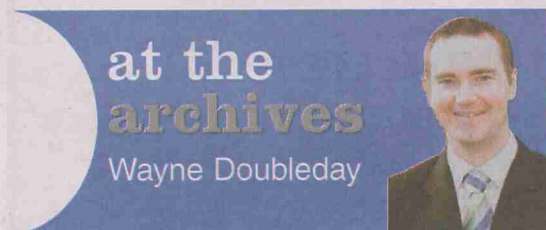


History now at your fingertips

The CSU Regional Archives is extending its opening hours to include the first Saturday of every month. On these days, the archives will be open from 10am to 3pm. The next Saturday opening will occur on June 1.

This initiative has been put in place to cater for those researchers who are unable to visit the Archives on weekdays during normal business hours.



The *Daily Advertiser* Digitisation Project is a joint initiative between Charles Sturt University, the Wagga and District Historical Society, Wagga

City Council and *The Daily Advertiser*. These organisations have committed funds and in-kind support to enable *The Daily Advertiser* to be digitised and made available on the National Library of Australia's TROVE website – (trove.nla.gov.au).

The Daily Advertiser has never been fully indexed, which has meant that unless the exact date is already known, researchers have been required to spend countless hours searching through the newspaper.

Now with the newspaper digitised and freely available on the TROVE website anyone can search and access *The Daily Advertiser* issues from 1868 to 1905 from their own computer.

The period digitised to date comprises Stage 1 of the project, and it is hoped that with more funding further years can also be digitised under Stage 2.

The CSU Regional Archives (CSURA) will be hosting TROVE demonstrations at the next Saturday opening on June 1, between 10am and 3pm.

Staff will be available to help researchers and users navigate the TROVE website to search *The Daily Advertiser* and other newspapers of interest.

To whet your appetite, here are a sample of the types of interesting articles and stories that researchers now have access to.

what you need to know

The CSU Regional Archives are open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. Located in the Blakemore Building on South Campus of the university, access can be gained via College Avenue or Hely Avenue. Members of the public are welcome to visit the search room, where professional archival staff can assist with inquiries. For those people unable to visit the archives in person, staff can provide a research service for straight-forward inquiries for a fee of \$55 per hour including copying and postage. For further information, phone 02 6925 3666, email archive@csu.edu.au, or visit our website at www.csu.edu.au/research/archives for a full listing of holdings and more detailed information.

WAGGA WAGGA EXPRESS, Saturday, January 22, 1859:

"ROBBERY – The premises of Miss Dunn of North Wagga Wagga, were entered on Tuesday night last, and robbed of a side-saddle and various articles of clothing.

It appears that while Miss Dunn was taking a walk, the thief succeeded in effecting his entrance by removing a sheet of bark from the roof.

The thief has succeeded in escaping but all the articles stolen have been recovered."

WAGGA WAGGA ADVERTISER, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 1874:

"Original Correspondence – Larrikins

(To the Editor of the *W.W. Advertiser*)

Sir, – This questionable species of humanity is becoming extensively and prominently disagreeable in this town. Nothing is safe unwatched from their depredations. Their idle and rascally fingers cannot abstain from coming in contact with matter not theirs. Every particle of their degraded moments is spent in seeking mischief of one kind or another.

These remarks, Sir, I have taken the liberty to address to you on behalf of myself and the respectable portion of this community. I, in common with others, fear that the nuisance will increase so rapidly and assume such gigantic proportions that the time will come when it will be unsafe to walk in liberty. I trust, therefore, Sir, that you will wield your pen to crush out the cancer.

I am, Sir, yours, &c.,
A CITIZEN."

WAGGA WAGGA ADVERTISER, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1877:

"Those pests of the amateur gardener, straying cows, are pretty numerous in and about the town, and we have heard numerous complaints of their misdeeds.

It is, to say the least of it, annoying to have to get out of your bed at night to drive these quadrupeds from your

little plot of young spinach through the inopportune opening of your garden gate by some careless passer-by, but when they enter by the back way, swimming across the lagoon into those gardens which abut thereon, although repeatedly driven back, it becomes, as Mark Twain calls it, 'monotonous'.

We hope that the proper authorities will keep their eyes on these nocturnal visitors, and direct their steps to a locality where there is not likely to be so much succulent food. We mean the pound."

WAGGA WAGGA ADVERTISER, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1902:

"ACCIDENTS – During Friday night, Mr Joseph Brown, aged 42, residing at Wagga, was admitted to the hospital, suffering from a broken ankle, due, it was stated, to a fall.

The patient states that he was walking along the footpath in Fitzmaurice Street, when he slipped on a banana skin, with the result mentioned.

Dr Burgess was summoned, and under his care the patient is doing well."

WAGGA WAGGA ADVERTISER, SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 1904:

"THE DARRACQ MOTOR – The public of the town were greatly taken up yesterday with Mr Harry Wainscott's gaudy red motor car, and many ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls availed themselves of the opportunity afforded for a fly round the streets on the horseless cab.

It appears that after the formal meeting of the council on Thursday night, when the aldermen were enjoying the soothing weed, Mr Wainscott appeared on the scene and was told that the council would not grant him a licence.

Then some special pleading took place ... [and] the aldermen, in informal assembly agreed that ... he might be allowed to make a small charge for giving townspeople a brief excursion in the "tooter" from the Commercial Hotel out Gurwood Street, and back



again via Kincaid Street.

It was considered, rightly, that they would not interfere with the local cabmen, as the people who went for a trip in the crimson chariot would not in any case hire a cab for like purpose."

In the early 1960s, Noel Hull, preparing to use the "Eagle Press" (or Columbian Press), was captured on camera by Tom Lennon, photographer for *The Daily Advertiser* [from the Tom Lennon Collection, RW15748/674].