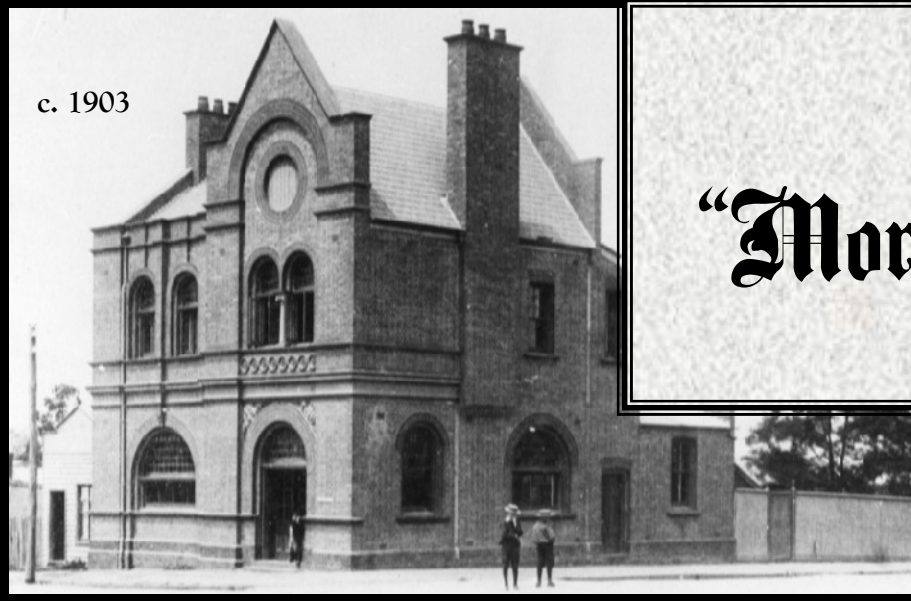


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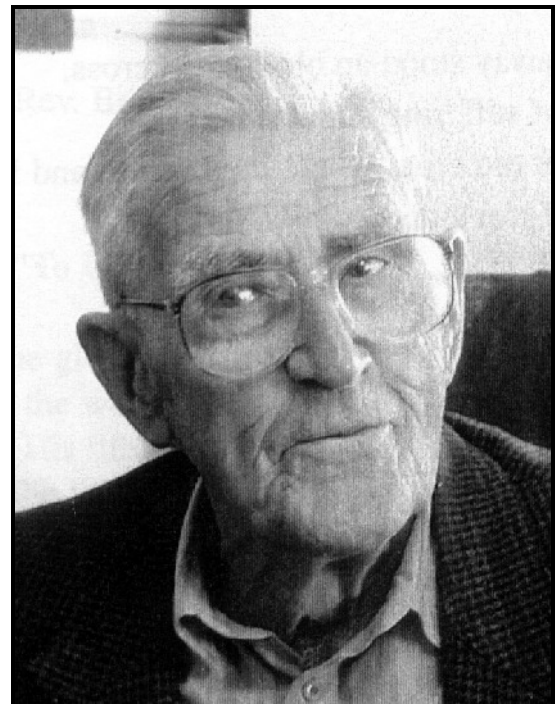
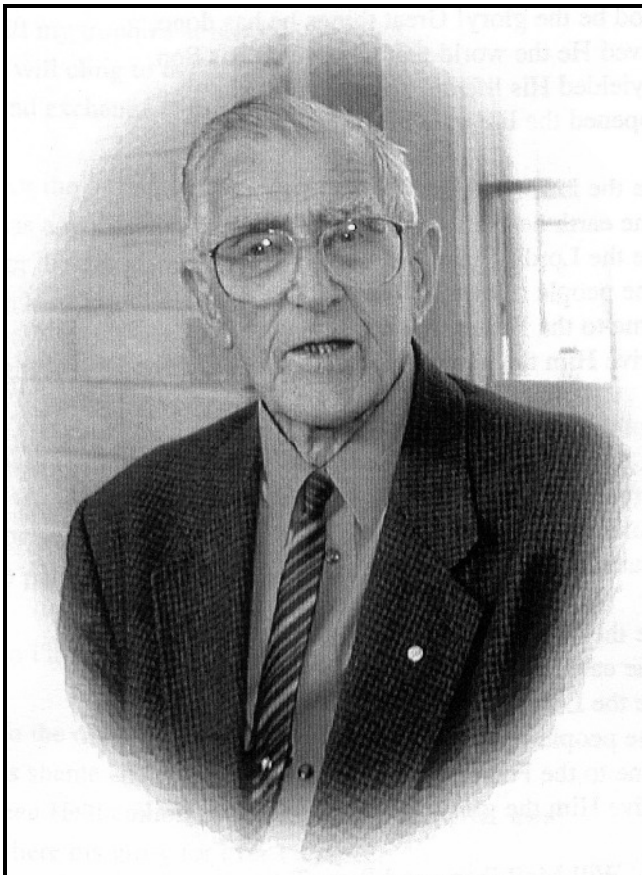
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Louis (Lou) W. Bond
1909-2003

VALE LOU BOND

It was with great sadness that members learned of the death of Past President and life member, Lou Bond, on 24th April.

Born in 1909 in western Victoria, Lou came with his family to Driffield in 1916. He attended Commercial Road and Driffield State Schools and Brunswick Technical College, returning to Driffield just as the Great Depression struck. He and his brothers made a living fencing, timber cutting, shearing and rabbiting.

In 1932 Lou bought a carrying business, carting cream from farms to butter factories, delivering goods to and from railway stations and doing general carrying work, and in 1937 he became one of the original contract suppliers of pulp wood to the newly opened A.P.M.

The 1930s also saw the beginning of a lifelong association with local football. Lou and his brothers played for Yinnar and Morwell football clubs - five Bond brothers played in Morwell's 1933 Premiership team - and Lou worked wholeheartedly for the Club over many years, coaching junior teams, serving on numerous tribunals and committees and promoting country football at every opportunity. He was also a keen cricketer, though football always remained his favourite sport.

Apart from his sporting and business activities, Lou served the Morwell community in many capacities. He was a member of the Collins Street and Morwell High School Councils, Latrobe Valley Airfield Committee, Latrobe Valley Gallery and Library Committees, West Gippsland Regional Committee, Gippsland Water Utilisation Committee, Central Gippsland Valuation Committee, to name only a few, but he was probably best known as a Morwell Shire Councillor. Elected to represent West Riding in 1948, he served for 32 years consecutively, including three terms as Shire President, and was an energetic and passionate advocate for the Morwell district.

Morwell Historical Society members remember Lou as our inaugural President when the Society re-formed in 1984 after being in recess for some years. He held this position, with dignity and good humour, until 1993. Always willing to give of his time, energy and wealth of local knowledge, he believed strongly that, though looking hopefully to the future, we must never lose sight of our past.

We will miss him greatly.

Elsie McMaster

Morwell Advertiser and Gazette

January 15th 1948

Death of Mr. Hugo Frost-Samuels

A COLONIST OF 74 YEARS.

AFTER a long illness, following a stroke in 1942, which caused the severance of his active connection with the legal firm of Bruce, Frost-Samuels & Littleton and confined to his home, Mr. Hugo Frost-Samuels died at his residence at Morwell on 7th December and was privately cremated two days later at the Springvale Crematorium.

The late Mr. Frost-Samuels, the second son of the late Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Samuels, was born at "Lone Tree", Talbot, in 1874. He received his elementary education at Mr. Lacey's school, Maryborough, and later at Mr. Bairn's school, Ballarat.

He served his articles with the well-known Melbourne legal firm of Moule, Hamilton and Kiddle, and was admitted at the age of 21 to the Supreme Court of Victoria to practise as a barrister and solicitor. He remained with this firm until he came to Traralgon in 1907 to join the firm of Serjeant & Bruce, of which the then principals were Mr. W. M. Bruce and the late Mr. P. P. Serjeant. After two years at Traralgon he moved to Morwell and continued to practise there until his retirement on account of ill-health.

During almost thirty years in Morwell as the sole resident practising solicitor, the late Mr. Frost-Samuels, in his professional capacity became intimately connected with the affairs of by far the greater part of the residents and had unique opportunities, beyond the giving of legal advice, of rendering practical assistance to his clients in cases of hardship or distress. These kindly acts were closely guarded confidences, but will live long in the memories of the recipients.

During his earlier association with the town, the deceased found time to interest himself in many of the community activities, with

special interest in the affairs of the Mechanics' Institute, in the management of which he held various executive positions.

In the field of sport his interests were varied and he attained more than average efficiency in all such activities to which he gave attention. He was a keen angler and a good shot and dearly loved a day in the bush in pursuit of these pastimes. He actively participated in tennis and for many seasons played bowls with the Morwell Bowling Club. But it was to golf that he devoted most time, particularly after the formation of the Morwell Club, of which he was a foundation member.

As a sportsman, irrespective of the branch in which he participated, he played the game hard but with the same scrupulous adherence to the rules of the game as characterised his professional practice.

Following the admittance of Mr. Geoffrey Littleton to the firm before the war the late Mr. Frost-Samuels had planned to retire from active participation in the firm but the war upset these plans. The strain of rapidly increasing responsibilities was the cause of the first serious break-down of his health in 1942. His condition further deteriorated as the result of the shock and upset following the destruction of his home in the bush fires of 1944.

A widow and a daughter, Mrs. A. Hanson, are left to mourn their loss and to them the sympathy of a wide circle of friends is extended.

The funeral arrangements were in the hands of the Traralgon funeral directors, Messrs D. & W. MacCubbin.



Some Interesting Bits and Pieces:

Paddle Brothers Shoes P/L.

Opened their factory in Morwell on 15th. March 1965, the factory was located in Ellen Street. The first Manager was Mr. Harry Digby

St. Vincent's Catholic Church-Morwell East.

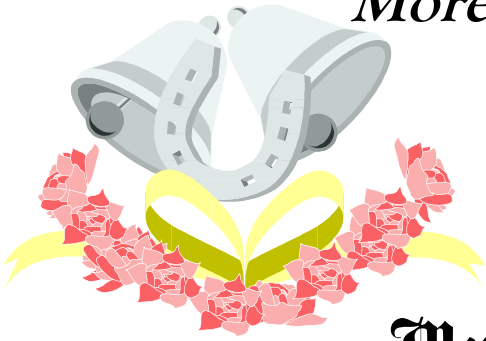
Opened in December 1971, situated at the corner of Barry and Hunt streets Morwell East. The church was built by Mr. John Malone of Morwell at a cost of \$84,000

Morwell Historical Society Members:



Dot Bartlett

*More from our "Orange Blossom"
file:*



Morwell Advertiser and Gazette

November 5th 1926

Wedding



Gude-Watson

A popular and pretty wedding was celebrated at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Morwell, on Wednesday last, in the presence of a large and representative gathering, when Mr J. S. Gude, son of Mr and Mrs J. Gude of Melbourne and formerly of Geelong, and Miss Ruby May Watson, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Watson, of Morwell, were united in the bonds of wedlock, the nuptial knot being tied by Rev. J. A. Craigen.



St. Andrew's- Elgin Street Morwell

The bride who was given away by her father looked charming in a sleeveless French beaded ivory georgette frock made with circular flared skirt. She also wore customary wreath and lace veil and carried a lovely bouquet of white roses, water lilies and stocks.

The bridesmaids were Miss Ella Green (first bridesmaid) who wore a pretty dress of blue georgette, Miss Amy Watson and Miss Jean Watson (sisters of bride) who wore mauve silk moracain and salmon pink silk moracain relieved with sequins, respectively.

Each carried a pretty early Victorian posy. Mr Rob Watson (brother of bride) was best man and Mr Barras Green groomsman.

The church had been very tastefully decorated by girl friends of the bride and as the bridal party stood in front of altar, under an archway from the centre of which a large bell was suspended, the group made a very pretty picture.

Mr J. Galloway presided at the organ and the bride entered the church to the strains of "The voice that Breathed O'er Eden," the "Wedding March" being played as the bridal pair retired. During the signing of the register "The Emllem" was nicely rendered by Miss Ella Watson (cousin of bride). The happy couple left the church amid a shower of confetti and good wishes.

A reception was subsequently held in the Mechanics' Hall, when about 70 relatives and friends partook of a sumptuous repast.

The Rev. J. A. Craigen presided and the usual toasts were duly honored in a very hearty manner.

Mr and Mrs Gude left by the evening train on their honeymoon, which is to be spent at Lorne. The bride travelled in a petunia repp frock with hat to match. A large number gathered on the station to see the happy couple off. The bride received a host of beautiful presents and also a number of cheques.

The marriage was further celebrated in the evening in the Mechanics' Hall, when a large gathering of friends were the guests of Mr and Mrs Watson. Dancing was indulged in to good music provided by Messrs Mitchell (piano), Normington (violin) and Wiggins (cornet).

During the evening songs were nicely rendered by Messrs Anselmi, Absou, and Miss Ella Watson.

Cards were played by parties on the stage and set-out supper was partaken of in Lodge Room.

The catering was in the hands of Mr W. Wilson, baker of Morwell, and staff, who have to be congratulated upon the excellent manner in which the task entrusted to them was carried out.

During the evening the Rev. J. A. Craigen, on behalf of those present, thanked Mr and Mrs Watson for the very enjoyable evening provided.



Next Meeting:

Tuesday 20th May 2003

7.30 P.M.
21 Church Street



Quiz Corner

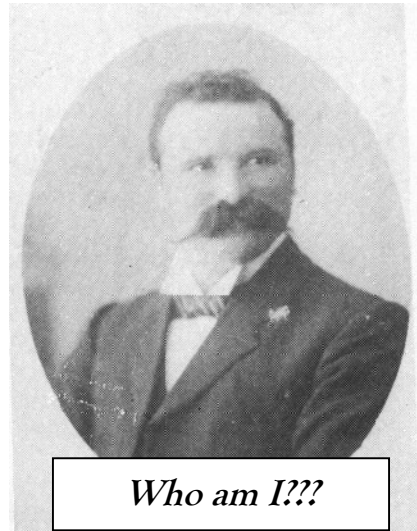
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The answer to the question I posed in our last edition was:

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For the month of May I thought we would have a photographic question for our quiz.



Who am I???

Historical Diary

May:

1st: Morwell Agricultural and Pastoral Society reformed in 1945

10th: Morwell branch of State Savings Bank opened in 1917

13th: Explosion at Lurgi Gas Plant in 1964

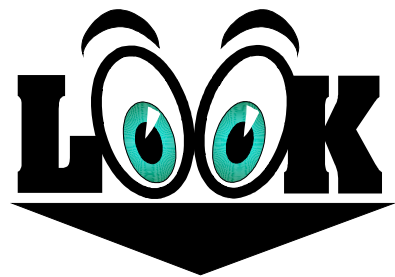
27th: Morwell Shire proclaimed in 1892

31st: Maryvale Ridge School closed in 1879

31st: Maya Theatre closed in 1962

31st: Elizabeth Wilmot kindergarten opened in 1965

The man in the chair was Cr. Pettigrew



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