYARDS

9.

The construction of new cattle and pig yards on a different site including provision of a dual purpose ramp is in hand - expected to be completed by the end of February 1958.

An area adjacent to the new yards has been leased to Victorian Bacon Ltd. for weighing of pigs. The site has not yet been pegged as the old cattle yards (which are to be removed) extend over it.

(54/8924)  
(57/7697)

BATCHING ACCOMMODATION

10.

Plans for provision of batching accommodation for two employees at an estimated cost of £500 are under consideration by the Chief Mechanical Engineer.

(55/1067)

DRAINAGE OF RESIDENCES

11.

The Shire of Alberton has agreed to construct concrete kerbs and channels in front of the departmental residences at Yarram to provide improved drainage.

It is anticipated that the work will be completed by the end of March 1958.

(55/4391)

D.R. 2548

12.

Some time ago the occupant of this residence, Goods Guard W. Eklund, applied for an additional room as his children were too young to sleep in the detached 10' x 8' portable.

Mr. Eklund was subsequently offered a five-roomed pre-cut residence but stated that he preferred to remain in D.R. 2548.

He was informed that additional accommodation would not be provided.

Repairs have been effected to make the portable habitable.

(55/4283)

COMPLETED

13.

30.10.56 Extension of Goods Shed and platform. Extension of postal phone from passenger office to goods shed.

YARRAM - LEONGATHA

14.

STRENGTHENING OF LINE

On 27/3/56 the Hon. Sir H. J. Hyland M.L.A. wrote the Commissioners asking what is being done to strengthen the Yarram-Leongatha line.

On 5/4/56 he was advised that "We commenced to relay portion of the Yarram line between Foster and Alberton, but due to the limited amount of funds available, it was necessary to defer the work so that more urgent relaying could be carried out on other lines.

Because of the shortage of funds, I regret it is not practicable at this stage to indicate when relaying will be resumed on the Yarram line".

On 17/4/56 the Hon. Sir H.J. Hyland, M.L.A. again wrote alleging that the line was dangerous and asked that the matter be given further consideration.

On 26/4/56 the Commissioners replied inter alia:-

"After discussion with the Chief Civil Engineer I can assure you most emphatically that the Yarram line between Foster and Alberton is not as you say in a dangerous condition at the prescribed speed limit of 30 miles per hour. We have recently forwarded our loan applications, and, as you will recollect, the final programmes for relaying are dependent on the availability of the funds.

The Commissioners do want to assure you that, apart from relaying, it is intended to intensify the resleepering and general reconditioning programmes on a State-wide basis, and consideration will be given to the Foster-Alberton section of the Yarram line in this regard".

(56/3282)

ALBERTON

15.

Mrs. M. J. Cust, Caretaker Class 3.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage Wool			Livestock			
			Out	In	Bales	Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1954	5233	884	913	1023	94	15	30	25	3
1955	2158	993	109	969	227	20	32	19	1
1956	1978	961	114	1230	134	28	14	21	2
1957	2265	930	76	1000	146	46	29	50	2

LAND ON PORT ALBERT LINE

16.

Offers were made some time ago by adjoining landholders for purchase of land on the Port Albert line.

The matter is in course, but owing to pressure of other work it has not been practicable to finalise the transactions.

(57/7690)

ALBERTON (CONTD.)

17.

REMOVAL OF NOS. 2 AND 3 ROADS

Arrangements are being made for removal of Nos. 2 and 3 roads which are in excess of requirements.

The dead-end extension of No.3 road, on which the stockyards are situated, will be retained as an extension of No.4 road.

(W & W 14418/57)

GELLIONDALE

18.

Mrs. P. J. Grossman, Caretaker, Class 4

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
1954	2897	420	65	608	200	53	105	20	13
1955	2993	449	60	647	38	77	110	8	12
1956	2477	487	20	643	74	39	78	33	2
1957	2084	456	25	629	80	44	57	14	10

APPROACH ROADS AND TRUCKING YARDS

19.

At Gelliondale on tour on 24th July the Commissioners were met by Messrs. A. P. Moore and G. A. Morgan who requested that :

(a) the approach road on the goods side be improved. During the winter months the approach is very soft and trucks bringing in pigs to the unloading ramp are liable to bog down. Difficulty is also experienced in taking delivery of truck loads of pollard etc.

(b) the road approach to the trucking yards be improved.

It was stated that the Shire road leading to the trucking yards is very wet and difficult to negotiate.

(c) That some filling be provided in the trucking yards.

The Commissioners pointed out that they were not responsible for the maintenance of the Shire road but they proposed to spread some gravel to improve conditions between the road formation and the heavy duty ramp.

In view of the small amount of traffic handled at the goods siding the Commissioners were not prepared to incur any expenditure on the approach road on the goods side.

The question of providing some filling in the trucking yards would be looked into.

Necessary improvements have been carried out in the area between the road formation and the loading ramp and filling has been provided in the trucking yards where required.

(56/7835)

HEDLEY

20.

Mrs. A. I. Turner, Caretaker Class 5

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage			Livestock			
			Out	In	Wool Bales	Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1954	2487	180	202	545	58	57	62	11	-
1955	3119	171	377	789	235	40	76	9	6
1956	2543	179	269	883	144	33	52	2	3
1957	1556	179	94	662	165	29	38	14	10

SHEEP YARDS

21.

Repairs are to be effected to the sheep yards when staff can be made available.

(56/7618)

WELSHPOOL

22.

Mr. H. K. Wilson, Asst. Stationmaster, Class 5.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage			Livestock			
			Out	In	Wool Bales	Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1954	3194	1575	164	1409	60	44	41	39	10
1955	2502	1312	101	1548	253	27	29	35	8
1956	2040	1233	93	1616	158	16	19	13	9
1957	1955	992	93	1717	170	14	24	25	5

ELECTRIC LIGHTING

23

Requests have been made on several occasions for electric lighting to be installed at this station.

The requirements of the public are attended to mostly during daylight and it is only on rare occasions that trains are handled during darkness. A tilley lamp is provided for use in the office when necessary and the installation of electric lighting is not warranted. All requests have been refused.

When the matter was mentioned on tour on 24/7/56 the Commissioners informed Cr. V. Wood of the Shire of South Gippsland and Mr. J. Gunn of the local Progress Association that in view of the financial difficulties facing the Railways during the current year they were unable to undertake the work of providing electric lighting at the station.

(56/6337)

CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND

24.

On 28/2/56 the Welshpool Progress Association wrote the Secretary for Railways requesting the lease of a piece of land 140' x 118' on which the Association desired to provide a children's playground.

The land desired is at present leased to the Lands Department and its proximity to the siding makes its conversion to a children's playground undesirable from a safety point of view.

WELSHPOOL (Contd.)

CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND

The Secretary for Railways advised the Association accordingly on 27/4/56.

(56/2296)

GOODS SHED

25.

On 30/4/55 the Welshpool Progress Association wrote the Secretary for Railways complaining of the condition and size of the goods shed at this station.

Inquiry revealed that, apart from a small portion of the decking of the goods platform, the goods shed platform and ramp were in good serviceable condition. Repairs to the decking have since been effected.

No difficulty is experienced in handling the traffic, although on the day the van truck is unloaded some consignments may have to be moved to reach other goods in the shed.

It is considered the existing facilities reasonably meet requirements and an increase in accommodation is not warranted.

The Welshpool Progress Association was notified accordingly by the Secretary for Railways on 19/7/55.

(55/4636)

CROSSING GATES

26.

In April last Mr. F. G. Fryer wrote to the Commissioners regarding the condition of the crossing gates at Linforth Road Welshpool. One new gate was provided and the other gate repaired to overcome the difficulties complained of.

(57/4072)

BOUNDARY FENCING

27.

In July last year Hon. Sir Herbert Hyland M.L.A. made representations to the Commissioners on behalf of a Mr. A. Sutherland regarding the condition of railway fencing adjoining his property at Welshpool.

On 7th August, 1957 the Secretary for Railways replied to Sir Herbert Hyland as follows:-

"Referring to the attached letter addressed to you by Mr. Arther Sutherland, of Welshpool, the Commissioners are not obliged to erect maintain or contribute to the cost of erection or maintenance of boundary fencing on the Yarram line, although they maintain a fence to a standard to suit departmental requirements.

The quotation submitted by Mr. Sutherland for the repair of the fence in question has now been accepted."

(57/6957)

COMPLETED

28.

- |           |                                 |
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| 24. 8. 56 | Provision of a 3 ton jib crane. |
| 26. 6. 57 | Repairs to cattle yards etc.    |



AGNES

29.

No-one-charge

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
1954	75	90	-	204	-	-	-	-	3
1955	74	112	-	106	-	-	-	-	6
1956	105	106	7	121	-	-	-	-	9
1957	62	73	-	131	-	-	-	-	4

RETENTION OF SIDING

30.

In view of the small amount of traffic dealt with at Agnes for the previous (3) years, the Commissioners indicated in July, 1956 that they were not prepared to incur further expenditure on the existing facilities.

The question of the retention of the siding is to be submitted for further decision when any appreciable expenditure becomes necessary.

(56/7843)

FENCING

31.

On 4/7/55 Mr. J. Nicol wrote complaining of the condition of fencing adjoining his property near Agnes station and of the prevalence of rabbits and noxious weeds along the line.

Mr. Nicol also requested that surplus railway land which he was leasing, be sold to him.

The fencing complained of is on the boundary of the land leased by Mr. Nicol.

He was informed on 7/10/55 that control of noxious weeds and vermin on leased land and maintenance of the fencing were his responsibility.

He was also informed that the land surplus to railway requirements was small and did not warrant survey and other costs which would be incurred to enable its sale.

Arrangements were made to spray weeds on the railway side of the fence and it was disclosed in July 1957 that the weeds and rabbits were being kept in check.

(55/7027)

TOORA

32.

Mr. L. F. Collett, Stationmaster, Class 8.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage			Livestock			
			Out	In	Wool Bales	Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1954	14192	1723	2958	11316	238	150	98	24	18
1955	14249	1674	2868	10813	208	151	91	39	23
1956	15262	1437	3288	8705	198	145	70	58	2
1957	13588	1588	2851	7266	391	133	57	40	2

APPROACH ROAD TO TRUCKING YARDS

33.

"At Toora on tour on 24th July 1956 representations were made to the Commissioners by Councillor A. Lonsdale of the Shire of South Gippsland, in regard to the approach road to the trucking yards.

It was stated that, owing to the heavy traffic to and from British United Dairies, there is serious congestion when stock is driven to the trucking yards from the roadway at the 'down' end. There is a road half a chain wide at the 'up' end leading towards the trucking yards which could be used for stock.

The Commissioners pointed out that the congestion was caused by the concentration of road traffic and they could not see their way to incur the expense that would be involved in providing the approach. The half chain roadway did not belong to the Department but appeared to be a Council road, and, if those concerned wished to use it as an approach to the trucking yards, it would be necessary for the Council to bear the cost.

However, if the Council submitted a proposition the Commissioners would be prepared to look into it".

Nothing further has been heard from the Council.

(56/7838).

D.R. 395

34.

A contract has been let for installation of two additional power points in D.R.395.

(W. & W. 14035/56)

BENNISON

35.

Mrs. M. D. I. Brown, Caretaker, Class 3.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage			Livestock			
			Out	In	Wool Bales	Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1954	293	425	3	172	32	-	-	-	-
1955	250	358	4	283	53	-	-	-	-
1956	206	254	7	205	12	-	-	-	-
1957	229	189	5	159	1	-	-	-	-

FOSTER

36.

Mr. C.H. Lilford Stationmaster Class 8. A/L.

Mr. N.A. Currie, Rtg. Stationmaster Class 8.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage			Livestock			
			Out	Wool	In Bales	Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1954	6779	2717	843	4989	296	97	73	104	51
1955	7858	2616	1033	4936	342	107	76	107	36
1956	7674	2223	1089	5838	432	75	73	132	54
1957	8123	2100	1141	7741	530	99	87	150	35

STATION BUILDINGS

37.

In 1953, the Shire of South Gippsland and the local Progress Association made representations per the Hon. the Minister that new station buildings be erected at Foster.

On 7/12/53 the Chairman advised the Hon. the Minister that "the station buildings at Foster are generally in good condition, requiring only minor repairs and painting and, in the circumstances, the provision of new buildings is not warranted.

Staff is in the area carrying out a programme of painting of stations and departmental residences on the Yarram line and Foster station will be painted next year after a number of other locations have been done".

The station buildings have been painted.

(53/12011)

POWER POINT AND ELECTRIC URN.

38.

In July last the Stationmaster made application for the installation of a power point and electric urn for water heating purposes but it was considered there was no justification for incurring the expenditure involved and the request was declined.

(16/328/1)

FENCING.

39.

On 15/6/56, the Australian Primary Producers' Union complained of the very bad state of repair of some of the railway fences in the Foster area and the Secretary for Railways replied as under on 27/11/56:-

"With reference to your letter of 15th June, the fencing of the railway land between Hoddle and Foster has been inspected, and approximately 2 miles requires renewal, and repairs are necessary to other sections.

Departmental staff is not available to carry out the work and the necessary material is on hand, but we have been unsuccessful in obtaining contractors to do the work. We are, however, again inviting tenders with a view to having the repairs and renewals effected as early as practicable.

I might mention that the Commissioners are not obliged to maintain the fences, but they do so for their own purposes. The legal responsibility for repairs to the fencing in question rests with the adjoining landholders, and they might co-operate by submitting tenders for the work."

(56/6338)  
(56/6338)

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FOSTER (Contd.)

40.

D.R. 392

A contract has been let for installation of a power point in the kitchen of D.R.392.

(W & W 10243/57)

COMPLETED

41.

4. 1. 57 Provision of a 70 ft. turntable and a new 30 ft. ashpit.

HODDLE

42.

No-one-in-Charge

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
1954	276	419	10	143	-	-	-	4	-
1955	228	322	11	107	-	-	-	-	-
1956	112	154	5	152	-	-	-	-	-
1957	138	145	51	118	-	-	-	-	7

COMPLETED

43.

29.3.57 Replacement of office and van goods shed with open shed and locker.

HODDLE AND FISH CREEK

44.

OCCUPATION CROSSING AT LOOM. 56 Ch.

At Hoddle on tour on 27/4/55 representations were made to the Commissioners by a deputation comprising Messrs. J. Pritchard J. Stewart, and F. McInnes that some improvements be made to the view at this crossing.

It was stated that the view is particularly restricted, that several "narrow nisses" have occurred and that every school day children are conveyed by motor car over the crossing.

The deputation was informed that the crossing is an occupation one, that the view could be improved by reducing the height of the banks of the cutting, and that the Commissioners regretted they could not see their way to bear any portion of the cost that would be involved.

The deputation expressed the view, however, that unless a very large amount of earth were removed, the view approaching trains would still be very restricted, and they asked whether consideration would be given to the provision of an overhead bridge.

Continued.

HODDLE & FISH CREEK (Contd.)

OCCUPATION CROSSING AT LOOM. 56Ch.

They were informed that while the Commissioners would be glad to look into the matter they would not be willing to bear any portion of the cost.

At the request of the deputation an inspection was subsequently made at the crossing, and it was evident that the provision of an overhead bridge (which would involve raising the telegraph lines) would be very costly.

The deputation was informed that the only practicable way to improve the existing conditions would be to reduce the height of the embankments, and, after discussion those concerned agreed.

Mr. Pritchard said he had a bull-dozer on his farm which could be used for the purpose of lowering the embankments, and that as soon as those concerned were prepared to go on with the work the Department would be advised so that the necessary arrangements could be made for the disposal of the spoil.

Nothing further has transpired in the matter.

(54/12895)

FISH CREEK

45

Mr. G. W. Tickner, Asst. Stationmaster, Class 4.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Out	Tonnage		Livestock			
				Wool In Bales	Outwards		Inwards		
					Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	
1954	9074	3026	1270	4896	466	92	124	80	29
1955	10653	2520	1533	4587	204	146	159	70	53
1956	9539	2018	1502	4583	405	107	175	91	99
1957	9090	1611	1373	4236	485	115	130	94	76

PASSENGER PLATFORM

46.

The passenger platform is approximately 10 inches lower than the standard platform height and the question of raising its level is being kept under review.

(52/10619)

VEHICLES OBSTRUCTING APPROACH ROAD

47.

Arrangements are in course with B.P. Australia Ltd. for relocation of two petrol pumps at C.S.B. Motors to obviate vehicles obstructing the station approach roadway.

(57/11718)

STOCK YARDS

48.

Complaints have been made by the Fish Creek Progress Association concerning the condition of the stock yards.

Continued.

FISH CREEK (Contd.)

STOCK YARDS. (Contd.)

In 1955 it was considered that the yards were in reasonably good order and that no major renewals would be required for at least 5 years.

However, in view of the heavy rainfall in this area, a scheme was prepared for concreting the sheep crush yards and providing a concrete lined drain between the crushes and the holding yards.

The matter was mentioned at Fish Creek on tour on 24/7/56 when Cr. W. Gale of the Shire of South Gippsland and Messrs Ryan and Kerr were informed by the Commissioners that the sheep crushing yards and race would be surfaced in concrete and the pitchers re-set in the cattle race.

On 2nd January, 1958, International Packers Pty. Ltd. wrote to the Estate Officer suggesting an enlargement of the holding and loading facilities for cattle and pigs and the matter is being investigated.

(56/8040)  
(145813<sup>L</sup> 143873<sup>L</sup>)

Papers on Tour.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSING.

49.

The Shire of South Gippsland has requested permission to construct a pedestrian crossing over the line at Fish Creek.

The matter is being investigated by the Level Crossing Committee.

(57/13258)

D.R. 2086.

50.

At Fish Creek on tour on 24th July, 1956, Mrs. Tulloch wife of the Assistant Stationmaster said that they were occupying an old departmental residence while a pre-cut residence there was vacant. It is understood that a Ganger will occupy the latter house.

Mrs. Tulloch said that they were prepared to pay the higher rental involved for the pre-cut house and Mr. Tulloch was instructed to submit an application for the pre-cut residence.

Mr. J. A. Tulloch who was subsequently transferred to Yarragon occupied a new pre-cut D.R. at Fish Creek on 26/8/56 and the same day vacated D.R. 2086 leaving it available for the Way and Works Branch.

(56/7764)

COMPLETED.

51.

26.8.57 Installation of electricity at the station.

8.11.57 Shortening of stock-siding.

31.1.57 Erection of 6 ton crane.

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BUFFALO.

Mrs. M. I. E. Martin, Caretaker, Class 4.

52.

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
1954	1597	915	49	1462	275	24	50	29	30
1955	2302	640	77	1298	291	69	67	41	16
1956	2723	553	102	1962	268	55	88	48	80
1957	2384	434	58	1839	329	24	109	64	24

STOCKYARDS.

53.

On previous tour, request was made by Messrs. Carmichael and Hasset that a transport ramp be provided and that a gate with a lead-in wing fence be installed at the south-east corner of the yards.

The Commissioners promised to instal the gate and to provide material for the wing fence if local users would provide the labor. It was also promised that a transport ramp would be provided when staff was available.

The gate has been provided and the transport ramp has been listed for attention when circumstances permit.

(56/8037)

STONY CREEK.

Mr. L. R. McKendry, Asst. Stationmaster, Class 5.

54.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passengers Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1954	1765	1189	126	1220	95	37	35	27	20
1955	1906	1160	290	1359	130	28	20	45	28
1956	1184	1541	123	1357	78	7	13	13	53
1957	1174	713	87	1332	131	23	11	31	20

MOST IMPROVED RESIDENCE.

55.

In connection with the 1956 Competition for the Most Improved Departmental Residence, D.R. 387, occupied by Mr. H. J. Weaver Asst. Stationmaster, was awarded first prize of £7/0/0 as the Most Improved Residence, without piped water supply, in the Korumburra Works Foreman's section.

WORKING OF STATION.

56.

A proposal to work this station under Caretaker conditions by transferring the crossing loop and electric staff instruments to Meenyan (£5,577) has been listed for attention when circumstances permit.

The purpose of the scheme is to enable the withdrawal of a qualified safeworking man of which there is a serious shortage.

(W.W. 7272/55)

STONY CREEK (Contd.)

CONDITION OF FOOTPATH.

57.

On tour on 27/4/55 representations were made to the Commissioners by Mr. M.J. Ryan relative to the condition and lighting of the footpath leading from the passenger side to the street. He pointed out that the footpath crosses several drains and the old sleepers used for bridging are very rough and might lead to a mishap.

On 8/8/55 the Secretary for Railways wrote Mr. Ryan advising that the path had been chipped back and resurfaced, and hand rails provided at culverts, but that it was considered the passenger traffic did not warrant the installation of lighting.

(55/4328)

STOCKYARDS.

58.

On previous tour representations were made by Mr. J. Inglis that the fencing of the stockyards was unsatisfactory and that battens were missing from the upper tier of the sheep loading race.

It was explained to Mr. Inglis that the volume of stock loaded at the yards did not justify any large expenditure on repairs. The Commissioners were prepared however, to provide second hand sleepers to dummy up a number of the fence posts of the cattle yard and repair the wing fence of the upper loading race if the local people would do the work. Also the necessary material to repair the gates inside the yard would be supplied on the same basis.

No action has so far been taken by the local consignors.

(56/8025)

COMPLETED.

59  
&  
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27/12/56 Attention to grading and gravelling of roadway by Shire of Woorayl.  
Relocation of roadway and goods yard entrances.

STONY CREEK - LEONGATHA.

REMOVAL OF OCCUPATION CROSSING.

61.

Land on both sides of the occupation crossing at 80 m. 17 chs. 79 lks. is now separately owned and there is no obligation on the Department to maintain the crossing.

Arrangements are being made for its abolition.

(56/11328)



MEENIYAN.

Mr. D.E. Plumridge, Stationmaster, Class 8.

62.

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
1954	8430	3537	1183	5693	215	139	192	70	29
1955	9460	3207	1688	5261	241	167	141	80	24
1956	9818	2524	2223	5438	544	144	88	68	21
1957	10147	2028	2413	5239	395	137	86	119	30

SEPTIC TANK.

63.

Shire of Woorayl has advised of its intention to provide septic tanks at the station and (3) departmental residences and the matter has been referred to the Chief Civil Engineer.

(16/585/2)

RETICULATED WATER SUPPLY.

64.

Consideration has been given to the necessity for providing reticulated water supply at the station but it is considered in the light of the present finance position the expense is not justified.

(16/585/1)

CROSSING FACILITIES.

65.

The proposal to transfer crossing facilities from Stony Creek (See note 56) involves the provision of a crossing at Meeniyan which, with the necessary alterations to track work is estimated to cost £3,646 (at Meeniyan).

The matter is listed for attention when circumstances permit.  
(W & W.7272/55).

APPROACH ROAD.

66.

At Meeniyan on tour on 24th July, 1956, representations were made by Cr. A.H. Richards of the Shire of Leongatha in regard to the approach road to the passenger platform and the road in the goods area.

It was stated that the Council would have, in December or January sealing plant available to carry out the work and that if the roads were sealed, a saving in maintenance would be effected.

The Commissioners pointed out that the existing roads were in reasonable condition and in view of the necessity to use the available finance to the best advantage, they would not be justified in having the roads sealed.

(56/8031)

SHELTER ON SIDING FRONTAGE.

67.

In September, 1957 the Dumbalk Butter and Cheese Coy. Ltd. requested the provision of a shelter on the siding frontage at Meeniyan to protect the Company's goods during loading and unloading operations in wet weather but the request was declined on the grounds that it was not the practice to make such a provision on public sidings and the Commissioners would not have been justified in making an exception in the case of Meeniyan.

(57/10060)

MEENIYAN (Contd.)

COMPLETED.

68.

- 30/10/57 Connection of three residences to Meeniyam Waterworks Trust Supply.  
 29/5/57 Provision of an electric light at the stockyards.

TARWIN.

Mrs. L.B. Rhode, Caretaker, Class 1.

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
1954	651	989	32	960	16	3	12	6	1
1955	570	969	26	1102	16	6	4	-	-
1956	532	802	16	977	11	7	5	6	-
1957	485	620	25	999	31	5	5	-	3

GOODS SHED.

70.

On tour on 27/4/55 representations were made to the Commissioners by Mr. G. Brown that the goods shed which was burnt down some time ago be replaced.

On 6/6/55 the Secretary for Railways replied to Mr. Brown inter alia - "Reports disclose that truck load consignments are placed in the siding and that delivery is taken direct from the trucks, and the light goods, including perishable consignments, are generally unloaded at the passenger platform and placed in the van goods shed where adequate accommodation is available. The outwards traffic is very light and consists mainly of small consignments which are taken to the passenger platform.

In the circumstances, restoration of the goods shed is not warranted, and my Commissioners regret they cannot see their way to accede to this request."

(55/4249)

STOCKYARDS.

71.

Sheep traffic from Tarwin has been negligible and the sheep yards have been allowed to run to ruin.

When staff can be made available, it is proposed to dismantle the sheep yards and use the released material to patch up the cattle yards.

(56/7842)

BOUNDARY FENCING.

72.

In September last Messrs H. Roberts & Son wrote to the Department drawing attention to the bad condition of the railway fences in the vicinity of the Tarwin station On 18/11/57 the Secretary for Railways replied as under :-

Continued.

TARWIN (Contd.)

BOUNDARY FENCING. (Contd.)

"With reference to your letter of 30th September, I have to advise that this Department is not obliged to maintain, or contribute to the cost of erection or maintenance, of the boundary fencing along the railway reserve adjoining your property at Tarwin, although the Department maintains fencing of a standard to meet its own requirements.

When departmental labor becomes available it is intended to repair the section of fencing between 95 m. 60 c. and 95 m. 70 c. and to renew the remainder between 95 m. 70 c. and 96 m. 10 c.

However, there is little prospect of our being in a position to assign staff to that work in the immediate future, and if you decide in the meantime to carry out such repairs and renewals at your own cost, no objection will be raised by this Department."  
(57/10382)

D.R. 3092.

73.

A request for provision of electric lighting in D.R. 3092 is being investigated.

(W.W.18054/57)

KOONWARRA.

Mrs. J.I. Yates, Caretaker, Class 5.

74.

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
1954	507	678	34	572	37	7	10	4	5
1955	389	566	35	273	39	1	6	14	34
1956	411	573	12	663	19	5	8	19	6
1957	297	590	22	570	30	6	-	32	8

GOODS PLATFORM.

75.

It is proposed to reduce the timber decked goods platform from 50 ft. to 20 ft. in length.

(16/485/1)

LEVEL CROSSING.

76.

In August, 1956 the Leongatha Branch of the C.W.A. wrote to the Department asking that action be taken to improve the view of motorists at the Koonwarra level crossing, the Secretary for Railways replied as follows:-

"I have to advise that some years ago improvement was effected by the removal of high ground on both sides of the line in order to afford roadusers a clear view of 300 feet of the line at a distance of 100 feet from the track.

A recent inspection of the crossing in question showed that the area previously excavated has been kept free of growth and the clear view satisfactorily maintained."

(56/8343)

LEONGATHA.

Mr. D.W. Gleeson, Stationmaster, Class 5. 77.

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
1954	42216	17549	8542	23485	1343	313	533	257	195
1955	37713	17879	6945	21466	1082	308	469	232	168
1956	35618	16066	6772	20421	706	176	435	190	136
1957	31861	14302	5875	20218	669	129	341	285	128

MOST IMPROVED RESIDENCE. 78.

In connection with 1956 Competition for the Most Improved Departmental Residence, D.R. 3656, occupied by Rail Motor Driver R.G. Hughes was awarded second prize of £3/7/6d as the Most Improved Residence with piped water supply in the Korumburra Works Foreman's section.

PASSENGER APPROACH ROAD. 79.

At Leongatha on tour on 24/7/56 representations were made by Cr. C.A. Bond of the Shire of Woorayl that the approach road to the passenger platform was in poor condition and it was suggested that it be sealed.

The Commissioners pointed out that it had recently been repaired and was in good condition. Observations indicated that it was also used by road traffic which did not stop at the station. In the circumstances and in view of the shortage of funds for work of this nature, they were unable to undertake the work.

Councillor Mc Indoe of the Shire of Woorayl interviewed the Chief Civil Engineer on this subject on 13/5/57 and stated that the Council would co-operate in reshaping and sealing the road. When it was pointed out to him that it was not then the time of the year for sealing, Cr. McIndoe said he thought that if the matter was discussed then the work, if necessary, could be programmed for sealing in February or March, 1958.

The matter has been pended for consideration on the next Commissioners tour.

(Papers on tour). (56/8030)

CRANE. 80.

Arrangements have been made for electrification of the lifting crane at Leongatha.

It is proposed to commence the work early in March 1958.  
(57/1089)

D.R. 2375. 81.

An additional room is to be provided at this house when staff can be made available.  
(W.W. 7894/57)

REST HOUSE. 82.

A sewerred convenience is to be provided at the Rest House when staff can be made available.  
(W.W. 1159/57)

COMPLETED. 83.

- 26.10.56 Alteration of station water supply to improve pressure.
- 1.11.57 Dual purpose transport ramp.

RUBY

Mrs. K.M. Durston, Caretaker, Class 5. 84.

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
1954	1421	223	20	217	86	46	73	28	22
1955	1216	167	13	176	96	32	73	14	28
1956	882	130	18	228	108	12	30	12	33
1957	649	117	22	328	118	17	25	5	1

RUBY - KARDELLA.

REALIGNMENT OF CURVES.

85.

On tour on 28.4.55 the Commissioners noted that realignment of a number of the 20 chain curves to improve the curvature appeared practicable involving a comparatively small amount of earthworks, and desired that an exploratory investigation be carried out to determine approximately the cost involved and if any improvement in schedules would result.

Investigation revealed that the present curves restrict speed to 30 m.p.h., but this could be increased to 40 m.p.h. by realignment of approximately  $1\frac{3}{4}$  miles of track, although very heavy earthworks would be required at an estimated cost of £300,000.

The Chief Traffic Manager reported on 23.12.55 that as similar track conditions apply for a considerable distance in the heavy country on the South Eastern Line the small advantage to be gained in the area did not justify the incurring of the expenditure involved.

(55/4442)

KARDELLA

No-one-in-Charge.

86.

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
1954	724	441	13	425	15	54	-	37	-
1955	636	461	-	316	-	50	-	37	-
1956	260	521	-	458	-	16	-	24	3
1957	169	99	-	464	-	10	-	12	-

KARDELLA (Contd.)

STATION FACILITIES.

87.

The office and waiting room are to be replaced with a mallee shed and locker.

Staff is not available at present.

(55/4972)

STOCK YARDS.

88.

At Kardella on tour in 1955, the Shire of Korumburra requested the provision of a drafting race and intimated that if the department would provide the facing for an unloading platform, local stock consignees would be willing to provide the requisite filling.

However, it was considered that the business offering did not justify the provision of a drafting race and platform and the requests were declined.

A scheme has been prepared for the renewal of the stock yards at this location to the extent necessary for the handling of the limited amount of traffic offering when such action becomes necessary. In the meantime, the existing yards are being kept in a workable condition.

Papers on tour.

(54/4313)

COAL CREEK SIDING.

No-one-in-Charge.

89.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outwards Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1954	914	-	988	-	-	-	-	-	-
1955	2197	-	1899	-	-	-	-	-	-
1956	154	-	155	-	-	-	-	-	-
1957	57	-	48	-	-	-	-	-	-

KORUMBURRA

Mr. J.L.R. Butler, Stationmaster, Class 3. 90.  
Refreshment Rooms Manageress, Miss M. Kelly.  
Rolling Stock Branch:- Sub-Foreman J. Tomlinson.  
Total Staff - 30; Engines 7.

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
1954	28471	16899	6749	17255	574	149	346	190	135
1955	30548	17891	7486	17667	770	143	345	164	144
1956	28698	15957	7030	16998	580	164	243	154	139
1957	27572	14011	7453	17143	672	128	215	186	126

LIGHTING OF SUBWAY. 91.

The Shire of Korumburra has requested that electric lighting be provided in the subway at the station.

The matter is being investigated.

(57/8070)

FOOTWARMER PLANT.

The footwarmer plant at Korumburra is to be transferred to Leongatha when staff can be made available.

*8/10 and 4 5.30pm down now 280HP SRC*

92.

(W.W. 5080/57)

LAND FOR CAR PARK.

93.

On previous tour, representations were made by the Shire of Korumburra regarding the lease of an area of railway land east of the livestock trucking yards for car parking purposes.

An offer of a monthly tenancy of the land at a rental of £150 per annum was made to the Shire on 22.1.57. On 6.3.57 the Shire requested a review of the proposed annual rental.

The Shire was informed on 14.3.57 that the rent requested was considered reasonable.

No reply was received and on 20.8.57, the Shire was informed that the offer had been withdrawn.

(56/8038)

LEASE OF LAND.

94.

An area of land in Commercial Street has been leased to the Shire of Korumburra, since 1934, as a car-parking area at a rental of £1 per annum.

The adjoining site was leased recently to Caltex Oil (Australia) Pty. Ltd., for the erection of a service station, at a rental of £456 per annum.

In view of the high commercial value of the land leased to the Shire, the Shire was informed on 16.12.57 that it was proposed to terminate it's tenancy of the land. The Shire was offered a new lease of the area for a term of 21 years at a rental of £350 per annum and was informed that unless an acceptance of the offer was received by 13.1.58, public tenders would be invited for lease of the land.

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KORUMBURRA (Contd.)

LEASE OF LAND (Contd.)

It is understood that a deputation from the Shire will meet the Commissioners at Korumburra to discuss the matter.

Papers on tour.

(57/8382)

GOODS SHED TELEPHONES.

95.

A switchbox, in connection with the various telephones located in the goods shed, is to be provided on the goods Clerk's table, and the Western Electric telephone connected to the goods shed when staff is available.

(W.W.16493/56)

COAL HANDLING EQUIPMENT.

96.

The installation of mechanical coal and ash handling equipment is in hand.

It is anticipated that the work will be completed by the end of March, 1958.

(57/5507)

LAND FOR V.R.I. TENNIS COURT.

97.

In December, 1956 the V.R.I. made representations to the Department that land in the railway yard at Korumburra be made available to the Institute for the construction of a tennis court but the request was refused on the grounds that tenders were to be called for the leasing of the land referred to for business purposes.

(56/13189)

FOOTWAY ON DOWN SIDE OF OVERHEAD BRIDGE AND VIEW NEAR ENGINE SHED.

98.

On tour on 28.4.54 representations were made to the Commissioners by a deputation from the Shire of Korumburra that when the overhead bridge on the Down side of the station is being constructed provision be made for the construction at a later date of a footway on the down side.

The deputation stated that with the increasing traffic over the bridge pedestrians are being submitted to serious risk and that while the Council could not undertake the provision of a footway at this stage it proposed to do so at a later date.

Attention was also drawn to the dangerous conditions involved in negotiating the corner near the engine shed and it was asked whether the engine shed could be cut back so as to afford a better view for drivers of road vehicles.

It was pointed out to the deputation that the proposed improvements are apparently necessary because of the developing road traffic in the vicinity and that in such circumstances the cost involved would require to be defrayed by the Council. The matter would be investigated and the Council advised as to the costs that would be involved in complying with its request.

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KORUMBURRA (Contd.)

FOOTWAY ON DOWN SIDE OF OVERHEAD BRIDGE AND VIEW NEAR ENGINE SHED  
(Contd.) 98.

On 14.1.55 the Secretary for Railways wrote the Shire Council saying "It will be practicable to provide a footpath at some future date on the down side of the new bridge to be constructed over the railway at the down end of the Korumburra station yard.

Your Council would of course require to bear the whole of the cost involved."

"There would be no objection to portion of the engine shed at this location being removed, and arrangements will be made accordingly if your Council so desires and will bear the whole of the cost, estimated at £400, involved."

The matter was raised by Cr. Riddell, President of the Shire of Korumburra when the Commissioners were on tour on 25.7.56 and the Commissioners again indicated that portion of the engine shed would be cut back if the Council was prepared to pay for the work.

No reply has been received from the Council but in March, 1957, Mrs. Decima Mayne, Town Riding Councillor, of the Korumburra Shire sought a personal interview with the Commissioners, in connection with this and other matters, through Mr. Cochrane, M.L.A., and on 21/3/57 the Secretary for Railways wrote to Mr. Cochrane "inter alia."

"The bridge is due for renewal, and instructions for the carrying out of the work are in course of preparation. Suitable provision will be made for construction of a footway by the Council, and on request the conditions under which it may be constructed will be supplied."

"In view of the position as indicated above with regard to the matters referred to, it would not appear that the proposed interview is necessary, but this will be arranged if it is still desired."

Nothing further has been heard of the matter.

Papers on tour.

(54/4422)

DRAINAGE TRUCKING YARDS.

99.

At Korumburra on tour on 25th July, 1956 representations were made to the Commissioners by Councillor H. Dowell, Shire President, and the Shire Engineer, in regard to the drainage from the livestock trucking yards.

It was stated that drainage from the yards is flowing under the adjoining road and into the Council's sale yards. The Council was prepared to provide, at the Department's cost, a concrete channel along the southern side of the trucking yards (a length of approximately 150 ft.) at 10/- per foot.

The Commissioners pointed out that all the drainage involved was not coming from the trucking yards, but that they would be prepared to contribute 50 per cent of the cost of the proposed channel, if the Council contributed the other half.

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KORUMBURRA (Contd.)

DRAINAGE TRUCKING YARDS (Contd.)

99.

The Council representatives stated that they considered this offer would be acceptable, and that it would be submitted for early approval and the decision conveyed to the Department in the next week or so. It was agreed that the Council would maintain the channel.

There has been no further communication from the Council on the subject.

(56/7841)

LEASE OF LAND FOR SALEYARDS.

100.

In May, 1953 the Shire of Korumburra requested that an area adjoining the railway trucking yards on which to construct portion of its proposed new sale yards be leased to the Shire and also that the railway trucking yards be leased to the Shire temporarily for sales while the Council is erecting the new sale yards.

An area 180' x 60' immediately on the up side of the trucking yards was suitable and the Hon. the Minister was advised the conditions under which the area could be leased to the Council at a rental of £60 yearly and the trucking yards could be leased upon payment of the prescribed charge of £2.18.1 per day.

The Shire Council wrote on 29.9.53 saying that the rental of £60 yearly for the sale yards site is considered prohibitive and asking if it could not be reduced.

The Secretary for Railways replied on 23.10.53 that "the rental of £60 yearly is not considered excessive having regard to the rental received for railway land leased for similar purposes at other locations, and my Commissioners regret that they cannot see their way to reduce it."

Further advice from the Shire Council is awaited.

(53/5479)

SALE OF LAND.

101.

In August, 1957 the Shire of Korumburra wrote to the Department asking particulars of the price per acre of railway land in Shelcott's Road, Korumburra and the Secretary for Railways replied on 26th August as follows:-

"We have not made a valuation of railway land in the vicinity of Shelcott's Road, Korumburra, but if your Shire is interested in the purchase of land in that locality and will forward a plan showing the details, we will be glad to investigate the question of the price required for the land."

(57/8245)

COAL UNLOADER.

102.

Korumburra Co-operative Butter Factory Ltd. proposes to instal a mechanical coal unloader at ~~its factory~~.

The company has accepted the conditions under which this Department will permit the installation.

→ The Railway siding K'Burra. (W.W. 2496/57)

KORUMBURRA (Contd.)

D.R. 2433.

103.

An application for an additional window at D.R. 2433 is being investigated.

(W.W.18/58)

D.R. 2500.

104.

A contract has been let for the installation of two additional power points in D.R.2500.

{W.W.2226/57}  
{W.W.7986/57}

BATCHING ACCOMMODATION.

105.

A plan has been prepared for the provision of batching quarters for engine-men who are transferred to Korumburra for limited periods.

The matter is to be looked into on tour by the Chief Civil Engineer and Chief Mechanical Engineer.

(W.W.1624/57)

LAND FOR BICYCLE TRACK.

106.

The Shire of Korumburra has applied to lease part of the route of the old Jumbunna line for use as a bicycle track for students attending Korumburra High School.

The matter is being investigated.

(57/2998)

COMPLETED.

107.

- 27. 6.57 Power point installed and 32 Volt lead light provided.
- 12.11.56 Provision of sliding doors on the locomotive sub-depot sand-house.
- 11. 9.57 Provision of hot water shower and washing facilities at Locomotive Depot.
- 2. 8.57 Water supply to the stockyards.
- Provision of a pedestrian footpath at Warragul Road crossing. ✓
- 10. 8.56 Painting interior of V.R.I. Centre.
- Postal telephone in Road Foreman's office.
- 10. 9.56 Provision of an internal bathroom at D.R.2925.
- 28.10.57 Provision of a light in the lavatory at the locomotive depot.
- 24. 6.57 Erection of an additional pre-cut house.
- 24.12.56 Removal slot locks from Sanitary closets. ✓

KORUMBURRA - BENA.

LEVEL CROSSING AT 65M. 32CH.

108.

During their inspection of the South Eastern line on 20.10.52 the Commissioners noted that the road users' view of approaching trains at the level crossing at 65M. 32CH. appeared to be obstructed by the adjacent departmental residence.

The Level Crossing Committee inspected the location on 20.4.53 and reported that :-

"Whilst the Departmental residence is an obstruction to view of up trains (the presence of the cutting at the up end is probably a greater hazard in respect of down trains) the only persons using the crossing are residents of the two houses served by the deadend roadway who are familiar with conditions and exercise due caution."

In view of the report of the Committee the Commissioners approved of the residence being allowed to remain in position. ✓

On tour on 28.4.55 the Commissioners were informed by the occupant of the D.R. that traffic over this crossing had increased.

At the request of the Commissioners the Level Crossing Committee made further investigations, and reported on 5.7.55 that the increased traffic had resulted from greater use being made of the crossing by the residents of the two houses previously referred to. However, this location is listed for the provision of 'Stop' signs and erection of these will be arranged as the signs become available. ✓

(52/11079)

LEVEL CROSSING AT 66M. 47CH. (WHITELAW).

109.

As a result of investigation by the Level Crossing Committee in 1945, approval was given for the abolition of D.R. 365 and the provision of cattle pits, with flashing light signals, at the level crossing at 66M. 47CHS.

It was subsequently ascertained that the road over this crossing is the regular stock route and that stock droving is prohibited along the adjacent main road, and in view of this, it was decided in 1946 that the installation of flashing light signals would be unsuitable and that, instead, a 20' wide overhead bridge be constructed some distance in the down direction in lieu of the existing crossing. However, the local Council was not prepared to assist with the necessary road formation in connection with the bridge, as it was considered the bridge would not be warranted when the Country Roads Board constructed the South Gippsland Highway on the opposite side of the line between Bena and Korumburra, which was approved by the Board in 1948. ←

At Bena on tour on 28.4.55 representations were made to the Commissioners by a deputation from the local branch of the A.P.P.U. that the level crossing at 66M. 47CH. at Whitelaw be abolished when the South Gippsland Highway is reconstructed. The deputation said it was understood that the Country Roads Board proposed to construct the Highway between Bena and Korumburra and asked that when this was done an overhead bridge be provided in place of the existing crossing. ←

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KORUMBURRA - BENA (Contd.)

109.  
(Ctd.)

The deputation was informed that it was understood the Country Roads Board had abandoned the proposal, but that the matter would be again taken up with the Board with a view to ascertaining what it proposed to do.

On 24.5.55 the Secretary for Railways wrote Mr. W. Dooling of Bena (member of the deputation on 28.4.55) as follows:- "I desire to say that enquiries from the Country Roads Board confirm the intimation made by my Commissioners at the time that the Board does not intend at present to proceed with the proposal to deviate the South Gippsland Highway from the north to the south of the railway line between the level crossings at 65M. 79CH. and 68M. 36C.

It is understood that reconstruction of certain sections of the highway on the present northern alignment is to be undertaken by the Board, but until such time as it becomes necessary to replace the existing gate-house at Whitelaw, my Commissioners regret they cannot see their way to accede to the request that the existing crossing be replaced by an overhead bridge. Arrangements are being made to provide a warning bell at an estimated cost of £628, to advise the gatekeeper of the approach of 'up' trains.

(48/6568. 55/4446)

BENA

110.

Mr. J.R. Craig, Asst. Stationmaster, Class 5  
Mr. V.L. Caldwell, Asst. Stationmaster, Class 5 A/L  
Mr. G. Lamck, Rtg. Asst. Stationmaster, Class 5

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
1954	1099	2054	26	1116	60	21	6	24	10
1955	1024	1180	66	1219	50	23	18	35	12
1956	977	1280	89	1344	42	9	20	20	10
1957	816	1064	75	1333	39	9	9	39	22

APPROACH ROAD.

111.

At Bena on tour on 25th July, representations were made to the Commissioners by Cr. J. Canobio of the Shire of Korumburra and the Shire Engineer, that the approach road to the passenger platform be sealed.

The Commissioners pointed out that, although the road was being inspected under adverse weather conditions, it was in good condition, having recently been patched and the request could not be acceded to.

(56/8032)

CROSSING WORK.

112.

Instructions were issued recently for renewal of the main line turnout at the up end of the yard.

(57/12661)

BENA (Contd.)

WIDENING OF BRIDGE

113.

On tour on 28.4.55 representations were made to the Commissioners by a deputation from the local branch of the A.P.P.U. that the narrow bridge over the railway on the Bena-Kongwak Road required widening on account of the increase in road traffic.

It was pointed out to the deputation that when the bridge was built it was satisfactory for the road traffic and as any additional width required had been brought about by the increase in the number of road vehicles using it, the Commissioners could not see their way to bear any portion of the cost that would be involved in widening the bridge.

(55/4537)

FOOTPATHS TO D.R.'s.

114.

At Bena on tour on 25/7/56, representations were made to the Commissioners by Cr. J. Canobio of the Shire of Korumburra, and the Shire Engineer in regard to the construction of footpaths in front of three departmental houses in the main street and they requested that this Department contribute the normal 50 per cent of the cost of the work.

The Commissioners explained that they are not liable for the cost of such work but that the Public Works Department makes ex gratia payments to Councils in respect of work of this nature. The matter would be looked into and the Shire informed of what contribution, if any, would be made for the footpaths in question.

The Shire was later advised that the decision of the Government to make ex-gratia payments to Municipalities for the construction of streets adjacent to Government buildings would apply in this case and on 27/11/57 the Comptroller of Accounts reported that an account for £90/18/0 in favor of the Shire of Korumburra for the construction of the footpaths and crossings fronting departmental residences at Bena had been forwarded to the Public Work's Department for payment.

(56/8033)

JEETHO

115.

No-one-in-Charge

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
1954	117	114	-	79	5	5	1	7	3
1955	173	111	33	99	8	6	-	10	5
1956	75	83	-	108	-	4	-	8	-
1957	111	46	1	499	-	10	-	12	-

16  
21  
12  
22

JEETHO (Contd.)

116.

WAITING ROOM AND SCALES.

On 16.5.55 the A.P.P.U. requested the provision of a seat in the waiting shelter and a set of scales for weighing veal carcasses.

The seat was provided. ✓

With respect to the set of scales, the vealer season has a duration of only three months (September, October and November) and, as the vealer traffic is very light from Jeetho and difficulty could be experienced in safeguarding the weights for scales if placed there, the provision of scales was not approved.

The A.P.P.U. was notified accordingly on 14.7.55 by the Secretary for Railways.

(55/4991)

GOODS PLATFORM

117.

Consideration is being given to a suggestion that the timber goods platform at this station which is in excess of requirements be reduced in length by 30 ft. leaving 20 ft. of platform in addition to the 20 ft. on which the goods shed stands. ✓

(16/440/1)

RETENTION OF TRUCKING FACILITIES

118.

On tour in April, 1955 the Commissioners desired that the question of justification for retention of the trucking facilities at this station should be investigated.

In 1951 an agreement was made with the users of the yards that the Department would maintain the loading races, if the users at their cost but with material supplied by the Department would maintain the crush, holding yards and fencing.

The users of the yards have adhered to the conditions of the agreement. ✓

(55/4373)

LOCH

119.

Mr. N.G. Starke, Stationmaster Class 8

*Mr La Doule A.S.M.*

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Balcs	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1954	2434	3847	56	1552	79	43	94	45	28
1955	2363	4018	97	1384	49	36	68	48	27
1956	2191	3694	38	1301	37	23	67	42	38
1957	1667	2650	63	1268	57	22	22	43	34

NYORA

120.

Mr. L. Lalor, Stationmaster Class 6.  
Refresh. Rooms Manageress, Mrs. A. Padmore  
Rolling Stock Branch:- Dr.-in-Charge, W. Sandlant.  
Total Staff 4.

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
1954	3873	6096	1081	4540	25	5	13	38	12
1955	4361	5469	1352	4410	36	2	12	72	25
1956	4582	5494	1265	4784	30	9	15	22	32
1957	4288	4887	1151	4759	40	3	11	56	41

TREE PLANTING COMPETITION.

121.

In connection with the 1956 Tree Planting and Decoration of Barracks and Rest Houses (State Wide) Competition, Nyora Refreshment Rooms were awarded first prize for the Maintenance of Existing Trees, Gardens etc., and the prize money of £13/0/0 was paid to Mrs. Padmore, Manageress.

TILLEY LAMPS FOR OFFICE.

122.

A request for the supply of tilley lamps for use at this station on occasion of electric lighting failures, has been referred to the Chief Civil Engineer.

(16/731/3)

PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM.

123.

This station is included in the list of places to be provided with public address systems when circumstances permit.

(48/5589)

SEPTIC SEWERAGE.

124.

Early in 1957 the A.R.U. made representations for the installation of septic sewerage at the railway premises at Nyora and Koo Wee Rup but the request was declined. The minimum provision, i.e. septic closets, would have cost approximately £2,700 at Nyora and £2,000 at Koo Wee Rup.

(57/3249)

WATER SUPPLY.

125.

Arrangements are being made to replace the existing 10,000 and 20,000 gallon tanks with one new 10,000 gallon tank fitted with two spouts at an estimated cost of £2,080.

(56/7705)

DISCOLORATION OF WATER SUPPLY.

126.

On tour on 28.4.54 the occupants of two Departmental residences complained of discoloration of the local Departmental water supply which is connected to bathrooms.

Before approving of the connection of tank supplies to the bathrooms, the Commissioners desired to know whether any positive steps could be taken to rectify the difficulty by treatment of the water at the source.

A sample of the water was taken on tour and analysed. ✓  
 (Contd.)



NYORA (Contd.)

DISCOLORATION OF WATER SUPPLY.(Contd.)

The Chief Civil Engineer reported that "It was slightly discolored but was of good quality for locomotive use. Treatment of the water in the reservoir is unnecessary for locomotive purposes. Filtration or chemical treatment units of a size suitable for ablution purposes are not readily available, are costly to install and require frequent cleaning".

He recommended that no action be taken to connect the tanks to the bathrooms.

On tour on 27.4.55 the Commissioners reviewed this matter and were satisfied that this water is suitable for ablution purposes, but that tank supplies for drinking and cooking should be connected to those houses at Nyora not so serviced.

This work was completed on 9.6.55.

(54/4460)

CRANE POWER.

127.

On 12.7.56 the Poowong Produce Co. requested that consideration be given to the installation of a three tons crane at Nyora station.

The Company considered that over the past few years the volume of heavy tractors, machinery, building materials, etc., handled would probably warrant a crane.

Investigation disclosed that the traffic did not warrant the provision of a crane at Nyora and the matter is listed for review on 1/7/58.

(Papers on Tour)

(56/7210)

RENEWAL OF STOCK YARDS.

128.

On tour in 1954 the Commissioners raised the question of justification for incurring expenditure in renewing these yards.

On 21.5.54 the Chief Traffic Manager reported that the stock traffic from Nyora could be satisfactorily handled at Loch and he recommended the yards at Nyora be abolished when it becomes necessary to renew them.

On 23.6.55 Mr. L.J. Cochrane M.L.A. sought information from the Hon. the Minister as to the future of the livestock trucking yards at Nyora.

On 19/7/55 the Chairman advised the Hon. the Minister, inter alia that they had intended to abolish the Nyora trucking yards when renewal became necessary as the amount of outwards traffic did not justify their retention, however, following a review of the traffic for the year ended 30/6/55 it had been decided to retain the facilities for a further (12) months.

At Nyora on tour on 25/7/56 representations were made to the Commissioners by Cr. W.D.Cochrane of the Shire of Korumburra and Mr. D. Ferguson in regard to the condition of the trucking yards.

(Contd.)

NYORA (Contd.)

RENEWAL OF STOCK YARDS. (Contd.)

128.

After the Commissioners had pointed out that the amount of stock traffic offering in recent years had not justified any money being spent on them, the local residents undertook to put the yards in reasonable condition if the department supplied the material. This was agreed to and on 26/6/57 the Chief Civil Engineer reported repairs to the race and crush yards had been carried out by the local users and the condition of the yards was then satisfactory.

(56/8029)

PRE-FABRICATED HOUSE.

129.

Instructions have been issued for the erection of a prefabricated house for the accommodation of a Traffic Branch employe at a cost of £2,620.

(57/1440)

D.R.'s 292 and 2460

130.

A contract has been let for installation of power points in the washhouses of D.R.'s 292 and 2460.

(W.W.14309/57)  
(W.W.6674/57)

COMPLETED.

27.2.57 Painting of Refreshment Rooms.

23.8.56 Transfer of electric urn from Guard's room to signal bay.

NYORA-WOODLEIGH

131.

SUBWAY INSTEAD OF CROSSING.

By letter on 15.3.55 and on tour on 28.4.55, the Shire of Korumburra made representations that the level crossing at Yann's Road between Nyora and Woodleigh (mileage 57M. 42C.) be abolished, and an underpass (at approximately 57M. 18C) be substituted.

On 23.5.55 a letter was received from the Country Roads Board referring to this matter, and advising the estimated cost of regrading the crossing (£400) and the estimated cost of construction of a suitable underpass (£3,500) and requesting advice as to this Department's contribution to the cost.

On 21.6.55 the Secretary for Railways wrote the Secretary Shire of Korumburra inter alia:- "Our Level Crossing Committee has investigated the request that the present level crossing be abolished and an undercrossing be provided at approximate mileage 57M. 18CH. and there would be no objection by the Department to the proposal which is estimated to cost £5,500.

In response to a recent request from the Country Roads Board the latter was informed that provided the existing P.C.R. were closed this Department's contribution would be approximately £500.

The Chairman of the Inter Departmental Level Crossing Committee has intimated that conditions at this crossing are such that it would have a very low priority in any grade separation programme."  
(Contd.)

NYORA-WOODLEIGH. (Contd.)

131.

SUBWAY INSTEAD OF CROSSING. (Contd.)

The Country Roads Board was similarly advised on 21.6.55.

Arising out of representations made to the Commissioners on tour on 25/7/56 and advice that the Council was anxious to proceed with the work, the Commissioners agreed to the Department's contribution being increased to £750 and in response to its request for an up-to-date estimate of the cost of providing the underpass the Shire of Korumburra was advised on 16/11/56 that the figure was then £9,350.

Replacement of the open P.C.R. crossing at Yann's Road 57m. 42c. between Nyora and Woodleigh by an underpass structure was raised by the Shire with the Minister for Public Works in June, 1957.

After discussion it was agreed that the road, which is a Shire responsibility, carries only very light traffic and that there was no justification for according it any priority or the use of Level Crossings Funds for the purpose.

(55/2872)

WIDENING OF CROSSING AT 59M. 18C. 19L.

132.

On 22.7.54 the Country Roads Board advised that the Board's works on the South Gippsland Highway in the Korumburra Shire include work on the abovementioned railway crossing at which the roadway width between the end posts of the railway cattle pits is only 29 feet 6 inches.

The Board asked that this Department arrange for a clear width of 40 feet normal to the centre line of the road formation to be provided.

A plan (No.625/54) and estimate of cost (£415) were prepared for the widening of the crossing as desired and on 26.11.54 the Country Roads Board was informed that "this Department would be prepared to widen the crossing in question in accordance with the attached plan provided your Board will bear the actual cost of the work, estimated at £415, when ascertained."

A reply has not yet been received from the Board.

(54/7846)

WOODLEIGH.

133.

Mr. P. Verbyla, Asst. Stationmaster Class 5.

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
1954	1072	1301	15	356	43	23	44	33	10
1955	1100	869	14	283	64	29	30	32	37
1956	895	894	12	306	47	14	28	26	13
1957	793	686	29	298	101	14	24	61	14

WOODLEIGH (Contd.)

ELECTRIC LIGHTING

134.

On tour on 28.4.55 Messrs H. Dixon and S. Hunter made representations that electric lighting be installed at this station and on 13.5.56 the A.P.P.U. made a request by letter for this facility.

The passenger and van goods traffic at this station during the hours of darkness is very light and the provision of electric lighting is not warranted.

The Secretary for Railways replied accordingly to Mr. Dixon on 16.6.55 and to the A.P.P.U. on 23.6.55.

(55/4401)  
(55/5076)

DRAINAGE OF PRIVATE PROPERTY

135.

At Woodleigh on tour on 25.7.56 a Mr. G. P. Jones was given permission to plough a few furrows along railway land to facilitate the flow of drainage to a culvert under the line about 50 yards on the 'down' side of the level crossing near the station.

(56/7839)

FENCING NEAR TRUCKING YARDS.

136.

At Woodleigh on tour on 25.7.56 Cr. Dixon of the Shire of Bass drew the attention of the Commissioners to the condition of the fencing of the station yard boundary from the livestock trucking yards to the public roadway and stated that cattle being driven through the station yard to the trucking yards could jump the fence in places.

The Commissioners promised to have the necessary repairs carried out and these were completed on 22.10.56.

(56/7839)

SEPTIC SEWERAGE.

137.

Consideration is being given to the matter of installation of septic tanks at the (3) D.R.'s at this location.

(W.W.16858/57)

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY, 12th FEBRUARY, 1958

KERNOT

Mrs. C.M. Walshe, Caretaker Class 4a 138.

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
1954	613	841	12	467	23	9	10	39	13
1955	466	838	9	319	53	2	6	44	19
1956	419	517	9	345	44	9	8	64	38
1957	479	448	19	521	26	11	9	60	13

ELECTRIC LIGHTING

139

On 13.5.55 the Kernot Branch of the A.P.P.U. wrote to the Commissioners in regard to the provision of electric lighting at this station.

The passenger and van-goods traffic during the hours of darkness is very light and as the Diesel Rail Car is equipped with fluorescent lighting, it is considered the provision of electric lighting is not warranted.

The Secretary for Railways replied accordingly to the A.P.P.U. on 23.6.55.

(55/5076)

DRAINAGE GOODS YARD ENTRANCE.

140.

At Kernot on tour on 25th July, <sup>1956</sup> representations were made to the Commissioners by Mr. A. McKee in regard to drainage on railway property inside the goods yard entrance.

It was stated that a culvert under the road a few yards inside the entrance gate was blocked, causing water to bank up, and that water was not flowing in the drain a short distance west of the culvert. The drainage through the culvert normally flows to the drain.

The Commissioners promised that the culvert would be repaired and that any necessary attention would be given to the drain in question. The drain was subsequently cleared of rubbish and a 12" R.C.P. culvert provided under the approach road to allow the natural course drainage to continue outside the railway boundary.

(56/7901)

USE OF TRUCKING YARDS FOR SALE PURPOSES

141.

On tour on 28th April, 1955 Mr. A. McKee advised the Commissioners that consideration was being given by the local interests to the establishment of sale yards at Kernot and they desired to know if the Department would grant permission for the trucking yards to be used for sale purposes on one or two days a month, to enable the scheme to be decided.

The conditions for the use of the trucking yards for sale purposes were communicated to Mr. McKee on 31.5.1955, but there has been no further communication from him.

(55/4400)

COMPLETED

142.

28.8.57

Removal of occupation crossing at 64M. 7CH.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY, 12th FEBRUARY, 1958

ALMURTA.

Mrs. C.E. Bennett, Caretaker Class 4. 143.

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
1954	1366	677	7	386	56	10	62	19	68
1955	1365	719	20	357	23	14	87	27	52
1956	889	621	17	303	6	14	41	19	39
1957	1303	518	38	343	105	1	12	25	18

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GLEN FORBES

Mrs. L.M. Morgan, Caretaker Class 4. 144.

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
1954	1102	878	152	330	12	26	51	15	26
1955	959	801	119	341	52	5	37	20	19
1956	751	718	89	515	49	16	12	81	41
1957	1902	500	770	468	50	15	2	16	18

BOUNDARY FENCING. LEASE OF LAND. 145.

On previous tour, representations were made by the Shire of Bass that:-

(a) The fencing on the railway boundary on the 'down' side of the station is in a bad order;

(b) The railway enclosure, which is very much wider than normal for a considerable distance, be reduced to the usual width and the balance sold or leased to adjoining landowners.

Fencing has been renewed on the 'down' side of the station from 68 m. 75 chs. to 69 m. 40 chs. and arrangements are in hand for renewals on the up side of the line. Concerning (b), the side-width of the railway enclosure is one chain (the usual width) and the best of this land is already leased. There is no surplus land available for sale.

(55/4408)

RELOCATION OF OCCUPATION CROSSING. 146.

Messrs. A.A. and W.J. Knox have made application to have their occupation crossing relocated from 68 m. 19 ch. to 68 m. 10 ch.

The matter is being investigated.

(W.W.16608/57)

COMPLETED. 147.

13.5.57 Connection of station to local telephone exchange and provision of extension phone in Caretaker's residence.

WOOLAMAI.

Mrs. H. Connor, Caretaker Class 3.

148.

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
1954	482	851	4	457	19	8	14	19	12
1955	515	666	52	342	76	-	6	5	20
1956	476	644	8	377	46	-	11	3	14
1957	267	441	6	450	37	-	-	6	25

SEPTIC SEWERAGE

149

The matter of providing a septic tank system at the station and D.R.'s at this location is under consideration.

(W.W.15204/57).

STOCK TRUCKING YARDS.

150.

On 30.4.54 the Commissioners directed on tour in view of the small livestock traffic handled, the question of whether the prospective business justifies the retention of the yards be given consideration when they become due for renewal and, in the meantime only the minimum expenditure necessary to maintain them in working order should be incurred.

(54/4438)

ELECTRIC LIGHTING

151.

Instructions were issued recently for connection of electricity to the three departmental residences at Woolamai.

The station will not be connected.

(54/6218)

ANDERSON

Mr. S. Dando, Stationmaster Class 8.

152.

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
1954	2055	1950	210	2010	388	28	9	69	44
1955	1399	1584	147	1781	341	4	4	50	81
1956	2028	1295	302	1784	343	9	25	37	66
1957	2043	1126	398	1556	625	8	1	57	50

GOODS SHED ACCOMMODATION

153.

The Chief Civil Engineer has been requested to extend the existing goods shed by 8 ft. in length to provide more adequate accommodation for the traffic now being dealt with.

(16/20/1)

ANDERSON (CONTD.)

BOUNDARY FENCING.

154.

In July, 1957 Mr. R. Harmon wrote to the Department regarding the condition of certain boundary fencing and on 26.7.57 the Secretary for Railways replied to him as follows:-

"I have to report that this Department is not obliged to erect or maintain or to contribute to the cost of erection or maintenance of boundary fencing on the Wonthaggi line, although a fence is maintained to a standard to meet Departmental requirements.

An inspection of the boundary fence referred to by you reveals that it is in a satisfactory condition, and the fencing maintained by Mr. Lisle on the railway land leased by him is considered to be stockproof."

(57/6779)

COMPLETED.

155.

7.6.57      Disconnection of private siding owned by G. Dance.

MITCHELL'S SIDING

156.

COMPLETED.

7.6.57      Disconnection of siding from main line. (Siding closed on 31.12.55).

KILCUNDA

157.

Mrs. V.J. Porter, Caretaker Class 4.

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
1954	513	1268	-	77	-	-	-	-	-
1955	588	1433	1	23	-	-	-	-	-
1956	642	1352	4	58	-	-	-	-	-
1957	597	1057	14	108	-	-	-	-	-

POSTAL TELEPHONE

158.

In September last the Caretaker made application for the provision of a postal telephone at the station with an extension to her residence but it was considered there was no justification for granting the request and the Caretaker was informed accordingly. The question of whether, as an alternative arrangement, there is justification for providing an extension of the station telephone service to the Caretaker's residence is to be reviewed on 1.3.58.

(16/471/1)



KILCUNDA (Contd.)

SANITARY ARRANGEMENTS.

159.

The Shire sanitary service at Kilaunda has been discontinued. A septic closet has been provided at the departmental residence, but the station conveniences are not suitable for installation of septic closets and arrangements have been made for pan clearances to be effected by the Section Sanitary Attendant.

(55/437)

D A L Y S T O N

Mrs. I. E. Pearce, Caretaker Class 3.

160.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outward		Inward	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1954	2300	829	470	3979	203	45	23	58	40
1955	4675	781	1334	3997	105	39	23	42	52
1956	4743	598	1544	3871	333	4	22	36	64
1957	4305	547	1588	4434	380	10	-	46	16

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

161.

Several requests have been made for electric lighting to be installed at this station.

On tour on 1.5.51 the Commissioners were requested by Cr. D. McRae of the Shire of Bass, to install electric lighting at the station and departmental residences.

He was informed that it is the policy of the Commissioners to install electric lighting wherever it is justified and when the transmission lines were extended to Dalyston the question of installing electric light at the station and in the residences would be looked into.

The three residences have since been equipped with electric light. On 9.9.52, the Traffic Branch reported that "Whilst electric lighting at the station would be more convenient than kerosene lighting, in view of the reports, and expenditure of £160 for station lighting could not be justified."

No action has therefore been taken in regard to the lighting of the station.

(51/4444)  
(51/10119)

COMPLETED.

162.

9.8.57      Discestablishment as an electric staff station.

-            Extension of postal phone to Caretaker's residence.

STATE MINE

Mr. A.P. Shea, A.S.M. (Class 4)

163

Rolling Stock Branch:- Driver in Charge - H.N.Trevarne

Total 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
1954	1727	-	764	1042	-	-	-	-	-
1955	1291	-	428	924	-	-	-	-	-
1956	57979	-	42276	923	-	-	-	-	-
1957	59576	-	43485	923	-	-	-	-	-

ASHPIT

164.

The 80ft. ash-pit is in poor condition and is in excess of requirements. Arrangements have been made for its reconstruction as a 50 ft. pit when staff is available.

(49/8033)

LOCOMOTIVE SHED.

165.

A proposal to recondition the locomotive shed, at an estimated cost of £2,300, has been listed for attention when circumstances permit.

(W.W.13435/57)

WORKSHOPS.

166.

In a report submitted to the Hon. the Minister by the Assistant Minister of State Development and Decentralization in August, 1956, the question was raised as to whether better use can be made of the State Coal Mine Workshops facilities and on 14.9.56 the Chairman advised the Hon. the Minister as follows:-

"The workshops at the State Coal Mine are essentially maintenance workshops and, as such, are not equipped for repetition work or other manufacturing. The machine tools are all fairly old and although adequate for present requirements would be inadequate to cope with any large increase in work.

The present workshop staff is fully employed on mine and power work, and if additional work were contemplated, the staff would have to be increased and additional machine tools installed."

(56/8882)

POWER POINTS IN D.R.2121.

167.

An application from Leading Shunter Tait for (3) additional power points in the DR occupied by him has been referred to the Chief Civil Engineer.

(16/861/1)

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WONTHAGGI

Mr. H. D. Quanchi, Stationmaster Class 5.

168.

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
1954	14933	19353	387	7603	150	8	29	23	11
1955	14846	18007	479	7848	246	9	45	37	40
1956	15473	15977	663	8268	337	7	20	40	41
1957	14994	15872	672	8294	436	8	6	35	23

MAINTENANCE OF TRACK.

169.

On tour at Wonthaggi on 28.4.54 Cr. F. Loughran, Mayor of the Borough of Wonthaggi stated that complaint had been made that recently the riding qualities of the diesel rail motor were very poor and he enquired whether the track was being properly maintained.

He was informed that during the war and post-war years track maintenance generally had fallen into arrears and that although large sums were being spent in retoring tracks to proper condition there was still a large amount of work to be done.

The Wonthaggi line was being maintained to a safe standard and every effort would be made to improve the riding conditions as soon as possible.

(54/4502)

ELECTRIFICATION OF CRANE.

170.

Arrangements are being made for electrification of the 6 ton crane.

It is proposed to commence the work early in March, 1958.

(50/3470)

STOCK TRUCKING FACILITIES.

171.

On tour on 30.4.54 the Commissioners directed that in view of the very small livestock traffic handled, the question of whether the prospective business justified the retention of the yards be given consideration when they become due for renewal and in the meantime only the minimum expenditure necessary to maintain them in working order should be incurred.

There has not been any pig traffic for five years and the pig shelter and water trough have been removed.

(54/4436)

ACQUISITION OF LAND.

172.

The Commonwealth of Australia has acquired land in the station grounds for the erection of a drill hall and the papers have been filed pending the issue of the Crown grant.

(53/6789)

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WONTHAGGI (Contd.)

SALE OF LAND

173.

An area of railway land at the corner of Government Road and McKenzie Street has been sold to Cyclone Forgings Pty. Ltd. for extension of its factory.

Certain drainage works are required to be carried out by the company before any buildings are erected.

(57/13182)  
(W.W.9847/57)

SAND HOUSE.

174.

Instructions have been issued for conversion of the disused bicycle storage room to a sand-house. Staff is not available at present.

(W. & W.12616/54)

ENGINE SHED.

175.

Repairs to the engine shed, estimated to cost £145, are to be carried out in March, 1958.

(W.W.7402/55)

TELEPHONE EXTENSION TO S.M.'S D.R.

176.

In November, 1956 the Stationmaster requested that the State Mine Automatic telephone be connected to his D.R. for use in calling him on duty outside his normal hours, but it was considered there was no justification for doing this and the request was declined.

(16/1016/2)

POWER POINTS, YARD ASSISTANT WILSON'S D.R.

177.

Representations have been made by the A.R.U. on behalf of Yard Assistant Wilson, for the installation of (4) additional power points in the D.R. occupied by that employe and the papers have been referred to the Chief Civil Engineer.

(16/1016/4.)

REWIRING OF DEPARTMENTAL RESIDENCES.

178.

The electrical installations at the twenty-one departmental residences at Wonthaggi are approximately 37 years old and are in need of early rewiring.

Tenders for the work have been received but some adjustment to the specification is required. The matter is in course at present.

All outstanding approved applications for additional lights and power points have been included.

(W.W.7391/57)

D.R.2179.

179.

A fuel stove is to be installed in this residence when staff can be made available.

(W.W.11511/56)

COMPLETED.

180.

26.7.57 Removal of water trough and pig shelter from trucking yards.

24.12.56 Provision of new goods office.

- Installation of a postal phone in the goods shed office.

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NYORA - DANDENONG

IMPROVED TELEPHONE SERVICE

181

To provide an improved telephone service between Melbourne and Korumburra, it is proposed to reconstruct the pole line between Nyora and Dandenong to include metallic circuiting of staff lines and conductors for a trunk service at an estimated cost of £37,350.

The work has been listed for consideration in connection with the 1958/59 Loan Programme.

(47/14123)

AUSTRALIAN GLASS MANUFACTURERS' SIDING

No-one-in-Charge

182

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
1954	23664	-	28546	-	-	-	-	-	-
1955	20058	-	26165	-	-	-	-	-	-
1956	23549	-	30963	-	-	-	-	-	-
1957	22923	-	30125	-	-	-	-	-	-

LANG LANG

Mr. L.V. Colson, Stationmaster, Class 8.

183

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
1954	3295	9127	55	1932	27	25	9	83	102
1955	3120	9109	208	1473	42	4	12	62	135
1956	3191	9045	75	1533	118	11	9	45	116
1957	3187	9043	474	2198	-	11	8	59	129

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LANG LANG (Contd.)

MOST IMPROVED RESIDENCE.

184

In connection with the 1956 Competition for the Most Improved Departmental Residence, D.R. 113, occupied by Mr. E.J. Milson, Asst. Stationmaster, was awarded second prize of £3.7.6. as the Most Improved Residence, without piped water supply, in the Korumburra Works Foreman's Section.

WATER SUPPLY.

185

Arrangements are being made to connect the station and three residences to Lang Lang Waterworks Trust reticulated water supply.

The Chief Traffic Manager has recommended that the stockyards be not connected.

A piece of land in the station yard has been leased to the Trust for the erection of a pumphouse.

(57/12458)  
(57/4104)

TRANSPORT RAMP.

186

The construction of a heavy duty transport ramp at the stockyards is complete except for some additional filling which is to be spread at the turn-around area.

(W.W. 8276/55)

WARNING DEVICE AT CROSSING

187

In February, 1953 the Country Roads Board requested the provision of a warning device at the level crossing on the Westernport Road at the up end of the station yard.

On 10th June, 1953 the Secretary for Railways replied to the Country Roads Board stating that the crossing had been inspected by the Level Crossing Committee who reported that the crossing in question was well defined by approach warning signs, wing fences and two standard crossing signs and that the roadusers' view of down trains from both approaches was satisfactory.

Flashing light signals were not warranted.

(53/5674)

COMPLETED.

188

26.3.57. Provision of a roadway to the stockyards.

CONDITION OF CROSSINGS.

189

On 22.5.56 the Shire of Cranbourne requested that attention be given to the roadways at the level crossings near Lang Lang, Caldermeade and Monomeith stations. It was claimed that the crossings were in a dangerous condition for road traffic.

An inspection was made and it is considered that the crossings referred to did not present any cause for complaint.

(56/5316)

CALDERMEADE

Mrs. M. Burns, Carotaker, Class 5.

190

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
1954	276	934	-	279	-	2	16	16	38
1955	239	284	15	139	-	2	18	16	21
1956	87	144	-	171	-	-	-	5	18
1957	109	57	-	196	-	1	2	7	4

VAN GOODS SHED

191

Consideration is being given to the possibility of removal of the van goods shed at the down end of the passenger platform. The shed which is 25' x 10' with a 27' x 8' verandah, has not been used in the past 12 months.

(16/157/1)

MONOMEITH

Mrs. L.E. O'Meara, Carotaker, Class 3.

192

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
1954	510	798	-	93	-	5	46	6	83
1955	406	651	-	202	-	1	39	9	48
1956	311	671	-	345	-	-	31	5	96
1957	192	563	-	307	-	-	21	1	50

POSTAL TELEPHONE.

193

The postal telephone at the station was provided for the public to make outwards calls, and in 1936 the Department agreed that the extension bell in the residence could be replaced by an extension telephone at the cost of the Postal Department. However, the Postal Department did not then proceed with the installation.

On 23/8/55 the Postal Department wrote the Secretary for Railways, stating that the Postmistress (The Carotaker) had asked for the telephone to be transferred to the residence.

On 19/9/55 the Secretary for Railways advised the Postal Department that it is not desirable that the telephone be transferred from the station to the Carotaker's residence as during her absence on holidays or on account of sickness the Relieving Carotaker would not be able to attend to telephone calls, the best arrangement being for the extension bell to be replaced by an extension telephone and that the Commissioners had no objection to this being done provided the cost involved is borne by the Postal Department.

(55/8835)

MONOMEITH (Contd.)

FLOOD PROTECTION

194

Work in connection with the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission's Yallock Outfall drainage scheme, involving bridge construction and track realignment, is in hand.

The Departmental portion of the work is completed except for demolition of the old bridge.

(46/14452)

BOUNDARY FENCING.

195

In February, 1957 Mr. E. Cozens wrote to the Department relative to railway fencing adjoining his property and the 8th April, the Secretary for Railways replied as under:-

"I have to advise that the Commissioners are not obliged to erect or maintain or contribute to the cost of erection or maintenance of fencing on the Yarram line. For departmental reasons, however, the fencing is maintained to our standards.

The fencing in question requires renewal. Tenders have been invited for the work and, if a satisfactory offer is received, the repairs will be put in hand as early as practicable."

(57/1960)

KOO-WEE-RUP

Mr. F.R. Coleman, Stationmaster, Class 5.

196

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
1954	29366	18079	18473	2249	63	8	1	24	13
1955	31263	21088	13652	2339	60	2	1	28	48
1956	11934	18482	2924	1857	42	1	-	30	40
1957	7704	14610	1440	2493	24	-	2	17	25

MOST IMPROVED RESIDENCES.

197

In connection with the 1956 Competition for the Most Improved Departmental Residences, D.R. 300 occupied by Mr. A.E. Burgess, Asst. Stationmaster, was awarded first prize of £7/0/0 as the Most Improved residence, with piped water supply, in the Korumburra Works Foreman's section.



KOO-WEE-RUP (Contd.)

MAT FOR OFFICE DOOR.

198

On 31.10.55 the Stationmaster made application for a mat to be provided at the office door.

After consideration the Commissioners advised that it is not the practice to provide such mats and an exception could not be made for Koo-Wee-Rup and directed that a suitable scraper be provided.

(52/12463)

SEPTIC SEWERAGE.

199

Early in 1957 the A.R.U. made representations for the installation of septic sewerage at the railway premises at Nyora and Koo Wee Rup but the request was declined. The minimum provision, i.e. septic closets, would have cost approximately £2,700 at Nyora and £2,000 at Koo Wee Rup

(57/3249)

CONDITION OF CROSSING.

200

Koo-Wee-Rup Traders Association has complained of the condition of the roadway at the level crossing, also the road and pedestrian path leading to the station.

The Association also requested that a railway fence near the local police station be repaired.

The matters are being investigated.

(58/791)

ENGINE SHED.

201

A proposal to transfer the engine shed to Nyora was abandoned and the shed has been sold for removal.

The shed is at present being dismantled by the purchaser.

(57/3506)  
(47/15459)

BUILDING ON LEASED LAND.

202

Portion of the railway land in Rossiter's Road between the departmental residences and the Westernport Hospital is leased to Koo-Wee-Rup Bowling Club.

The Club has recently submitted plans of a store-room and conveniences with septic tank which it desires to erect on the land.

The matter is in course.

(56/5335)

COMPLETED.

203

- Repair, cleaning and painting of the 20,000 gallon and two 10,000 gallon tanks.

KOO-WEE-RUP, TOORADIN AND CLYDE.

STOCK TRUCKING FACILITIES.

204

On 2/5/55 the Commissioners directed that in view of the very small volume of stock traffic at Koo-Wee-Rup, Tooradin and Clyde the question of whether further expenditure on maintenance of the existing facilities is warranted be investigated.

The Metro. District Engineer reported on 18/7/55 that the stock yards at these three stations were then in serviceable condition and could be so maintained for two years with minor repairs.

The Chief Traffic Manager reported that the quantity of live stock despatched from these stations does not warrant renewal of the facilities to their present capacity, but the inwards traffic is of sufficient volume to justify limited facilities and this aspect could be considered when renewal is necessary.

The Commissioners approved of this being done.

(55/4397)

DALMORE

Mrs. I.M. Roberts, Caretaker, Class 4.

205

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
1954	472	3428	12	265	44	-	-	11	-
1955	319	2332	13	91	22	-	-	-	1
1956	218	960	13	108	4	-	-	-	1
1957	227	499	37	543	24	-	-	-	-

PASSENGER PLATFORM

206

Consideration is being given to a proposal to reduce the length of the passenger platform at this station to 150 ft.

(16/236/1)

CROSSING AT 37m. 19ch.

207

Instructions were issued recently for removal of trees and scrub to improve visibility at the level crossing at 37m. 19ch.

(W.W. 16605/57)

COMPLETED.

208

28.7.56. Rehabilitation of D.R. 2125.

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TOORADIN

Mr. D.G. Pearce, Asst. Stationmaster, Class 5.  
Mr. F.C. Raynor, Asst. Stationmaster, Class 5.

209

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
1954	946	6328	14	151	52	3	7	41	8
1955	899	5787	16	85	53	-	8	54	24
1956	787	4990	11	142	46	-	14	27	8
1957	619	3820	13	92	19	1	1	54	11

ELECTRIC LIGHTING

210

This station is listed for the installation of electric lighting.

Supply is not available to the station or residences at present.

(45/7494)

GOODS PLATFORM

211

Instructions have been issued for the abolition of the existing goods platform which is in need of repair and the provision of a 5 ft platform at the opposite end of the goods shed.

(57/12549)

STOCK TRUCKING FACILITIES

212

See note (204)

COMPLETED

213

8. 7. 57. Painting of the station buildings and departmental residences.

CLYDE

Mr. J.F. Delbridge, Asst. Stationmaster, Class 5.  
Mr. H.G. Rady, Asst. Stationmaster, Class 5.

214

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
1954	618	4907	11	426	114	2	-	46	30
1955	660	4456	52	432	66	5	1	38	11
1956	529	4111	9	386	34	-	-	2	6
1957	601	4101	17	640	81	-	2	18	8

CLYDE (Contd.)

D.R. 345.

215

The occupant of D.R. 345 has requested that the electric wiring be adjusted to enable him to use an electric range which he has purchased.

As a fuel stove in good order is available at the residence, he has been informed that it will be necessary for him to arrange to have the work done at his own cost.

(W.W. 16016/57)

STOCK TRUCKING FACILITIES

216

See note (204)

CRANBOURNE (INCL. SAND SIDING)

Mr. H.S. McK. Harry, Stationmaster, Class 6.

217

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
1954	26488	12854	24722	5428	56	3	14	103	18
1955	28505	10124	29357	4815	58	18	8	91	54
1956	14333	9985	15596	4872	43	-	3	25	23
1957	4617	11795	1844	5814	54	-	13	31	16

CRANE

218

On 29.6.54 the Cranbourne Chamber of Commerce made representations that a crane be provided at this station.

On 20.7.54 the Secretary for Railways replied that a review of the goods traffic at Cranbourne during the 12 months ended 30th June, 1954, disclosed that the volume of traffic requiring crane power did not warrant the provision of a crane at that location.

In the circumstances the Commissioners could not see their way to accede to the request.

During the 12 months above-mentioned there were only 13 articles received at Cranbourne weighing more than 5 cwt each and most of them could have been unloaded piecemeal.

There has been no further request for a crane.

(54/6883)

PRIVATE SIDING

219

Plan and estimate of cost are being prepared for provision of a siding for Australian Consolidated Industries Ltd.

(57/9753)

CRANBOURNE (Contd.)

SAND LOADING

220

Request was made in 1954 by Cardinia Washed Sands for either extension of the loading ramp or provision of a powered capstan for movement of trucks.

To extend the ramp to 100 feet would cost approximately £860. The practicability of obtaining electric power to drive a capstan was being investigated, but due to a decline in the sand traffic from this location the existing facilities were considered adequate and the papers were filed for the time being.

(54/11966)

FLASHING LIGHTS

221

It is proposed to instal flashing lights at the South Gippsland Highway level crossing at Cranbourne but in view of the number of crossings at which such a provision is of greater importance no priority has yet been accorded the work.

(57/9754)

CROSSING AT 29m. 10ch.

222

Instructions were issued recently for provision of standard "Crossing" signs and removal of obstructing hedges at the crossing at 29m. 10ch.

(W.W. 13726/56)

OCCUPATION CROSSING

223

Some little time ago Mr. E.J. Marriott made application for the re-opening of the occupation crossing at 25m. 78ch. 76lks. and on 16.7.57 the Secretary for Railways wrote to Mr. Marriott outlining the conditions under which the crossing would be re-opened but nothing further has been heard from him.

(57/4983)

D.R. 1838

224

An additional room is to be provided at this house when staff is available.

(W.W. 2492/56)

COMPLETED

225

31.5.57. Provision of an electric kettle and power point at the station.

11.9.57. Disconnection of siding owned by Cranbourne Sand Pty. Ltd.

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LYNDHURST

Mrs. T.A. Waters, Carotaker, Class 5.

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
1954	2729	3344	2713	204	-	-	-	1	1
1955	3008	3600	2624	500	-	-	-	-	-
1956	13682	4720	8250	363	-	-	-	1	1
1957	5269	4710	2975	448	-	-	-	-	-

NO. 2 ROAD

227

A proposal to abolish No. 2 Road and rearrange signalling facilities at an estimated cost of £1,820 has been listed for attention when circumstances permit.

(W.W. 5353/56 )

PORTABLE NO. 4197

228

A request for connection of electricity to Portable No. 4197 is being investigated.

(W.W.13679/57)

COMPLETED.

229

14.10.57. Reduction of goods platform.