

Mangamaire

Mangamaire: 1897-2015 Another rail centre and dairy factory Township. Children from Marima went to this school when it closed. One of the last places in the Bush to have its own little store, operated by the Rural Mail people so when short of supplies, families could ring and have it delivered with their mail. 11 Kilometres from Pahiatua.

1897-1898

1897		Konini	Black	P Annie		Female	£70	\$12,487
1898	18	Mangamaire	Brunton	Helen O		Female	£80	\$13,704

26th May 1898 Wellington Education Board The resignation of Mr W. G. Lewis as second assistant. Mount Cook Boys' School, was accepted, and consideration of that of Miss Annie Black, of Mangamaire School, was held over until next meeting

22nd June 1898 Wellington Education Board Teacher, Mangamaire School; salary, **£80**

30th June 1898 Wellington Education Board and in reply to Mangamaire's application for a new school it was decided that permission be given to clear the ground of the site, and that as soon as funds permit the building would be proceeded with.

11th August 1898 A schoolmaster named A. J. Howell, of *Mangamaire*, Tutaekura, attempted suicide yesterday at noon. He had only had charge of the school for about three weeks. The fact that he did not return to his duties yesterday afternoon aroused suspicion. When the children went to look for him he was found in a gully in a creek with his throat cut. Constable Sheary and Drs. Dawson and Gault brought him to town last night, and he died two hours after arrival. Deceased was about 32 years of age, and a single man.

It appears A J Howell was teaching at Warwick House School in Canterbury. He also may have been a mining consultation before coming to Mangamaire

1898/3293	Howell	Arthur John	37 Y
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12th August 1898 The man A. J. Howell, who died from self-inflicted wounds at Mangamaire, near Tutaekura, had only been in the district three weeks. He was found by Mr J. Goggin, a settler, at about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and was conveyed to Pahiatua . Howell had out his throat, and then thrown himself into a creek, prior to Mr Goggin arriving on the scene. Everything possible was done for the man, but he died at 6 o'clock in the evening An inquest was to have been hold yesterday.

29th August 1898 Wellington Education Board and for a teacher to take charge of the school at Mangamaire, at a salary of £80 a year, there are four applicants

15th September 1898 The committee of the Mangamaire School has approved of the selection of Miss Brunton as mistress by the Education Board, and she commences her duties forthwith

21st September 1898 Miss Helen Brunton, who has been appointed mistress of the Mangamaire School, was presented with a travelling rug by the teaching staff and scholars of the Greytown School yesterday as a token of esteem. Miss Brunton left- Greytown to-day.

1899

1899	18	Mangamaire	Brunton	Helen O		Female	£90	\$15,970
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25th January 1899 Petitions for and against the removal of the Kaiwarra School were ordered to stand over, and requests for new schools at Mangamaire and Nikau were referred to the Inspector.

28th January 1899 Quito an agitation is going on over the proposed silo of the Mangamaire school. Mangamaire is the name given to the postal district at Tutackara,[Sic] a settlement about half way between Eketahuna and Pahiatua, Some of the residents have been asking the Education Board before erecting the new school to try and effect an exchange of site, so that the school may be convenient to the majority of the families, On the other hand the residents near the school reserve are determined, if they can, to have the building erected on the land first set apart for the purpose, Petitions pretty numerously signed from both sides have been forwarded to the Board, and it is evident that the rival householders feel strongly on the subject. As the wish of the Board is to consult the host interests of the children and parents, and petitions are considered somewhat unreliable, the matter has been referred to the Inspectors, some of whom will no doubt visit the locality.

27th February 1899 Mr T R Fleming will inspect Mangamaire school on 15th March

20th April 1899 The Pahiatua Herald explains that it was not the Hukanui schoolhouse that it had in its mind when describing the other day a building of extraordinary primitiveness and draughtiness in which school children were herded. The defective structure is the Mangamaire School.

27th April 1899 School Committee . Mangamaire. — Messrs.. G. Clemens (Chairman), T. Horrobin (Secretary), Lawson, Kelly, and Bennison.

18th May 1899 Mr Bakewell Inspector of schools will visit and select a site for the new school proposed to be built at Mangamaire

28th June 1899 In some parts of the Wellington country district a great deal of delay in the erection of schools is caused through the division of opinion on the part of residents as to the site that should be selected. This has been the case with me Mangamaire School, concerning the nonerection of which there have been great complaints. Two or three very resolute Hawera Small Farm settlers insisted on the school being built near their homesteads. Others, including, we believe, the School Committee, approved of a site at the junction of the Tutaekara and Ridge roads. Now there is an agitation for a site at the Tutaekara Railway Station, and a deputation on the subject is to interview the Education Board. The latter has had a special report prepared by its inspector, and no doubt a definite decision will be arrived at.

29th June 1899 Wellington Education Board. It was decided, in response to the request of a deputation from Mangamaire to purchase a site for a school on the Ridge road.

3rd August 1899 Wellington Education Board The question of the selection of a site for the school at Mangamaire provoked a long discussion. Mr McCardle, who spoke with much warmth, strongly objected to the chairman's having acted "in direct opposition to the Board's wishes." It was decided at the last .meeting of the Board that a certain site should be selected, and after that meeting the chairman sent up a deputation without the authority of the Board to select another site. It was not, Mr- McCardle said, part of the chairman's duty to ignore the

resolutions of the Board, and he could assure the Board that the people of the 'district' viewed the whole proceedings with a good deal of misgiving. The chairman explained that a deputation had waited upon the Board and made certain representations in regard to the site. A motion was carried without, he thought, proper consideration. At all events, when he came to look into the matter, knowing the locality, as he did, he could see that the school could not be, erected on the site indicated. "He therefore considered it was his duty to inquire into the matter. With this object in view, the deputation was sent up. He had only exercised his functions as executive officer of the Board, and he would continue to do so unless he received a contrary direction from the Board. The correspondence on the subject showed that the people in the district could not agree as to a site. Mr Feist, who was one of the deputation said he was satisfied that the chairman had not acted with any feeling in the matter. while both Mr Bradey (the other member of the deputation) and Mr, Feist said they had acted impartially, and had only tried to get the difficulty solved. Mr Feist moved that the action of the chairman be confirmed, and that the report of the deputation be submitted to the Board. Mr Bradey seconded this motion. The general opinion of the members of the Board was that they should not put a reproach upon the chairman, by considering that part of the motion as to the confirmation of his action. Considerable discussion followed as to which was really the best site for the school, and finally it was decided to defer consideration of the matter until next meeting, the committee which visited the locality being, instructed to accompany it's report with plans, etc.. so that the fullest information could be placed before the Board as to the various sites.

Leave of absence for one month was granted to Miss Helen Brunton, of the Mangamaire School.

4th September 1899 Pahiatua County Council From the Education Board, acknowledging the Council's action in placing the Mangamaire gravel reserve at the Board's disposal.— Received.

7th September 1899 Wellington Education Board: Incidentally, while dealing with the Mangamaire School site report, the absence of a suitable map for the purpose of selecting school sites was noted.

26th October 1899 The Board after discussion on the much-vexed question of the Mangamaire School site, decided that a school be at once erected on the Board's site in the vicinity, and when funds are available, another' school be, erected on the reserve site at Tutaekara [I presume this means one on the hilltop on the Range Road corner. Even in the 1960's when the researcher taught at Marima School just west of Mangamaire the road from the railway line to Ridge Road was narrow and twisting. The corner of State highway 2 and Tutaekura Road was known as the Tutaekura Corner and I presume this is where the 2nd school was to be built. No school was built there]

29th November 1899 Wellington Education Board A deputation asked that a more central site should be chosen for the school at Mangamaire, but a motion by Mr. Feist that a previous resolution fixing the site should be rescinded so that the question could be reconsidered at once, was ordered to be given notice of, its Mr. Robertson objected to it being put at this meeting. Ultimately the matter had to stand over till next meeting, and those members who have not been to the site will visit it in the meantime.

1st December 1899 The vexed question of the Mangamaire school site, which has been puzzling the Wellington Education Board for nearly a year, forming the subject of deputations, reports, inspections, resolutions and debates innumerable, is not yet disposed of. At the October meeting of the Board it was thought the difficulty had been settled by deciding to erect the school on the reserve in the Masterton Hawera settlement and building a second school on the main road at Tutaekara, but at last meeting Mr Wooldridge, a Tutaekara land-owner, armed with maps, etc., waited on the Board, with the result that it has been decided to have a further inspection of the locality on Friday, December 8th.

13th December 1899 Wellington Education Board The difficulty of fixing upon a site for the school at Mangamaire was again brought up by Mr. Lawson, a settler, who had been specially sent down to represent those residents favourable to the adoption of what is known as the central site. Some of the members, during the discussion which followed the retirement of Mr. Lawson, advocated the building of the school on the "ridge" or "summit" site, and others were in favour of the site near the railway station. Ultimately it was decided that, in order to give Messrs. Buchanan and Hogg and the Rev. J. Paterson an opportunity of visiting the district, the question come up for settlement at the next meeting of the Board..

14th December 1899 Wellington Education Board Mr Lawson waited on the Board in regard to the vexed question of the site of the Mangamaire School, advising that the railway station site be selected. A long discussion ensued. Eventually Mr Feist gave notice to move the rescinding of a previous motion agreeing to build two schools in the locality, and it was decided to ask Messrs Buchanan and Hogg and the Rev J. Paterson to visit the site and report.

In 1900 and 1901 Helen Brunton taught at Ponatahi School near Carterton

1910/1378	Helen Owen Brunton	Robert	Buckley
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In 1903 Helen O Brunton was teaching at New Plymouth Central School

1900

1900	16	Mangamaire	McKinnon	Charles J		Master	£80	\$13,909
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24th January 1900 It has been arranged that the Rev James Paterson, Mr A. W. Hogg, M.H.R., and Mr W. C. Buchanan, members of the Wellington Education Board, shall visit the- Mangamaire district on Monday, the 29th inst., to make a personal inspection in connection with the school site question. The gentlemen named will arrive' by the morning train from Wellington

24th January 1900 Wellington Education Board reports There were 8 applicants for the position at Mangamaire at a salary of £90

1st February 1900 Wellington Education Board Mis Helen Brunton Resigns

1st February 1900 Mr Feist moved that all previous resolutions in regard to the Mangamaire School be rescinded. The motion was seconded by Mr Bradey and carried. Mr Buchanan thereupon moved that the Board build a school on the ridge site at Mangamaire, saying that he could not see that any resident on the flat would be placed at a disadvantage by having to send his children to a school on that site. Rev J. Paterson seconded the motion. An amendment by Mr Feist that the school be erected on the railway station site, and' seconded by Mr Hogg, was negatived by five

votes to three, and the original motion agreed to. It was decided to purchase three acres for the school site.

1st February 1900 The Ridge site -was chosen for the Mangamaire School, and it was decided that the Board should acquire three acres for the purpose at a- cost of £25.

7th February 1900 Mr. McKinnon, now pupil teacher at Petone School, to go to Mangamaire School

8th February 1900 After an exciting discussion before the Education Board, the Mangamaire School, which has been sitting about like a dissolving view for about twelve months, has again reached a critical stage. The people of the district are severely divided as to where the school should be placed, A long, lofty limestone range divides the main road and railway of the Forty Mile Bu-h from the valley of the Mangahao. Naturally, the families near the railway want the school convenient to the railway station, but the settlers of the valley, though few and far between. have been vigorously trying to pull it over the range. The chairman, the inspectors and the members of the Board have all visited the locality in detachments, but, like the settlers, they agreed to differ.' The latest detachment, Messrs Hogg, Paterson and Buchanan, went over the ground on Monday, accompanied by the fathers and guardians. " They were split- up by rival buggies, and had a brisk tunc travelling over opposition, courses. The final tug-of-war occurred in the Boardroom yesterday, when the chairman, Messrs Hogg, Feist and Bradey pronounced themselves strongly in favour of the site at the railway station, bur, were defeated by the other members of the Board, a resolution that the school be built on the crown of the range being carried

23rd February 1900 Mr T R Fleming, Wellington Education Board inspector to inspect Mangamaire on the 19th March

26th April 1900 he tender of Mr. Peter Connell at £173 15s was accepted for the erection of the new school at Mangamaire.

18th June 1900 Mr. Archibald McDougall, Clerk of Works for the Board of Education, left for the Wairarapa this morning for' the purpose of inspecting the schoolhouses in course of construction at Mangamaire and Nikau,

1901

1901	23	Mangamaire	McKinnon	Charles J		Master	£122	\$20,596
1901	23	Mangamaire	Lawson	Kate		Sewing	£5	\$844

31st January 1901 Proposed salary change C J McKinnon Presently £75 a rise of £15 to be expected

7th February 1901 In a long piece about teacher salaries was this: Returning to the increases themselves, the teacher at Mangamaire, where the attendance was sixteen, and increasing, was receiving £70, and he was to get an increase of £15 while the teacher at Alfredton, where the attendance had fallen off, was receiving £80, and was to get an increase of £20. .Mr Hogben stated that the certificate of the Mangamaire teacher was E4 while that of the teacher at Alfredton was E1. They had made a deduction of I per cent, for each letter and of 4 per rent, for each figure, so that there should have been a difference of 8 per cent, between

the salaries if the schools were the same size. The Alfredton School, however, had three more pupils.

27th February 1901 Teachers who are entitled to a salary increase but not getting one included Mr McKinnon: C. McKinnon , Mangamaire, £90 ; £10

28th February 1901 Mr T R Fleming will be attending Mangamaire on the 15th March

21st March 1901 New salary scale Mangamaire Roll 21 Sole Teacher new salary £110 a rise of £30

29th August 1901 Mrs Lawson appointed sewing teacher at Mangamaire

31 August 1901 Wellington Education Board were in the process of sacking Inspector Lee. Ironically he was after losing his job voted onto the Wellington Education Board and by 1905 was the chairman[Basically the Board didn't like being told when they were wrong]: Here is an extract from a long article presented by Mr Lee in his defence.

Lastly, I may remind the Board of the very unsatisfactory results which have come about in many cases by not seeking, and in some instances by not taking the advice of their inspectors at the opening of new schools and in the selection of sites for them. Take for instance Mangamaire, to which remote place all the members of the Board in several conditions journeyed over 200 miles to decide between the merits of a ridge - ' and a "station" site, and finally, it was decided by a narrow majority that the wrong site should be taken, and that in direct opposition to the advice of the inspector sent out in the first instance to report thereon. Take again the cases of the erection of the Pahaua and Mangapakeha schoolhouses substantial, fully equipped buildings, erected two years ago or more —one of which has never been used, and the other only for short periods of time.....

1902-1904

1902	27	Mangamaire	Stanton	Catherine M		Female	£110	\$18,144
1903	27	Mangamaire	Stanton	Catherine M		Female	£124	\$20,554
1904	27	Mangamaire	Stanton	Catherine M		Female	£124	\$20,541

27th February 1902 Wellington Education Board he Mangamaire School Committee was granted £3 12s for gravel.

28th August 1902 With regard to the appointment of a first assistant teacher at Newtown Mr. C. J. McKinnon, of Mangamaire, was appointed, the recommendation of the Newtown Committee that Mr. Ballachey should be promoted to the position receiving only the support of Mr. Lee.

Appointments were made to the Masterton District High School, Te Aro, Mangamaire, Featherston South.....

23rd November 1904 Miss C. M. Stanton, at present mistress of the Mangamaire school, has been appointed assistant mistress at Featherston.

1905-1907

1905	42	Mangamaire	Scott	William W	E2	Master	£156	\$24,671
1906	37	Mangamaire	Scott	William W	E2	Headmaster	£165	\$25,643
1906	37	Mangamaire	Sheppard	Alexa I	E3	Assistant Female	£85	\$13,210
1907	29	Mangamaire	Scott	William W	E2	Headmaster	£165	\$25,867

William W Scott started teaching for the Wellington Education Board at Greytown in 1900. In 1902 he was at Karori School in Wellington. Mangamaire called in 1905 until about 1908 when he was at Pahiatua School until about 192 when he was head of Nireaha School where he was until at least 1923

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1910/5603	Edith Meldrum	Hickson	William White	Scott
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Alexa I Shepherd taught at Bideford in 1893 and Korora In 1895 and then at Mangamaire in 1906 In 1919 Alexa Isabella Shepherd was on the Auckland electoral roll. I can find no other trace of her.

16th January 1906 The Wellington Education Board has overhauled the boundaries of the various school districts, with the result that about forty divisions have been dealt with. Among the districts that have had their boundaries amended is that of Mangamaire, over which there has been a lot of conflict. The boundaries of that district East and West are now the Mangatainoka and Mangahao rivers. On the South the boundary is the Pukewhai-road, and the Northern boundary is section 31, block X, and section 17, Block XI, Mangahao S.D. The north eastern corner, including sections 2a and 5a, has been attached to Konini at the request of the Konini School Committee, as there are several families there that attend the Konini School. It is assumed that the inclusion of the country between the two principal rivers in one school district, will enable the residents to elect a School Committee that will do something like justice to the families whose comfort and convenience should be a first consideration.

4th June 1905 A ladies' hockey club has been successfully initiated at Konni, and practice takes place on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons on the Konui [Sic Konini] football ground. Miss M. Verry was elected to the position of secretary, and Mr Scott, of Mangamaire, consented to act as coach.

27th October 1905 The Mangamaire parents and their School Committee are memorialising the Education Board to move the School building from its lofty and inconvenient perch, on the top of range overlooking the Mangahao Valley, to a site near the railway station, where most of the families reside. The Board before taking action is seeking an estimate of the cost of sliding the school house down the incline.

26th January 1906 Wellington Education Board It was decided to call for tenders for the removal of the Mangamaire School

6th March 1906 During the coming year the Wellington Education Board proposes to effect repairs to the schools at Mangahao. Mangamahoe, Tane, Wairere, Kakariki. Pongaroa, Alfredton, Hamua, Hastwell, Ihuraua, Mangamaire, Nikau, Scarborough, Eketahuna and Rakaunui

7th March 1906 Godfrey accepted for tender by Wellington Education Board

14th March 1906 Female assistant at Mangamaire School Miss Florence Chapman [By the end of 1906 Florence Chapman was not teaching at any New Zealand state school]

27th April 1906 The Mangamaire removal contract has been signed by Wellington Education Board

27th July 1906 Miss F M Chapman given 1 months leave of absence

31st August 1906 Miss F M Chapman leave of absence until after Xmas holidays

1st February 1907 Wellington Education Board The Land and Survey Department reported that the school site at Mangamaire had been vested in the Board.

6th April 1906 Exhibition camp at Christchurch over 500 boys went from Wellington Wharf. Sixteen Lads from the Mangamaire School under Captain Scott also took part in the parade

1908-1915

1908	22	Mangamaire	Reid	Margaret	E3	Female	£144	\$22,575	
1909	28	Mangamaire	MacKellar	Jean L	D3	Female	£120	\$19,069	
1910	29	Mangamaire	MacKellar	Jean Logan	D3	Female	£150	\$23,516	
1911	29	Mangamaire	MacKellar	Jean Logan	D3	Female	£155	\$24,513	
1912	31	Mangamaire	MacKellar	Jean Logan	D2	Female	£160	\$24,538	
1913	29	Mangamaire	MacKellar	Jean Logan	D2	Female	£165	\$24,750	Provided
1914	26	Mangamaire	MacKellar	Jean Logan	D2	Female	£175	\$25,055	Provided
1915	26	Mangamaire	MacKellar	Jean Logan	D2	Female	£180	\$24,111	Provided

Provided means a school residence was provided

Margaret Reid only taught for the Wellington Education Board for the year at Mangamaire

26th March 1908 One of the sufferers by the ravages of the recent bush fires is the teacher in charge of the small school at Mangamaire, in the Forty Mile Bush district, near Pahiatua. The whare in which he was "batching" was burnt, and the unfortunate teacher lost things, and, to add to his misfortunes, there was no insurance. This teacher has now applied to the Education Board for relief.

27th March 1908 Wellington Education Board An application from the head teacher at Mangamaire School for relief for loss by fire was declined,

19th May 1908 School committee elections always give the Philadelphia lawyer a "day out." Surprising are the points of law which crop up over the apparently simple operation of appointing seven or more householders to administer the local affairs of the State school- An explicit and well-drawn Education Act provides an excellent guide but the brain of the critical householder evolves problems which are not always easy to solve by statute. In Wellington education district is the Mangamaire school, to be administered by a committee, to which only three members have so far been elected.. Three do not form a quorum, so the trio cannot legally transact committee business. What does the Act say about the difficulty? It declares that the old committee remains in office until a new one is elected. So far, excellent; but supposing the householders neglect, as the people at Mangamaire did, to appoint sufficient persons to constitute a legal committee? Here the resourceful Act comes in again with a provision that if householders have not elected the full number of members by June 1st, the Education Board shall appoint householders to fill the vacancies, and this will apparently have to be done.

23rd June 1908 A trap accident occurred at Pahiatua on Saturday night. While Mr White Scott, schoolmaster, of Mangamaire, was driving into Pahiatua, he was met by a milk cart, owned by Mr Whitton, a collision occurring just on the outskirts of the Borough, v on Konini

Road. The vehicle driven by Mr Scott, was overturned, and the driver thrown out on to his head. A nasty wound was inflicted, which necessitated several stitches being put in.

6th October 1908 Mr W W Scott of Mangamaire to be assistant at Pahiatua

12th October 1908 Mr W. White Scott, of Mangamaire, has been appointed assistant master at the Pahiatua District High School in place of Mr J. S. Webb, who has been appointed to the Tokomaru School

5th November 1908 At a meeting of the Mangamaire School Committee, a motion was passed condemning the action of the Wellington Education Board in submitting the names of lady teachers from Sydney and Melbourne and refusing to let the committee consider the applications of a number ,of teachers trained under the board at the expense of the Dominion. The opinion was freely expressed that the action of the board was most unpatriotic and unjust towards its own servants. No final selection was made by the committee,

6th November 1908 A statement attributed to the Mangamaire School Committee appeared in a Press Association telegram from Pahiatua in yesterday's issue of The Post, to the effect that in the selection of teachers for the Mangamaire School, the Wellington Education Board had sent forward to the committee names of teachers from Melbourne and Sydney to the exclusion of names of teachers trained at the expense of the Dominion. We have been requested to point out that the statement made is not in accordance with the facts of the case and is evidently made under a misapprehension as to the powers of the board. It has been explained to us that of the sixteen applicants for the position, while all had some qualification and some experience, only five possessed full certificates and were qualified for appointment. Of these five the names and papers of four were transmitted to the committee, the fifth being included in the selected list for a vacancy in another school. Of the four mentioned, two were in the service of the Wellington Education Board ; the third has had over thirteen years' experience in New Zealand, though it happens that at present she is in Sydney ; the fourth was trained in Victoria but is now resident in New Zealand. It is pointed out that it may be true that some of the applicants are doing good work, but the board cannot legally appoint them to positions for which there are fully certificated applicants.

22nd December 1908 The annual picnic of the Mangamaire School was held on Friday last, and in the evening a social was held in the schoolroom. The floor was in excellent order, and good] music was supplied by Messrs Lucas and Baucke, while extras were played by Mr and Miss Bryant, of Marima. Supper was supplied by the ladies, Mrs P., feed, Mrs Baucke and Miss Goggin, feeling in charge of that •department Miss Carter sang "Gone but not forgotten. Mr P. Neilson acted as M.G. An enjoyable social •was brought to a close about 2 o'clock in the morning by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

23rd February 1909 Travelling further on to Mangamaire, a great change is seen there, and only one of the old landmarks remain in the shape of a small house about half-a-mile from the station. The timber for this house was years ago trucked to Eketahuna from Masterton and taken from there to Mangamaire by brake and sledge. This place was the general stopping place for store brakes, the road from there to Marima and Nikau only allowing stores to be delivered by means of pack horses. A creamery, a branch of the Masterton Butter Factory, is erected near the station, and cream railed daily to Masterton, and the same is done from the Nikau Creamery. Bridges over the Mangatainoka and Mangahao rivers have "been erected, and farmers who have purchased farms in these districts are doing well

24th June 1909 Wellington Education Board decided to apply to Department for money to build a residence

21st July 1909 A meeting of the Rexdale Dairy Company was held in the Mangamaire School last evening, Mr E. Bodmin presiding. The Provisional Directors reported the purchase of the Masterton Dairy Company's creamery near the railway station at a satisfactory figure to the new Company.

In 1905 Miss J L McKellar was teaching at Moa Creek in Otago. She then turned up at Mangamaire and taught there to about 1915 before being at Northland [Wellington] School in 1917 and Newtown/hospital school up to 1919. By 1923 she was teaching in Auckland at Nelson Street School,

1962/32583	Mackellar Jean Logan	87Y
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1st April 1910 The Mangamaire School Committee is applying for the erection of a teacher's residence

8th April 1910 The search for Powelka: The Masterton police motored to Mangamaire and examined the station and school for traces of the fugitive but none were forthcoming, and they went on to Marima. They stopped at the bridge and watched till day break. when, they proceeded to Makomako. where the patrols were concentrated this morning. About forty constables are engaged in the search at present, and more are hourly expected. It is probable that the Tararua ranges will be the scene of the patrol to-day. There are no fresh developments-

27th April 1910 Wellington Education Board Water tanks were authorised to be supplied from, stock to the schools at Ballance, Mangamaire, and Judgeford

28th April 1910 he Education Department has notified the Wellington Education Board that the following school grants have been approved :—Hukanui, purchase and enlargements to residence, £000 ; Kaiparoro, residence. £420; Mangamaire, residence, £420.

29th June 1910 Wellington Education Board The clerk of works was instructed to report upon the offer of Mr. Pownall of a residence at Mangamaire.

31st August 1910 Wellington Education Board It was decided to erect a new residence at Mangamaire

31st August 1910 The tender of Mr C. E. Daniell, of Masterton, has been accepted by the Wellington Education Board for the erection of school residences at Gladstone and Mangamaire. The price of each tender was £424.

28th September 1910 Wellington Education Board Mangamaire, clearing residence site, £2 1s.

27th October 1910 Chief Inspector Fleming, of the Education Board, visited the Mangamaire School yesterday.

30th November 1910 Miss Mackellar granted leave of absence

27th April 1911 School Committee MANGAMAIRE.— Messrs E. Bodmin (chairman and secretary), P. C. Neilsen, (treasurer), T. Mulhane, P. Lawson and W. Morrison.

1st May 1912 Wellington Education Board Mangamaire Chimney Pot

28th August 1912 Wellington Education Board gates and repair fencing

13th March 1913 The special prizes awarded at the Mangamaire School have been won as follows: —Best work among boys, 1912, Vivian Wills and A. Royle; best work among girls,

Alice Woods; recitation and reading, Mona Lawson and Eileen Mulhane; best work amongst girls and boys below standard III. Eileen Lawson and Annie Neilsen, equal; sewing prizes, Gladys Christiansen, Minnie Huntley, Alice Woods, and Lena Lawson.

11th April 1913 Visit of Battleship HMS New Zealand to Wellington these arrangements do not include schools from Mangamaire northward on the Wairarapa line. Children from thee? including schools of the Pahiatua district, and schools beyond Ashurst in the Wanganui district, it is proposed to convey to Napier on a date to be fixed after the arrival of the battleship in New Zealand waters.

23rd April 1913 Wellington schools, from Mangamaire northward, will join with the schools from Ashurst in an excursion to Napier on Friday to see the New Zealand. The train will leave Mangamaire 6.30 a.m.. arrive at Napier at 12 10 p.m. and return at 4.55 p.m.. Teachers and children will travel free, and members of school committees at excursion rates. Parents would do well to provide their children making the trip with sufficient lunch for the day. The children will be conveyed from the Napier wharf to the New Zealand by the Tutanekai.

28th May 1913 Mr Hogg had the following returns of rolls at Wellington Education Board schools including

	1900	'1912
Mangamaire	18	31
Marima	—	15
Nikau	28	17
Konini	66	61
Hukanui	44	54

14th Jun 1913 In a long piece on school amalgamation was this comment: Take a case in point. In- the Forty Mile Bush district, near Pahiatua are four small schools that might well be consolidated Nireaha, Marima, Mangamaire, and Konini. Only a matter of three miles, or a very little over, separates Mangamaire from each of the others I have named, while four miles to the South of Mangamaire is Hamua. Suppose some central point were fixed—even if only the Mangamaire, Marima, and Nireaha schools were grouped—a school could be established at that point to which with its larger attendance, and consequent elevation in grade, the appointment of headteacher would carry an attractive salary. The result would be obvious. In the case of children in outlying parts of the district, suitable arrangements could be made for their conveyance. , This problem of the rural school is a pressing one and should not be deferred. The marvel is that the farmers have not seen, this long ago,

1916-1923

1917	15	Mangamaire	Clifford	Olive	Sole	D-96	£140	\$15,691
1919	8	Mangamaire	Morrison	Margaret	Sole		£170	\$15,358
1921	33	Mangamaire	Haggo	Mabel D Mrs	Sole	C	£250	\$21,523
1923	19	Mangamaire	Orr	Margaret F M	Lic	Reliever	£125	\$11,489

14th August 1916 Miss MacKellar [Sic], of the Mangamaire school, has been appointed to a position in the Northland school, Wellington.

5th September 1916 The settlers of Mangamaire tendered a farewell social to Miss McKellar, teacher of the school there, and presented her with a gold wristlet watch. The old pupils presented her with a silver manicure set, and the present pupils two handsome scent bottles.

11th October 1916 Miss O Clifford appointed Sole Teacher

In 1909 to 1911 Olive Clifford was a pupil teacher at Tokomaru, North of Levin

Then in 1915 she was at Castlepoint. Then following her stint at Mangamaire she was at the Roseneath/Haitaitai School at least to 1919 but probably later

1890/10367	Clifford Olive Isabel	Sarah Emily	Frederick Augustus
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1921/1272	Olive Isabel	Clifford	Leonard	Scholes
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27th May 1919 Miss O G Clifford resigns

15th August 1919 Presentation and Farewell. A pleasant afternoon and evening was spent at the Mangamaire School, on the eve of the breaking up for the winter holidays. It took the shape, of a "surprise party" by the children to their teacher, Miss Clifford, who has been appointed to the Roseneath School in Wellington, which position she takes up after the holidays. The children sang several patriotic songs, and also gave some recitations, after which they provided a dainty afternoon tea. Mr. P. Lawson the chairman of the School Committee; presented Miss Clifford with several useful presents on behalf of the children and referred to the good work done by Miss Clifford during her three years' stay in Mangamaire and the excellent report that Miss Clifford had received from the inspectors. Mr. Lawson also took the opportunity of presenting Miss Clifford with a fountain pen on behalf, of the committee, and referred to the excellent relation between Miss Clifford and the committee. Miss Clifford suitably responded. The young people of the district gathered in the evening to give Miss Clifford a farewell dance. Miss Clifford and Miss Lawson are visiting friends in the South Island

5th September Miss M Morrison appointed to Mangamaire

Margaret Morrison spent 1909 at Levin DHS in. Then in 1911 she was at Eketahuna, then Lansdowne; then Eketahuna for three years then in 1915 Sole Teacher at Dreyer's Rock. By 1917 she was an assistant at Nireaha before coming to Mangamaire

21st October 1920 Miss M Morrison resigns

In 1921 Mrs Haggio was in Mangamaire and in 1923 she was teaching at Waihakeke

1971/30391	Haggio	Mabel Dorothy	76Y
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From 1935 at least Mabel Dorothy lived in the Waikato according to the electoral roll. She is buried at Hamilton Cemetery

13th June 1931 Just for interest DOMESTIC'S PLUCKY ACTION. (By Telegraph.—Own Correspondent.) HAMILTON, (this day. The pluck of a domestic servant saved three children from death when a house at Puketaha was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. When the children were rescued the room in which they were sleeping was full of smoke and flames were bursting through the door. ~ The house was the school teacher's cottage, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. Haggio. Mr. Haggio, who is a shunter at Frankton Junction, was

on night shift, and Mrs. Haggio was sleeping in a tent with Miss Mabel Jones, who is employed as a domestic, the children being alone in the house. Mrs. Haggio and Miss Jones were awakened by the sound of crackling wood and of something falling inside the house, and they found the cottage blazing fiercely. The children were sound asleep in the front bedroom, and Miss Jones pluckily entered the room through the window and got them to safety. But for Miss Jones' prompt action the children must have perished. The house, which was built ten years ago, was owned by the Education Department.

15th October 1941 schoolteacher from Taumarunui. Mabel Dorothy Haggio, married, aged 46, appeared before the Chief Justice, Sir Michael Myers, to-day, on a charge of stealing on August 16, a pair of corsets valued at £2 7s 6d, the property of Messrs. F. C. House and Company, Limited, of Taumarunui. The accused, who pleaded not guilty, was represented by Mr. Strang. Mr. FitzGerald prosecuted. Evidence was given that a pair of corsets which were missed from the offices of F. C. House and Company, Limited, after a visit by the accused, were later found in her possession. The accused said in evidence that the corsets found in her case had been handed to her on approval on August 15. She visited the shop on the next day and purchased one pair of corsets but had not returned those in question because she had not received a credit slip for them. She went to the shop in the afternoon of August 16 to return the corsets and obtain a credit slip, and it was then that she was questioned by a police constable about the theft of the article.

After an hour's retirement, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

Post 1923

5th May 1926 School Committee Mangamaire— A very small meeting of householders was held at Mangamaire. All the old committee were re-elected, comprising Messrs. R. Lawson (chairman), H. Broadbent (secretary and treasurer), J. Brosanhan, P. Lucas, and L. Wills.

11th January 1930 Rita Alison Williams Mangamaire school was the only winner from List 2 schools with 571 marks which would have placed her 2nd in the List 1 Wellington Education Board schools

3rd October 1933 Mrs G C Baskette Sole Teacher Mangamaire appointed

23rd August 1934 Mrs Baskette, teacher at the Mangamaire School, is spending a few days in Wellington and Napier.

26th June 1935 In continuation of the Bush Rugby Union's junior competition on Saturday Konini heat United B—4 and Hukanui won from Mangatainoka l>v default. In recent school games the Konini midgets beat the Mangamaire School by 21 points to nil and the Konini primary team beat Convent School, 21—14.

20th July 1936 A junior Red Cross class has been established at the Mangamaire School and is making good progress

5th May 1938 Mangamaire householders, through the chairman, Mr M. Lawson, congratulated Mrs Bruce and her assistants, Miss B. McPherson, upon their splendid work at the school. On behalf of the retiring committee, Mr Lawson asked Mrs Bruce to accept a piece of Indian work of art as a token of goodwill.

23rd December 1938 Adoption of Chinese Refugee Children Mangamaire School 17s 6d

19th August 1943 New School For Mangamaire.

Authority has been received by the Wellington Education Board to acquire a site of four acres for a new school at Mangamaire, near Pahiatua. The board has been requested to submit to the Education Department a sketch plan and estimate of the cost of providing a building on the open-air principle, containing two standard class-rooms, and other facilities. The Minister has suggested that consideration be given to the removal of the existing school building to the new site for use as a dining-room and playroom

National Archives: Buildings and Sites: Mangamaire 1900 500 Square Feet
1947 1 room 1248 Square Feet in total the old room removed
1911 residence 5 rooms Bathroom, Washhouse Scullery. 1202 Square Feet
1950 Added 126 Square Feet washhouse and 180 Square Feet Garage
Sec 18 Area 2 acres
Old school on Corner of Range Road still on site but not mentioned on card

1909-1949

1st July 1909 Miss J L MacKellar [

Letter to Secretary of Education which the Department told her she should have written to the Wellington Education Board

- a) Asking for a train fare from Eketahuna to Mangamaire
- b) I am sole teacher
- c) There is no place to board
- d) I have to live in Eketahuna and travel 12 miles by train every day
- e) The former teacher at Mangamaire Mr Scott rode daily from Pahiatua to Mangamaire
- f) My salary of £120 does not allow me the expenditure of a horse
- g) A bicycle is useless in this weather
- h) At present a monthly season ticket or a fifty trip ticket (Second Class) cost me 5 shillings per week and as my Board in Eketahuna is expensive
- i) As my ticket recently expired could I have answer as soon as possible

July 1909 Wellington Education Board applies for a school residence

Section 52 Block X Mangahao. Area 3 acres 3 roods

The Inspectors are unanimously of the opinion that in the interests of the school the building should be erected

Mangamaire School built in 1900

That in interests of the school the building should be erected

1st April 1910 Department agrees to the erection of a residence

17th December 1910 A Bonus payment for erection is made

March 1911 final Payment made

Then no more until 1937

27th September 1937 Application for erection of 11 bicycle stalls

1938 Application for 4 light points, 1 hot point, 3 radio points

One new shelter shed

2 Shackleton air heaters

14th September 1938 Erection of New School

Roll 39 1934 25, 1935 25 1936 36 Staff 6 miles from Pahiatua

9th November 1938 Mr R Lawson from the School Committee wrote to Member of Parliament

- a) Wrote asking for a new school or an enlargement
- b) The present school is a very old one with a small classroom
- c) We were advised the Education Board had made an application to the Department for a grant
- d) The present school is crowded and with two teachers it makes very inconvenient for teaching

1st December 1938 The Department is waiting for the Wellington Education Board to get back to them with suggestions

In a dept Memorandum drafted for a reply contained

The school had been built in the wrong way so as to the maximum exclusion of Sunshine
The building could only contain one teacher

20th December 1938 The school is placed on the urgent list for renewal

27th January 1939 Department asks whether Mangamaire should be amalgamated with Pahiatua. Wellington Education Board There is local objection

19th October 1939 The Wellington Education Board offered to pay half the costs of the latrines and outbuildings

25th February 1940 Mr Lawson to the Member of Parliament saying the Department is at fault for not building the new school

31st October 1940 Wellington Education Board advise that working drawings for a two roomed school have been completed, The roll is now 53 and these children and two teachers are in one classroom 25 foot x 20 foot [7.62 metres x 6.06 Metres]

4th November `1940 Working drawings have been done and tenders close to being called

27th November 1940 Director Of Education suddenly announces that maybe the school should be on a new site

22nd July 1941 Acquisition of a new site is recommended by Wellington Education Board
Mr Hewitt's land

New Section is on corner of Tutaekura Road and Mangamaire Road [Where the school was up till closing]

UPTO 16th September 1941