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COMMISSIONERS' TOUR OF INSPECTION.

YARRAM TO LEONGATHA ✓

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Tuesday, 17th to Thursday, 19th February 1959 inclusive.

Train leaves Spencer Street (No. 8 platform) at 4.20pm on Monday
15th February, 1959.

COMMISSIONERS' TOUR OF INSPECTION OF YARRAM
AND WONTHAGGI LINES BETWEEN 16th AND 19th
FEBRUARY, 1959.
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TOUR PERSONNEL.

Mr. E. H. Brownbill	..	Chairman
Mr. G. F. Brown	..	Commissioner
Mr. W. O. Galletly	..	Chief Mechanical Engineer
Mr. L. A. Reynolds	..	Chief Civil Engineer
Mr. T. R. Collier	..	Chief Traffic Manager
Mr. A. C. Stockley	..	Chief Electrical Engineer
Mr. A. Cobham	..	Claims Agent
Mr. P. E. Cooper	..	Auditor of Revenue
Mr. F. Butler	..	Chief Train Controller
Mr. J. Clarke	..	District Superintendent
Mr. E. T. Stephenson	..	Metro. Rolling Stock Supt.
Mr. D. H. Cowden	..	District Engineer
Mr. G. L. Rayment	..	Commissioners' Secretary
Mr. C. J. Warrenner	..	Tour Clerk.

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TRAIN STAFF

Driver	..	C. W. Kettle
Fireman	..	H. J. Smith
Guard	..	A. W. Burton
Conductor	..	J. Freeland
Steward	..	W. Hallett
Cook	..	M. Dunkley-Smith
Kitchen Hand	..	G. Loredan

YARRAM-WOODSIDE

DISMANTLING.

1.

This line has been dismantled beyond 136M. 51Ch. 60 Lks. one chain north of Church Street, Yarram.

The section of line from the buffer stops at 136M. 35Ch. to 136M. 51Ch. 50 Lks. 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)

YARRAM.

Mr. G.E. Llewellyn Stationmaster (Class 6).

2.

Rolling Stock Branch:- Driver-in-Charge J.V. Causon
Total Staff (5) Engines - Nil.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep	Cattle	Sheep	Cattle
1955	29394	3570	2970	10823	2892	222	354	118	29
1956	25224	3333	3229	13141	3450	251	379	113	84
1957	31077	2948	4440	12169	3608	263	358	115	43
1958	31574	3123	4256	13470	3751	251	461	170	12

ELECTRIC LIGHT SWITCHING.

3.

Consideration is being given to a proposal that the electric light switching arrangements at this station be altered to provide for the independent operation of the office and platform lighting.

(16/1040/5)

PARCELS OFFICE.

4.

A request for improved lighting and additional parcels office accommodation is being investigated.

(16948/58)

DRAINAGE.

5.

Following a deputation, on tour in 1956, 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 the Yarram Township.

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

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YARRAM (Contd.)

DRAINAGE. (Contd.)

The Shire advised again on 14/7/58 that the matter would be discussed at the finance meeting which was usually held in early November. Immediately after the meeting the Secretary would advise this Department of the Council's decision.

To date no advice has been received from the Shire.

(56/7695)

LEASE OF LAND.

6.

The lease of an area of land adjacent to the stockyards has been offered to Victorian Bacon Pty. Ltd. for weighing of pigs.

Last advice from the Company was on 10.6.58, when it advised that the matter was under consideration.

(56/7697)

SALE OF LAND.

7.

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)

FENCING.

8.

When the Commissioners were on tour on 11/2/58 Mr. A.T. Vardy stated that the railway fences alongside his property were in bad condition and requested that they be put in order. It was explained that the Department was under no obligation to maintain fencing to that line but did so for its own purposes. Owing to the state of Railway finances it was not practicable for the fences to be attended to just then but there would be no objection to Mr. Vardy himself using any materials in the fences to keep them in a state of repair.

On 27/2/58 Honorable R.W. May M.L.C. telephoned the Commissioners regarding alleged discrimination in the fencing of railway boundaries in the Gelliondale-Albert River-Alberton area. The Secretary for Railways wrote to Honorable R.W. May on 2/5/58 as follows:-

"I desire to say that the fencing at this and other locations in the district needs renewal, and arrangements are being made for the work to be carried out as early as practicable in priority according to the condition of the fencing."

Tenders for the renewal of this fencing have been invited on (3) occasions, twice without response and finally at a quotation considered to be too high. It is proposed to write Mr. Vardy inviting him to do the work with material provided by the department.

(58/1667)

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE
EASTERN DISTRICT
FLINDERS STREET

13.2.59. TS:GP.

S.M. YARRAM.

S 217/59, Commissioners Visit of Inspection.
Tuesday 17th February, 1959.

In connection with the running of S 217 on
Tuesday 17th instant, please arrange for the Caretaker
at Alberton to be in attendance prior to the arrival of
both the Special and No 88, to enable Alberton to be
opened as an Intermediate Block Post.

DIST. SUPT. ✓

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YARRAM (Contd.)

D.R.2552.

9.

Instructions were issued recently for the provision of an additional power point in the kitchen of Departmental Residence 2552.

(14600/58)

COMPLETED.

10.

- 30.1.59 Renewal of portion of the cattle yards and provision of a dual purpose transport ramp.
- 26.11.58 Repairs to culvert on the station yard approach.
- 28.4.58 Conversion of D.R.2525 to batching quarters.

ALBERTON.

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

11.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep	Cattle	Sheep	Cattle
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
1958	2093	834	59	1041	134	22	24	13	2

REMOVAL OF 2 & 3 ROADS.

12.

Alberton was disestablished as a crossing station in 1956 and it was recommended that Nos.2 & 3 roads be removed.

The work of removing No.2 road has been completed but No.3 road is still required to receive and make up trains account material for the relaying gang at present working between Foster and Alberton.

(58/4161)

LAND ON PORT ALBERT LINE.

13.

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.

(56/7690)

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ALBERTON-FOSTER.

NOTICE TO QUIT GRAZING LEASES.

14.

In connection with the relaying and reconditioning of track between Foster-Alberton by the mechanised relaying gang, the District Engineer, Eastern District, requested the cancellation of all cultivation and grazing leases, in order to facilitate the work.

The department has taken possession of the land from Hedley-Alberton and Hedley-Foster with the following exceptions:-

Welshpool.

Land leased by Mr. Sutherland is outside of normal line of boundary fence and lease may be reinstated.

Agnes.

Mrs. Allen requested that shed which had been erected on leased land behind station buildings, be retained.

The matter is being investigated.

Foster.

Mr. H. Elphick has been granted 8 weeks extension of time to erect boundary fence between his property and railway land. Material to be supplied by this department.

(58/10886)
(58/13651)

GELLIONDALE.

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

15.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outward Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Inwards Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
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
1958	2675	462	26	722	47	42	65	28	28

APPROACH ROADS AND TRUCKING YARDS.

16.

At Gelliondale on tour on 24th July, 1956 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.

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GELLIONDALE (Contd.)

APPROACH ROADS AND TRUCKING YARDS. (Contd.)

(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.

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

Mrs. A. I. Turner, Caretaker, (Class 5)

17.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep	Cattle	Sheep	Cattle
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	11	1
1958	2556	203	350	703	207	35	39	13	8

STOCK YARDS.

18.

At Hedley on tour on 24th July, 1956 representations were made to the Commissioners by Messrs. L. Bird, L. Daff, J. Peavey and G. Venning that the sheep yards should be put into proper condition.

They advised that the local users were prepared to do the work if this department supplied the material.

The Commissioners acceded to the request and material was supplied, but so far no work has been carried out on the yards.

(56/7698)

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HEDLEY-WELSHPOOL.

RELOCATION OF LEVEL CROSSING, SALMON ROAD.

19.

The Shire of South Gippsland wrote to the department on 25/2/52, requesting that as they were considering the construction of a new road along the north-east boundary of allotments 35 and 39, Section A, Parish of Welshpool, that the level crossing be abolished at 122M. 14C. 33L. and be relocated at 122M. 23C. 50L.

Nothing was done at the time as the Council was unable to continue with the scheme.

The Shire wrote to the department again on 2/12/58, requesting that, as the relaying of the track was taking place, the crossing be relocated so as to avoid any maintenance on the old crossing and the Council would probably make funds available immediately.

The department acceded to the request and the relocation of the crossing is to be carried out while the relaying and reconditioning work is in progress.

(58/13418)

WELSHPOOL.

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

20.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep	Cattle	Sheep	Cattle
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
1958	2698	993	120	1281	221	56	38	37	3

WATER SUPPLY.

21.

Consideration was given recently to a proposal to connect reticulated water supply to the station and stock yards at an estimated cost of £130, but the provision was not considered necessary.

(W.W.5511/58)

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

22.

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

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.

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WELSHPOOL (Contd.)

ELECTRIC LIGHTING. (Contd.)

Conditions altered with the introduction last year of the running of a 'down' evening passenger train to Yarram but the number of passengers alighting at Welshpool averages only (3) persons daily and there is still no justification for incurring expenditure on the installation of electric lighting.

(58/4373)

CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND.

23.

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 was leased to the Lands Department and its proximity to the siding made its conversion to a children's playground undesirable from a safety point of view and the association was advised accordingly by Secretary for Railways.

(56/2296)

CONNECTION OF D.R'S TO WATER SUPPLY.

24.

Instructions have been issued for the connection of the three Departmental Residences, at Welshpool, to the local water supply and the work is now in hand.

(6285/58)

COMPLETED.

25.

7.7.58 Removal of goods shed from floating to standard type platform and repairs to the floating type platform.

AGNES.

No-one-in-Charge.

26.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1955	74	111	-	106	2	-	-	-	6
1956	105	106	7	121	-	-	-	-	9
1957	62	73	-	131	-	-	-	-	4
1958	52	53	-	411	-	-	4	-	-

RETENTION OF SIDING.

27.

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.

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KORUMBURRA - BENA.

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

103.

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.

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. A warning bell to advise the gatekeeper of the approach of 'up' trains is at present being installed.

(48/6568.
55/4446.)

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BENA.

104.

Mr. J.R. Craig - A.S.M. Class 5.

Mr. A.M. Boyd - A.S.M. 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
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
1958	630	1101	37	1172	58	4	2	35	10

MOST IMPROVED RESIDENCE.

105.

In the 1957 Competition for the Most Improved Departmental Residence, Departmental Residence 363 occupied by Ganger P.H. Wilcox, was awarded second prize of £3.7.6d. for the most improved residence, without piped water supply in the Korumburra Works Foreman's section.

APPROACH ROAD.

106.

At Bena on tour on 25th July, 1956, 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)

WIDENING OF BRIDGE.

107.

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.

108.

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 works 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.

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BENA (contd.)

FOOTPATHS TO D.R.'s. (contd.)

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)

COMPLETED.

109.

Installation of (2) power points in D.R.330.

3. 7.58 Provision of W.S.A. lever at the 'down' end.

JEETHO

110.

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
1955	173	111	33	99	8	6	-	10	5
1956	75	83	-	108	-	4	-	8	-
1957	111	46	1	499	-	10	-	12	-
1958	92	42	2	103	-	7	-	14	-

GOODS PLATFORM:

111.

Approval has been given for the reduction of the goods platform from 70 feet to 40 feet.

(58/2083)

RETENTION OF TRUCKING FACILITIES.

112.

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.

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JEETHO (contd.)

112.
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RETENTION OF TRUCKING FACILITIES.(contd.)

The users of the yards carried out certain repair work in 1951 and 1955 but the Local Graziers were advised in August 1958 that the traffic offering no longer justified the Department in restoring the yards to a proper condition even on the basis of the local people continuing to maintain them, and that unless there were prospects of a considerable increase in the stock traffic from the area in the near future there would be no alternative but to abolish the trucking yards altogether.

As the increased traffic did not materialise instructions were issued on 30/9/58 to abolish the facilities.

(58/8999)

(papers on tour)

LOCH.

113.

Mr. N.G. Starke - Stationmaster Class 8.

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
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	157	22	22	43	34
1958	1645	2279	71	1097	261	21	19	72	26

TREE PLANTING COMPETITION.

114.

In the 1957 Tree Planting and Decoration of Stations competition, Loch station was awarded first prize in the maintenance of existing trees gardens etc., without piped water supply section in the Eastern District and the prize money of £13.0.0 was shared equally by Mr.N.G.Starke S.M. and Mr.L. Jacung A.S.M.

NYORA.

115.

Mr. J.H. Fraser - Stationmaster Class 6.

Rolling Stock Branch:-Driver-In-Charge W. Sandlant.

Total Staff. 2. Engines Nil.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1955	4361	5469	1352	4410	36	2	12	72	25
1956	4582	5497	1265	4784	30	9	15	22	32
1957	4288	4887	1151	4759	40	3	11	56	41
1958	4489	4446	1273	4016	121	8	20	46	33

NYORA (contd.)

TREE PLANTING COMPETITION.

116.

In connection with the 1957 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/-/- was paid to Mrs. Padmore, Manageress.

Mrs. Padmore won the first prize in the new work section in 1953 and first prize in the Maintenance section each year 1954-1957.

Because of anticipated closing of the Rooms no entry was lodged in 1958.

REFRESHMENT ROOM.

117.

Because of increasing losses incurred in its operation the Commissioners decided to close the Refreshment Room at Nyora as from 31/1/59. ✓

(58/11920)

WATER SUPPLY.

118.

The replacement of the 10,000 and 20,000 gallon tanks with one new 10,000 gallon tank fitted with two spouts is in hand.

(56/7705)

SEPTIC SEWERAGE.

119.

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)

CRANE.

120.

On 12.7.56, and again when the Commissioners were at Nyora on tour on 12/2/58, requests were made for the installation of a crane to facilitate the handling of goods at the station but as the volume of traffic handled did not justify such a provision the requests were declined. A recent review disclosed that there is still no justification for the provision of a crane at this location.

(56/7210)

RENEWAL OF STOCK YARDS.

121.

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.

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NYORA (contd.)

RENEWAL OF STOCK YARDS. (contd.)

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.

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 repairs to the race and crush yards were carried out by the local users.

(56/8029)

POWER POINTS.

122.

Additional power points are to be provided in D.R.'s 2867 and 3810 and an additional power point and light in D.R. 355.

The work will be done during February.

(W.W.5517/58)
(W.W.11669/58)
(W.W.14511/58)

COMPLETED.

123.

7.10.58 Renovation of D.R.355.

NYORA - ANDERSON.

IMPROVED TELEPHONE SERVICE.

124.

To provide an improved telephone service between Nyora and Anderson it is necessary to overhaul and re-arrange this section of line at an estimated cost of £7190.

The P.M.G. Department which has trunk lines on the railway pole route, advised on 9/6/58 that if this department was unable to carry out the work at an early date, it would restore the departmental circuits to satisfactory condition at an estimated cost of £4000.

The matter is being investigated and a detailed estimate is awaited from the P.M.G. Department.

(58/6082)

NYORA - WOODLEIGH.

SUBWAY INSTEAD OF CROSSING.

125.

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."

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)

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WOODLEIGH.

126.

Mr. P. Verbyla - A.S.M. 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
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
1958	862	413	29	253	174	26	21	64	40

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

127.

At Woodleigh on tour on 12/2/58 representations were made to the Commissioners by Councillors H.M. Dixon, S. Hunter and J.G. Bell of the Shire of Bass for the provision of electric lighting at the station. It was said that "passengers leaving the rail motor, particularly late at night find difficulty in negotiating the entrance to the station platform. It was requested that if electric lighting could not be provided at the station a line of white posts be erected.

In reply the Commissioners stated that the number of passengers using the station at night did not warrant the expense that would be involved in installing electric lighting."

Unserviceable sleepers, painted white on the top have since been laid along the approach pathway to the station lobby.

(58/1856)

DRAINAGE OF PRIVATE PROPERTY.

128.

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)

SEPTIC SEWERAGE.

129.

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)

KERNOT.

130.

Mrs. C.M. Walshe - 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
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
1958	553	674	9	391	35	9	6	49	10

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

131.

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.

132.

At Kernot on tour on 25th July, 1956, 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)

STOCK YARDS.

133.

At Kernot on tour on the 12th February, 1958, complaint was made that the trucking yards at Kernot were in very poor condition and were badly in need of repair.

The deputation was informed that the amount of livestock being sent away from Kernot did not justify keeping the yards in commission and unless the traffic improved there would be no alternative but to remove them.

It was agreed that as no immediate maintenance was necessary the matter of abolition of the stock facilities be pending for review until the end of June, 1959.

(Papers on tour)

(58/2229)

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KERNOT (contd.)

USE OF TRUCKING YARDS FOR SALE PURPOSES.

134.

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.

135.

30.9.58 Repairs to the handrailing and decking of the overhead bridge $\frac{1}{4}$ mile on the 'down' side of station.

ALMURTA.

136.

Mrs. L.J. Sorensen - 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
1955	1365	719	20	357	23	14	87	27	52
1956	889	621	17	303	6	14	41	19	39
1957	1308	518	38	343	105	1	92	25	18
1958	713	517	22	421	132	18	4	34	21

GLEN FORBES.

137.

Mrs. L.M. Morgan - 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
1955	959	801	119	341	52	5	37	20	19
1956	751	718	89	515	49	16	12	8	41
1957	1902	500	770	468	50	15	2	16	18
1958	976	570	234	703	52	18	4	34	21

GLEN FORBES (contd.)

BOUNDARY FENCING, LEASE OF LAND.

138.

On tour on 28/4/55 representations were made by the Shire of Bass that the railway enclosure, which was very much wider than normal for a considerable distance, be reduced to the usual width and the balance sold or leased to adjoining landowners.

Enquiries disclosed that the sidewidths of the railway enclosure were one chain (the normal width) and that there was no surplus land available for sale.

The question of the Department leasing sidewidths to adjoining landowners was referred to by Mr. D. Lorimer at Glen Forbes on tour on 12th February 1958. He stated that railway sidewidths, unless burnt off early, become breeding places for caterpillars, but if landowners were permitted to move their fences close to the line this trouble would not occur.

He was informed that sidewidths generally are not now being leased for grazing purposes owing to the increased fire hazard caused when burning off by dry animal manure becoming "smokers" each of which has to be put out, often at a cost greater than the rental received. In the circumstances it was regretted the request could not be acceded to, nor were the Commissioners prepared to allow landowners to move their fences close to the railway tracks.

(58/1672)

RELOCATION OF OCCUPATION CROSSING.

139.

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

The matter is being investigated.

(W.W.16608/57)

COMPLETED.

140.

8.8.58 Repairs to gates & decking of Sheep races.

WOOLAMAI

141.

Mrs. H. Connor - Caretaker Class 3.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Ponnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
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
1958	365	408	9	519	52	6	4	11	24

WOOLAMAI (contd.)

SEPTIC SEWERAGE.

142.

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

STOCK TRUCKING YARDS.

143.

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)

COMPLETED.

144.

10.4.58 Connection of electricity to three residences.

ANDERSON.

145.

Mr. S. Dando - Stationmaster Class 8.

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
1955	1399	1584	147	1781	341	4	4	50	81
1956	2028	1295	302	1784	343	9	25	64	38
1957	2043	1126	398	1556	625	8	1	60	50
1958	2083	822	442	1743	715	2	9	97	62

BOUNDARY FENCING.

146.

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)

POWER POINTS AT D.R. 2637.

147.

A request from Mr. Coe A.S.M. for the provision of power point in spare room for use in connection with a sewing machine, was refused but Mr. Coe informed that there would be no objections to his having a power point installed at his own expense.

(16/20/3)

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KILCUNDA

148.

Mrs. V.F. 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
1955	588	1433	1	23	-	-	-	-	-
1956	642	1352	4	58	-	-	-	-	-
1957	597	1057	14	108	-	-	-	-	-
1958	496	907	15	87	-	-	-	-	-

POSTAL TELEPHONE.

149.

In September 1957 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.

(16/471/1)

SANITARY ARRANGEMENTS.

150.

The Shire sanitary service at Kilcunda 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)

REPLACEMENT OF D.R.2739.

151.

Consequent on the withdrawal of the Assistant Station Master at Dalyston on 1/5/57, D.R.2160 became vacant and it was recommended that it be transferred to Kilcunda to replace D.R.2739, which was in a very bad state of repair and was to be abolished.

The Commissioners agreed and the abolition of D.R.2739, was carried out and D.R.2160 moved to Kilcunda by haulage contractor on 27/1/59.

It is anticipated that departmental staff will commence working on D.R.2160 as from 16/2/59.

moved to Kilcunda about 3rd Feb

(58/4962)

DALYSTON.

152.

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

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			On	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
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
1958	2123	648	861	4230	319	-	22	55	52

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DALYSTON. (contd.)

ELECTRIC LIGHTING .

153.

Several requests have been made for electric lighting to be installed at this station but although the (3) residences have been connected there has been no justification for incurring the expenditure involved in connecting the station buildings.

(51/10119)

OCCUPATION CROSSING 80M. 43CH.

154.

In July 1957 Mr. S. Hollins, who owns the land on each side of the railway at that point applied for the construction of an occupation crossing at mileage 80M. 43CH. and on 17th January, 1958 the Secretary for railways wrote to him setting out the conditions under which the desired facility would be provided and informing him that upon receipt of written acceptance of the offer, together with the sum of £103, arrangements would be made for the work to proceed.

There has however, been no reply from Mr. Hollins.

(58/406)

STATE MINE.

155.

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

Rolling Stock Branch:- Dr-In-Charge H.Trevarne
Total Staff (8) Engines Nil.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1955	1291	-	428	924	-	-	-	-	-
1956	57979	-	42276	923	-	-	-	-	-
1957	59576	-	43485	923	-	-	-	-	-
1958	57229	-	42486	766	-	-	-	-	-

COMPLETED.

156.

25.7.58 Filling portion of ashpit.

6.2.59 Removal of water booster unit.

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WONTHAGGI.

157.

Mr. H.D. Quanchi - 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
1955	14846	18007	479	7848	246	8	45	37	40
1956	15473	15977	663	8268	337	7	20	40	41
1957	14994	15872	672	8294	436	8	6	35	23
1958	13136	12929	527	9026	451	-	8	60	37

STOCK TRUCKING FACILITIES.

158.

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.

The pig shelter and water trough have been removed.

(54/4436)

D.R. 2195

159.

Instructions were issued recently for the provision of power points in the lobby and wash-house of D.R. 2195.

(14234/58)

COMPLETED.

160.

31.10.58 The renewing of electrical wiring at the twenty-one departmental residences and provision of power points where approved.

18. 4.58 ~~Electrification~~ of 6-ton crane.

Installation of fuel stove at D.R. 2179.

MOST IMPROVED RESIDENCES.

160A.

In the 1957 competition for the Most Improved Residence, Departmental Residence 2183 occupied by Mr. A.P. Shea, Assistant Stationmaster, was awarded first prize of £7.0.0 for the most improved residence, with piped water supply, in the Korumburra Works Foreman's section.

NYORA - DANDENONG

IMPROVED TELEPHONE SERVICE

161

To provide an improved telephone service between Melbourne and Korumburra, reconstruction of 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, is in hand.

(41/14123)

AUSTRALIAN GLASS MANUFACTURERS SIDING

162

No-one-in-Charge

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
June	£					Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1955	20058	-	26165	-	-	-	-	-	-
1956	23549	-	30963	-	-	-	-	-	-
1957	22923	-	30125	-	-	-	-	-	-
1958	22305	-	29129	-	-	-	-	-	-

LANG LANG

163

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

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
June	£					Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
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	44	11	8	59	129
1958	2831	7349	2069	2324	153	28	7	77	120

MOST IMPROVED RESIDENCE

164.

In connection with the 1957 Competition for the Most Improved Departmental Residence, D.R.113 occupied by Mr. E.J. Milson, 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. Mr. Milson won second prize in this section in the 1956 Competition.

YARD LIGHTING

165.

A request from the A.R.U. re installation of electric lights in the Yard to facilitate shunting operations at night time is being investigated but enquiries thus far have indicated that there is no justification for making such a provision.

(16/511/2)

(Papers on tour)

LANG LANG (CONTD.)

166.

COMPLETED

- 2. 5.58 Connection of water supply to station and three residences.
- 7.2.58 Heavy duty transport ramp and gang board.

CALDERMEADE

167.

Closed to Traffic 6.10.58

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
1955	239	284	15	139	-	2	18	16	21
1956	87	144	-	171	-	-	-	5	18
1957	109	57	-	196	-	1	2	7	4
1958	115	166	-	142	-	3	-	10	17

CLOSURE OF STATION

168.

This station was closed to all traffic on 6.10.58 and arrangements are being made for the removal of all surplus facilities.

It is proposed to retain D.R.352 at Caldermeade as the occupant has intimated he is not desirous of moving.

(58/4251)

MONOMEITH

169.

Mrs. L.E.O'Meara: Caretaker Class 3.

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
1955	406	651	-	202	-	1	39	9	48
1956	311	671	-	345	-	-	31	5	96
1957	192	563	-	307	-	-	21	1	50
1958	469	799	-	328	-	-	25	15	87

FLOOD PROTECTION

170.

Departmental work in connection with the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission's Yallock Outfall drainage scheme, involving bridge construction and track realignment has been completed.

(46/14452)

MONOMEITH (CONTD.)

BOUNDARY FENCING.

171.

In February, 1957 Mr. E. Cozens wrote to the Department relative to railway fencing adjoining his property and on 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."

In the absence of acceptable tenders the work has not yet been put in hand.

(57/1960)

KOO-WEE-RUP

172.

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

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage			Livestock			
			Out	In	Bales	Outwards.		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
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
1958	16028	15111	4941	1963	124	-	-	9	18

MAT FOR OFFICE DOOR.

173.

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.

(55/12463)

SEPTIC SEWERAGE

174.

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)

KOO-WEE-RUP (Contd.)

SHED SITES

175.

Parker Produce Pty. Ltd., and Mr. B. O'Hehir, who leased shed sites in the station yard have been advised that the Commissioners are not prepared to permit the use of these sites to facilitate the conveyance of potatoes or other produce by road transport.

Some use is being made of the former's shed by the Onion Marketing Board but the Chief Civil Engineer is satisfied that such use cannot be construed as sub-letting.

(58/1455)

(Papers on tour).

BUILDING ON LEASED LAND

176.

Permission has been given Koo-Wee-Rup Bowling Club to erect a store room and conveniences on leased railway land in Rossiter's Road.

(56/5335).

COMPLETED

177.

- 12.9.58 Removal of turntable and turntable road.
- 21.9.58 Sale and removal of the engine shed drivers room and sand shed.
- 3. 3.58 Attention to level crossing and sealing of foot path and roadway.
- 25. 7.58 Grading of the station entrance approach road and renewal of wing fences at P.C.R. at down end of the yard.

DALMORE.

Mrs. J.M. Roberts. Caretaker Class 4.

178.

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
1955	319	2332	13	91	22	-	-	-	1
1956	218	960	13	108	4	-	-	-	1
1957	227	499	37	543	24	-	-	-	-
1958	152	413	18	248	10	-	1	4	2

COMPLETED

179.

- 25.7.58 Improvements to view of crossing at 37m. 19ch.
- 5. 5.58 Removal of goods shed and platform. ✓

No facilities

TOORADIN

Mr. D. G. Pearce, A.S.M. Class 5.

Mr. F. C. Rayner, A.S.M. Class 5.

180.

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
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
1958	577	2029	49	177	122	4	1	48	5

ELECTRIC LIGHTING

181

This station is listed for the installation of electric lighting but supply is not available to the station or residence at present. S.E.C. advised in May last that the Railway premises were situated approximately (1/2) mile from the nearest point of supply and although the Commission would be prepared to consider an extension of the supply lines to the area on the basis of the 100% self help, no requests for this had been received from any of the prospective consumers in the area.

(45/7494) (W.W.6719/57).

TRUCKING YARDS

182.

In May 1955, the Commissioners directed that in view of the very small volume of stock traffic, the question of whether any further expenditure on the maintenance of the trucking facilities at Clyde and Tooradin should be investigated.

Subsequently sheep loading facilities were removed from Clyde and a long gang board provided for the discharge of stock on to the ramped goods platform. In December last representations were made to the Minister protesting against the removal of the facilities and drawing attention to those at Tooradin being in need of repair.

On 12.1.59, the Chairman advised the Minister of the circumstances under which Clyde facilities had been removed and indicated it was proposed to abolish the yards at Tooradin when they become no longer fit for use.

(58/13989)

(Papers on tour)

COMPLETED

183.

21.5.58 Removal of goods platform.
Removal of goods shed.

CLYDE

Mr. J. F. Delbridge, A.S.M. Class 5. 184
 Mr. H.G. Rady, A.S.M. Class 5.

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
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
1958	504	3173	14	328	32	-	2	51	14

GOODS SHED 185.

The goods shed at this station has been sold for removal.

(58/5192)

TRUCKING YARDS 186.

In May 1955, the Commissioners directed that in view of the very small volume of stock traffic, the question of whether any further expenditure on the maintenance of the trucking facilities at Clyde and Tooradin should be investigated.

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On 12.1.59 the Chairman advised the Minister of the circumstances under which Clyde facilities had been removed and indicated it was proposed to abolish the yards at Tooradin when they became no longer fit for use.

(58/13989)

(Papers on tour)

D.R. 345 187.

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).

COMPLETED 188.

10.10.58 Removal of sheep yards.
 24.10.58 Removal of goods shed.

CRANBOURNE.

189.

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

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1955	14710	10124	10283	4815	58	18	8	91	54
1956	5197	9985	2329	4872	43	-	3	25	23
1957	4617	11795	1844	5814	54	-	13	31	16
1958	4383	10133	1567	5449	71	-	2	33	4

CRANE

190.

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 clear to accede to the request.

There has been no further request for a crane.

(54/6883)

PRIVATE SIDING

191.

Australian Consolidated Industries Ltd. has been advised that siding access can be provided to its land near Cranbourne.

The Company advised in November 1958, that a further approach in the matter would be made late in January.

(57/9753)

FLASHING LIGHTS

192.

It is proposed to instal flashing lights at the South Gippsland Highway 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.

Dep't this

(Papers on tour)

(57/9754).

OCCUPATION CROSSING

193.

Permission has been granted to Mr. E. J. Marriot to re-open the occupation crossing at 25m, 78c. 761k and the necessary gates have been supplied by this Department.

(57/4983)

COMPLETED

194.

- 1.10.58 Repairs to station approach roadway.
- 4.11.58, Additional room at D.R.1838
- 5. 2.58 Improvement to view at crossing at 29m.10ch.

AGNES (Contd.)

RETENTION OF SIDING. (Contd.)

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

(56/7843)

RETENTION OF FENCING.

28.

In connection with the relaying of the track between Foster and Yarram notices to quit the tenancy of railway property were recently issued to the lessees of railway land, on that section of line.

Mr. J. Nichol, lessee of land at Agnes, wrote to the department on 5/1/59, and requested that a meeting be arranged with an officer of the department on his leased land at Agnes, to discuss the possibility of his retention of a new fence, which he had erected well clear of the embankment.

The matter is being investigated.

(59/143)

TOORA.

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

29.

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
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
1958	13306	1641	2930	10862	422	129	54	66	3

CRANE.

30.

Six ton derrick, manually operated crane at this station has been operating at two tons capacity since the end of last year.

APPROACH ROAD TO TRUCKING YARDS.

31.

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.

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TOORA (Contd.)

APPROACH ROAD TO TRUCKING YARDS. (Contd.)

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.

The matter was referred to at Toora on tour on 11/2/58 by Mr. P.S. Morcom representing the local progress Association. He was informed that the proposed roadway was not required for railway purposes and the Commissioners were not prepared to incur any expense in connection with the provision of such means of access to the trucking yards. If the local Council was willing to construct and maintain a roadway at its own cost they would be glad to consider such a proposition.

Mr. Morcom indicated that he would take the matter up with the Council.

(56/7838)

COMPLETED.

32.

15.1.59 Provision of heavy duty transport ramp at the stockyards.

BENNISON.

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

33.

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
1955	250	358	4	283	53	-	-	-	-
1956	206	254	7	205	12	-	-	-	-
1957	229	189	5	159	1	-	-	-	-
1958	223	295	-	238	25	-	-	-	-

FOSTER.

Mr. H.J. Weaver, Stationmaster (Class 8)

34.

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
1955	7858	2616	1033	4936	343	107	76	107	36
1956	7674	2223	1089	5838	432	75	73	132	54
1957	8123	2100	1141	7741	530	99	87	150	35
1958	8874	2025	1274	6500	385	111	103	181	106

FOSTER (Contd.)

POWER POINT AND ELECTRIC URN.

35.

In July 1957 the Stationmaster made application for the installation of a power point and electric urn for water heating purposes but as it was considered there was no justification for incurring the expenditure involved the request was declined.

The matter was reviewed recently in response to further representations made through the A.R.U. and in the light of altered conditions, but it is still considered the provision sought is not justified.

(16/328/1)

BULK LOADING RACES.

36.

At Foster on tour on 11th February, 1958 representations were made to the Commissioners by Mr. D. Heaton-Harris of the Australian Estates Agency Company, that double bulk loading races be provided at the local trucking yards. It was stated that new sale yards have been established by the Australian Estates Agency Company and a substantial increase in traffic was expected.

The Commissioners explained that double bulk loading races are provided only where truckings of sheep average not less than 250 trucks per annum. At Foster, however, the truckings were only about 100 trucks annually, and they were not prepared to put in the required facility at present but in the event of a substantial increase in truckings the matter would be reviewed.

Review in October 1958 showed that trucks of livestock from this station from the beginning of the year had comprised 73 sheep, 46 cattle and 48 pigs, insufficient to justify the desired provision.

(58/1670)

FENCING.

37.

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)

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FOSTER (Contd.)

D.R. 392.

38.

A contract has been let for provision of a power point in the lounge of Departmental Residence 392.

(W.W. 12935/58)

HODDLE.

No-one-in-Charge.

39.

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
1955	228	322	11	107	-	-	-	-	-
1956	112	154	5	152	-	-	-	-	-
1957	138	145	51	118	-	-	-	-	7
1958	124	273	-	127	-	-	-	-	-

HODDLE-FISH CREEK.

OCCUPATION CROSSING AT LOOM. 56Ch.

40.

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 misses" 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 of approaching trains would still be very restricted, and they asked whether consideration would be given to the provision of an overhead bridge.

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.

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HODDLE-FISH CREEK. (Contd.)

OCCUPATION CROSSING AT LOOM. 56Ch.

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.

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

41.

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
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
1958	10677	1613	1544	4337	753	174	123	143	95

PASSENGER PLATFORM.

42.

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)

STOCK YARDS.

43.

Over the years complaints have been made by the Fish Creek Progress Association concerning the condition of the stock yards.

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.

(Continued)

FISH CREEK (Contd.)

STOCK YARDS. (Contd.)

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.

In reply to a deputation which met them at Fish Creek on 11.2.58, the Commissioners promised that the work of concreting the sheep crush yards and race and the resetting of pitches in the cattle race, would be put in hand in April and this work has since been completed.

Further requests have been made by the Intercontinental Packers Pty. Ltd., and Gippsland and Northern Co-Operative Co. Ltd. for:-

- (a) Extension of the roofing of the pig shelter.
- (b) Provision of an adjustable transport ramp.
- (c) Relocation of the tank and water trough.
- (d) Erection of holding yards between pig yard and Gippsland and Northern yards.
- (e) Provision of gateway giving access direct from the Gippsland and Northern yards to the trucking yards.

These matters are in course with the Chief Civil Engineer.

(56/8040)
(58/1596)

PARKING OF VEHICLES ON RAILWAY LAND.

44.

It has been brought under notice that C.S.B. Motors, which leases railway land near the level crossing at Fish Creek, has been parking vehicles, for repair, on the adjoining unleased railway land, with the result that the view of the level crossing is being obstructed.

C.S.B. Motors was written to on 23/1/59, and requested to move all vehicles obstructing the view of the level crossing and those parked on unleased railway land within fourteen days of the date of the letter.

(57/11718)

LEVEL CROSSING AND PEDESTRIAN CROSSING.

45.

The Shire of South Gippsland has requested the widening of the level crossing at Fish Creek.

The Council was advised on 27/11/58 of the conditions under which the work would be carried out and that the estimated cost is £335.

Further advice from the Shire is awaited.

(57/13258)

COMPLETED.

46.

26.5.58 Concreting sheep crush yards and provision of drain between crushes and holding yard.

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BUFFALO.

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

47.

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
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
1958	3306	362	52	1735	310	53	143	93	53

STOCKYARDS.

48.

On previous tour, request was made by Messrs. Carmichael and Hassett 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 was provided and the transport ramp listed for attention when convenient.

Representations were made to the Commissioners by Messrs. A.E. Buckley, J.R. Carmichael (Senior), C.R. Carmichael (Junior), J.T. Hassett, and J.E. Hassett that repairs be carried out at the trucking yards.

The yards were inspected in company with the members of the deputation and the Commissioners agreed to renew the cattle crush and the cattle race. If local graziers could guarantee 75 trucks of sheep per annum new sheep races would be provided, otherwise only essential repairs would be carried out. Regret was expressed that the heavy duty transport ramp had not be provided but it was hoped to carry out this work at an early date. Several panels of the railway boundary fence which had been burned down would also be repaired.

(56/8037)

COMPLETED.

49.

10.7.58 Repairs to trucking yards etc.

STONY CREEK.

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

50.

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
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
1958	1100	638	56	1503	100	33	13	44	5

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STONY CREEK (Contd.)

WORKING OF STATION.

51.

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

Stony Cr. then C.T.

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

Reduction in working costs.

(W.W.7272/55)

COMPLETED.

52.

29.8.59 Repairs to stockyard fencing etc.
13.5.58 Removal of pig yard and shelter, water tank and trough from trucking yards.

STONY CREEK-LEONGATHA.

COMPLETED.

53.

29.1.58 Abolition of occupation crossing at 80M. 17Ch. 79L.

MEENIYAN.

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

54.

Year Ended 30th June	Total Revenue £	Outward Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage		Wool Bales	Livestock			
			Out	In		Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep	Cattle	Sheep	Cattle
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
1958	9973	1753	2273	5168	514	114	124	120	23

SHED SITE FOR C.F.C. LTD.

55.

A request from the Commonwealth Fertilisers & Chemicals Ltd., for a siding frontage shed site at this station for the storage of fertiliser in bulk, is being investigated.

(E.O.57/1512)

PROVISION OF CRANE.

56.

On ~~tour~~ on 11th February, 1958 representations were made to the Commissioners by Messrs. A.J. McDonald, and J.Meikle that a crane be provided at the station.

(Continued)

MEENIYAN (Contd.)

PROVISION OF CRANE. (Contd.) 56.

The Commissioners advised that the quantity of goods received at the station did not warrant the provision of a crane and therefore, they were unable to accede to the request.

(58/1663)

SHELTER ON SIDING FRONTAGE. 57.

In September, 1957 the Dumbalk Butter and Cheese Coy. Ltd. requested the provision of a shelter on the siding frontage at Meeniyam 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 Meeniyam.

In October 1958 Honorable Sir Herbert Hyland M.L.A. on behalf of the Company made representations to the Chairman in this connection. On review the Chairman replied that except for a decline in the annual volume of traffic loaded by the Company at Meeniyam, the conditions had not altered and the Commissioners regretted therefore that they were unable to alter their previous decision.

(Papers on tour).

(59/11919)

SEPTIC TANK. 58.

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. 59.

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. 60.

The proposal to transfer crossing facilities from Stony Creek (See note 51) involves the provision of a crossing at Meeniyam which, with the necessary alterations to track work is estimated to cost £3,646 (at Meeniyam).

The matter is listed for attention when circumstances permit.

(W & W.7272/55)

*Could make Stony Creek C.T.
S. of is provided at Meeniyam
Saving of approx £750
per year.*

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MEENIYAN (Contd.)

APPROACH ROAD.

61.

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 sealing of the approach road to the passenger platform and the road in the goods area.

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)

TARWIN.

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

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
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
1958	446	468	37	1278	30	4	1	24	1

GOODS SHED.

63.

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)

D.R.3092.

64.

A request for provision of electricity at this residence has been investigated, but there is no supply point within a reasonable distance at present.

(W.W.18054/57)

COMPLETED.

65.

Feb.1958 Removal of Stock yards.

LEONGATHA (Contd.)

MOST IMPROVED RESIDENCE.

72.

In connection with 1957 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.

ELECTRIC KETTLE.

72A.

An A.R.U. request on behalf of the guards stationed at Korumburra and Yarram, for the provision of an electric kettle or urn at Leongatha, has been referred to the District Sup't. for consideration. The guards concerned claim that the Department's provision of thermos flasks does not meet their particular problems because of the absence of "through" trains and the amount of shunting at each station.

*Johnson tractor going in on 4/3/59.
(16/522/9)*

PASSENGER APPROACH ROAD.

73.

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 Commissioners inspected this roadway whilst on tour last year and found it to be in good condition. No reference to sealing was made at that time by representatives of the Shire.

(56/8030)

USE OF RAILWAY FACILITIES FOR INSPECTION POTATOES TO BE CARRIED BY ROAD.

74.

When on a tour of inspection of the South Eastern Line last year the Commissioners noted that railway yard facilities at Leongatha were being utilised for inspection of potatoes by the staff of the Department of Agriculture and subsequent loading into road vehicles.

As it was stated that this was a normal procedure on a State Wide Basis the Secretary for Railways on 12/2/58 wrote to the Director of Agriculture pointing out that the Commissioners were not prepared to allow the use of their yard and platform facilities for this competitive movement of traffic and instructions were being issued to stations that the practice was to cease forthwith.

(58/1455)

Papers on tour.

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LEONGATHA (Contd.)

REPAIRS TO REST HOUSE.

75.

This work is in hand.

(14760/58)

SEWERAGE OF RAILWAY PROPERTY.

76.

The Leongatha Sewerage Authority contacted the Department on 20/11/58, and requested that the three departmental residences in Jeffrey Street and the Gate House, be connected to the sewerage.

The matter is being investigated. Consideration is also being given to the sewerage of the Rest House.

(58/12812)

COMPLETED.

77.

22.9.58 Electrification of crane.

9.9.58 Additional room Departmental Residence 2375.

COMPLETED.

78.

5.12.58 Provision dual purpose transport ramp. ✓

15.10.58 Repairs to 6 ton crane. ✓

RUBY.

79.

Mrs. K.M. Durston - Caretaker 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
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
1958	635	105	21	229	49	21	23	41	19

REMOVAL OF GOODS SHED:

80.

The goods shed at Ruby has been removed and the work of shortening the platform will be carried out when staff is available

(58/6763)

KARDELLA.

81.

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
1955	636	461	-	316	-	50	-	37	-
1956	260	521	-	458	-	16	-	24	3
1957	169	99	-	464	-	10	-	12	-
1958	216	79	-	477	-	12	-	45	-

STOCK YARDS.

82.

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.

(54/4314)

KARDELLA (CONTD.)

LEVEL CROSSING AT 71 m. 13 ch.

83.

"At Kardella on tour on 12th February 1958 the Commissioners were met by Mr. D.C. O'Connor, Shire Engineer of the Shire of Korumburra who stated that the road at the level crossing at the 'up' end of the station had been widened and in order to make the view of approaching trains satisfactory it was considered about a thousand yards of earth should be removed from the sidewidths.

The Commissioners pointed out that a Departmental residence had been removed at this point in order to improve the road users' view of approaching 'up' trains but arrangements would be made for the Level Crossing Committee to again visit the location and see whether anything further was required.

After a further inspection the Level Crossing Committee recommended that scrub on the site of the D.R. and the privet bushes, pine tree, and black wood tree at the 'up' end of the platform be removed and this has been done. ✓

(58/1662)

COMPLETED.

84.

28.2.58.

Replacement of the portable office and waiting room by a mallee shed and locker, and the abolition of the ladies conveniences.

KORUMBURRA.

85.

Mr. J.L.R. Butler, Stationmaster Class 3.

Rolling Stock Branch:-Sub-Foreman W. Smith

Total Staff 34, Engines - Nil

Refreshment Rooms Manageress - Miss D. Kelly.

Year Ended 30th June	Revenue £	Passenger Journeys	Total Tonnage Wool			Livestock			
			Out	In	Bales	Outwards		Inwards	
						Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses	Sheep Pigs	Cattle Horses
1955	30548	17891	7486	17667	770	142	345	164	144
1956	28698	15957	7030	16998	580	164	243	154	139
1957	27572	14011	7453	17143	672	129	215	186	126
1958	26331	13522	6740	15839	710	149	123	236	78

NON-ISSUE

86.

KORUMBURRA (contd.)

TRANSFER OF FOOTWARMER PLANT.

87.

The transfer of the footwarmer plant from Korumburra to Leongatha will be carried out when staff is available.

(5080/57)

LIGHTING OF SUBWAY.

88.

Following a request from the Shire for an improvement in the lighting of the subway at Korumburra three 60 watt lamps were replaced by 100 watt lamps and the standard of lighting is now satisfactory.

(57/8070)

TOBACCO CAGE.

89.

A request for the provision of a wire cage for the storage of tobacco and other valuable consignments in the goods shed has been referred to the Chief Civil Engineer.

(16/494/7)

LAND FOR CAR PARK.

90.

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 land at a rental of £150 per annum was made to the Shire on 22/1/57, which advised that as no car parking fees were to be charged, the rental was too high.

The Commissioners then agreed, that, as the land was not to be used on a commercial basis, the rental be reduced to £15 per annum.

A Tenancy Agreement was forwarded to the Shire on 17/12/58 for execution.

(56/8038)

LEASE OF LAND.

91.

An area of land in Commercial Street had 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 its 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.

The offer was not accepted by the shire, and the land has been leased to Mr. N. Vitetta for £115 per annum.

(57/8382)

KORUMBURRA (contd.)

PAINTING OF V.R.I. BUILDING.

92.

It is proposed to commence the painting of the exterior of the Institute building early to March.

(58/13575)

LAND FOR V.R.I. TENNIS COURT.

93.

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.

94.

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 was 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.

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.

(continued)

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY 18th, FEBRUARY, 1959.

KORUMBURRA (contd.)

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

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."

On 4/6/58 the Shire wrote advising that it was anxious to have a footpath provided on both sides of the bridge and on 16/7/58 the Secretary for Railways replied that the estimated cost of £1,585 would require to be met by the Council. In reply to a further letter from the Council the Secretary for Railways replied on 5/9/58 pointing out that the Commissioners, who had been directed by State Cabinet that they are not to contribute to such Works, were not prepared to bear any portion of the cost of the bridge works desired by the Council.

(58/6144)

DRAINAGE TRUCKING YARDS.

95.

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.

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 however been no further communication from the Council on the subject.

(56/7841)

KORUMBURRA (contd.)

SALE OF LAND.

96.

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)

WASHING FACILITIES IN ELECTRICAL FITTERS' DEPOT.

97.

The provision of a wash basin in the Electrical Fitters' Depot will be carried out when staff is available.

(9438/58)

LOCO. DEPOT.

98.

A request for repairs to roof and walls of Loco. Depot is being investigated.

(12823/58)

D.R. 597.

99.

Application has been made for connection of electricity to D.R. 597.

The matter is being investigated.

(W.W. 8522/58)

D.R. 2804.

100.

Instructions were issued recently for provision of additional power points in kitchen and wash house of D.R. 2804.

(14861/58)

LAND FOR BICYCLE TRACK.

101.

On 14/1/58 the Shire of Korumburra 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 Shire has been advised that there is no objection to the route being used as a bicycle track until such time as the department is in a position to sell the land.

(57/2998)

COMPLETED.

102.

23.1.59 Provision of coal and ash handling equipment.

23.1.59 Provision of telephone switchbox in Goods Shed office.

11.7.58 Additional window D.R. 2433.

THIRD DAY, THURSDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY, 1959

LYNDHURST

195.

Mrs. T. A. Waters, Caretaker, 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
1955	3008	3600	2624	500	-	-	-	-	-
1956	13682	4720	8250	363	-	-	-	1	1
1957	5269	4710	2975	448	43	-	-	-	-
1958	4555	3924	2273	282	-	2	-	-	-

COMPLETED

196

- 21.4.58 Removal of goods shed and portion of platform.
- 13.6.58 Abolition of No.2 road. ✓

12.2.59. TS:GP.

Memorandum:

S 217/59 - Commissioners' Special Train.
Monday 16th February, 1959.

In connection with the running of the above train on Monday next, 16th instant, shifts are to be worked as under:

LEONGATHA: Normal shifts. S.M. to ensure that Guard of Special is furnished with key to Toora and Welshpool office. Guard of 59 will also have to be furnished with keys as usual.

STONY CREEK: 7.40am. to 9pm. (meals 12 noon to 2pm. and 5pm. to 7pm).
A.S.M. may cease duty on receipt of train arrival signal from Foster for S 217 and after he has obtained a staff and given one to Leongatha for 59.

FOSTER: 11.30am. to 10.30pm. (meal 7pm. to 8pm.) O.I.C. to promptly obtain staff for 59 whilst Block & Signal Inspector is in Toora office, in order that Special by which he is travelling will not be delayed.

TOORA: Normal shift. Mr. Oehm, Block & Signal Inspector will accompany the Special and perform Safeworking at Toora. After clearing the train off and releasing a staff to Foster for 59 he will obtain a ticket and travel with the Special to Welshpool where he will detrain. He will despatch the Special on Ticket to Yarram and obtain the "Acre" from the latter station, and will give the "Acre" to the Guard of 59 at Toora. Key of Toora office to be available at Leongatha for Mr. Oehms use.

WELSHPOOL: Normal shift. Mr. Oehm, Block & Signal Inspector will arrive on the Special, and perform Safeworking as detailed above.
Key for Welshpool office to be made available at Leongatha for Mr. Oehms use.

YARRAM: S.M. to arrange for Safeworker to be on duty for the arrival of the Special at 10.20pm. which is to be placed direct into No 2 road, where it will remain for the night. Arrangements to be made for a road to be clear for the Engine of No. 59 to run through.

District Superintendent.

S.M. KORUMBURRA. LEONGATHA. MEENIYAN. & a/c STONY CREEK. FOSTER.
TOORA. & a/c WELSHPOOL. YARRAM.

MR. MCLEOD.
TRAFFIC INSPECTOR.

MR. OEHM.
B.&S. INSPECTOR.

MR. CLARKE.
DIST. SUPERINTENDENT.

Office of Chief Traffic Manager,
Room 73, 'Phone 1802,
3rd February, 1959.

COMMISSIONERS' VISIT OF INSPECTION.SPECIAL TRAIN will run as under :-

MONDAY, 16th FEBRUARY, 1959.

Miles from Melb.			Train to be marshalled Norman, No. 5 Sleeper, Goulburn, Engine, and docked not later than 3.40 p. m.
	DOWN -		P. M.
	SPENCER STREET	dep	4.20
	(No. 8 Platform)		
	FLINDERS STREET		4.25*
	STH. YARRA (Via Local Line)		*
6 $\frac{1}{2}$	Caulfield		4.43*
9 $\frac{1}{2}$	Oakleigh		4.51*
18 $\frac{1}{2}$	Dandenong		5.6*
27 $\frac{1}{4}$	Cranbourne		5.21*
30 $\frac{3}{4}$	Clyde		5.27*
35 $\frac{1}{2}$	Tooradin		5.35*
41	Koo wee rup		5.50* -No. 38 Roadside Goods due out 5.35pm to wait. E. R.
47 $\frac{1}{4}$	Lang Lang		6.2*
55 $\frac{1}{2}$	Nyora	arr	6.20* -42 D. R. C. (ex Wonthaggi) due 6.25 p. m.
			-42 D. R. C. (ex Leongatha) due arr 6.30 pm dep 6.33 p. m.
		dep	6.42
59	Loch		6.48* -95 Goods if run to wait.
65	Bena		7.6*
68 $\frac{3}{4}$	Korumburra		7.26* = Dep 7.21 pm
78	Leongatha		7.47*
90	Stony Creek		8.10* 8-8 p-7 44
99 $\frac{1}{2}$	Fish Creek		8.31*
107 $\frac{1}{4}$	Foster		8.55* = 8-53/8-55 upx
113 $\frac{1}{4}$	Toora		9.16* 2-ppg-21
119 $\frac{3}{4}$	Welshpool		9.38* 7-40
132 $\frac{1}{2}$	Alberton		10.8*
136 $\frac{1}{4}$	Yarram	arr	10.20 10-17 pm
	Mileage 137 $\frac{1}{4}$		

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COMMISSIONERS' VISIT OF INSPECTIONSPECIAL TRAIN will run as under :-

TUESDAY, 17th FEBRUARY, 1959.

Miles from Melb.				
136 $\frac{1}{4}$	UP -		A. M.	
	Yarram	dep	9.40	-pre 88 goods due out
				10.25 a. m.
132 $\frac{1}{2}$	INSPECT {	Alberton	10. 0	<i>Block post.</i>
		(See Note)		
129 $\frac{1}{4}$		Gelliondale	10. 18	
123 $\frac{1}{2}$		Hedley	10. 40.	
119 $\frac{3}{4}$		Welshpool	11. 8 ✓	
116 $\frac{1}{2}$		Agnes	11. 18	
113 $\frac{1}{2}$		Toora	11. 45	
110 $\frac{1}{4}$		Bennison	11. 59	
			P. M.	
107 $\frac{1}{4}$		Foster	arr.	12. 10 - E. R. LUNCH
			- 33 Goods due arr.	
			12. 50 p. m.	
		dep.	1. 10 - Pre 80 Goods due out	
			1. 25 p. m.	
102 $\frac{3}{4}$	Hoddle		1. 30	
99 $\frac{1}{2}$	Fish Creek		1. 57	<i>Block post</i>
	(See Note)			
94 $\frac{3}{4}$	Buffalo		2. 19	
90	Stony Creek		2. 49	
88	Meeniyam		3. 15	<i>B-P</i>
	(See Note)			
86 $\frac{1}{4}$	Tarwin		3. 30	
83	Koonwarra		3. 45	
78	Leongatha	arr	4. 0	

NOTE :-

Alberton, Fish Creek and Meeniyam to be opened as Intermediate Block Posts for the running of Commissioners' Special and No. 88 and 80 Goods.

Mileage 58 $\frac{1}{4}$

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COMMISSIONERS' VISIT OF INSPECTION

SPECIAL TRAIN will run as under :-

WEDNESDAY, 18th FEBRUARY, 1959.

Miles from Melb.				
		UP -		A. M.
78		Leongatha	dep	8.15 - 29 Goods due 7.45 a. m.
74 $\frac{3}{4}$		Ruby		8.35
71 $\frac{1}{2}$		Kardella		8.50
68 $\frac{3}{4}$		Korumburra	arr	9. 5-20 Pass. due arr. 9.32am dep 9.42 a. m. -E. R. Water cars. -33 Goods alt. dep. 9.35 a. m. (S. 216/59).
			dep	10.50
68 $\frac{1}{4}$		Korumburra Cattle Siding		...
65		Bena		11.27
61 $\frac{3}{4}$		Jeetho		11.38
				P. M.
59		Loch		12. 5
55 $\frac{1}{2}$	INSPECT	Nyora	arr	12.15-63A roadside goods due 1.35 p. m. - LUNCH - E. R. Turn engine.
		DOWN -		
55 $\frac{1}{2}$		Nyora	dep	1.50
62 $\frac{1}{4}$		Woodleigh		2.20
65 $\frac{1}{2}$		Kernot		2.36
67		Almurta		2.46
68 $\frac{3}{4}$		Glen Forbes		3. 0
72 $\frac{1}{4}$		Woolamai		3.23
76		Anderson	arr	3.30-36 goods due 3.16pm - 22 Alt. due dep. 3.35pm (S. 216/59). -21 Goods due dep. 3.20pm to wait and follow.
				dep
78 $\frac{1}{4}$		Kilcunda		4. 1
82 $\frac{1}{4}$		Dalyston (See Note)		4.29
85 $\frac{1}{2}$		State Mine		4.45
86 $\frac{1}{4}$		Wonthaggi	arr	4.50

NOTE : - Dalyston to be opened as an Intermediate Block Post for the running of Commissioners' Special and No. 21 Roadside Goods.

Mileage 53 $\frac{1}{4}$

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COMMISSIONERS' VISIT OF INSPECTIONSPECIAL TRAIN will run as under :-

THURSDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, 1959.

Miles from Melb.				
86 $\frac{1}{4}$	UP - Wonthaggi	dep	A. M. 8. 5	- fol No. 18A D. R. C. due out 7. 35 a. m.
85 $\frac{1}{2}$	State Mine		8. 9*	
82 $\frac{1}{2}$	Dalyston		8. 15*	
76	Anderson		8. 29*	
62 $\frac{1}{4}$	Woodleigh		8. 53*	-No. 1 Goods due out 8. 30 a. m. to wait.
55 $\frac{1}{2}$	Nyora		9. 5*	
47 $\frac{1}{4}$	Lang Lang		9. 45	
43	Monomeith		10. 2	
41	Koo wee rup	arr	10. 7	- 20 pass due 10. 38 a. m. -E. R.
37 $\frac{1}{4}$	INSPECT { Dalmore	dep	11. 0	- 63 goods due out 10. 41am.
35 $\frac{1}{2}$		Tooradin	11. 15	
30 $\frac{3}{4}$	Clyde		P. M. 12. 3	
27 $\frac{1}{4}$	Cranbourne		12. 24	
23	Lyndhurst	dep	1. 25	- LUNCH
18 $\frac{1}{2}$	Dandenong		1. 40*	
9 $\frac{1}{2}$	Oakleigh		2. 10*	
6 $\frac{1}{2}$	Caulfield		2. 12*	
	FLINDERS ST.		2. 30*	-2. 26 pm Pcls. coach to follow.
	SPENCER ST. (No. 8 Platform)	arr	<u>2. 35</u>	
	Mileage 87 $\frac{1}{4}$			

* Not required to stop for inspection purposes.

Passenger trains, also important Goods trains, are not to be detained by the special, and at crossing stations the former are not to be shunted from the platform road.

Stationmasters will please request District residents, who intend to interview the Commissioners on arrival, to elect one representative of each Association or body interested to explain all proposals, so that the minimum time may be occupied in dealing with deputations.

T. R. COLLIER,
Chief Traffic Manager.