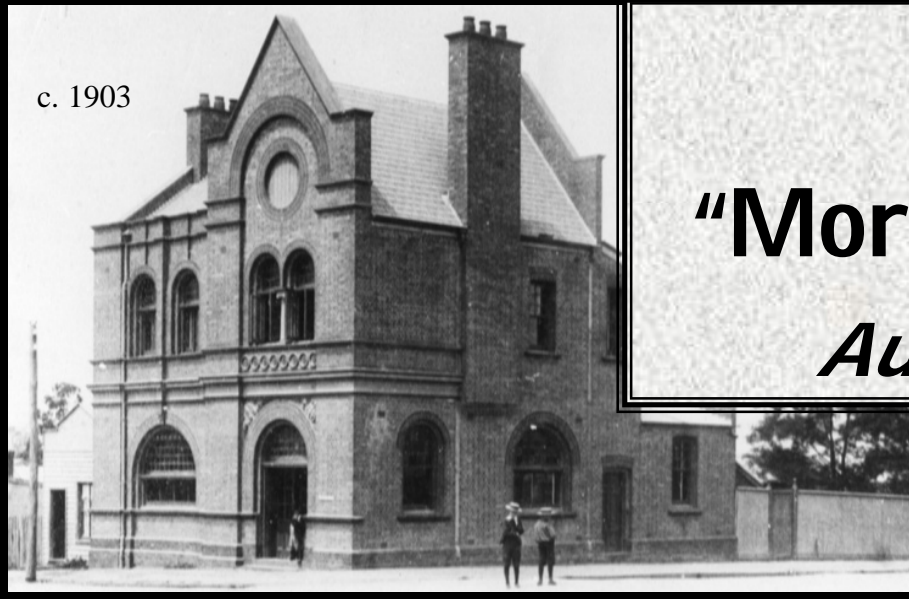


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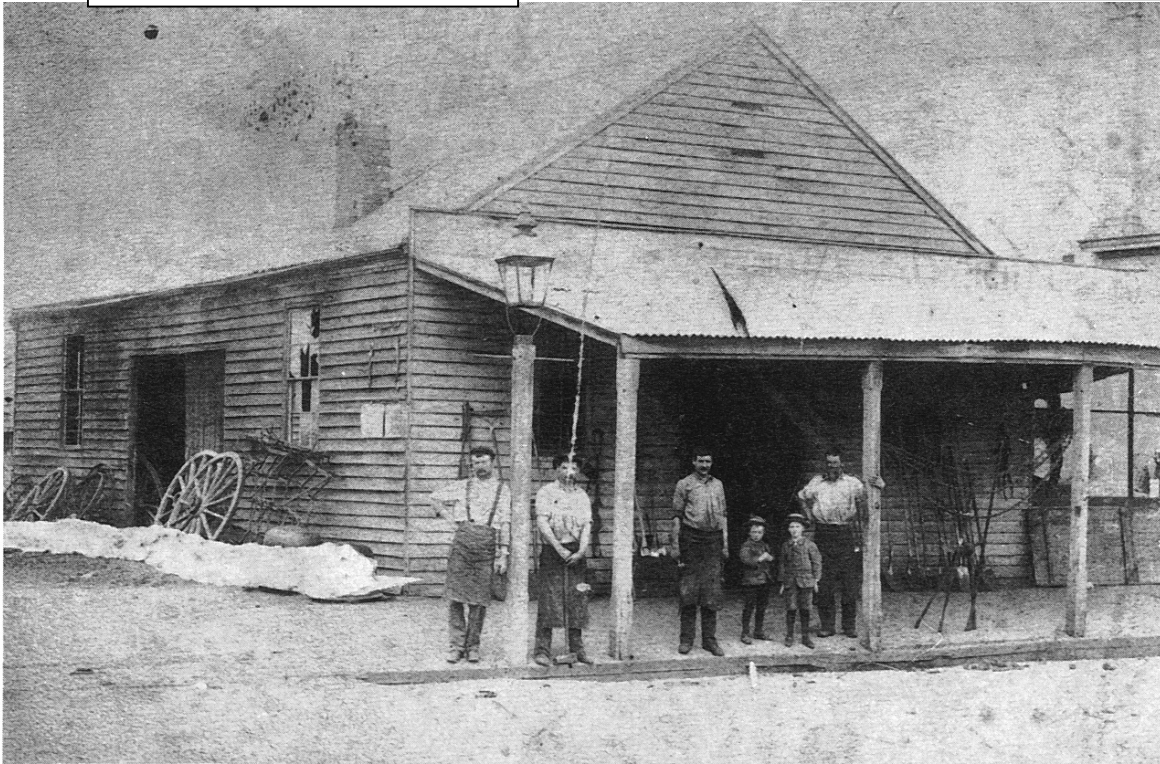
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Grand High-Class PATRIOTIC CONCERT

IN AID OF

Australian Nurses' Fund, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28.

Pianists—MISS IRVING.

PART I.

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|-------------|--|----------------------|
| 1. Overture | "Grand Military Divertimenti" | MISS W. SAMUEL |
| 2. Song | "Death of Nelson" | MR. OWEN |
| 3. Song | "Tosti's Good-Bye" | MRS. BATEMAN |
| 4. Song | "Who's that Calling" | MR. FRANCIS |
| 5. Song | "Sons of the Southern Sea" | MISS RINTOULL |
| 6. Song | "There's Something in the English after all" | MR. CROWE |
| 7. Song | "March of the Cameron Men" | MISS PORTER |
| 8. Song | "A Soldier and a Man" | MR. HINSON |
| 9. Song | "The Gallants of England" | MRS McCROBY |
| 10. Song | "Island of Dreams" | Mr. FISH |
| 11. DANCE | "Highland Fling" | MASTER ROY DONALDSON |

Interval of Five Minutes.

PART II.

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|-------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Overture | Piano | MISS ROSIE BENNETT |
| 2. Song | "Anchored" | MR. LOFTUS |
| 3. Song | "The Carnival" | MRS. BATEMAN |
| 4. Song | "Let me like a Soldier fall" | MR. OWEN |
| 5. Song | "The Absent-Minded Beggar" | MISS RINTOULL |
| 6. Song | "The Sleeping Camp" | MR. FRANCIS |
| 7. Clog | Dance | MR. WHITE LAW |
| 8. Song | "The Deathless Army" | MRS. McCROBY |
| 9. Song | "Sons of the Sea" | MR. CROWE |
| 10. Duet | "Larboard Watch" | MESSRS HINSON & LOFTUS |
| 11. DANCE | "Irish Jig" | MASTER ROY DONALDSON |

To Conclude With a

Military Tableau, WITH LINE LIGHT EFFECTS.

Concert to Commence at 8 Sharp. TICKETS—1s, 2s, 3s.

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A. GREEN } Joint. Secs.

Morwell Advertiser
23rd March 1900

Morwell Advertiser

June 29th 1900

“OUR BOYS.”



[Letter from Private J. **Bolding**.]

Kroonstad,
May 19th, 1900.

Have you space in a corner of our local paper (of old) for another short letter to you and other kind friends. Well, if so, here's a message for you. What sort of a programme have you for the 24th? You will know what ours was by the cables before this reaches Victoria.

As we are about to “make our move,” convoys are streaming in, the Boers say, like locusts. “With God at our head and our Mausers at our shoulders, yet they will never cross the Tugela” - these were words I saw printed in a Boer paper. That's over now, but not the Vaal.

They say there are 10,000 women and school-boys at Pretoria ready armed to fight us. They must have lost faith in their men. I saw one woman roll her sleeves up to a “Tommie” that was in her garden, but he told her he'd marry her when the war was over. Some of us will be making rash promises if that's their game.

We commenced this march on 1st. May, from Kerrie Siding, and had four days action over open, grassy plains, broken only by small rivers and creeks, with prickly scrub along their banks, no kopjes. It's splendid field for British battles; but there is no protection for the Boers when they leave the banks and this accounts for them making such a poor fight of it.

All the railway bridges suffered complete destruction.

That does not hinder much as they have a crossing ready here. They have made a channel on both sides and a small ford bridge in the centre to run the train over; but there's not much water in it, though the banks are very steep. It's the dry season of the year; that's very good for us.

The nights are very cold.

We have Mr. Lilley again; the Boers left him in Brandford Hospital. Alas! Sergeant Healey; they took him. I was out of that fight; it was a very hot one, so they say. We have had three since, with fixed bayonets one day, but did not do any stabbing; they cleared, and I can tell you we were not very sorry- rifle range is close enough for anyone.

Last Friday we were roused at 4 a.m., rode down to where the railway crosses the Zand River, or near it rather, as we had to shift the Boers out first. One man held three horses and rode after us. We took the ford. They had blown the bridge up, but a large body of them took up a position on the hill. No. 3 Company of V.M.R. extended on left to outflank them. No. 1 Company (Captain McLeish's) had orders to take the hill in front.

We have about half our number of Second Contingent chaps owing to about 30 casualties and 23 being on police duty.

As soon as we showed over the bank they fired a few volleys but hit no one, and got out of range for an hour or so, leaving several dinners and horsefeed below.

A fox crossed our front as we were firing. The Colonel (Price) said to **Tom Holmes** and I to have a shot; he fired also.

We have been to church parade this morning on the banks of the river. Chaplain Reay (they said his name was) being in robes. **T. Holmes** and **H. Cook** are ill. **Tom Rose** is not very well either this morning, but has not gone to hospital. Jack Nadenbousch and I are well; also **Dave White**, **Charlie Shaw** and **Bruhn**, of Second Victorian Contingent.

The Boer doctor asked who were they that took the hill and on being told, said "They can shoot; just look at these fellows and their clothes," meaning those that were lying in their ambulance waggons. It's all the question, "When shall we be home?"

They have supplied the troops with Argentine bronchos; they are no class compared with good old Australian horses. Sheep and cattle are plentiful. We are now falling in for emergency ration.

Who's Who?

Lieutenant (Adjutant) James Lindsay **LILLEY** (Wentworth N.S.W.)
Actg. Comp. Sgt. Major John Walton **HEALEY** (Soldier-South Yarra),
Colonel Thomas **PRICE** (Soldier-Toorak)
Chaplain Rev. Frederick William **WRAY** (The Parsonage, Euroa)
Pvt. Charles **BRUHN** (Carpenter-Mirboo)



Bond Family Memorial Seat – Hazelwood Cemetery

On Sunday 24th April 2005 a small group of members from the Morwell Historical Society met with members of the Bond family: (Beverley, Neville, Janice, Cheryl, Noeline and Merrilyn) at the Hazelwood Cemetery to unveil a seat that had been erected to the memory of their parents **Lou** and **Leila Bond**.

Leonie Pryde (a niece) President of the Society offered a few brief words of dedication, to which family members suitably responded.

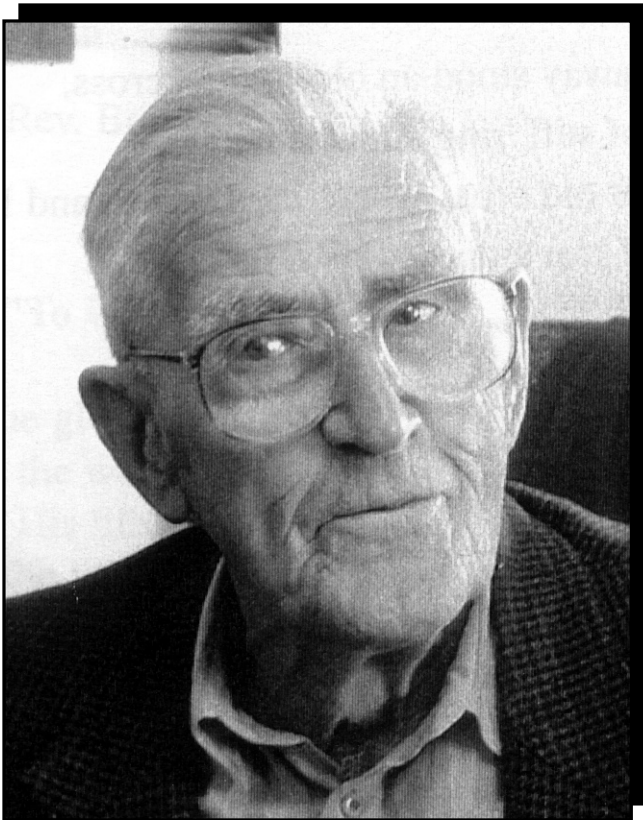
A pleasant time was spent chatting and reminiscing.

The cemetery that day was bathed in beautiful autumnal sunshine.

Members representing the Society on the day were: Leonie Pryde, Alan Davey, Elsie McMaster, Bruce McMaster, David McInnes and Stephen Hellings.



Morwell Historical Society President (Leonie Pryde) officiating at the unveiling ceremony of the Bond Family Memorial Seat.



Lou & Leila Bond

St. Philip's Church of England - 1953

The contract to build St. Philip's was entered into in June 1952, construction beginning in September.

The church building was located in Barry St., near Vincent Road, the opening and dedication took place at 2.30 pm on Saturday, 28th. March 1953.

The ceremony was conducted by the Bishop of Gippsland, Rt. Rev. D. B. Blackwood.

The building was of weatherboard construction with a tile roof, the designer was Mr. S.P. Ashton of Maffra, and the builder: Mr. S. G. Winchester, of Morwell.

The church was situated on a parcel of land measuring approximately two acres, the site having been purchased from the Housing Commission at a cost of £2,600. Construction costs were approximately £5,000.

The first services at St. Philip's were conducted on 5th. April 1953 - Easter Sunday. Service times were 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

St. Philip's - Morwell East



Latrobe Valley Express

31st. August 2006

Sir Stanley comes home

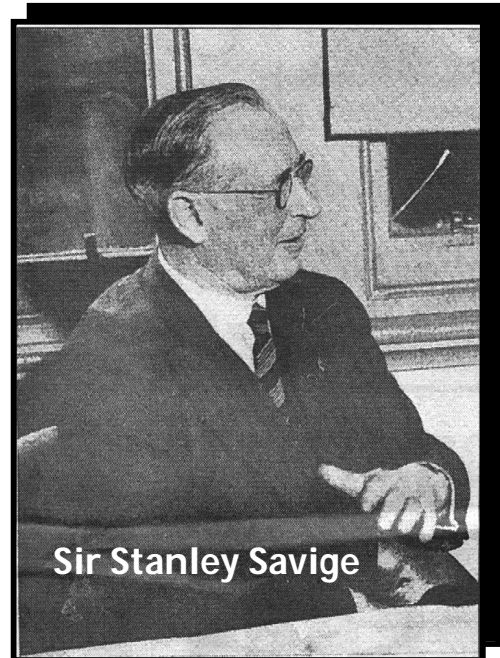
By **GARY STEVENS**

LEGACY founder Sir Stanley Savage was finally immortalised in his birthplace, Morwell, today.

Sir Stanley's place in the history of the region was recognised with the unveiling of a bronze bust memorial.

The memorial, a bust on a large granite pedestal, takes pride of place in the new town square between Commercial Road and Princes Drive, which will be known as Legacy Place.

The project to recognise Sir Stanley with a fitting memorial started three years ago with Advance Morwell treasurer Max Williamson.



After seeking approvals Advance Morwell raised \$16,000 for the project, which was completed yesterday ready for today's unveiling.

According to Mr. Williamson, the memorial is close to Sir Stanley's birthplace which is believed to be Tarwin Street, 116 years ago.

"He has many memorials around Australia recognising his achievements but this one is more special because it is his birthplace," Mr. Williamson said.

Mr. Williamson said there was still some work to be done with information signage about Sir Stanley planned for Legacy Place.

He hopes it will give locals a greater understanding of the achievements of one of our own.

Morwell – born Sir Stanley enlisted in the First Australian Imperial Forces in 1915 and landed in Gallipoli that year.

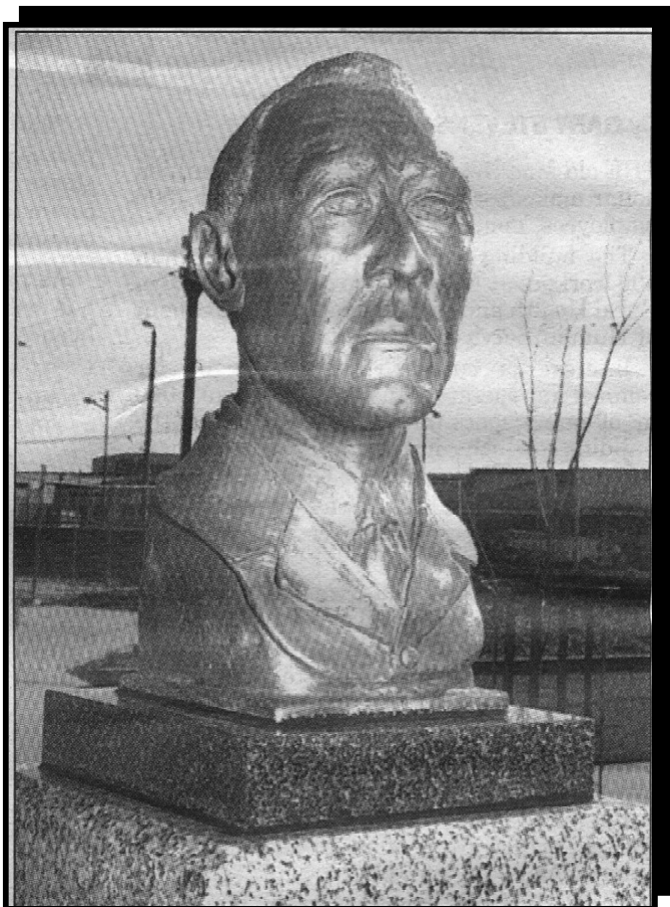
He was commissioned at Lone Pine and commanded one of his battalion's rearguard parties during the evacuation.

In 1916 he was posted to France where he was awarded the Military Cross.

He was sent to the Middle East in 1918 and was awarded the Distinguished Service Order later that year.

He married in 1919 and, in 1923, founded Legacy in Melbourne, which cares for the children and widows of deceased servicemen.

"For the next 26 years, due to his commitment, energy and enthusiasm, Savige's name became inseparable from both the club and the movement," according to Legacy's website.



Pride of place: The bronze bust of Sir Stanley Savige



Sir Stanley's place: Advance Morwell's Max Williamson, Graeme Sennett and Keith Brownbill with the new memorial to Sir Stanley Savige.

Morwell Advertiser and Gazette

25th. January 1929

St. Mary's Church of England.



ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the above took place on Tuesday last, when there was a representative gathering of parishioners present – the number constituting almost a record.

The Rector occupied the chair, and after the completion of formal business the election of Church officers for the ensuing year took place, and resulted in the following:-

Churchwardens: (Rector's appointment) Mr M. Abson; (elected by Parishioners) Messrs D. C. Mills and L. Davey. Vestrymen: Out of 11 nominations for the election of 6, the following were elected in the order of voting: Messrs H. H. Hitchins, T. Symons, J. Dow, H. Bridle, Young and Rogers.

The auditors appointed were Mr E. L. Vary, J.P., and Mr R. Dow.

The Parochial nominators appointed were Messrs D. C. Mills, L. Davey and R. Dow.

Then followed a good deal of discussion as to the most suitable method of celebrating the Jubilee Year of the Church in Morwell this year. It was eventually decided that special efforts be arranged for the week-end of Nov. 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th, which will be known as a "Back to St. Mary's Week."

The proceeds of the occasion are to be used for building purposes.

A further motion was passed that "A Jubilee Fund" be opened for the current year, and that it be designed for a Rectory and a new Church, the donor to state for which (or both) purpose the gift is to be used.

The meeting gave evidence of an enlivened interest in church matters and this inaugural meeting of the Jubilee was a good start off for what is hoped will be a successful Jubilee Year.

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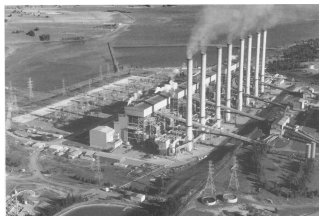
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At 44 Buckley Street

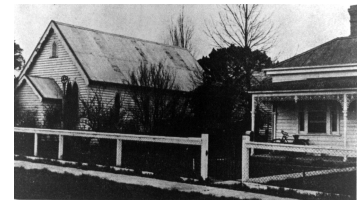
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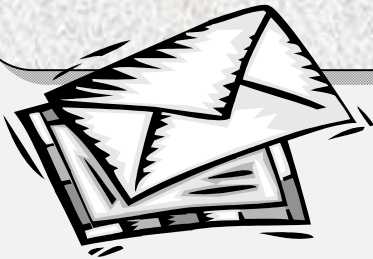
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17th August
21st September
19th October
16th November

Quick Quiz (Answer to question from last issue): 1886 (November)

The question for this issue is:

Who was the first Head Teacher at Collins Street Primary School?